# User's Guide for FORTRAN Dynamic Optimisation Code DYNO

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#### Abstract

DYNO is a set of FORTRAN 77 subroutines for determination of optimal control trajectory with unknown parameters given the description of the process, the cost to be minimised, subject to equality and inequality constraints.

The actual optimal control problem is solved via control vector parameterisation. That is, the original continuous control trajectory is approximated by a sequence of linear combinations of some basis functions. It is assumed that the basis functions are known and optimised are the coefficients of the linear combinations. In addition, each segment of the control sequence is defined on a time interval whose length itself may also be subject to optimisation. Finally, a set of time independent parameters may influence the process model and can also be optimised.

It is assumed, that the optimised dynamic model is described by a set of ordinary differential equations.

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## Changes to previous versions

- **Version 1.2** The main change was support for automatic differentiation and implementation of ADIFOR.
  - info(16): The input array info has one more element specifying the AD usage.
  - A new file has to be linked with DYNO: Either adifno.f if info(16)=0 or adifyes.f otherwise.
  - Documentation includes new section about usage of ADIFOR.
  - Examples are implemented both with and without AD tools.

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# Chapter 1

# Introduction

The speed of computers has enabled to solve many engineering problems that were not possible to deal with in the past. One of them is optimal control for dynamic systems. Many engineering problems fall into the scope of this formulation. Although the problem has received much attention in the literature, not many computer implementations currently exists. For this reason, we have developed the dynamic optimisation software package DYNO (DYNnamic Optimisation).

The main aim of this report is to be a user manual. However, it also gives the theoretical foundations of the algorithms used so that the code and its usage is more comprehensible for the user.

## 1.1 Problem Formulation

### 1.1.1 System and Cost Description

Consider an ordinary differential system (ODE) system described by the following equations

$$\dot{\boldsymbol{x}} = \boldsymbol{f}(t, \boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{u}, \boldsymbol{p}), \qquad \boldsymbol{x}(t_0) = \boldsymbol{x}_0(\boldsymbol{p})$$
(1.1)

where t denotes time from the interval  $[t_0, t_P]$ ,  $\boldsymbol{x} \in \mathcal{R}_{n_x}$  is the vector of differential variables,  $\boldsymbol{u} \in \mathcal{R}_{n_u}$  is the vector of controls, and  $\boldsymbol{p} \in \mathcal{R}_{n_p}$  is the vector of parameters. The vector valued function  $\boldsymbol{f} \in \mathcal{R}_{n_x}$  describes the right hand sides of differential equations. We suppose that the initial conditions of the process can be a function of the parameters.

We assume that the (originally continuous) control can be approximated as piece-wise constant on P time intervals

$$\boldsymbol{u}(t) = \boldsymbol{u}_j, \quad t_{j-1} \le t < t_j \tag{1.2}$$

and we denote the interval lengths by  $\Delta t_j = t_j - t_{j-1}$ .

Consider now the criterion to be minimised  $J_0$  and constraints  $J_i$  of the form

$$J_0 = G_0(t_j, \boldsymbol{x}(t_1), \dots, \boldsymbol{x}(t_P), \boldsymbol{u}(t_1), \dots, \boldsymbol{u}(t_P), \boldsymbol{p}) + \int_{t_0}^{t_P} F_0(t, \boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{u}, \boldsymbol{p}) dt$$
(1.3)

$$J_i = G_i(t_j, \boldsymbol{x}(t_1), \dots, \boldsymbol{x}(t_P), \boldsymbol{u}(t_1), \dots, \boldsymbol{u}(t_P), \boldsymbol{p}) + \int_{t_0}^{t_P} F_i(t, \boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{u}, \boldsymbol{p}) dt$$
(1.4)

where the constraints are for i = 1, ..., m, (*m* is the number of constraints). In the sequel we will assume that the constraints are ordered such that the first  $m_e$  are equality constraints of the form  $J_i = 0$  and the last  $m_i = m - m_e$  constraints are inequalities of the form  $J_i \ge 0$ .

The further constraints that are considered include simple bounds of the form

$$\begin{aligned}
\boldsymbol{u}_{j} &\in [\boldsymbol{u}_{j}^{\min}, \boldsymbol{u}_{j}^{\max}] \\
\Delta t_{j} &\in [\Delta t_{j}^{\min}, \Delta t_{j}^{\max}] \\
\boldsymbol{p} &\in [\boldsymbol{p}^{\min}, \boldsymbol{p}^{\max}]
\end{aligned} \tag{1.5}$$

### 1.1.2 Optimised Variables

The optimised variables  $\boldsymbol{y}$  are parameters  $\boldsymbol{p}$ , piece-wise constant parametrisation of control  $\boldsymbol{u}_j$ , and time interval lengths  $\Delta t_j$ . The reason for utilising  $\Delta t_j$  instead of  $t_j$  is simpler description of the bounds (lower bound is usually a small positive number for  $\Delta t_j$ ). Also, simple bounds are more easily handled by NLP solvers.

Hence the vector  $\boldsymbol{y} \in \mathcal{R}_q$  of optimised variables is given as

$$\boldsymbol{y}^{T} = (\Delta t_{1}, \dots, \Delta t_{P}, \boldsymbol{u}_{1}^{T}, \dots, \boldsymbol{u}_{P}^{T}, \boldsymbol{p}^{T}).$$
(1.6)

**Example 1** (Minimum time problem for a linear system). Consider a system described by a second order linear time invariant equation

$$y''(t) + 2y'(t) + y(t) = u(t), \quad y'(0) = 0, y(0) = 0$$
(1.7)

and the task is to minimise the final time  $t_f$  to obtain a new stationary state characterised by  $y'(t_f) = 0$ ,  $y(t_f) = 1$ , and subject to the constraints on control  $u \in [-0.5, 1.5]$ . Let us divide the total optimisation time  $t_f$  for example into 3 intervals where the control can be assumed to be constant. We can define the optimisation problem with the unknown variables  $u_1, u_2, u_3, \Delta t_1, \Delta t_2, \Delta t_3$ .

Rewriting the system equation into two first order ODE's and specifying the constraints gives

$$\begin{aligned}
x_1' &= x_2, & x_1(0) = 0 \\
x_2' &= u - x_1 - 2x_2, & x_2(0) = 0 \\
J_0 &= \Delta t_1 + \Delta t_2 + \Delta t_3 \\
J_1 &= x_1(t_3) - 1 & & & & & \\
J_2 &= x_2(t_3) & & & & & \\
u_i &\in [-0.5, 1.5], & i = 1, 2, 3 \\
\Delta t_i &\geq 0, & i = 1, 2, 3
\end{aligned}$$
(1.8)

# Chapter 2

# **Optimal Control Problems**

We discuss here some types of problems that can be solved by the package.

## 2.1 Control Parameterisation

It might seem that the piece-wise constant control parameterisation can be too imprecise in certain situation and that it cannot approximate closely enough the original continuous type trajectory.

Of course, one can take the number of time intervals P sufficiently large to obtain finer resolution. However, this will add to complexity of the master NLP problem, possibly find many local minima or it will results in convergence problems.

However, also any other parameterisation can be reformulated for the problem with piece-wise constant controls. Consider for example piece-wise linear control of the form

$$u(t) = a + bt \tag{2.1}$$

It is clear, that the coefficients a, b can serve as new commands. Hence  $u_1, u_2$  in

$$\boldsymbol{u}(t) = u_1 + u_2 t \tag{2.2}$$

are new control variables.

Another useful parameterisation is by the Lagrange polynomials. These are defined as

$$P_j(t) = \prod_{i=0,j}^{N} \frac{t - t_i}{t_j - t_i}$$
(2.3)

where N is the degree of the polynomial  $P_j(t)$  and the notation i = 0, j denotes i starting from zero and  $i \neq j$ .

The times  $t_i$  are usually specified as the roots of the Legendre polynomials (Villadsen and Michelsen, 1978; Cuthrell and Biegler, 1989).

The control parameterisation can then be expressed as

$$u(t) = \sum_{j=1}^{N} \bar{u}_j \psi_j(t), \quad \psi_j(t) = \prod_{i=1,j}^{N} \frac{t - t_i}{t_j - t_i}$$
(2.4)

and the elements  $\bar{u}_i$  serve as piece-wise constant control variables in the optimisation. The advantage of the Lagrange polynomials follows from the fact, that

 $u(t_i) = \bar{u}_i \tag{2.5}$ 

and thus the coefficients  $\bar{u}_j$  are physically meaningful quantities. This is useful as their bounds are the same as the bounds on the original control.

### 2.1.1 Piece-wise Continuous Control

By default, control variables across the time intervals are considered as independent. There are however, situations, when it is desired that the overall control trajectory remains continuous. There are two possible solutions:

1. Add constraints on control across time boundaries of the form

$$\boldsymbol{u}(t_i^-) = \boldsymbol{u}(t_i^+) \tag{2.6}$$

This adds P-1 equality constraints (each of dimension of the control vector). As these constraints do not contain states, no adjoint system of equations has to be generated for them. However, NLP solver can have convergence problems due to a large number of equality constraints.

2. Add a new state variable for each element of the control vector. It will represent control. Thus, its initial value has to be optimised (control at time  $t_0$ ) and its derivative is equal to the control approximation derivative. Assuming for example linear control parameterisation of the form  $u_j = a_j + b_j t$ , the differential equation of the new state is given as

$$\dot{x}^u = b_j, \quad x(t_0) = a_1$$
(2.7)

and  $x^u$  replaces all occurrences of control u in the process and cost equations. The optimised parameters are then  $b_1, \ldots, b_P, a_1$  – the slopes and the initial value.

## 2.2 State Path Constraints

State path constraints are usually of the form

 $g(\boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{u}, \boldsymbol{p}, t) \geq 0, \quad t \in [t_0, t_P]$  (2.8)

 $g(\boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{u}, \boldsymbol{p}, t) = 0, \quad t \in [t_0, t_P]$  (2.9)

and are in general very difficult to be satisfied along the desired time range. There are several methods that can deal with these constraints by either removing them or transforming them to the form (1.3). To do so, it is important to use only such kinds of transformations, that do not introduce non-smooth (non-differentiable) behaviour.

### 2.2.1 Equality Constraints

These constraints impose relations between state and control variables. The consequence is that some of the control variables, or rather their linear combinations cannot be regarded as optimised variables, and the number of degrees of freedom in optimisation decreases.

The first possible method when dealing with equality constraints that depend directly on control variables is to try to find explicitly the dependence of control on states and replace the corresponding control in the state and cost equations.

If the constraints do not depend directly on control variables or this dependence is difficult to specify explicitly, one can use a general method of converting the path constraint to integral constraint. To do so, a new state variable is defined as

$$\dot{x}^{g} = g(\boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{u}, \boldsymbol{p}, t), \quad x^{g}(0) = 0$$
(2.10)

and this differential equation is appended to other state equations. If the equality constraint holds, the derivative is zero all the time and one can define an integral constraint of the form

$$J^{g} = \int_{t_{0}}^{t_{P}} \left(\dot{x}^{g}\right)^{2} \mathrm{d}t = \int_{t_{0}}^{t_{P}} \left(g\right)^{2} \mathrm{d}t = 0$$
(2.11)

If the integral constraint is zero, then the equality constraint holds.

Due to the convergence reasons of the NLP, the equality is often relaxed to

$$J^{g} = \int_{t_0}^{t_P} g^2 \mathrm{d}t < \varepsilon, \quad \varepsilon > 0$$
(2.12)

Note that this means that a small violation of the constraint is allowed.

### 2.2.2 Inequality Constraints

#### Integral Approach

An inequality constraint can be transformed into an end-point constraint by the use of the integral transformation technique described above:

$$J^{g} = \int_{t_0}^{t_P} h(g) dt = 0$$
(2.13)

where h measures the degree of violation of the inequality constraint during the entire trajectory.

Several formulations for selection of a suitable h have been proposed:

- **Max** The most simple approach is to use  $h = \min(g, 0)$ . As the gradient of this operator is discontinuous, it poses problems in the integration and is in general not recommended.
- **Max2** An improvement over the previous solution is to avoid the discontinuity, for example as with  $h = [\min(g, 0)]^2$ .
- **Smoothing** The proposition given in Teo et al. (1991) lies in the discontinuity replacement by a smooth approximation. Therefore, in the region of  $|g| < \delta$ , a quadratic smoothing is employed:

$$h = \begin{cases} g & \text{if } g < -\delta \\ -\frac{(g-\delta)^2}{4\delta} & \text{if } |g| \le \delta \\ 0 & \text{if } g > \delta \end{cases}$$
(2.14)

The advantage over the Max2 method is elimination of squaring, therefore small deviations are penalised more heavily. A drawback (in practice not very important) is slightly smaller feasibility region.

The disadvantage of these methods is that no distinction is made whether the path constraint is not active on the overall trajectory or it is exactly at the limit. In both cases the integral is zero. Moreover, if the path constraint is not violated, its gradient with respect to the optimised parameters is zero. This poses problems to NLP and reduces its convergence speed considerably as it oscillates between zero and nonzero gradients. Further, the gradients are zero at the optimum.

#### Interior point constraints

As the previous methods transformed the inequality constraints into a single integral measure, only a very little information is given to NLP problem. A possible solution is to discretise the constraint and require it to be satisfied only at some points – usually at the end of the segments at times  $t_j$ . Thus,

$$g(t_j) \ge 0 \tag{2.15}$$

Although such a formulation is more easily solved by the NLP solver, it can result in pathological behaviour when the constraint is respected only at the prescribed points but violated in between. The situation gets worse if also the times  $t_j$  are optimised. The usual solution found contains one very large time  $t_k$  within which the constraint exceeds largely the possible tolerated violation.

The situation is better if the times are not optimised and tolerable constraint violations can be obtained. This approach is used in Model Predictive Control.

#### **Combination of End and Interior Point Methods**

A straightforward improvement consists in the combination of the integral end-point function with the set of interior point constraints at the end time segments. The advantage lies in the fact that the NLP solver gets more information even when the integral is zero. There is a possible drawback: when gradients are calculated by the method of adjoint variables, as it is done in DYNO, because each interior point constraint is state dependent. Thus, for each point constraint, another system of adjoint equations has to be formed and integrated backwards in time. This slows down computational time significantly.

#### **Slack Variables**

The slack variable method (Jacobson and Lele, 1969; Bryson and Ho, 1975; Feehery and Barton, 1998) is based on the techniques of optimal control and among other methods mentioned above it is one of the most rigorous. However, it has many drawbacks so it cannot be used as a general purpose method.

The principle of the method is given by changing the original inequality to equality by means of a slack variable a(t):

$$g(x) - \frac{1}{2}a^2 = 0 \tag{2.16}$$

The slack variable is squared so that any value of a is admissible.

The equation is then differentiated so many times until a explicit solution for u can be found. The control variable is then eliminated from the system equations. Therefore, the principle of the method is to make the control (one scalar element from the control vector) a new state variable for the corresponding constraint. Thus, the state constraint is appended as equality to the system, the control variable is solved as a state variable during the integration and the slack variable a(t) becomes the new optimised variable (and it has to be parametrised suitably).

The original proposition in Jacobson and Lele (1969) dealt only with ODE (ordinary differential equations). Improvement and generalisation of this procedure for general DAE (differential algebraic systems) has been proposed by Feehery and Barton (1998).

Although the method is appealing and gives very good results, its drawbacks are as follows:

- Number of the state constraints cannot be larger than the dimension of the control vector. The other approaches can give a feasible solution when the number of *active* constraints is equal or smaller than the control dimension. A possible workaround has been proposed by Feehery and Barton (1998) where state event based approach is used.
- As the method changes the category of u from the optimised variable to a state variable, this means that any possible bounds on u cannot longer be satisfied. Therefore,

a control constraint is traded versus a state constraint. As in the real world any control signal has bounds well defined, it remains only to hope that these will not be violated.

- If more control variables are candidates for state variables, no suitable selection strategy exists. In practice, usually a combination of control variables (not only one of them) influences the state constraint; the method is not capable to find it.
- It is implicitly given that the control variable can vary continuously in time. There are some optimisation problems where control has to be piece-wise constant for example bang-bang type of control strategy where only time lengths can be varied.

On the other hand, the primary advantages are as follows:

- Only feasible solutions are generated by the integration (IVP initial value problem) solver. This may particularly be important when the solutions that violate the path constraint would generate feasibility problems to IVP solver.
- The constraints are respected within the integration precision of the IVP solver and need not be relaxed for improved convergence of the optimisation.

## 2.3 Minimum Time Problems

Many dynamic optimisation tasks lead to the formulations that minimise the time. To express it in the form of general description (1.3), two possible approaches can be used.

The most straightforward is to define the cost function as

$$J_0 = G_0 = \Delta t_1 + \Delta t_2 + \dots + \Delta t_P = \sum_{j=1}^{P} \Delta t_j$$
 (2.17)

the corresponding gradients are therefore

$$\frac{\partial J_0}{\partial \Delta t_j} = 1 \tag{2.18}$$

Other possibility is to define a parameter  $p_t = t_P$  and to describe the system differential equations with normalised time  $\tau = t/p_t$ ,  $\tau \in [0, 1]$  (assuming  $t_0 = 0$  for simplicity). This yields

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}\boldsymbol{x}}{\mathrm{d}\tau} = p_t \boldsymbol{f}(t, \boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{u}, \boldsymbol{p}) \tag{2.19}$$

This normalisation also influences the general cost description that is now written as

$$J_i = G_i(\tau_j, \boldsymbol{x}(1/P), \dots, \boldsymbol{x}(1), \boldsymbol{u}(1/P), \dots, \boldsymbol{u}(1), \boldsymbol{p}, p_t) + \int_0^1 F_i(t, \boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{u}, \boldsymbol{p}, p_t) dt \quad (2.20)$$

and the minimum time cost formulation is then simply

$$J_0 = G_0 = p_t \tag{2.21}$$

## 2.4 Periodic Problems

Sometimes, the dynamic optimisation problem is specified to find a periodic operational policy – that the process operates in quasi stationary state when the time-scale of the problem is enlarged. Consider for example bang-bang type of control, where the control variable can attain only low and high value. Of course, if stationary operation of the process is desired, such a control policy is undesirable. However, if stationarity is defined by constraining the process to be in some interval of states, bang-bang type of control is perfectly admissible.

Mathematically speaking, the periodic operation problem can be stated as: Find such an operating policy and such an initial states vector  $\boldsymbol{x}_0 = \boldsymbol{p}$  so that the constraint

$$\boldsymbol{x}(t_P) = \boldsymbol{p} \tag{2.22}$$

is respected.

Although this can be rewritten to  $n_x$  equality constraints, it is not desirable, if the gradients are calculated via the solution of adjoint equations (as implemented in DYNO). Therefore, a suitable reformulation is given as

$$||\boldsymbol{x}(t_P) - \boldsymbol{p}||_2^2 = \sum_i \left(x_i(t_P) - p_i\right)^2 < \varepsilon, \quad \varepsilon > 0$$
(2.23)

# Chapter 3

# Description of the Optimisation Method

## 3.1 Static Optimisation Problem

As the control trajectory is considered to be piece-wise constant, the original problem of dynamic optimisation has been converted into static optimisation – non-linear programming.

We then utilise static non-linear optimisation solver (NLP) of the form:

$$\min_{\boldsymbol{y}} J_0(\boldsymbol{y}) \quad \text{subject to:} \\
J_i(\boldsymbol{y}) = 0 \quad i = 1 \dots m_e \\
J_i(\boldsymbol{y}) \ge 0 \quad i = m_e + 1 \dots m_i$$
(3.1)

To obtain the values  $J_i$ , the system state equations and the integral functions have to be integrated from  $t_0$  to  $t_P$ . In addition to the cost function and constraints, their gradients with respect to optimised variables  $\boldsymbol{y}$  must be given. If they do not depend on the state variables  $\boldsymbol{x}$ , the gradients are obtained in the straightforward manner. In the opposite case, several methods can be utilised. We have implemented two methods: adjoint approach based on optimality conditions and finite differences.

## **3.2** Gradient Derivation

When the dynamic optimisation problem is to be solved, the nonlinear programming (NLP) solver needs to know gradients of the cost (and the constraints) with respect to the vector  $\boldsymbol{y}$  of the optimised variables. One possibility to derive them consists in application of the theory of optimal control that specifies first order optimality conditions (Bryson and Ho, 1975). In the language of optimal control we search optimality conditions for a continuous systems with functions of state variables specified at unknown terminal and intermediate times.

Let us treat the problem of the functional  $J_i$ . The equation (1.1) is a constraint to the cost function  $J_i$  and is adjoined to the functional by a vector of non-determined adjoint variables  $\lambda_i(t) \in \mathcal{R}_{n_x}$ , thus

$$J_i = G_i + \int_{t_0}^{t_P} (F_i + \boldsymbol{\lambda}_i^T (\boldsymbol{f} - \dot{\boldsymbol{x}})) dt$$
(3.2)

For any  $J_i$  we can form a Hamiltonian  $H_i$  defined as

$$H_i(t, \boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{u}, \boldsymbol{p}, \boldsymbol{\lambda}_i) = F_i + \boldsymbol{\lambda}_i^T \boldsymbol{f}$$
(3.3)

Substituting for  $F_i$  in (1.3) and dividing the interval to parts corresponding to optimised time intervals yields for  $J_i$ 

$$J_{i} = G_{i} + \sum_{j=1}^{P} \int_{t_{j-1}^{+}}^{t_{j}^{-}} (H_{i} - \boldsymbol{\lambda}_{i}^{T} \dot{\boldsymbol{x}}) dt$$
(3.4)

where  $t_j^-$  signifies the time just before  $t = t_j$  and  $t_j^+$  is the time just after  $t = t_j$ . The last term in the integral can be integrated by parts, hence

$$J_{i} = G_{i} + \sum_{j=1}^{P} \int_{t_{j-1}^{+}}^{t_{j}^{-}} (H_{i} + \dot{\boldsymbol{\lambda}}_{i}^{T} \boldsymbol{x}) dt + \sum_{j=1}^{P} \boldsymbol{\lambda}_{i}^{T} (t_{j-1}^{+}) \boldsymbol{x}(t_{j-1}^{+}) - \boldsymbol{\lambda}_{i}^{T} (t_{j}^{-}) \boldsymbol{x}(t_{j}^{-})$$
(3.5)

In order to derive the necessary optimality conditions, variation of the cost is to be found. The variation of the cost (see Bryson and Ho (1975)) is caused by the variation of the optimised variables  $\delta t_j$ ,  $\delta u$ ,  $\delta p$  and by the variation of the variables that are functions of the optimised variables, i.e.  $\delta x$ ,  $\delta \lambda_i$ . This gives

$$\delta J_{i} = \sum_{j=1}^{P} \frac{\partial G_{i}}{\partial \boldsymbol{x}^{T}(t_{j})} \delta \boldsymbol{x}(t_{j}) + \sum_{j=1}^{P} \frac{\partial G_{i}}{\partial \boldsymbol{u}^{T}} \delta \boldsymbol{u}_{j} + \sum_{j=1}^{P} \frac{\partial G_{i}}{\partial t_{j}} \delta t_{j} + \frac{\partial G_{i}}{\partial \boldsymbol{p}^{T}} \delta \boldsymbol{p}$$

$$- H_{i}(t_{0}^{+}) \delta t_{0} + H_{i}(t_{P}^{-}) \delta t_{P} + \sum_{j=1}^{P-1} \left[ H_{i}(t_{j}^{-}) - H_{i}(t_{j}^{+}) \right] \delta t_{j}$$

$$+ \boldsymbol{\lambda}_{i}^{T}(t_{0}^{+}) \delta \boldsymbol{x}(t_{0}) - \boldsymbol{\lambda}_{i}^{T}(t_{P}^{-}) \delta \boldsymbol{x}(t_{P}) + \sum_{j=1}^{P-1} \left[ \boldsymbol{\lambda}_{i}^{T}(t_{j}^{+}) - \boldsymbol{\lambda}_{i}^{T}(t_{j}^{-}) \right] \delta \boldsymbol{x}(t_{j})$$

$$+ \int_{t_{0}}^{t_{P}} \left[ \left( \dot{\boldsymbol{\lambda}}_{i}^{T} + \frac{\partial H_{i}}{\partial \boldsymbol{x}^{T}} \right) \delta \boldsymbol{x} + \frac{\partial H_{i}}{\partial \boldsymbol{u}^{T}} \delta \boldsymbol{u} + \frac{\partial H_{i}}{\partial \boldsymbol{p}^{T}} \delta \boldsymbol{p} \right] dt \qquad (3.6)$$

where we have used the facts that  $\delta \lambda_i = \delta \dot{\lambda}_i \delta t$  and that  $\delta x(t_j^-) = \delta x(t_j^+)$  (continuity of states over the interval boundaries).

Regrouping the corresponding terms together, noting that  $\delta t_0 = 0$  ( $t_0$  is fixed), and  $\delta \boldsymbol{x}(t_0) = (\partial \boldsymbol{x}_0 / \partial \boldsymbol{p}^T) \delta \boldsymbol{p}$  we get

$$\delta J_{i} = \left[\frac{\partial G_{i}}{\partial \boldsymbol{x}^{T}(t_{P})} - \boldsymbol{\lambda}_{i}^{T}(t_{P}^{-})\right] \delta \boldsymbol{x}(t_{P}) + \sum_{j=1}^{P-1} \left[\frac{\partial G_{i}}{\partial \boldsymbol{x}^{T}(t_{j})} + \boldsymbol{\lambda}_{i}^{T}(t_{j}^{+}) - \boldsymbol{\lambda}_{i}^{T}(t_{j}^{-})\right] \delta \boldsymbol{x}(t_{j}) + \int_{t_{0}}^{t_{P}} \left(\dot{\boldsymbol{\lambda}}_{i}^{T} + \frac{\partial H_{i}}{\partial \boldsymbol{x}^{T}}\right) \delta \boldsymbol{x} \, \mathrm{d}t + \left[H_{i}(t_{P}^{-}) + \frac{\partial G_{i}}{\partial t_{P}}\right] \delta t_{P} + \sum_{j=1}^{P-1} \left[H_{i}(t_{j}^{-}) - H_{i}(t_{j}^{+}) + \frac{\partial G_{i}}{\partial t_{j}}\right] \delta t_{j} + \sum_{j=1}^{P} \left[\frac{\partial G_{i}}{\partial \boldsymbol{u}^{T}} + \int_{t_{j-1}^{t_{j}}}^{t_{j}^{-}} \frac{\partial H_{i}}{\partial \boldsymbol{u}^{T}} \mathrm{d}t\right] \delta \boldsymbol{u}_{j} + \left[\frac{\partial G_{i}}{\partial \boldsymbol{p}^{T}} + \boldsymbol{\lambda}_{i}^{T}(t_{0}^{+})\frac{\partial \boldsymbol{x}_{0}}{\partial \boldsymbol{p}^{T}} + \int_{t_{0}}^{t_{P}} \frac{\partial H_{i}}{\partial \boldsymbol{p}^{T}} \mathrm{d}t\right] \delta \boldsymbol{p}$$
(3.7)

The vector  $\boldsymbol{\lambda}_i$  is now chosen so as to cancel all terms containing the variation of the state vector  $\delta \boldsymbol{x}$ 

$$\dot{\boldsymbol{\lambda}}_{i}^{T} = -\frac{\partial H_{i}}{\partial \boldsymbol{x}^{T}}$$
(3.8)

$$\boldsymbol{\lambda}_{i}^{T}(t_{P}) = \frac{\partial G_{i}}{\partial \boldsymbol{x}^{T}(t_{P})}$$
(3.9)

$$\boldsymbol{\lambda}_{i}^{T}(t_{j}^{-}) = \boldsymbol{\lambda}_{i}^{T}(t_{j}^{+}) + \frac{\partial G_{i}}{\partial \boldsymbol{x}^{T}(t_{j})}, \quad j = 1, \dots, P-1$$
(3.10)

The variation of  $J_i$  can finally be expressed as

$$\delta J_{i} = \left[ H_{i}(t_{P}^{-}) + \frac{\partial G_{i}}{\partial t_{P}} \right] \delta t_{P} + \sum_{j=1}^{P-1} \left[ H_{i}(t_{j}^{-}) - H_{i}(t_{j}^{+}) + \frac{\partial G_{i}}{\partial t_{j}} \right] \delta t_{j}$$

$$+ \sum_{j=1}^{P} \left[ \frac{\partial G_{i}}{\partial \boldsymbol{u}^{T}} + \int_{t_{j-1}^{t_{j}^{-}}}^{t_{j}^{-}} \frac{\partial H_{i}}{\partial \boldsymbol{u}^{T}} dt \right] \delta \boldsymbol{u}_{j}$$

$$+ \left[ \frac{\partial G_{i}}{\partial \boldsymbol{p}^{T}} + \boldsymbol{\lambda}_{i}^{T}(t_{0}^{+}) \frac{\partial \boldsymbol{x}_{0}}{\partial \boldsymbol{p}^{T}} + \int_{t_{0}}^{t_{P}} \frac{\partial H_{i}}{\partial \boldsymbol{p}^{T}} dt \right] \delta \boldsymbol{p} \qquad (3.11)$$

The conditions of optimality follow directly from the last equation. As it is required, that the variation of the cost  $J_i$  should be zero at the optimum, all terms in brackets have to be zero.

### 3.2.1 Procedure

Assume that functions  $G_i, F_i$  and their partial derivatives with respect to  $t_j, \boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{u}, \boldsymbol{p}$  are specified. Also needed is the function  $\boldsymbol{f}$  and its derivatives with respect to  $\boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{u}, \boldsymbol{p}$ .

The actual algorithm can briefly be given as follows :

- 1. Integrate the system (1.1) and integral terms  $F_i$  together from  $t = t_0$  to  $t = t_P$ . Restart integration at discontinuities (beginning of the time intervals),
- 2. For  $i = 0, \ldots, m$  repeat
  - (a) Initialise adjoint variables  $\lambda_i(t_P)$  as

$$\boldsymbol{\lambda}_{i}(t_{P}) = \frac{\partial G_{i}}{\partial \boldsymbol{x}^{T}(t_{P})}$$
(3.12)

- (b) Initialise the intermediate variables  $J_u$ ,  $J_p$  as zero
- (c) Integrate backwards from  $t = t_P$  to  $t = t_0$  the adjoint system and intermediate variables. Allow for discontinuities of the adjoint equations as given in (3.10) and restart integration at these points

$$\dot{\boldsymbol{\lambda}}_{i}^{T} = -\frac{\partial H_{i}}{\partial \boldsymbol{x}^{T}}$$
(3.13)

$$\dot{\boldsymbol{J}}_{u,i}^{T} = \frac{\partial H_i}{\partial \boldsymbol{u}^{T}}$$
(3.14)

$$\dot{\boldsymbol{J}}_{p,i}^{T} = \frac{\partial H_i}{\partial \boldsymbol{p}^{T}}$$
(3.15)

(d) Calculate the gradients of  $J_i$  with respect to times  $t_j$ , control  $\boldsymbol{u}$  and parameters  $\boldsymbol{p}$ 

$$\frac{\partial J_i}{\partial t_P} = H_i(t_P^-) + \frac{\partial G_i}{\partial t_P} 
\frac{\partial J_i}{\partial t_i} = H_i(t_j^-) - H_i(t_j^+) + \frac{\partial G_i}{\partial t_i}, \quad j = 1, \dots, P-1$$
(3.16)

$$\frac{\partial t_j}{\partial \boldsymbol{p}} = \frac{\partial G_i}{\partial \boldsymbol{p}^T} - \boldsymbol{J}_{p,i}(0) + \boldsymbol{\lambda}_i^T(t_0^+) \frac{\partial \boldsymbol{x}_0}{\partial \boldsymbol{p}^T}$$
(3.17)

$$\frac{\partial J_i}{\partial \boldsymbol{u}_j} = \boldsymbol{J}_{u,i}(t_{j-1}) - \boldsymbol{J}_{u,i}(t_j)$$
(3.18)

In this manner, the values of  $J_i$  are obtained in the step 1 and the values of gradients in the step 2d. This is all what is needed as input to non-linear programming routines.

### **3.2.2** Notes

#### Gradients with respect to times

The expressions (3.16) for the calculation of the gradient of the cost with respect to time did not take into account that the time increments rather than times are optimised. The

relations between times and their increments are given as

$$t_{1} = \Delta t_{1}$$

$$t_{2} = \Delta t_{1} + \Delta t_{2}$$

$$\vdots$$

$$t_{P} = \sum_{j=1}^{P} \Delta t_{j}$$
(3.19)

As the following holds for the derivatives

$$\frac{\partial J_i}{\partial \Delta t_j} = \sum_{k=1}^{P} \frac{\partial J_i}{\partial t_k} \frac{\partial t_k}{\partial \Delta t_j}$$
(3.20)

we finally get the desired expressions

$$\frac{\partial J_i}{\partial \Delta t_j} = \sum_{k=j}^{P} \frac{\partial J_i}{\partial t_k} \tag{3.21}$$

#### Integration of adjoint equations

When the adjoint equations are integrated backwards in time, the knowledge of states  $\boldsymbol{x}(t)$  is needed. There are several ways to supply this information. For example, the state equations can be integrated together with adjoint equations backwards. Although this is certainly a correct approach, there may be numerical problems as the backward integration of states can be unstable. In Rosen and Luus (1991), the states are stored in equidistant intervals and integration of both states and adjoint equations is corrected at the begin of each interval. We have adopted another approaches : The first is to store the state vector every  $\Delta$  time units in the forward pass and to interpolate states in backward pass. The drawback of this approach is large memory requirement. The second approach is to store at the forward pass only the states at the interval boundaries. In the backward pass to integrate the states at the respective time interval once again, again to store the states every  $\Delta$  time units. The memory requirements are much smaller, but computational times longer. Several types of interpolation have been tested, the best results have been obtained with the approximations having continuous states and continuous first order derivatives across boundaries. Although the time needed for calculation of such approximations is longer, the adjoint equations are easier to integrate and the overall time of gradient calculations is greatly reduced.

It is always recommended to implement at least two methods of gradients calculation. In this manner, a user can cross-check if the gradients are correct. Also, if there is a problem in NLP algorithm, the gradient method can be changed.

Therefore, we have also implemented the method of finite differences: The system (1.1) is integrated q times and at each time one  $y_i$  is slightly perturbed. After the integrations, the gradients are given as

$$\nabla_{y_j} g_i = \frac{g_i(y_1, \dots, \Delta y_j, \dots, y_q) - g_i(\boldsymbol{y})}{\Delta y_j}, \quad i = 0, \dots, m$$
(3.22)

# Chapter 4

# Specification of the subroutines

The package DYNO has to communicate with several subroutines. In addition to the principal routine dyno, the subroutines containing information about the process optimised (process), cost and constraints (costi, costni) have to be specified. Finally, user has to choose among the NLP and IVP solvers supported and decide whether partial derivatives of functions will be given by automatic differentiation software or manually.

## 4.1 Subroutine dyno

The package DYNO exists in double precision version. The calling syntax is as follows:

```
subroutine DYNO(nsta, ncont, nmcont, npar, nmpar, ntime, ncst,
&
       ncste, ul, u, uu, pl, p, pu, tl, t, tu, ista, rw, nrw, iw,
&
       niw, lw, nlw, rpar, ipar, ifail, infou)
 implicit none
 integer nsta, ncont, nmcont, npar, nmpar, ntime, ncst, ncste, ista
       , nrw, iw, niw, nlw, ipar, ifail, infou
&
 logical lw
 double precision ul, u, uu, pl, p, pu, tl, t, tu, rw, rpar
 dimension ul(nmcont, ntime), u(nmcont, ntime), uu(nmcont, ntime)
 dimension pl(nmpar), p(nmpar), pu(nmpar)
 dimension tl(ntime), t(ntime), tu(ntime)
 dimension ista(ncst+1)
 dimension rw(nrw), iw(niw), lw(nlw), rpar(*), ipar(*), infou(16)
```

The subroutine call specifies the problem dimensions, bounds on the optimised variables, and various parameters influencing the behaviour of the routine.

nsta – Input Number of state variables (state dimension).

ncont – Input Number of control variables.

- nmcont Input Dimension of control variables. Must be max(1, ncont)
- npar Input Number of time independent parameters.
- nmpar Input Dimension of time independent parameters. Must be max(1, npar)
- ntime Input Number of time intervals. Denoted by P in the text.
- ncst Input Total number of constraints (equality + inequality). Simple (lower, upper) bounds on optimised variables do not count here. Denoted by  $m = m_i + m_e$  in the text.

ncste - Input Total number of equality constraints. Denoted by  $m_e$  in the text.

ul(nmcont, ntime) - Input Minimum control bounds in each time interval.

u(nmcont, ntime)

**Input** Initial estimate of the control trajectory.

**Output** Final estimate of the optimal control trajectory.

uu(nmcont, ntime) – Input Maximum control bounds in each time interval.

pl(nmpar) – Input Minimum parameter bounds.

p(nmpar)

Input Initial estimate of the parameters.

**Output** Final estimate of the optimal parameters.

pu(nmpar) – Input Maximum parameter bounds.

tl(ntime) – Input Minimum time interval bounds.

t(ntime)

**Input** Initial estimate of time intervals.

**Output** Final estimate of the optimal time intervals.

tu(ntime) – Input Maximum time interval bounds.

ista(ncst) – Input Characterisation of each constraints/cost  $J_i$ . As only constraints containing state variables have to be integrated backwards each constraint is specified as follows: 0 - does not depend on states, only directly on optimised variables (for example  $u_1u_3 + u_2 = 1$ ), 1 - depends on states, but it is not integral path state constraint, 3 - integral path constraint that needs to be integrated very carefully with small steps. rw(nrw) Double precision workspace.

- **Input** The first 5 components should be either zero or positive. The number in parentheses indicates default value used if the corresponding entry is zero.
  - rw(1) Relative tolerance of the integrator (= 1d-7).
  - rw(2) Absolute tolerance of the integrator (= 1d-7).
  - rw(3) Tolerance of the NLP solver (= 1d-5).
  - rw(4) Minimum relative tolerance of the IVP/NLP solvers if info(9) > 0 (= 1d-3).
  - rw(5) starting time  $t_0 \ge 0$  for the simulation (= 0.0d0).

Output See file work.txt for full description of the workspace organisation.

- nrw Dimension of the double precision workspace rw.
  - **Input** Sufficiently large value and at least 10. If not enough, the program writes error message with the minimum necessary value.
  - **Output** If the package is called with ifail=-3 flag, it returns minimum needed value.
- iw(niw) Integer workspace.

Input Nothing required.

Output See file work.txt for full description of the workspace organisation.

- niw Dimension of the integer workspace iw.
  - **Input** Sufficiently large value and at least 120. If not enough, the program writes error message with the minimum necessary value.
  - **Output** If the package is called with ifail=-3 flag, it returns minimum needed value.

lw(nlw) Logical workspace.

Input Nothing required.

Output See file work.txt for full description of the workspace organisation.

- nlw Dimension of the logical workspace lw.
  - Input Sufficiently large value and at least 2\*max(ncst,1)+15. If not enough, the program writes error message with the minimum necessary value.
  - **Output** If the package is called with ifail=-3 flag, it returns minimum needed value.

- ipar(\*) Input/Output User defined integer parameter vector that is not changed by the package. Can be used in communication among the user subroutines.
- rpar(\*) Input/Output User defined double precision parameter vector that is not changed by the package. Can be used in communication among the user subroutines. Should not be a function of optimised variables  $\Delta t_i, u_i, p$  or x.
- ifail Communication with DYNO.

#### Input

- -3 Find minimum needed workspace allocation and return it in nrw, nil, nlw.
- -2 Check gradients with finite difference technique.
- -1 Simulate the process based on the actual values of optimised variables.
- **0** Perform optimisation.
- **Output** Zero if optimum has been found. Other values indicate failure specified more precisely in the used NLP solver.
- info(16) Input The first 16 components should be either zero or positive. The number in parentheses indicates default value used if the corresponding entry is zero.
  - info(1) Maximum number of function call evaluations in NLP/line search (=40).
  - info(2) Maximum number of iterations in NLP (=999).
  - info(3) Level of information printed by the subroutine (=2). Possible values are 0 - prints nothing, 1 - single line per NLP iteration, 2 - as 1 with additional information, 3 - very detailed informations, also with initial and final trajectory simulation, 4 - added gradient checks.
  - info(4) Number of the output routine (= 6).
  - info(5) Maximum number of time instants on one time interval when state is to be saved (=200).
  - info(6) Method of state interpolation when integrating adjoint equations (=3). 0
     none(left one), 1 linear, 2 polynomial of the second order with continuous derivative at the beginning and continuous state on both boundaries, 3
     polynomial of the third order with continuous derivative and state on both boundaries.
  - info(7) Choice of the optimised variables (= 2): 1 times, 2 control, 4 parameters. Their combination is given by their summations, e.g. 3 optimise times and control, 7 optimise all.
  - info(8) Gradients via 0 adjoint equations, 1 finite differences (= 0).
  - info(9) Choice of the optimising strategy (= 0).
    - **0** Standard one pass optimisation.

- 1 Mesh refining with multiple pass optimisation. Start with only a minimum number of info(10) time intervals and minimum precision rw(4). The optimum found improve by adding some new time intervals where the initial values at the new intervals are optimal from the preceding iteration. The precision is tightened. Thus the first solution is obtained very quickly as both IVP and NLP solvers work with reduced precisions. Repeat for info(11) times until the number of intervals is ntime.
- 2 Multirate multipass optimisation. Optimise with only a minimum number of info(10) time intervals. The optimal control trajectory found is fixed in the second half and the first half is again optimised with info(10) intervals. Repeat info(11) times. The precision is variable as in the previous case.
- 3 Control horizon N<sub>u</sub> implementation as in predictive control. Standard one pass optimisation with only info(10) time intervals. Control and times in the last ntime-info(10) intervals are the same as the in the last optimised segment. (Alternatively, the same effect can be obtained with info(9)=0, info(10)=Nu.)
- info(10) Starting number of time intervals for info(9).ge 0 (= ntime).
- info(11) Number of master NLP problems for info(9)=1, 2 (= 1).
- info(12) Periodicity (= 1). Whether some parts of the optimal solution should be repeatedly used. Choose info(9)=0, info(10)=1. Then only info(12) elements will be optimised and repeated over ntime/per intervals. Examples: ntime=8, per=2, ntmin=1: t1,t2,t1,t2,t1,t2,t1,t2 (and correspondingly u1, u2, ...)

ntime=8, per=4, ntmin=1: t1,t2,t3,t4,t1,t2,t3,t4.

ntime=8, per=2, ntmin=4: t1,t2,t1,t2,t3,t4,t3,t4

- info(13) Save state trajectory (=0): 0 in the forward pass, 1 re-integrate each segment in the backward pass. Forward pass is faster but has to save the whole state simulation trajectory needs very much memory. Backward pass saves the states only on the actual time interval as thus needs less memory. On the other hand, it integrates the states twice.
- info(14) Choice of the integration (IVP) solver(=0). Currently implemented are:0 VODE, 1 DDASSL. Usually VODE is about 30% faster.
- info(15) Choice of the NLP solver (= 0). Currently implemented are: 0 SLSQP, 1 - NLPQL. SLSQP is public domain code taken from www.netlib.org, NLPQL is commercial (Schittkowski, 1985)<sup>1</sup>.
- info(16) Generation of Jacobians manually or with automatic differentiation tools
   (= 0). Currently implemented are: 0 manually, 1 ADIFOR. More information
   to ADIFOR at http://www-unix.mcs.anl.gov/autodiff/ADIFOR.

Negative values indicate that some of the partial derivatives are coded manually:

 $<sup>^1\</sup>mathrm{NLPQL}$  cannot be included with the package

-1 df/dx
-2 df/du
-4 df/dp
-8 dx0/dp
-16 dG/dxupt
-32 dF/dxup

Thus, if for example value -6 has been specified then df/du, df/dp are coded manually, others are given by automatic differentiation.

**Example 2** (Example 1 continued). For the problem defined by the equation (1.8), the dimensions are as follows: dimension of states (2), dimension of control (1), dimension of parameters (0), number of time intervals (3), number of constraints (2), and from it number of equality constraints (2). Sufficient dimensions of the workspace have been found as niw=400, nrw=60000, nlw=50.

The cost does not depend on states and the constraints depend on states. Thus the ista vector is given as (0,1,1).

The corresponding file is shown below.

```
PROGRAM EXM1
 implicit none
 integer nmcont, nmpar
 integer nsta, ncont, npar, ntime, ncst, ncste
parameter (nsta = 2, ncont = 1, npar = 0, ntime = 3,
      ncst = 2, ncste = 2)
&
parameter (nmcont = ncont, nmpar = 1)
 integer ista, nrwork, iwork, niwork, nlwork, ipar, ifail, info
 double precision ul, u, uu, pl, p, pu, tl, t, tu, rwork, rpar
 logical lwork
 dimension ul(nmcont, ntime), u(nmcont, ntime), uu(nmcont, ntime)
 dimension pl(nmpar), p(nmpar), pu(nmpar)
 dimension tl(ntime), t(ntime), tu(ntime)
 dimension ista(ncst+1)
 parameter (niwork=400, nrwork=60000, nlwork = 50)
 dimension iwork(niwork), rwork(nrwork), lwork(nlwork)
 dimension ipar(10), rpar(50), info(16)
 integer i
 ista(1) = 0
 ista(2) = 1
 ista(3) = 1
```

```
do i = 1, 5
         rwork(i) = 0.0d0
      end do
      do i = 1, 16
         info(i) = 0
      end do
      optimise what: 0/1-ti, 0/2-ui, 0/4-p
С
      info(7) = 3
С
      initial values of the optimised parameters
      upper, lower bounds
С
      control and time
С
      do i=1, ntime
         u(1,i) = 1.0d0
         ul(1,i) = -0.50d0
         uu(1,i) = 1.50d0
         t(i) = 1.0d0
         tl(i) = 0.01d0
         tu(i) = 10.0d0
      end do
      ifail = 0
      call DYNO(nsta, ncont, nmcont, npar, nmpar, ntime, ncst, ncste, ul
            , u, uu, pl, p,pu, tl, t, tu, ista, rwork, nrwork, iwork,
     &
            niwork, lwork, nlwork, rpar, ipar, ifail, info)
     &
      call trawri(rwork, iwork, rpar, ipar)
      END
```

## 4.2 Subroutine process

This subroutine specifies differential equations of the process as well as its initial conditions. In addition, various partial derivatives of the both are required. The name of the subroutine **process** is currently fixed and cannot be specified via keyword **external**.

```
subroutine process(t, x, nsta, u, ncont, nmcont, p, npar, nmpar,
& sys, nsys, dsys, ndsys1, ndsys2, ipar, rpar, flag, iout)
implicit none
integer nsta, ncont, nmcont, npar, nmpar, nsys, ndsys1, ndsys2,
```

```
& ipar, flag, iout
double precision t, x, u, p, sys, dsys, rpar
dimension x(nsta), u(nmcont), p(nmpar),
& sys(nsys), dsys(ndsys1, ndsys2), rpar(*), ipar(*)
```

The subroutine accomplishes various tasks based on the integer flag. It takes the values of the input arguments (state, control, parameters at actual time) and returns their evaluation in either vector sys or matrix dsys. When dsys is to be returned, the real dimensions ndsys1, ndsys2 provided by the calling routine are usually larger than desired. Especially the leading dimension ndsys1 is important when passing dsys as a parameter to other subroutines.

t – Input Actual time.

x(nsta) – Input State values at actual time.

nsta – Input Number of state variables (state dimension).

- u(nmcont) Input Control values at actual time.
- ncont Input Number of control variables.
- nmcont Input Dimension of control variables. Must be max(1, ncont)
- p(nmpar) Input Parameter values.
- npar Input Number of time independent parameters.
- nmpar Input Dimension of time independent parameters. Must be max(1, npar)
- sys(nsys) Output One dimensional output vector (see flag for explanation).
- nsys Input Dimension of sys. Depends on flag.
- dsys(ndsys1,ndsys2) Output Two dimensional output matrix (see flag for explanation).
- ndsys1,ndsys2 Input Dimensions of dsys. Depends on flag.
- ipar(\*) Input/Output User defined integer parameter vector that is not changed by the package. Can be used in communication among the user subroutines.
- rpar(\*) Input/Output User defined double precision parameter vector that is not changed by the package. Can be used in communication among the user subroutines. Should not be a function of optimised variables  $\Delta t_i, u_i, p$  or x.
- iout Input Number of the output routine. To be used with flag=-3.

#### flag – Input Decision which information the subroutine has to provide.

**0** Right hand sides of the differential equations.

 $\mathbf{Output/Vector:} \ \mathtt{sys(nsta)} = \boldsymbol{f}(t, \boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{u}, \boldsymbol{p}).$ 

**1** Partial derivatives of the state equations with respect to states.

 $\mathbf{Output}/\mathbf{Matrix}: \ \mathtt{dsys}(\mathtt{nsta},\mathtt{nsta}) = \partial oldsymbol{f}/\partialoldsymbol{x}^T$ 

Note, that the true dimensions dsys(ndsys1, ndsys2) usually differ from nsta. Therefore, if this matrix is to be returned by another subroutine, always pass the true dimensions.

**2** Partial derivatives of the state equations with respect to control.

**Output/Matrix**: dsys(nsta,nmcont) =  $\partial f / \partial u^T$ See also the note for flag=1

**3** Partial derivatives of the state equations with respect to parameters.

 $\mathbf{Output}/\mathbf{Matrix}: \mathtt{dsys}(\mathtt{nsta},\mathtt{nmpar}) = \partial oldsymbol{f}/\partialoldsymbol{p}^T$ 

See also the note for flag=1

-1 Initial conditions.

 $\mathbf{Output/Vector:} \ \mathtt{sys}(\mathtt{nsta}) = \boldsymbol{x}(t_0, \boldsymbol{p})$ 

- -2 Partial derivatives of the initial conditions with respect to parameters. **Output/Matrix**: dsys(nsta,nmpar) =  $\partial x_0 / \partial p^T$ See also the note for flag=1
- -3 Define output to be printed (on one line) at time t. Besides of states, also the values of integral cost functions are available as x(nsta+1,..,nsta+ncst+1).

**Example 3** (Example 1 continued). For the problem defined by the equation (1.8), the resulting vectors and matrices are given as:

$$\boldsymbol{f} = \begin{pmatrix} x_2 \\ u - x_1 - 2x_2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \frac{\partial \boldsymbol{f}}{\partial \boldsymbol{x}^T} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & -2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \frac{\partial \boldsymbol{f}}{\partial \boldsymbol{u}^T} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \frac{\partial \boldsymbol{f}}{\partial \boldsymbol{p}^T} = \boldsymbol{0}$$
(4.1)

(4.2)

$$\boldsymbol{x}_0 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \frac{\partial \boldsymbol{x}_0}{\partial \boldsymbol{p}^T} = \boldsymbol{0}$$

The corresponding file is shown below. Note, that for all matrices of partial derivatives only non-zero elements are to be specified.

```
dimension x(nsta), u(nmcont), p(nmpar),
          sys(nsys), dsys(ndsys1, ndsys2), rpar(*), ipar(*)
  &
    if (flag .eq. 0) then
       sys(1) = x(2)
       sys(2) = u(1)-2*x(2)-x(1)
       return
    end if
    if (flag .eq. 1) then
       dsys(1,2) = 1.0d0
       dsys(2,1) = -1.0d0
       dsys(2,2) = -2.0d0
       return
    end if
    if (flag .eq. 2) then
       dsys(2,1) = 1.0d0
       return
    end if
    if (flag .eq. -1) then
       sys(1) = 0.0d0
       sys(2) = 0.0d0
       return
    end if
    if (flag .eq. -2) then
       return
    end if
    if (flag .eq. -3) then
       write(iout,100) t, u(1), x(1), x(2)
100
       format(f8.5,3X,3f20.15)
       return
    end if
    end
```

## 4.3 Subroutine costi of Integral Constraints

The first part of the constraints is specified by the terms involved in the integrals. These can be functions of states, control, and parameters.

The cost/constraints have to be ordered with the equality constraints first and positive inequality constraints next. In addition to cost/constraints, partial derivatives with respect

to states, control, and parameters are required. The name of the subroutine costi is currently fixed and cannot be specified via keyword external.

The subroutine accomplishes various tasks based on the integers flag, nti, xupt. It takes the values of the input arguments (time, states, control, parameters) and returns their evaluations in vector sys(nsys).

- t Input Actal time.
- x(nsta) Input State values at actual time.
- u(nmcont) Input Control values at actual time.
- p(nmpar) Input Parameter values.
- ntime Input Number of time intervals.
- nsta Input Number of state variables (state dimension).
- ncont Input Number of control variables.
- nmcont Input Dimension of control variables. Must be max(1, ncont)
- npar Input Number of time independent parameters.
- nmpar Input Dimension of time independent parameters. Must be max(1, npar)
- **ncst Input** Total number of constraints (equality + inequality). Simple (lower, upper) bounds on optimised variables do not count here.
- ncste Input Total number of equality constraints.
- ipar(\*) Input/Output User defined integer parameter vector that is not changed by the package. Can be used in communication among the user subroutines.
- rpar(\*) Input/Output User defined double precision parameter vector that is not changed by the package. Can be used in communication among the user subroutines. Should not be a function of optimised variables  $\Delta t_i, u_i, p$  or x.

sys(nsys) – Output One dimensional output – vector (see flag for explanation).

- nsys Input Dimension of sys. Depends on flag.
- nti Input Which time interval is actually treated.
- xupt Input Decision which information has to be provided (see flag for explanation).
- flag Input Decision which information the subroutine has to provide:
  - -1 Integral term of the cost and constraints.

**Output/Vector**  $sys(ncst + 1) = (F_0 \ F_1 \ \dots \ F_m)^T$ .

- 0 Partial derivatives of the cost with respect to states/control/parameters:  $Output/Vector: xupt=1, sys(nsta) = \partial F_0 / \partial x^T.$   $Output/Vector: xupt=2, sys(nmcont) = \partial F_0 / \partial u^T.$ 
  - **Output/Vector**: xupt=3, sys(nmpar) =  $\partial F_0 / \partial p^T$ .

i = 1, ncst Partial derivatives of constraint i with respect to states/control/parameters: **Output/Vector**: xupt=1, sys(nsta) =  $\partial F_i / \partial x^T$ . **Output/Vector**: xupt=2, sys(nmcont) =  $\partial F_i / \partial u^T$ . **Output/Vector**: xupt=3, sys(nmpar) =  $\partial F_i / \partial p^T$ .

**Example 4** (Example 1 continued). For the problem defined by the equation (1.8), all integral functions are zero.

The corresponding file is shown below. Note, that for all matrices of partial derivatives only non-zero elements are to be specified.

```
subroutine costi(t, x, u, p, ntime, nsta, ncont, nmcont, npar,
&
       nmpar, ncst, ncste, ipar, rpar, flag, xupt, nti, sys, nsys)
 implicit none
 integer ntime, nsta, ncont, nmcont, npar, nmpar, ncst, ncste, ipar
       , flag, xupt, nti, nsys
 double precision t, x, u, p, rpar, sys
 dimension x(nsta), u(nmcont), p(nmpar), ipar(*), rpar(*), sys(nsys
&
       )
 if (flag .eq. -1) then
    sys(1) = 0.0d0
    sys(2) = 0.0d0
    sys(3) = 0.0d0
    return
 end if
 end
```

## 4.4 Subroutine costni of Non-integral Constraints

The second part of the constraints is specified by the terms not involved in the integrals. These can be functions of time intervals, any element of the control matrix trajectory, parameters, as well as the states defined at the end of any time interval. This can give quite a large number of terms and the correct indices have to be carefully verified.

Recall that these cost/constraints have to be ordered as the integrals are. In addition to cost/constraints, partial derivatives with respect to states, control, and parameters are required. The name of the subroutine costni is currently fixed and cannot be specified via keyword external.

The subroutine accomplishes various tasks based on the integer flag. It takes the values of the input arguments (time interval vector, state trajectory matrix at any  $t_i$ , control trajectory matrix, parameter vector) and returns their evaluations in tensor sys(n1,n2,n3). When sys is to be passed to other subroutines, always pass the real dimensions along as these may differ (be larger) than the actual ones.

- ti(ntime) Input Vector of time intervals.
- xi(nsta,ntime) Input Matrix of state trajectories at end of each time interval. For example xi(i,ntime) represents state x<sub>i</sub> at the final time, xi(2,3) represents second element of state at the end of the third time interval.
- ui(nmcont, ntime) Input Matrix of control trajectory.
- p(nmpar) Input Parameter values.
- ntime Input Number of time intervals.
- nsta Input Number of state variables (state dimension).
- ncont Input Number of control variables.
- nmcont Input Dimension of control variables. Must be max(1, ncont)
- npar Input Number of time independent parameters.
- nmpar Input Dimension of time independent parameters. Must be max(1, npar)

- **ncst Input** Total number of constraints (equality + inequality). Simple (lower, upper) bounds on optimised variables do not count here.
- ncste Input Total number of equality constraints.
- ipar(\*) Input/Output User defined integer parameter vector that is not changed by the package. Can be used in communication among the user subroutines.
- rpar(\*) Input/Output User defined double precision parameter vector that is not changed by the package. Can be used in communication among the user subroutines. Should not be a function of optimised variables  $\Delta t_i, \boldsymbol{u}_i, \boldsymbol{p}$  or  $\boldsymbol{x}$ .
- sys(nsys) Output Tensor of output of the routine (see flag for explanation).
- n1, n2, n3 Input Dimensions of sys. Depend on flag.
- flag Input Decision which information the subroutine has to provide.
  - 0 Non-integral term of the cost and constraints. **Output:**  $i = 1 \dots \text{ncst} + 1, j = 1, k = 1.$  $\text{sys}(i, j, k) = (G_0 \ G_1 \ \dots \ G_m)^T.$
  - 1 Partial derivatives of all costs with respect to states: **Output:**  $i = 1 \dots \text{nsta}, j = 1 \dots \text{ntime}, k = 1 \dots \text{ncst} + 1$ .  $sys(i,j,k) = \partial G(k) / \partial x(i,j)$ .
  - 2 Partial derivatives of all costs with respect to control: **Output**:  $i = 1 \dots \text{nmcont}, j = 1 \dots \text{ntime}, k = 1 \dots \text{ncst} + 1$ .  $sys(i, j, k) = \partial G(k) / \partial u(i, j)$ .
  - 3 Partial derivatives of all costs with respect to parameters:
    Output: i = 1...nmpar, j = 1...ncst + 1, k = 1.
    sys(i,j,k) = ∂G(j)/∂p(i).
  - 4 Partial derivatives of all costs with respect to time intervals: **Output:**  $i = 1 \dots$ **ntime**,  $j = 1 \dots$ **ncst** + 1, k = 1. **sys(i,j,k)** =  $\partial G(j) / \partial \Delta t_i$ .

**Example 5** (Example 1 continued). For the problem defined by the equation (1.8), the non-integral functions are defined as

$$\boldsymbol{G} = \begin{pmatrix} \Delta t_1 + \Delta t_2 + \Delta t_3 \\ x_1(t_3) - 1 \\ x_2(t_3) \end{pmatrix}$$
(4.3)

$$\frac{\partial \boldsymbol{G}}{\partial \boldsymbol{x}^{T}(t_{1})} = \frac{\partial \boldsymbol{G}}{\partial \boldsymbol{x}^{T}(t_{2})} = \boldsymbol{0}, \quad \frac{\partial \boldsymbol{G}}{\partial \boldsymbol{x}^{T}(t_{3})} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0\\ 1 & 0 & 0\\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$
(4.4)

$$\frac{\partial \boldsymbol{G}}{\partial \Delta \boldsymbol{t}^T} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1\\ 0 & 0 & 0\\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \tag{4.5}$$

The corresponding file is shown below. Note, that for all matrices of partial derivatives only non-zero elements are to be specified.

```
subroutine costni(ti, xi, ui, p, ntime, nsta, ncont, nmcont, npar,
       nmpar, ncst,ncste,ipar, rpar, flag, sys, n1, n2, n3)
&
 implicit none
 integer ntime, nsta, ncont, nmcont, npar, nmpar, ncst, ncste, ipar
       , flag, n1, n2,n3
&
 double precision ti, xi, ui, p, rpar, sys
 dimension ti(ntime), xi(nsta, ntime), ui(nmcont, ntime), p(nmpar),
       ipar(*), rpar(*), sys(n1,n2,n3)
&
 if (flag .eq. 0 ) then
    sys(1,1,1) = ti(1)+ti(2)+ti(3)
    sys(2,1,1)= xi(1,ntime)-1.0d0
    sys(3,1,1)= xi(2,ntime)
    return
 end if
 if (flag .eq. 1 ) then
    sys(1, ntime, 2) = 1.0d0
    sys(2,ntime,3) = 1.0d0
    return
 end if
 if (flag .eq. 2 ) then
    return
 end if
 if (flag .eq. 3 ) then
    return
 end if
 if (flag .eq. 4 ) then
       sys(1,1,1) = 1.0d0
       sys(2,1,1) = 1.0d0
       sys(3,1,1) = 1.0d0
    return
 end if
 end
```

# 4.5 Organisation of Files and Subroutines

### 4.5.1 Files

The user has to provide the principal routine that calls dyno as well as routines for process and cost descriptions. In the examples, it is usually assumed that the calling routine resides in amain.f, process is specified by process.f and the cost description is given in cost.f (both subroutines).

With the above files serving as the user information, the DYNO package consists of several modules that can be combined together according to the needs of the particular problem:

- dyno.f main part of the code, needs always to be included.
- **IVP solvers** currently the following integration routines are supported. One of them should be included in the project and the entry in **info(14)** should be set correctly.
  - vodedo.f VODE solver (Brown et al., 1989) modified to pass internal DYNO workspace, replaced LINPACK calls by LAPACK calls, removed BLAS routines.
  - ddassldo.f DDASSL solver (Brenan et al., 1989) modified to pass internal DYNO workspace, removed BLAS routines.

The modified files also include interface routines from dyno.

- NLP solvers currently the following NLP routines are supported. One of them should be included in the project and the entry in info(15) should be set correctly.
  - slsqp.f Public domain solver (Kraft, 1988). The code remains unchanged, only BLAS routines have been removed.
  - nlpql.f Software NLPQL (Schittkowski, 1985) that has to be bought directly
    from the author. However, the file nlpql.f used here has been modified with
    interface to DYNO.
- Automatic differentiation Currently supported is ADIFOR (Bischof et al., 1998). The user should either to include to the project the file adifno.f if all partial derivatives are coded manually, or file adifyes.f that contains interface to automatically generated files by ADIFOR. The actual organisation with AD tools is explained later in section 4.5.4.

In future, other AD tools may be implemented in the similar way.

LAPACK The code makes heavy use of BLAS and LAPACK routines (available from NETLIB). As the routines are de facto standard, they are usually installed locally in optimised version for the given processor and can be linked directly when creating executables. If it is not the case, the file blalap.f contains all (unoptimised) needed routines and has to be added to the project.

With the default DYNO settings for IVP, NLP solvers and AD tools, a possible project includes files amain.f, process.f, cost.f, dyno.f, vodedo.f, slsqp.f, adifno.f, and blalap.f.

## 4.5.2 Subroutines in dyno.f

The principal flow of information when the routine dyno is called is as follows:

- dyno Initialises workspace, allocates space for the workspace vectors (initdo2), and copies information from the calling routine into the internal structures (initdo3). Depending on the value of the flag, gradients are checked (chkgrd), initial trajectory is simulated (trawri) or the main routine (nlp) is invoked.
- nlp Initialises some pointers to the workspace and calls workhouse routine (nlpw).
- nlpw Performs main loop of optimisation. Calls the corresponding NLP solver via nlpslv. According to its output, it can request evaluation of the cost/constraints (trasta), evaluation of gradients (either findif or tralam), or returns with status ifail. This routine also performs various specialised tasks described by the value of info(9). The NLP solver then obtains transformed problem containing only real optimised variables. The conversions between are realised with subroutines vartox and xtovar. The choice of times and control segments that are optimised is determined by the integer vector indopt.

#### Integration of system equations

- trasta Principal routine for system simulation and evaluation of the cost and constraints. Initialises pointers and calls workhouse routine trastaw.
- trastaw Integrates the optimised system state trajectory together with integral costs  $F_i$ . Calls stepsta for each time interval.
- stepsta Integrates at one time interval, saves intermediate states and their derivatives, and eventually makes calls to print the trajectory. Calls the appropriate IVP solver interface stepstaw. The states are saved in the instants when IVP solver returns, not at regular intervals. The state matrix trajectory thus contains also the corresponding times so that it is possible to interpolate.
- fsta Calculates right hand sides of the system differential equations (together with integral terms  $F_i$  at given time t.
- jacsta Calculates the corresponding Jacobian matrix.

#### Gradient calculation

tralam - Principal routine for adjoint system simulation and evaluation of the gradients. Initialises pointers and calls workhouse routine tralamw.

- trastaw Integrates the adjoint trajectory from  $t_P$  to  $t_0$  together with the Hamiltonian terms. Calculates the gradients and calls steplam for each time interval.
- steplam Integrates at one time interval. Calls the appropriate IVP solver interface
   steplamw.
- flam Calculates right hand sides of the adjoint system of differential equations (together with Hamiltonian terms) at given time t. States are approximated via call to actstates.
- jaclam Calculates the corresponding Jacobian matrix.
- actstates The routine flam needs to know actual states. They are approximated here from the saved state trajectory matrix and eventually also from the saved state derivative trajectory matrix.
- findif Calculates gradient information by the method of forward finite differences. The value of the perturbation depends on the chosen integration tolerances.
- chkgrd Calculates gradient information by the method of adjoint variables and by finite differences. Print results for elements that are nor similar.
- trawri Simulates and prints the actual trajectories.

dynodump – Dumps out content of workspace for debugging purposes.

### 4.5.3 Reserved common blocks

The package does not introduce any common blocks. All information transfer is done by the workspace vectors with their organisation described by the file work.txt. The (NLP, IVP) solvers introduce their own common blocks, see their documentation for further details.

**Example 6** (Example 1 – results). For the problem defined by the equation (1.8), the files have been compiled on a PC with GNU/Linux operating system. The optimum values have been obtained as follows:

$$\Delta t_i^T = (1.0965, 1.0965, 0.200) \tag{4.6}$$

$$u_j^T = (1.500, 1.500, -0.500) \tag{4.7}$$

$$J_i^T = (2.393, -8.055\,10^{-11}, -3.014\,10^{-15}) \tag{4.8}$$

and the optimal state trajectory is shown in Fig. 4.1.

### 4.5.4 Automatic Differentiation

Partial derivatives of the process and cost equations have to be provided. Although it is necessary with manual coding to specify the non-zero elements only, it is still quite a lot of manual work. On the other hand, the hand-coded derivatives are faster and without



Figure 4.1: Optimal state trajectory for example 1

unnecessary overhead when compared to AD derivatives. For example, every call to a function gradient routine has to evaluate the function as well.

There are several packages available in the Internet that can help to generate the derivatives automatically (for example JAKEF, ADIFOR, TAPENADE, ...). The current version supports ADIFOR. We will assume that ADIFOR has correctly been installed and that it is understood how it works. Then, the following steps are necessary to plug it into DYNO:

- We assume that subroutine process resides in file process.f, subroutines costni, costi are in file cost.f. If not, the whole procedure given below has to be changed according to ADIFOR instructions. Not all flags have to be filled in the subroutines. If for example info(16)=1 then process only needs flag=0,-1,-3, and similarly costni, costi.
- 2. Next, we provide a file adf.f that contains calls to all subroutines to be differentiated. It can be found in all examples with AD (directory adexamples). This file should not be included into the project files to be compiled, it only serves for ADIFOR directly.
- 3. It is necessary to create an ADIFOR file with dependencies of differentiated routines. In our case, this is the file adf.cmp containing:

adf.f cost.f process.f

4. Now come ADIFOR files specifying independent and dependent variables, names of routines generated, etc. We need to generate derivatives with respect to  $\boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{u}, \boldsymbol{p}, t_i, \boldsymbol{x}_i$  from subroutines process, costni, costi. These are ADIFOR adf files, in our case adfx.adf, adfu.adf, adft.adf. For example, the file adfx.adf can be as follows:

```
AD_PMAX = 100 # .ge. dim(nsta*ntime)
AD_TOP = adf
AD_PROG = adf.cmp
AD_IVARS = x
AD_OVARS = sys
AD_OUTPUT_DIR = .
AD_PREFIX = x
```

As this file is used for both derivatives with respect to  $x, x_i$ , it is necessary to specify AD\_PMAX sufficiently large. The other commands specify the top routine to be differentiated (adf), the file where all dependent routines can be found (adf.cmp), independent variable (x), dependent variable (sys), directory where the output should be generated (actual directory), and what is the name of generated routine (in our case there will be x\_process, x\_costni, x\_costi, in files x\_process.f, x\_cost.f, respectively).

5. The way how ADIFOR is invoked depends on the operating system. In our case the Solaris version has been tested and the calls are as follows:

Adifor2.0 AD\_SCRIPT=adfx.adf Adifor2.0 AD\_SCRIPT=adfu.adf Adifor2.0 AD\_SCRIPT=adfp.adf Adifor2.0 AD\_SCRIPT=adft.adf

This generates the needed files x\_process.f, u\_process.f, p\_process.f, x\_cost.f, u\_cost.f, p\_cost.f, t\_cost.f that can be included into the project.

6. The file adifyes.f contains all calls to these routines and has to be included into the project files.

# Chapter 5

# Examples

Some examples will be presented here that can be used to check the DYNO distribution as well as to get acquainted with the desired file/subroutine specifications. Each example is associated with the code accompanying this manual. The code sources can be found in the examples and adexamples directories for manual and AD generated gradients, respectively.

All examples have been tested in GNU/Linux operating system with Absoft Linux Compiler, GNU g77, and in Microsoft Windows with Digital Fortran compiler.

The AD examples use Sun f77 compiler due to some problems with g77 on Sparc Solaris platform.

## 5.1 Terminal Constraint Problem

Optimised system:

$$\dot{x}(t) = u(t), \quad x(0) = 1$$
(5.1)

is to be optimised for  $u(t) \in [-1, 1]$  with the cost function

$$\min_{u} J_0 = \int_0^1 (x^2 + u^2) \mathrm{d}t \tag{5.2}$$

subject to constraints:

$$J_1 = x(1) = 0.5 \tag{5.3}$$

$$J_2 = x(0.6) = 0.8 \tag{5.4}$$

We will fix the number of time intervals to 10 and optimise only the control u parameterised as piece-wise constant. The DYNO problem formulation is  $(t_0 = 0, t_1 = 1, m = 2, m_e = 2)$ 

Process:

$$\dot{x}(t) = u(t), \qquad x(0) = 1$$
(5.5)



Figure 5.1: Comparison of optimal trajectories for Problems 5.1 and 5.2

Cost:

$$G_0 = 0, F_0 = x^2 + u^2 (5.6)$$

Constraints:

$$G_1 = x(t_{10}) - 0.5, \quad F_1 = 0$$
 (5.7)

$$G_2 = x(t_6) - 0.8, \quad F_2 = 0$$
 (5.8)

Bounds:

 $u_i \in [-1, 1]$   $i = 1 \dots 10$  (5.9)

Optimum has been found in 3 iterations. The example files and results as well are given in directory problem1. The optimal control and state trajectory are also shown in Fig. 5.1.

# 5.2 Terminal Constraint Problem 2

Much better approximation can be obtained with piece-wise linear control with only 2 time intervals.

The new problem formulation is hence:

Process:

$$\dot{x}(t) = u_1(t) + tu_2(t), \quad x(0) = 1$$
(5.10)

Cost:

$$G_0 = 0,$$
  $F_0 = x^2 + (u_1 + tu_2)^2$  (5.11)

Constraints:

$$G_1 = x(t_2) - 0.5, \qquad F_1 = 0$$
(5.12)

$$G_2 = x(t_1) - 0.8, \qquad F_2 = 0$$
(5.13)

We have not included control bounds as they were not active in the previous problem.

Optimum has been found in 10 iterations (Fig. 5.1). The example files and results as well are given in directory problem2.

## 5.3 Inequality State Path Constraint Problem

Consider a process described by the following system of 2 ODE's (Jacobson and Lele, 1969; Logsdon and Biegler, 1989; Feehery, 1998) :

$$\dot{x}_1(t) = x_2(t), \qquad x_1(0) = 0$$
(5.14)

$$\dot{x}_2(t) = -x_2(t) + u(t), \quad x_2(0) = -1$$
(5.15)

is to be optimised for u(t) with the cost function

$$\min_{u} J_0 = \int_0^1 (x_1^2 + x_2^2 + 0.005u^2) dt$$
(5.16)

subject to state path constraint:

$$J_1 = x_2 - 8(t - 0.5)^2 + 0.5 \le 0, \quad t \in [0, 1]$$
(5.17)

We will fix the number of time intervals to 10 and optimise both times and control u parameterised as piece-wise linear. One possible DYNO problem formulation is  $(t_0 = 0, t_1 = 1, m = 2, m_e = 1)$ :

Process:

$$\dot{x}_1(t) = x_2(t), \qquad x_1(0) = 0$$
(5.18)

$$\dot{x}_2(t) = -x_2(t) + (u_1 + tu_2), \quad x_2(0) = -1$$
(5.19)

Cost:

$$G_0 = 0,$$
  $F_0 = x_1^2 + x_2^2 + 0.005(u_1 + tu_2)^2$  (5.20)

Constraints:

$$G_{1} = -1 + \sum_{j=1}^{10} \Delta t_{j}, \qquad F_{1} = 0 \qquad (5.21)$$
  

$$G_{2} = 0, \qquad F_{2} = \varepsilon - (\max(x_{2} - 8(t - 0.5)^{2} + 0.5, 0))^{2} \qquad (5.22)$$

Note, that the state path inequality constraint has been rewritten as integral equality constraint and then relaxed to inequality with  $\varepsilon = 10^{-5}$ . The example files and results as well are given in directory problem31.

Another possibility how to define a suitable DYNO problem formulation is to apply the technique of slack variables.

As the constraint is not a function of u, it is differentiated with respect to time, thus

$$x_2 - 8(t - 0.5)^2 + 0.5 + \frac{1}{2}a^2 = 0$$
(5.23)

$$\dot{x}_2 - 16(t - 0.5) + a\dot{a} = 0, \quad a(0) = \sqrt{5}$$
(5.24)

The initial condition a(0) follows from the conditions at time t = 0 when both states are known.

Comparing (5.15) and (5.24) follows for u

$$u = x_2 + 16(t - 0.5) - a\dot{a} \tag{5.25}$$

Now setting  $a_1 = \dot{a}$  as an optimised variable leads to the optimisation problem:

$$\min_{a_1(t)} J = \int_0^1 (x_1^2 + x_2^2 + 0.005(x_2 + 16(t - 0.5) - aa_1)^2) dt$$
(5.26)

subject to:

$$\dot{x}_1 = x_2, \qquad x_1(0) = 0 \tag{5.27}$$

$$\dot{x}_2 = 16(t - 0.5) - aa_1, \quad x_2(0) = -1$$
(5.28)

$$\dot{a} = a_1, \qquad a(0) = \sqrt{5}$$
 (5.29)

and  $a_1$  is parametrised as an optimised variable.

This DYNO problem formulation is  $(t_0 = 0, t_1 = 1, m = 1, m_e = 1, \text{ optimised control variable denoted by } v)$ :

Process:

$$\dot{x}_1(t) = x_2(t),$$
  $x_1(0) = 0$ 

$$\dot{x}_{2}(t) = -x_{3}(v_{1} + tv_{2}) + 16(t - 0.5), \qquad (5.30)$$

$$\dot{x}_{2}(t) = -1 \qquad (5.31)$$

$$\dot{x}_{3}(t) = (v_{1} + tv_{2}) \qquad x_{3}(0) = \sqrt{5} \qquad (5.32)$$



Figure 5.2: Optimal trajectories found for Problem 5.3. Left: control, right: constraint

Cost:

$$G_0 = 0, \quad F_0 = x_1^2 + x_2^2 + 0.005(x_2 + 16(t - 0.5) - x_3(v_1 + tv_2))^2$$
 (5.33)

Constraints:

$$G_1 = -1 + \sum_{j=1}^{10} \Delta t_j, \quad F_1 = 0$$
(5.34)

Original control variable:

$$u(t) = x_2(t) + 16(t - 0.5) - x_3(t)(v_1 + tv_2)$$
(5.35)

The example files and results as well are given in directory problem32.

Different optima have been found. In the first approach, minimal value was  $J_0 = 0.1771$ , whereas in the second  $J_0 = 0.1729$ . Comparison of both for optimal control and constraint trajectories is shown in Fig. 5.2.

As it can be seen, slack variable approach approximates optimal control trajectory much better. To obtain comparable results with the first approach, IVP and NLP precisions had to be increased (here with default values) and solver NLPQL has been used. (See Fikar (2001) for more detailed analysis of the path constrained problems).

## 5.4 Batch Reactor Optimisation

Consider a simple batch reactor with reactions  $A \to B \to C$  and problem of its dynamic optimisation as described in Crescitelli and Nicoletti (1973). The parameters of the reactor are  $k_{10} = 0.535e11$ ,  $k_{20} = 0.461e18$ ,  $e_1 = 18000$ ,  $e_2 = 30000$ , r = 2.0, final time  $t_f = 8.0$ ,  $\beta_1 = 0.53$ ,  $\beta_2 = 0.43$ ,  $\alpha = e_2/e_1$ ,  $c = k_{20}/k_{10}^{\alpha}$ . For more detailed description of the parameters see Crescitelli and Nicoletti (1973).



Figure 5.3: Optimal trajectories found for Problem 5.4

The differential equations describing the process are as follows

$$\dot{x}_1 = -ux_1 \tag{5.36}$$

$$\dot{x}_2 = ux_1 - cu^{\alpha} x_2 \tag{5.37}$$

with the initial state

$$x_1(0) = \beta_1, \quad x_2(0) = \beta_2$$
 (5.38)

The control variable u is related to the reactor temperature T via the relation

$$T = -\frac{e_1}{r \ln \frac{u}{k_{10}}}$$
(5.39)

The objective of the optimisation is to maximise the yield of product B at time  $t_f$ :  $x_2(t_f)$  subject to piece-wise constant control. In the original article, 3 piece-wise constant control segments are considered, with segment lengths being also optimised variables. Here, we assume 6 intervals

This DYNO problem formulation is  $(t_0 = 0, t_1 = t_f, m = 1, m_e = 1)$ :

Process:

$$\dot{x}_1 = -ux_1, \qquad x_1(0) = \beta_1 \tag{5.40}$$

$$\dot{x}_2 = ux_1 - cu^{\alpha}x_2, \qquad x_2(0) = \beta_2$$
(5.41)

Cost:

$$G_0 = -x_2(t_3), \qquad F_0 = 0 \tag{5.42}$$

Constraints:

$$G_1 = -t_f + \sum_{j=1}^3 \Delta t_j, \quad F_1 = 0 \tag{5.43}$$

The example files and results as well are given in directory problem4 and in Fig. 5.3.

# 5.5 Non-linear CSTR

Consider the problem given in (Luus, 1990; Balsa-Canto et al., 2001). The problem consists of determining four optimal controls of a chemical reactor in order to obtain maximum economic benefit. The system dynamics describe four simultaneous chemical reactions taking place in an isothermal continuous stirred tank reactor. The controls are the flowrates of three feed streams and an electrical energy input used to promote a photochemical reaction.

Problem formulation: Find  $\boldsymbol{u}(t) = [u_1, u_2, u_3, u_4]$  over  $t \in [t_0, t_f]$  to maximise

$$J_0 = x_8(t_f) \tag{5.44}$$

Subject to:

$$\dot{x}_1 = u_4 - qx_1 - 17.6x_1x_2 - 23x_1x_6u_3 \tag{5.45}$$

$$\dot{x}_2 = u_1 - qx_2 - 17.6x_1x_2 - 146x_2x_3 \tag{5.46}$$

$$\dot{x}_3 = u_2 - qx_3 - 73x_2x_3 \tag{5.47}$$

$$\dot{x}_4 = -qx_4 + 35.20x_1x_2 - 51.30x_4x_5 \tag{5.48}$$

$$\dot{x}_5 = -qx_5 + 219x_2x_3 - 51.30x_4x_5 \tag{5.49}$$

$$\dot{x}_6 = -qx_6 + 102.60x_4x_5 - 23x_1x_6u_3 \tag{5.50}$$

$$\dot{x}_7 = -qx_7 + 46x_1x_6u_3 \tag{5.51}$$

$$\dot{x}_8 = 5.80((qx_1) - u_4) - 3.70u_1 - 4.10u_2 + q(23x_4 + 11x_5 + 28x_6 + 35x_7) - 5.0u_3^2 - 0.099$$
(5.52)

where  $q = u_1 + u_2 + u_4$ . The process initial conditions are

$$\boldsymbol{x}(0)^{T} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.1883 \ 0.2507 \ 0.0467 \ 0.0899 \ 0.1804 \ 0.1394 \ 0.1046 \ 0.000 \end{bmatrix}$$
(5.53)

and the bounds on control variables are  $u_1 \in [0, 20]$ ,  $u_2 \in [0, 6]$ ,  $u_3 \in [0, 4]$ ,  $u_4 \in [0, 20]$ . The final time is considered fixed as  $t_f = 0.2$ .

Optimal solution obtained  $(J_0 = 21.757)$  for P = 11 control segments and for equidistant time intervals is the same as given in the literature.

The example files and results as well are given in the directory problem5.

## 5.6 Parameter Estimation Problem

Optimised system:

$$\dot{x}_1(t) = x_2(t), \quad x_1(0) = p_1$$
(5.54)

$$\dot{x}_2(t) = 1 - 2x_2(t) - x_1(t) \quad x_2(0) = p_2$$
(5.55)

represents a second order system with gain and time constants equal to one. The input to the system is 1 and its initial conditions are to be found that correspond to the points

t	1	2	3	5
$x_1^m$	0.264	0.594	0.801	0.959

The cost function is defined as sum of squares of deviations

$$\min_{p} J_0 = \sum_{i=1,2,3,5} (x_1(i) - x_1^m(i))^2$$
(5.56)

We will fix the number of time intervals to 6 with stepsize equal to one and optimise only the parameters  $p_1, p_2$ . The DYNO problem formulation is  $(t_0 = 0, t_1 = 6, m = 0, m_e = 0)$ 

Process:

$$\dot{x}_1(t) = x_2(t), \qquad x_1(0) = p_1$$
(5.57)

$$\dot{x}_2(t) = 1 - 2x_2(t) - x_1(t), \quad x_2(0) = p_2$$
(5.58)

Cost:

$$F_0 = 0, \qquad G_0 = (x(t_1) - .264)^2 + (x(t_2) - .594)^2 \qquad (5.59)$$

$$+ (x(t_3) - .801)^2 + (x(t_5) - .959)^2$$
(5.60)

Bounds:

$$p_i \in [-1.5, 1.5]$$
  $i = 1 \dots 2$  (5.61)

Optimum has been found in 7 iterations. The example files and results as well are given in directory **problem6**. The optimal parameter values are -0.00112, 0.00163 and both trajectories are shown in Fig. 5.4.

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Figure 5.4: Comparison of estimated and measured state trajectory for  $x_1$  trajectory in Problem 5.6

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