

Multi-Parametric Toolbox 3.0

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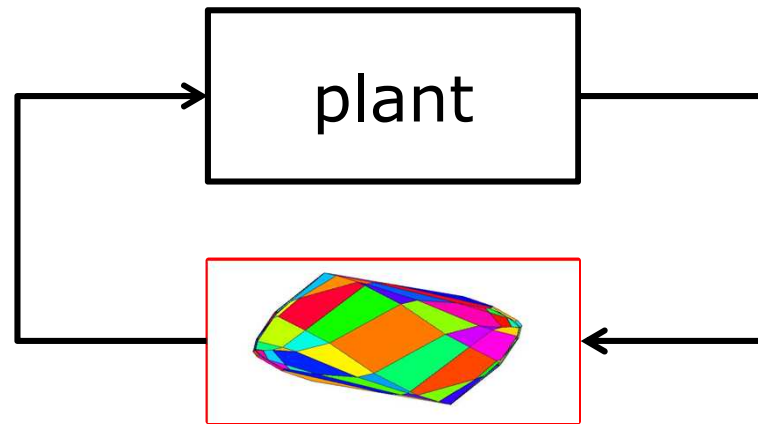
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What is MPT?

- Matlab toolbox for application of explicit MPC
 - high-speed implementation of MPC in real-time
- Approach
 - **offline**: solve optimal control problem parametrically
 - **online**: evaluate the resulting PWA feedback



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Core Features of Version 3.0

- **New engine for parametric optimization**
 - new parametric and non-parametric solvers
- **Extended geometric library**
 - convex sets and function over sets
- **More flexible MPC design**
 - modular structure, object oriented
- **Novel algorithms for reduction of complexity**
 - separation, clipping, PWA fitting, ...

Core Numerical Engines

- **New parametric solver – PLCP**
 - relies on solving linear-complementarity problems (LCP) by approach of Jones, Morari, CDC'06
 - features lexicographic perturbations to improve robustness
- **New nonparametric solver – LCP**
 - implements lexicographic Lemke's algorithm
- **Interfaces to state-of-the-art solvers**
 - CPLEX, GUROBI, NAG, CDD, GLPK, QPOASES, QPspline

$$\begin{aligned} \min f^T x \\ Ax \leq b \end{aligned}$$



```
problem = Opt('f', f, 'A', A, 'b', b)
solution = problem.solve
```

Parametric Optimization

- **Single solver** for parametric linear and quadratic problems

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & \frac{1}{2}u^T H u + c^T u \\ & Au \leq b + E\xi, \quad u \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$



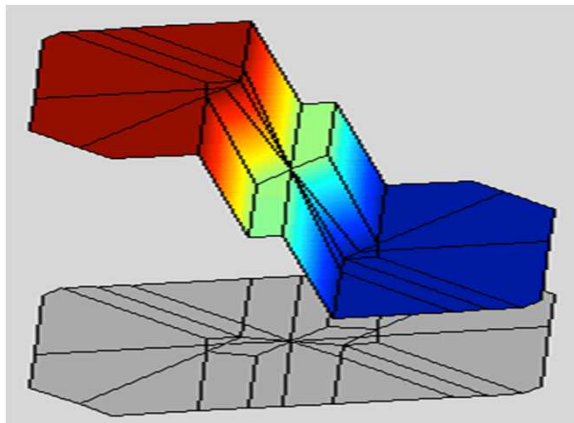
$$\begin{aligned} Hu + c + A^T \lambda - \nu &= 0 \\ Au &\leq b + E\xi, \quad u \geq 0 \\ \lambda^T (Au - b - E\xi) &= 0, \quad \nu^T u = 0 \end{aligned}$$

optimality conditions



$$\begin{aligned} \text{find } w, z \\ w - Mz &= q + G\xi \\ w &\geq 0, \quad z \geq 0 \\ w^T z &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

LCP formulation



Geometric Library – Basic Sets

- Extended support for polyhedra
 - unbounded, lower-dimensional sets

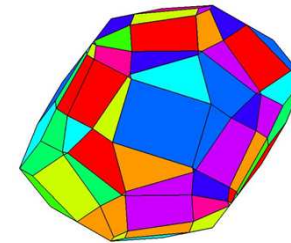
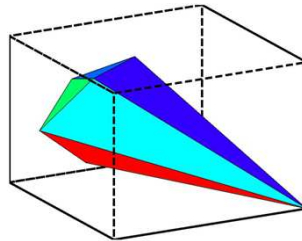
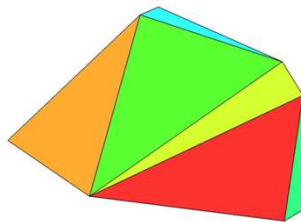
```
P = Polyhedron('A', A, 'b', b, 'Ae', Ae, 'be', be)
```

```
Q = Polyhedron('V', V, 'R', R)
```



- unions of polyhedra with certain properties

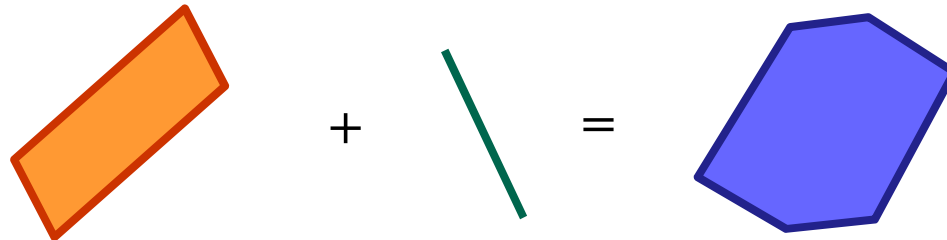
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U = PolyUnion('Set', P, 'Convex', 1, 'Overlaps', 0)
```



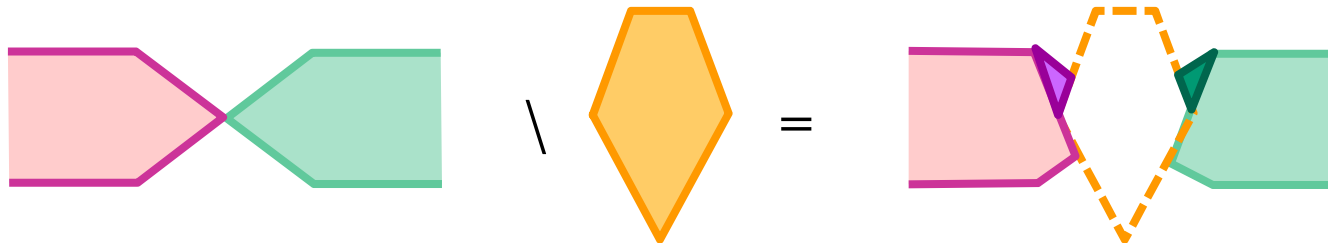
Geometric Library – Operations

- Supported geometric operations
 - Minkowski summations, Pontryagin differences, affine maps, projections, set-differences, convex hulls, ...

$$S = P + Q$$



$$T = U \setminus S$$



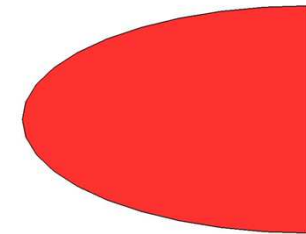
All algorithms built with MPT2 still work!

Geometric Library – Extensions

- **General convex sets**

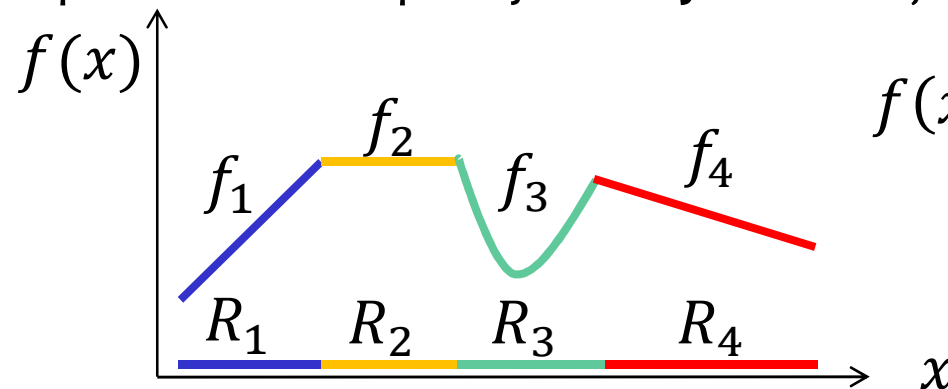
- import of YALMIP constraints as **YSet** objects

```
x = sdpvar(2,1);  
box = ( [0;0.5] <= x <= [1; 2] );  
circle = ( 2*norm(x-1) <= 1 );  
S = YSet(x, box + circle);
```



- **Functions over sets**

- represented compactly as **PolyUnion** objects



$$f(x) = f_i(x) \text{ if } x \in R_i$$

New MPC Setup

- **Basic MPCController** object
 - represents constrained finite horizon optimal control problem

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & \sum_{i=0}^N (\|Qx_k\| + \|Ru_k\|) \\ \text{s.t.:} \quad & x_{k+1} = f(x_k, u_k) \\ & x \in \mathcal{X}, u \in \mathcal{U} \end{aligned}$$

- Flexible interface for formulating control problems
 - based on modularized code
 - all controllers are derived from a common object
- **Support for constrained linear and hybrid models**
 - LTI models, PWA models, and MLD models

Versatility of LTI Models

- Autonomous system $x_{k+1} = Ax_k$

```
model = LTISystem('A', A)
```

- Affine autonomous system $x_{k+1} = Ax_k + f$

```
model = LTISystem('A', A, 'f', f)
```

- State update equation $x_{k+1} = Ax_k + Bu_k$

```
model = LTISystem('A', A, 'B', B)
```

- Output equation $x_{k+1} = Ax_k + Bu_k, y_k = Cx_k$

```
model = LTISystem('A', A, 'B', B, 'C', C)
```

Constraints

- Constraints
 - lower/upper bounds on signals

$$-1 \leq u \leq 1$$

```
model.u.min = -1; model.u.max = 1;
```

- specific constraints can be added using the concept of filters
(**blocking constraints, rate constraints, logical constraints, soft constraints, ...**)

$$x_N \in \Omega, \quad \Omega = \{x \mid Ax \leq b\}$$

```
model.x.with('terminalSet')  
model.x.terminalSet = Polyhedron(A,b)
```

Performance Specifications

- Penalties on system signals

$$x^T Q x$$

```
model.x.penalty = QuadFunction(Q)
```

$$\|Qx\|_1$$

```
model.x.penalty = OneNormFunction(Q)
```

$$\|Qx\|_\infty$$

```
model.x.penalty = InfNormFunction(Q)
```

- additional penalties can be provided as filters, e.g. **terminal penalties, slew-rate penalization, tracking of references, ...**

MPT2 setups can be seamlessly imported!

```
model = mpt_import(sysStruct, probStruct)
```

Generation of Explicit Solution

1. Construct the online MPC controller object

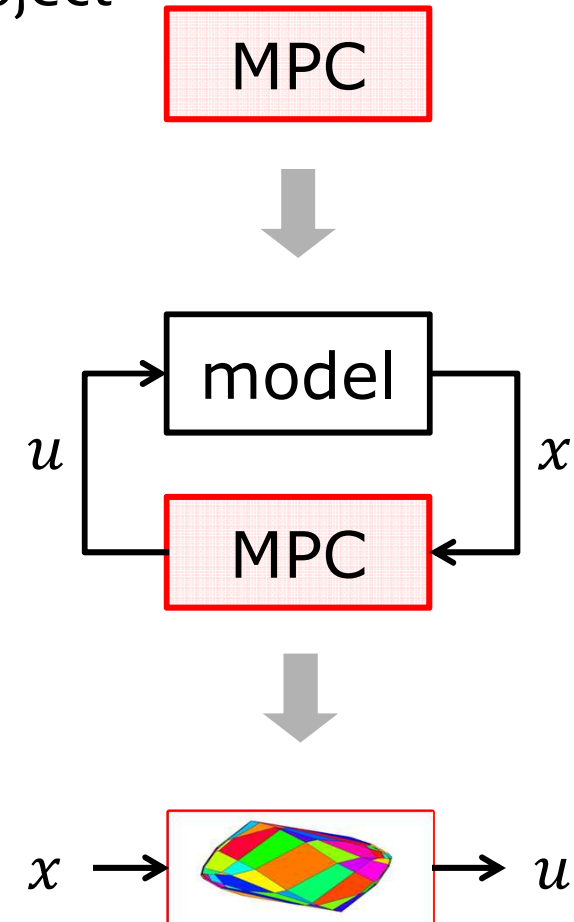
```
ctrl = MPCController(model, N)
u = ctrl.evaluate(x)
```

2. Tune the controller and close the loop

```
loop = ClosedLoop(ctrl, model)
data = loop.simulate(x0, Nsim)
```

3. Export to the explicit form

```
expl_ctrl = ctrl.toExplicit()
```



Fine Tuning

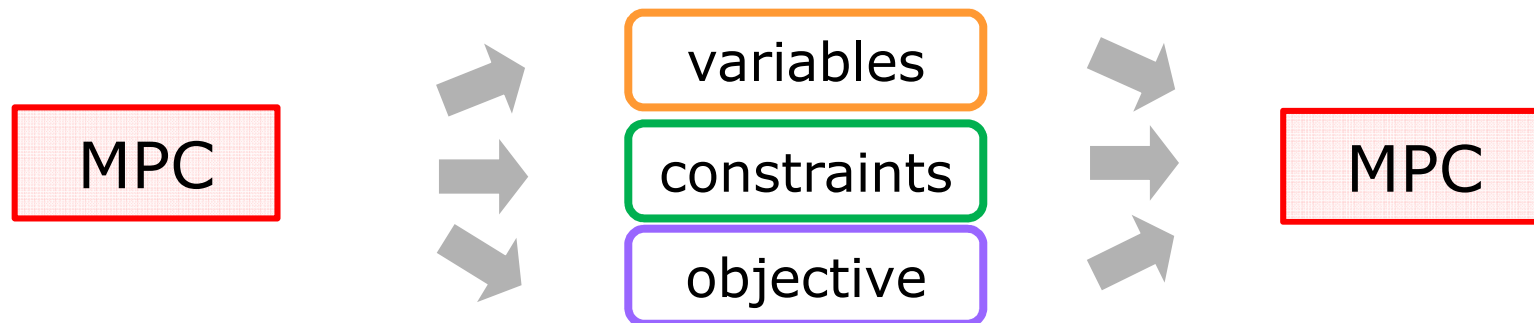
- **Tuning and refinement of MPC setups using YALMIP**

- export to YALMIP

```
Y = ctrl.toYALMIP()
```

- adjust constraints and performance specification
- construct back the online MPC object

```
ctrl.fromYALMIP(Y)
```



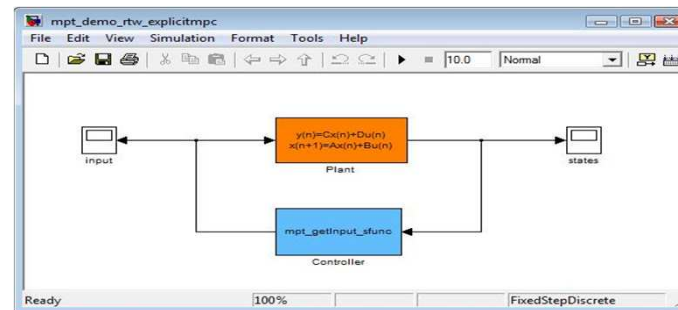
Arbitrary adjustments are possible!

Deployment of Explicit Controllers

- Export to low level programming language – code generation

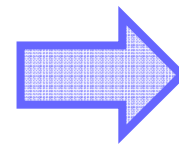
```
expl_ctrl.exportToC()
```

- Includes routines for **high speed evaluation**
 - consecutive search
 - binary search tree



- Test in Simulink and deploy on real-time platform

C code



2D Example

- **Oscillator example**

- CFTOC with horizon 5
- **cost function**

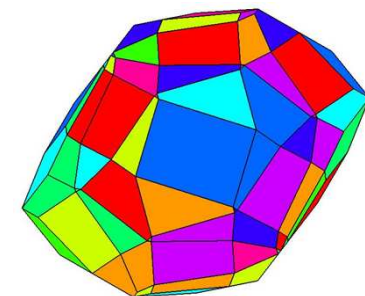
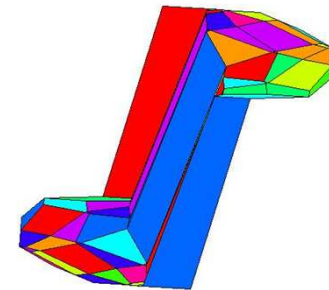
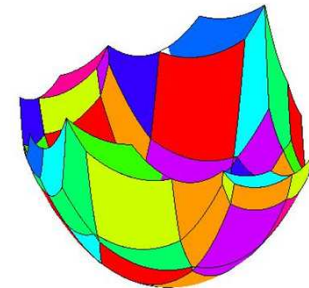
```
expl_ctrl.cost.fplot()
```

- **feedback law**

```
expl_ctrl.feedback.fplot()
```

- **partition**

```
expl_ctrl.partition.plot()
```



Summary

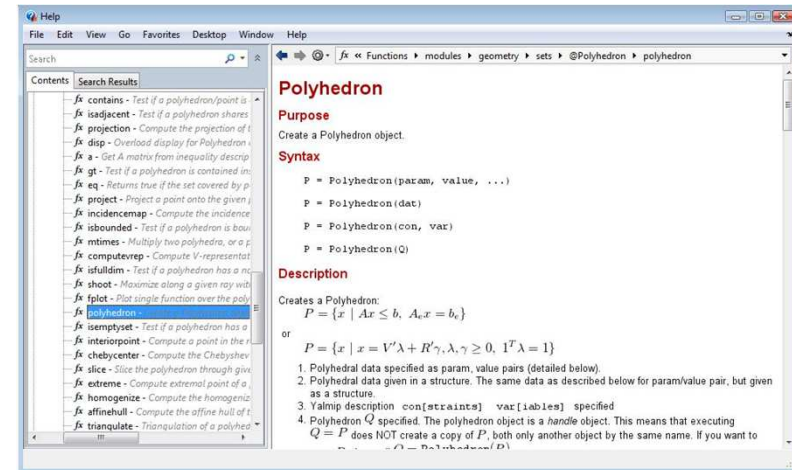
- **MPT 3.0**
 - novel parametric optimization engine
 - contains powerful library for computational geometry
 - flexible MPC synthesis
 - export to C code

- **Documentation**



- **Support**

- Feedback is welcome!
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