

Advanced Control Systems Engineering I:

Optimal Control

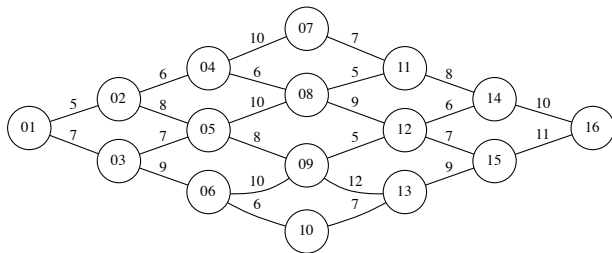
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finite state systems

optimal control problem



$$X = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{16}\} \quad u(t) \in U = \{u_u, u_d\}$$
$$t \in [0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6]$$

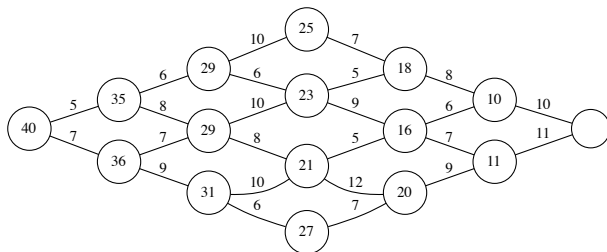
$$\inf_{u(\cdot)} J(0, x_1; u(\cdot)) = \inf_{u(\cdot)} \sum_{\tau=0}^6 \ell(x(\tau), u(\tau))$$

minimum-cost path problem

► multistage decision process

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define $V : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$:

$$V(x_1) = 40 \quad V(x_5) = 29 \quad V(x_9) = 21 \quad V(x_{13}) = 20$$

$$V(x_2) = 35 \quad V(x_6) = 31 \quad V(x_{10}) = 27 \quad V(x_{14}) = 10$$

$$V(x_3) = 36 \quad V(x_7) = 25 \quad V(x_{11}) = 18 \quad V(x_{15}) = 11$$

$$V(x_4) = 29 \quad V(x_8) = 23 \quad V(x_{12}) = 16 \quad V(x_{16}) = 0$$

$V(x_i)$ provides the optimal cost starting from x_i V : cost-to-go

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$$\begin{aligned}x(t) \in X = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\} \quad & u(t) \in U = \{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_m\} \\ & t \in \{t_0, t_0 + 1, \dots, t_f\}\end{aligned}$$

$$J(t_0, x_0; u(\cdot)) = \sum_{\tau=t_0}^{t_f-1} \ell(x(\tau), u(\tau)) + \ell_f(x(t_f))$$

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$\phi(x_i, u_j)$	u_1	u_2	\cdots	u_m
x_1	x_3	x_{n-2}	\cdots	x_1
x_2	x_2	x_8	\cdots	x_n
\vdots				
x_n	x_5	x_{n-7}	\cdots	x_2

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x_1	3	2	\dots	-1
x_2	2	-2	\dots	6
\vdots				
x_n	-1	5	\dots	1.2

	$\ell_f(x_i)$
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x_2	2
\vdots	
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$$\ell: X \times U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$\ell(x(t), u(t))$$

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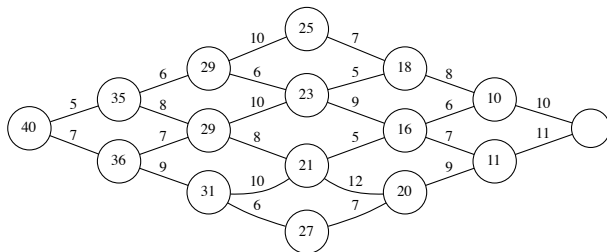
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(naive) computational complexities

► # of possible paths: 20

DP had to find only: 15

$n \times n$	4	5	6	7	8
# of paths	20	70	252	724	2632
DP computations	15	24	35	48	63

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computing the cost-to-go $V(t_0, x_0)$ from the initial state x_0 at the initial time t_0 essentially amounts to minimize the cost $J(t_0, x_0; u(\cdot))$

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x_3	x_2	x_5	x_4	x_3	2	3	1	x_3	3		
x_4	x_1	x_2	x_1	x_4	3	4	5	x_4	4		
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computational complexity

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brute force search:

$$O(|U|^{|T|} \times |T| \times |X|)$$

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state feedback implementation

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State feedback control:

$$u(t) = u(x(t)) = \arg \min_{u \in U} \underbrace{\{ \ell(x(t), u) + V(t+1, \phi(x(t), u)) \}}_{\text{computed using the measured state } x(t)}$$

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