

Shape Optimization and the Pontryagin Principle

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Hamilton-Jacobi-Bellman and the Pontryagin Principle

$$\min_{\sigma \in A} \{ g(X_T) + \int_0^T h(X_t, \sigma_t) \, dt \} \quad , X'_t = f(X_t, \sigma_t) \quad , X(0) = X_0$$

Value function

$$u(x,t) = \inf_{\sigma \in A, X(\tau) = x} \int_{\tau}^{T} h(X_t, \sigma_t) dt$$

solution to the HJB-equation (for smooth f, h, g)

$$u_t + \overbrace{\sigma \in A}^{H(u_x, x)} \{u_x \cdot f(x, \sigma) + h(x, \sigma)\} = 0 \quad , u(x, T) = g(x)$$

Differentiation along optimal paths σ_t^*, X_t^* gives Pontryagins Principle

$$\lambda_t'^* = -\lambda_t^* f_X(X_t^*,\sigma_t^*) + h_X(X_t^*,\sigma_t^*), \quad \lambda(T) = g'(X_T^*), \quad (\lambda_t^* \equiv u_x(X_t^*,t))$$
 Also

$$\sigma^* = \mathrm{argmin}_{\sigma \in A} \{\lambda^*_t \cdot f(X^*_t, \sigma) + h(X^*_t, \sigma)\}$$

Electric Conduction

Minimize power-loss in conductive medium [Hoppe, Petrova, Schultz 2002]

$$\begin{split} \min_{\sigma} (\int_{\partial \Omega} j\varphi ds + \eta \int_{\Omega} \sigma dx) \\ \operatorname{div}(\sigma \nabla \varphi(x)) &= 0 \quad x \in \Omega, \quad \sigma \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial n}|_{\partial \Omega} = j \\ \sigma : \Omega \to \{\sigma_{-}, \sigma_{+}\} \end{split}$$

Lagrangian:

$$\mathcal{L} = \int_{\partial\Omega} j\varphi ds + \int_{\Omega} \eta \sigma + \operatorname{div}(\sigma \nabla \varphi(x)) \lambda dx = \int_{\partial\Omega} j(\varphi + \lambda) ds + \int_{\Omega} \sigma \underbrace{(\eta - \nabla \varphi \cdot \nabla \lambda)}_{v} dx$$

Hamiltonian:

$$H(\varphi,\lambda) = \min_{\sigma} \mathcal{L}(\varphi,\lambda,\sigma) = \int_{\partial\Omega} j(\varphi+\lambda)ds + \int_{\Omega} \underbrace{\min_{\sigma} \{\sigma(\eta - \nabla\varphi \cdot \nabla\lambda)\}}_{s(v)} dx$$

Control:

$$s'(v) = \sigma^*(v) = \sigma_+ \mathbf{1}_{\{v < 0\}} + \sigma_- \mathbf{1}_{\{v > 0\}}$$



Regularized Hamiltonian

$$H^{\delta}(\varphi,\lambda) = \int_{\Omega} s_{\delta}(\eta - \nabla \varphi \cdot \nabla \lambda) dx + \int_{\partial \Omega} j(\varphi + \lambda) ds$$

The Pontryagin principle yields

$$0 = \dot{\varphi} = H_{\lambda}^{\delta}$$
$$0 = \dot{\lambda} = -H_{\varphi}^{\delta}$$

Symmetry implies $\varphi=\lambda$ and

$$\mathrm{div}(s_{\delta}'(\eta-|\nabla\varphi|^2)\nabla\varphi(x))=0 \ x\in\Omega, \quad s_{\delta}'\frac{\partial\varphi}{\partial n}|_{\partial\Omega}=j$$

From symmetry we observe



The Hamiltonian is thus strictly convex and we attain the unique minimizer as $\delta \rightarrow 0$.

Examples:



Minimal Compliance

Minimal compliance of infinite bar [Kohn, Strang 1986, Allaire 2002]

$$\begin{split} \min_{\sigma} (-\int_{\Omega} \varphi \, dx + \eta \int_{\Omega} \sigma \, dx) \\ -\operatorname{div}(\sigma(x) \nabla \varphi(x)) &= 1 \quad \text{in } \Omega, \quad \varphi = 0 \quad \text{on } \partial\Omega \\ \sigma: \Omega \to [\sigma_{-}, \sigma_{+}] \end{split}$$

Hamiltonian:

$$H(\varphi,\lambda) = \int_{\Omega} (\lambda - \varphi) + \underbrace{\min_{\sigma} \{\sigma(\eta - \nabla \varphi \cdot \nabla \lambda)\}}_{s(v)} dx$$

Anti-symmetri $\lambda=-\varphi$ gives

$$H^{\delta}(\varphi) = \int_{\Omega} s_{\delta}(\eta + |\nabla \varphi|^2) - 2\varphi \, dx$$

Observations from anti-symmetry



- Non-convex problem
- Lower bound on regularization
- Optimal to use a (quasi-) convexified functional since the value functions coincide.

The solution of the convexified problem is the local average (weak limit) of a minimizing sequence for the non-convex problem.

Examples:



Figure 1: Inverse of the shear moduli on the cross section of an infinitely long bar. Left: Convexified reference solution. Middle: Solution from solving the regularized Hamiltonian system. The relative L2 error in the Hamiltonian is here less than 4%. Right: One additional iteration with σ restricted to $\{\sigma_{-}, \sigma_{+}\}$. The relative error is now less than 1%.

Impedance Tomography

Parameter estimation from measurements [Borcea 2002]

$$\begin{split} \min_{\sigma} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \int_{\Gamma_{i}} (\varphi_{i} - \bar{\varphi}_{i})^{2} \, ds \\ -\operatorname{div}(\sigma(x) \nabla \varphi_{i}(x)) &= 0 \quad \text{in } \Omega, \quad \sigma \frac{\partial \varphi_{i}}{\partial n} = j_{i} \quad \text{on } \partial \Omega \\ \int_{\partial \Omega} j \, ds &= 0, \quad \sigma : \Omega \to [\sigma_{-}, \sigma_{+}] \end{split}$$

Hamiltonian

$$H(\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_N, \lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_N) = \dots + \int_{\Omega} \underbrace{\min_{\sigma} \{\sigma \sum_{i=1}^{N} -\nabla \varphi_i \cdot \nabla \lambda_i\}}_{v} dx$$

- Leads to coupled system of 2N equations
- Seems to behave as convex/non-convex problem depending on σ_+/σ_-
- Optimal choice of input currents?
- Averaging s(v) may improve numerical stability



Figure 2: Left: True conductivity. Middle: Estimated conductivity from solving the regularized Hamiltonian system. Right: Estimated conductivity when 5% white noise is added to measurements. Data from four different experiments were used.

Optimal Currents

Optimal currents maximize

$$\frac{\|R(\sigma)j - R(\sigma^*)j\|}{\|j\|}$$

where $R(\sigma)$ is the Neumann-to-Dirichlet operator i.e. optimal currents are eigenfunctions corresponding to largest eigenvalues of R [Isaacson et al 1990].

Min-max formulation

$$\begin{split} & \min_{\sigma} \max_{j} \int_{\partial \Omega} (\varphi - \bar{\varphi})^{2} \, ds \\ -\operatorname{div}(\sigma \nabla \varphi) &= 0 \quad \text{in } \Omega, \quad \sigma \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial n} = j \quad \text{on } \partial \Omega \\ -\operatorname{div}(\sigma^{*} \nabla \bar{\varphi}) &= 0 \quad \text{in } \Omega, \quad \sigma \frac{\partial \bar{\varphi}}{\partial n} = j \quad \text{on } \partial \Omega \\ & \int_{\partial \Omega} j \, ds = 0, \quad \sigma : \Omega \to [\sigma_{-}, \sigma_{+}] \end{split}$$

Hamiltonian

$$H(\varphi,\bar{\varphi},\lambda,\bar{\lambda}) = \ldots + \int_{\partial\Omega} \underbrace{\max_{j\in J} j}_{v\in J} \underbrace{(\lambda+\bar{\lambda})}_{\bar{v}} ds + \int_{\Omega} \underbrace{\min_{\sigma} \{\sigma(\underbrace{-\nabla\varphi\cdot\nabla\lambda}_{v})\}}_{v} dx$$

Regularization gives Hamiltonian system

$$\begin{split} -\operatorname{div}(s_{\delta}'(v)\nabla\varphi) &= 0 \quad \text{in } \Omega, \quad s_{\delta}'(v)\frac{\partial\varphi}{\partial n} = \bar{s}_{\delta}'(\bar{v}) \quad \text{on } \partial\Omega \\ -\operatorname{div}(s_{\delta}'(v)\nabla\lambda) &= 0 \quad \text{in } \Omega, \quad s_{\delta}'(v)\frac{\partial\lambda}{\partial n} = -2(\varphi - \bar{\varphi}) \quad \text{on } \partial\Omega \\ -\operatorname{div}(\sigma^*\nabla\bar{\varphi}) &= 0 \quad \text{in } \Omega, \quad \sigma^*\frac{\partial\bar{\varphi}}{\partial n} = \bar{s}_{\delta}'(\bar{v}) \quad \text{on } \partial\Omega \\ -\operatorname{div}(\sigma^*\nabla\bar{\lambda}) &= 0 \quad \text{in } \Omega, \quad \sigma^*\frac{\partial\bar{\lambda}}{\partial n} = -2(\varphi - \bar{\varphi}) \quad \text{on } \partial\Omega \end{split}$$

Algorithm:

- 1. Given iterates λ_n, φ_n and j_n we get $\overline{\varphi}_n$ and $\overline{\lambda}_n$ from measurements 2. Update $j_{n+1} = \overline{s}'_{\delta}(\lambda_n + \overline{\lambda}_n)$.
- 3. Get $\lambda_{n+1}, \varphi_{n+1}$ from one or more Newton steps on the non-linear system

$$-\operatorname{div}(s_{\delta}'(v)\nabla\varphi) = 0 \quad \text{in } \Omega$$

$$s_{\delta}'(v)\frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial n}$$
 = j_{n+1} on $\partial \Omega$

$$-{\rm div}(s_\delta'(v)\nabla\lambda) = 0 \qquad \text{ in } \Omega$$

$$s_{\delta}'(v)\frac{\partial\lambda}{\partial n}$$
 = $-2(\varphi - \bar{\varphi}_n)$ on $\partial\Omega$