

# Advanced Control Systems Engineering I:

## Optimal Control

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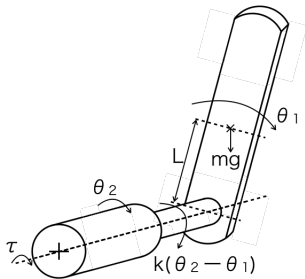
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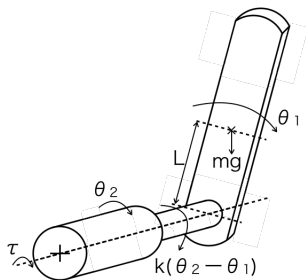
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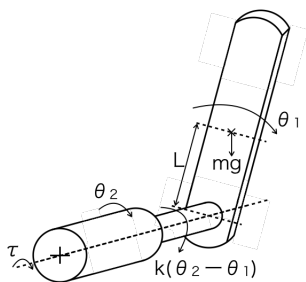


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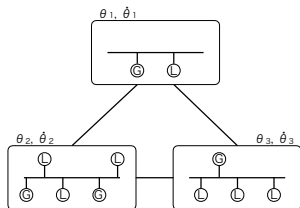
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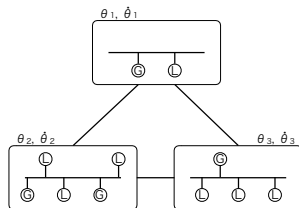
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- ▶ maximum principle
- ▶ calculus of variations

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$x_2$	$x_2$	$x_8$	$\cdots$	$x_n$
$\vdots$				
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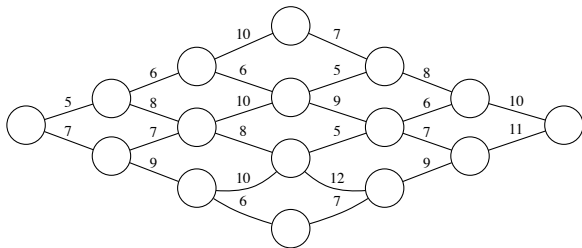
$\ell(x_i, u_j)$	$u_1$	$u_2$	$\dots$	$u_m$
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$x_2$	2	-2	$\dots$	6
$\vdots$				
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	$\ell_f(x_i)$
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$\vdots$	
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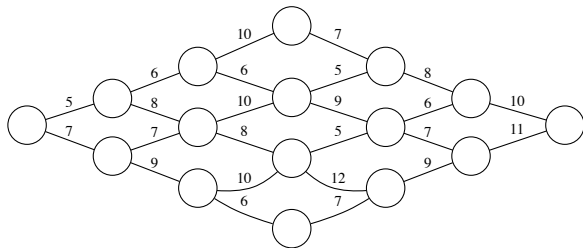
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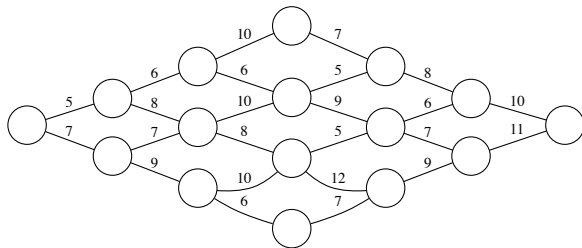
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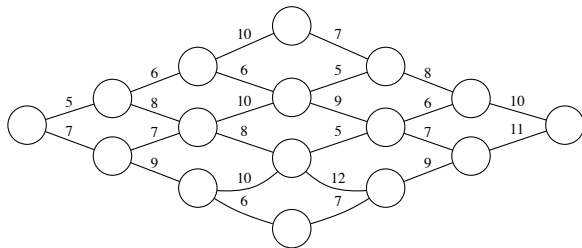


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The mathematical advantage of this formulation lies first of all in



# principle of optimality

[ Bellman, 1957, p. 83 ]

# principle of optimality

## § 3. The principle of optimality

In each process, the functional equation governing the process was obtained by an application of the following intuitive:

**PRINCIPLE OF OPTIMALITY.** *An optimal policy has the property that whatever the initial state and initial decision are, the remaining decisions must constitute an optimal policy with regard to the state resulting from the first decision.*

The mathematical transliteration of this simple principle will yield all the functional equations we shall encounter throughout the remainder of the book. A proof by contradiction is immediate.

[ Bellman, 1957, p. 83 ]

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# linear systems

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$$0 = PA + A^\mathrm{T}P - PBR^{-1}B^\mathrm{T}P + Q$$

$$u^*(t) = -\frac{1}{2}R^{-1}B^\mathrm{T}Px(t)$$

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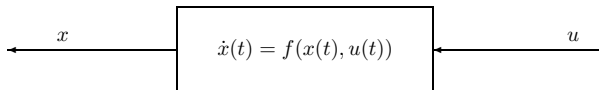
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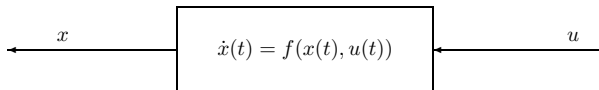
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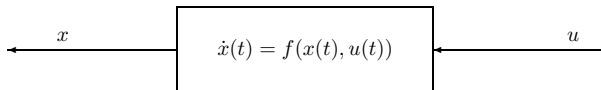
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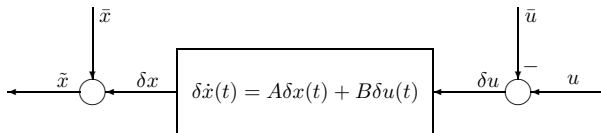
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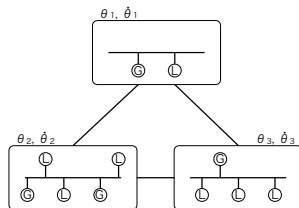
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# swing equation

## dynamical systems



[ J-Power, <http://www.jpowers.co.jp> ]

$n$  areas  $N = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$

neighbors of area  $i$   $N_i \subset N$

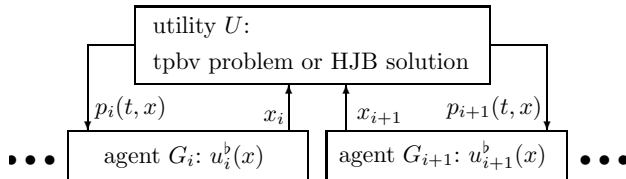
$$H_i \ddot{\theta}_i(t) = \sum_{j=1}^{n_i^g} P_{ij}^g(t) - \sum_{j=1}^{n_i^l} P_{ij}^l(t) - \sum_{j \in N_i} \frac{1}{X_{ij}} (\theta_i(t) - \theta_j(t)) \quad i \in N$$

$$P_{ij}^g = C_{ij} x_{ij}(t) \quad \dot{x}_{ij}(t) = A_{ij} x_{ij}(t) + B_{ij} u_{ij}(t) \quad j = 1, 2, \dots, n_i^g$$



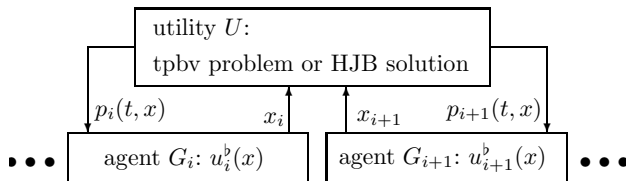
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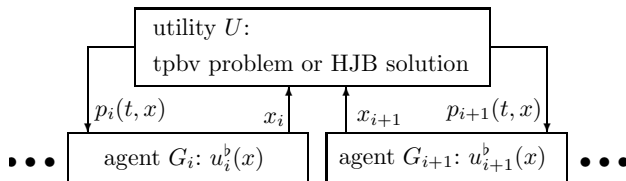
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