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STATE EQUATION

$$f(y, v) = 0 \rightarrow y = y(v), v \in \mathcal{U}_{ad}$$

COST FUNCTION

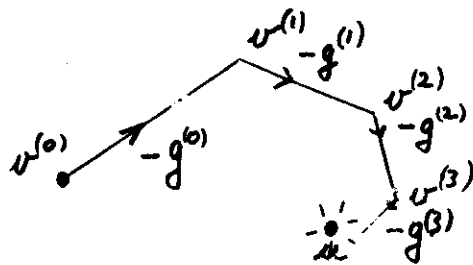
$$J(y, v) = J(y(v), v) = J_1(v)$$

PROBLEM

$$\inf_{v \in \mathcal{U}_{ad}} J_1(v)$$

SOLUTION BY A GRADIENT METHOD

$$J'_1(v) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial J_1}{\partial v_1} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{\partial J_1}{\partial v_N} \end{bmatrix} = g(v)$$



How to find the gradient?

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$$J_1(v) = J(y(v), v), \quad f(y(v), v) = 0.$$

Define Lagrangian $\mathcal{L}(y, v, p)$
independent variables!

$$\mathcal{L}(y, v, p) = J(y, v) + (p, f(y, v))$$

(i) Remark $\mathcal{L}(y(v), v, p) = J(y(v), v) = J_1(v)$

$$(ii) \text{ Thus } J'_1(v) = \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial y} y'(v) + \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial v} \quad \forall p$$

$$= \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial v} \quad \text{if } \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial y} = 0$$

$$(iii) \text{ But } \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial v} = \frac{\partial J}{\partial v} + (p, \frac{\partial f}{\partial v}) =$$

$$\boxed{\frac{\partial J}{\partial v} + \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial v}\right)^* p = J'_1(v)}$$

gradient

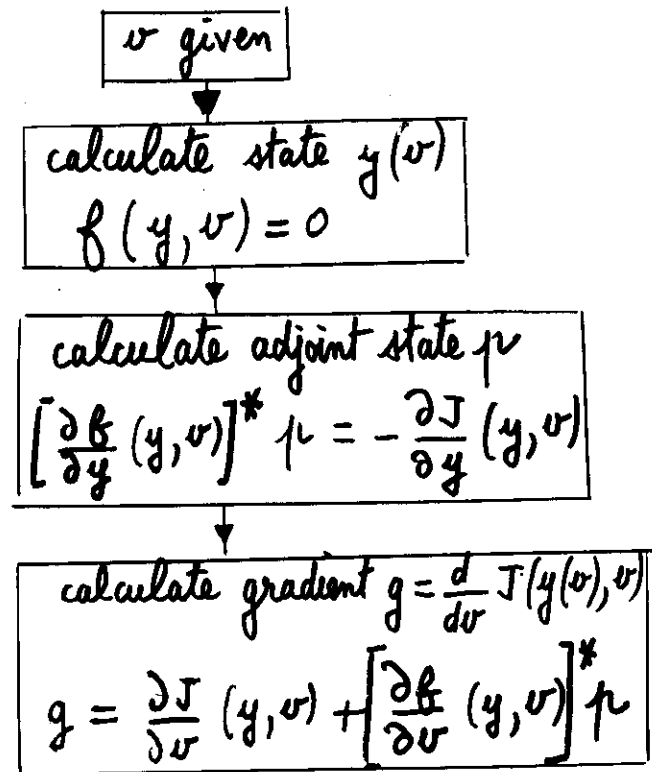
and

$$(iv) \left(\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial y}, \psi\right) = \left(\frac{\partial J}{\partial y}, \psi\right) + (p, \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \psi) =$$

$$\left(\frac{\partial J}{\partial y} + \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}\right)^* p, \psi\right) = 0 \quad \forall \psi \Leftrightarrow$$

$$\boxed{\frac{\partial J}{\partial y} + \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}\right)^* p = 0} \quad \text{adjoint state } p.$$

Design of minimization of $J(y, v)$
subject to $f(y, v) = 0$.



Plug into any gradient method
for minimizing a functional!

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State equations

$$\frac{\partial \Delta}{\partial t} - \Delta \Delta + R(\Delta, i) = 0, \quad \frac{\partial i}{\partial t} - \Delta i = 0,$$

$$\Delta|_{\Sigma} = g(x), \Delta(x, 0) = 0, \quad i|_{\Sigma} = v(x, t), i(x, 0) = 0.$$

Cost function

$$J(\Delta, i, v) = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Sigma} \left(\frac{\partial \Delta}{\partial t} - \Delta \Delta \right)^2 d\Sigma$$

Lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L}(\Delta, i, v, p, q, r) = J(\Delta, i, v) + \int_Q p \left(\frac{\partial \Delta}{\partial t} - \Delta \Delta + R \right) dQ$$

$$+ \int_Q q \left(\frac{\partial i}{\partial t} - \Delta i \right) dQ + \int_{\Sigma} r (i - v) d\Sigma$$

Gradient

$$\left(\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial v}, \varphi \right) = - \int_{\Sigma} r \varphi d\Sigma \Rightarrow g = -r$$

provided we can achieve

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \Delta} = 0 \Leftrightarrow \left(\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \Delta}, \psi \right) = 0 \quad \forall \psi \quad \begin{cases} \psi(x, t) = 0 & t = 0 \\ \psi(x, t) = 0 & x \in \Gamma \end{cases}$$

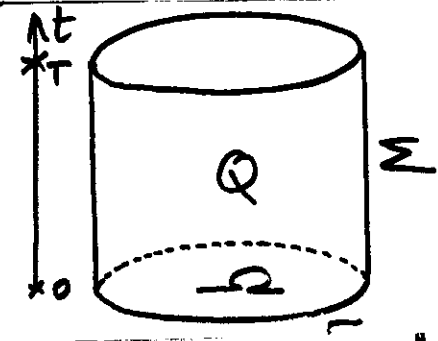
$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial i} = 0 \Leftrightarrow \left(\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial i}, \psi \right) = 0 \quad \forall \psi \quad \psi(x, 0) = 0$$

$$Q = \Omega \times]0, T[$$

$$\Sigma = \Gamma \times]0, T[$$

$$dQ = dx dt, dx = dx_1 \dots dx_n$$

$$d\Sigma = d\Gamma dt$$



$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial s} = 0 ?$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}(s, i, v, p, q, r) = & \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Sigma} \left(\frac{\partial s}{\partial n} - \beta_d \right)^2 d\Sigma \\ & + \int_Q p \left(\frac{\partial s}{\partial t} - \Delta s + R(s, i) \right) dx dt + \int_Q q \left(\frac{\partial i}{\partial t} - \Delta i \right) dx dt \\ & + \int_{\Sigma} r (i - v) d\Gamma dt. \end{aligned}$$

$$\left(\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial s}, \psi \right) = \int_{\Sigma} \left(\frac{\partial s}{\partial n} - \beta_d \right) \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial n} d\Sigma + \int_Q p \left(\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} - \Delta \psi + \frac{\partial R}{\partial s} \psi \right) dx dt.$$

$$= \int_{\Sigma} \left(\frac{\partial s}{\partial n} - \beta_d \right) \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial n} d\Sigma + \int_{\Omega} \left(p(x, T) \psi(x, T) - p(x, 0) \psi(x, 0) \right) dx$$

$$- \int_Q \frac{\partial p}{\partial t} \psi dx dt - \int_{\Sigma} p \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial n} d\Sigma + \int_{\Sigma} \frac{\partial p}{\partial n} \psi d\Sigma$$

$$- \int_Q (\Delta p) \psi dx dt + \int_Q \frac{\partial R}{\partial s} p \psi dx dt = 0 \quad \forall \psi,$$

$$\psi = 0 \text{ for } t=0 \text{ and } \psi = 0 \text{ on } \Sigma, \Leftrightarrow$$

$$\begin{aligned} -\frac{\partial p}{\partial t} - \Delta p + \frac{\partial R}{\partial s} p &= 0 \quad \text{in } \Omega \times]0, T[\\ p &= 0 \quad \text{on } \Sigma \\ p(T) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

p = adjoint state for s .

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial i} = 0 ?$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}(s, i, v, p, q, r) = & \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Sigma} \left(\frac{\partial s}{\partial n} - \beta_d \right)^2 d\Sigma \\ & + \int_Q p \left(\frac{\partial s}{\partial t} - \Delta s + R(s, i) \right) dx dt + \int_Q q \left(\frac{\partial i}{\partial t} - \Delta i \right) dx dt \\ & + \int_{\Sigma} r (i - v) d\Gamma dt \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial i}, \psi \right) = & \int_Q p \frac{\partial R}{\partial i} \psi dx dt + \int_Q q \left(\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} - \Delta \psi \right) dx dt \\ & + \int_{\Sigma} r \psi d\Sigma = 0 \quad \forall \psi, \end{aligned}$$

$$\psi = 0 \text{ at } t=0, \Leftrightarrow$$

$$\int_Q \frac{\partial R}{\partial i} p \psi dx dt + \int_{\Omega} (q(x, T) \psi(x, T) - q(x, 0) \psi(x, 0)) dx$$

$$- \int_Q \frac{\partial q}{\partial t} \psi dx dt - \int_{\Sigma} q \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial n} d\Sigma + \int_{\Sigma} \frac{\partial q}{\partial n} \psi d\Sigma$$

$$- \int_Q (\Delta q) \psi dx dt + \int_{\Sigma} r \psi d\Sigma = 0 \quad \forall \psi, \psi(0) = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} -\frac{\partial q}{\partial t} - \Delta q &= -\frac{\partial R}{\partial i} p \\ q|_{\Sigma} &= 0 \\ q(T) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

q , state adjoint to i

$$r = -\frac{\partial q}{\partial n}$$

r , state adjoint to the constraint $i|_{\Sigma} = v$.

$$g = \frac{\partial q}{\partial n}$$

Difficulty with optimal control of systems with multiple steady states. 7

state equation $f(y, v) = 0 \nrightarrow y = y(v)$
 cost function
 $J(y, v)$

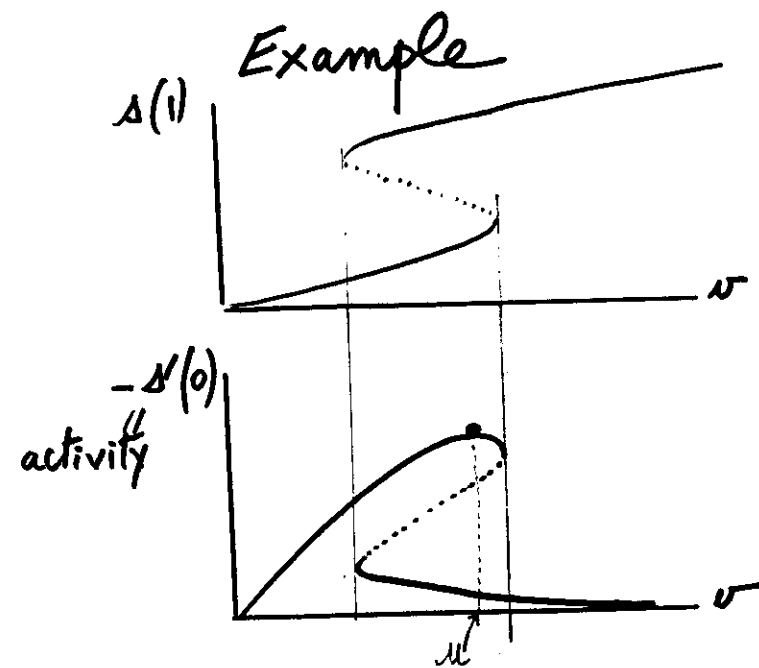
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Possible solution to this difficulty (J-L LIONS)

Consider the problem for $x = (y, v)$:

$\inf J(x)$

subject to the constraint
 $f(x) = 0$.



$$-\frac{d^2 \Delta}{dx^2} + F(\Delta) = 0, \Delta(0) = v, \Delta'(1) = 0$$

$$F(\Delta) = \sigma \Delta / (1 + \Delta + k \Delta^2)$$

solution of Δ at concentration v

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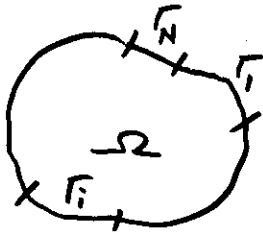
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Optimal control problem

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State (s!)

$$(i) \begin{cases} -\Delta s + F(s) = 0 & \text{in } \Omega \\ s|_{\Gamma_i} = v_i, \quad i=1,2,\dots,N. \end{cases}$$



Control $v = (v_1, \dots, v_N) \in \mathbb{R}_+^N$.

Cost function

$$J(s, v) = - \int_{\Gamma} \frac{\partial s}{\partial n} d\Gamma = - \int_{\Omega} F(s(x)) dx.$$

Pb.

$$\begin{cases} \inf J(s, v) \\ (s, v) \text{ constrained by (i)} \\ v \in \mathbb{R}_+^N \end{cases}$$

Assumptions : $s, \Delta s \in L^2(\Omega)$

($\Rightarrow s|_{\Gamma} = v$ makes sense)

Transformation of the problem.

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(i) Define $y(v) \in L^2(\Omega)$ by

$$\begin{cases} -\Delta y = 0 & \text{in } \Omega \\ y|_{\Gamma} = v \end{cases}$$

(ii) Define $z = s - y$.

The new problem is

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{Minimize } J(z, v) = - \int_{\Omega} F(y(v) + z) dx \\ &z \text{ and } v \text{ being related by} \\ &-\Delta z + F(y(v) + z) = 0, \quad z|_{\Gamma} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

(2)

Remark. If Γ is smooth enough,

$$(2) \Rightarrow z \in H^2(\Omega) \cap H_0^1(\Omega)$$

and even, since

$$F(u) = \sigma \frac{u}{1+u+ku^2} < \sigma,$$

$$z \in \text{bounded set of } H^2(\Omega) \cap H_0^1(\Omega).$$

Existence of an optimal pair $(\tilde{z}, u)$. 11

Let (z_m, v_m) be a minimizing sequence

i.e. $J(z_m, v_m) \rightarrow \inf J(z, v) = \mu$.

Remark that $-\infty < \mu < 0$ since

$$J(z, v) = - \int_{\Omega} F(\dots) dx \geq -\sigma \text{mes}(\Omega).$$

Assume (see below) $\{v_m\} \in \text{bounded set of } \mathbb{R}^N$
We know that $\{z_m\} \in H^2 \cap H_0^1$.

Thus, after eventually extraction of a subsequence

$v_m \rightarrow u$ in $\mathbb{R}^N$, $z_m \rightharpoonup \tilde{z}$ in $H^2 \cap H_0^1$ weak,
 $z_m \rightarrow \tilde{z}$ in H^1 strong, L^2 strong and a.e.,
 $y(v_m) \rightarrow y(u)$ in $L^2(\Omega)$ strong
 $F(y(v_m) + z_m) \rightarrow F(y(u) + \tilde{z})$ in L^2 strong
 $-\Delta z_m \rightharpoonup -\Delta \tilde{z}$ in L^2 weak, so that

$$\boxed{\begin{aligned} -\Delta \tilde{z} + F(y(u) + \tilde{z}) &= 0, \quad \tilde{z}|_{\Gamma} = 0 \\ J(\tilde{z}, u) &= \inf J(z, v) \end{aligned}}$$

$$-\Delta \tilde{z} + F(\tilde{z}) = 0, \quad \tilde{z}|_{\Gamma} = u$$

Boundedness of v_m for a minimizing sequence. 12

Define w_i ($i=1,2,\dots,N$) by

$$\begin{cases} -\Delta w_i + \sigma w_i = 0 & \text{in } \Omega \\ w_i|_{\Gamma} = \delta_{i,j} \end{cases}, \quad j=1,\dots,N$$

Define w^m as $w^m = \sum_{i=1}^N (v_m)_i w_i$, so that

$$\begin{cases} -\Delta w^m + \sigma w^m = 0 & \text{in } \Omega \\ w^m|_{\Gamma} = v_m \end{cases}$$

Consider the difference $\Delta_m - w^m = \tau_m$:

$$-\Delta \tau_m + \sigma \tau_m = \sigma \Delta_m - F(\Delta_m) \geq 0, \quad \tau_m|_{\Gamma} = 0,$$

whence $\tau_m \geq 0$, or $\Delta_m \geq w^m$.

Suppose $v_m \rightarrow \infty$ in $\mathbb{R}^N$. Then

$$w^m(x) \rightarrow \infty \text{ a.e.}, \quad \Delta_m(x) \geq w^m(x) \rightarrow \infty,$$

$$F(\Delta_m(x)) \rightarrow 0 \text{ a.e.}, \quad \int_{\Omega} F(\Delta_m(x)) \rightarrow 0.$$

But this contradicts the fact that

$$J(\Delta_m, v_m) \rightarrow \mu < 0. \quad \blacksquare$$

Optimality conditions

In the classical case

$$\begin{aligned} \phi(\tilde{y}, u) &= 0 \\ \left[\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial y}(\tilde{y}, u) \right]^* \mu &= - \frac{\partial J}{\partial y}(\tilde{y}, u) \\ g &= \left[\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial v}(\tilde{y}, u) \right]^* \mu + \frac{\partial J}{\partial v}(\tilde{y}, u) \\ (g, v - u) &\geq 0 \quad \forall v \in K. \end{aligned}$$

Here we cannot obtain directly these conditions.

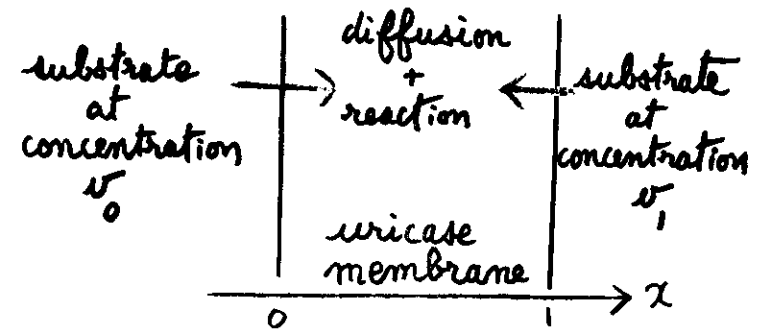
The method for obtaining them will be through penalty method (J.L. LIONS).

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Optimal control problem

The physical system

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Relation between state z and control v .

$$(C) \quad \begin{aligned} -z''(x) + F(z(x)) &= 0 \quad 0 < x < 1 \\ z(0) &= v_0, \quad z(1) = v_1 \end{aligned}$$

$$F(z) = \sigma z / (1 + z + z^2)$$

Constraints

$$z, z'' \in L^2(0, 1)$$

$$z(0) = v_0 \geq 0, \quad z(1) = v_1 \geq 0$$

Cost function

$$J(z, v) = - \int_0^1 z(x) dx$$

z, v related by (C)

Penalty method

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Suppose $\mu_0 = \min \{ J(x) : f(x) = 0 \}$ (1)

Define $J_m(x) = J(x) + K_m f(x)$ with $K_m \uparrow, K_m \rightarrow \infty$

Suppose $J_m(x)$ is minimum for x_m :

$$J_m(x_m) \leq J_m(x) \quad \forall x$$

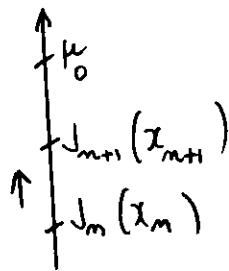
Then we have:

$$1. J_{m+1}(x_{m+1}) \geq J_m(x_m)$$

$$2. \mu_0 \geq J_m(x_m)$$

$$3. \lim K_m f(x_m) = 0$$

4. if J and f are lower semi continuous and $x_m \rightarrow x_0$, then x_0 is solution of problem (1)



Penalized problem

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$$J_m(z, v) = - \int_0^1 F(z(x)) dx$$

$$+ K_m \left[\int_0^1 (-z''(x) + F(z(x)))^2 dx + (z(0) - v_0)^2 + (z(1) - v_1)^2 \right]$$

$$z, z'' \in L^2(0,1), \quad v_0, v_1 \geq 0.$$

Remark: we can restrict to those (z, v) such that

$$J_m(z, v) \leq J_m(\tilde{z}, \tilde{v}) = \mu_0$$

Thus $\int_0^1 (-z'' + F(z))^2 dx + (z(0) - v_0)^2 + (z(1) - v_1)^2 \leq \text{constant}$

whence

$$z'' + F(z) \in \text{bounded set of } L^2(0,1)$$

$$z'' \in \text{---}$$

$$z \in \text{bounded set of } H^2(0,1)$$

$$z(0), z(1) \in \text{---} \mathbb{R}$$

$$v_0, v_1 \in \text{---} \mathbb{R}_+^2.$$

Consequence for a fixed value of n . 17
 Consider a minimizing sequence $x^k = (z^k, v^k)$:
 $J_n(z^k, v^k) \rightarrow \inf J_n(z, v) = \mu_n$.
 One can extract a subsequence such that

$$\begin{array}{l|l} z^k \rightarrow z_m & \text{in } H^2 \\ z^k \rightarrow z_m & \text{in } L^2 \\ v^k \rightarrow v_m & \text{in } \mathbb{R}_+^2 \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \mu_0 \\ + \\ J_n(x^k) \\ \downarrow \\ \mu_n \\ + \\ J_n(x_m) \end{array}$$

Recall

$$J_n(z^k, v^k) = - \int_0^1 F(z^k) dx + K_n \left[\int_0^1 (-z^{k''} + F(z^k))^2 dx + (z^k(0) - v_{n0}^k)^2 + (z^k(1) - v_{n1}^k)^2 \right].$$

Then

$$\mu_n = \liminf J_n(z^k, v^k) \geq - \int_0^1 F(z_m) dx + K_n \left[\int_0^1 (-z_m'' + F(z_m))^2 dx + (z_m(0) - v_{n0})^2 + (z_m(1) - v_{n1})^2 \right] = J(z_m, v_m)$$

Thus we have existence of $x_m(z_m, v_m)$ minimizing $J_n(x)$. Also:

$$\begin{cases} -z_m'' + F(z_m) \rightarrow 0 & L^2 \\ z_m(0) - v_{n0} \rightarrow 0, \quad z_m(1) - v_{n1} \rightarrow 0. \end{cases}$$

Consequence as $n \rightarrow \infty$

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After eventually extracting a subsequence

(z_m, v_m) , we have

$$z_m \rightarrow \tilde{z} \quad H^2$$

$$z_m \rightarrow \tilde{z} \quad L^2$$

$$v_m \rightarrow \tilde{v} = (\tilde{v}_0, \tilde{v}_1) \quad \mathbb{R}_+^2$$

$$\begin{cases} -\tilde{z}'' + F(\tilde{z}) = 0 \\ \tilde{z}(0) = \tilde{v}_0, \quad \tilde{z}(1) = \tilde{v}_1 \end{cases}$$

$\tilde{x} = (\tilde{z}, \tilde{v})$ sol. of original problem.

$$\left(\begin{array}{c} \mu_0 \leq J(\tilde{x}) \\ J(x_m) \leq J_n(x_m) \leq \mu_0 \\ \downarrow \\ J(\tilde{x}) \end{array} \right).$$

Optimality condition for z_m, x_m . 19

$$\frac{\partial J_m}{\partial z} (z_m, x_m) = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial J_m}{\partial v_0} (z_m, x_m) (v_0 - v_{m0}) = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial J_m}{\partial v_1} (z_m, x_m) (v_1 - v_{m1}) = 0$$

$$-z_m'' + F(z_m) = \bar{z} \quad p$$

$$-p_m'' + F'(z_m) p_m = F'(z_m)$$

$$p_m(0) = p_m(1) = 0$$

$$-p_m'(0) + 2K_m(z_m(0) - v_{m0}) = 0$$

$$p_m'(1) + 2K_m(z_m(1) - v_{m1}) = 0$$

$$-p_m'(0)(v_0 - v_{m0}) \geq 0 \quad \forall v_0 \geq 0$$

$$p_m'(1)(v_1 - v_{m1}) \geq 0 \quad \forall v_1 \geq 0$$

A priori estimate on p_m . 20

p_m is bounded in $L^2(\Omega)$

if not, let $q_m = p_m / \|p_m\|_{L^2}$.

$$-q_m'' + F'(z_m) q_m = \frac{1}{\|p_m\|} F'(z_m)$$

$$q_m(0) = q_m(1) = 0$$

$$-q_m'(0)(v_0 - v_{m0}) \geq 0 \quad \forall v_0 \geq 0$$

$$q_m'(1)(v_1 - v_{m1}) \geq 0 \quad \forall v_1 \geq 0$$

$q_m, q_m'' \in$ bounded set of $L^2(0,1)$

$q_m \in$ bounded set of $H^2 \cap H^1$

$q_m \rightarrow q \quad H^2 \cap H_0^1$ weak

$q_m \rightarrow q \quad L^2$ strong

$$-q'' + F'(\tilde{z}) q = 0$$

$$q(0) = q(1) = 0$$

$$-q'(0)(v_0 - \tilde{v}_0) \geq 0 \quad \forall v_0$$

$$q'(1)(v_1 - \tilde{v}_1) \geq 0 \quad \forall v_1$$

Since $(\tilde{v}_0, \tilde{v}_1) \neq (0,0)$, this implies $q'(0) = 0$

for example $\Rightarrow q \equiv 0$, and $\|q\| = 1$!

System of optimality

$$-z'' + F(z) = 0$$

$$z(0) = x_0, \quad z(1) = x_1$$

$$-p'' + F'(z)p = F'(z)$$

$$p(0) = p(1) = 0$$

$$-p'(0)(x - x_0) \geq 0 \quad \forall x \geq 0$$

$$p'(1)(x - x_1) \geq 0 \quad \forall x \geq 0$$

$$-z'' + F(z) = 0$$

$$-p'' + F'(z)p = F'(z), \quad p(0) = p(1) = 0$$

$$p'(0) = p'(1) = 0$$

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$$p'(1) = 0$$

