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ACADO Code Generation tool

including material from B. Houska and M. Vukov

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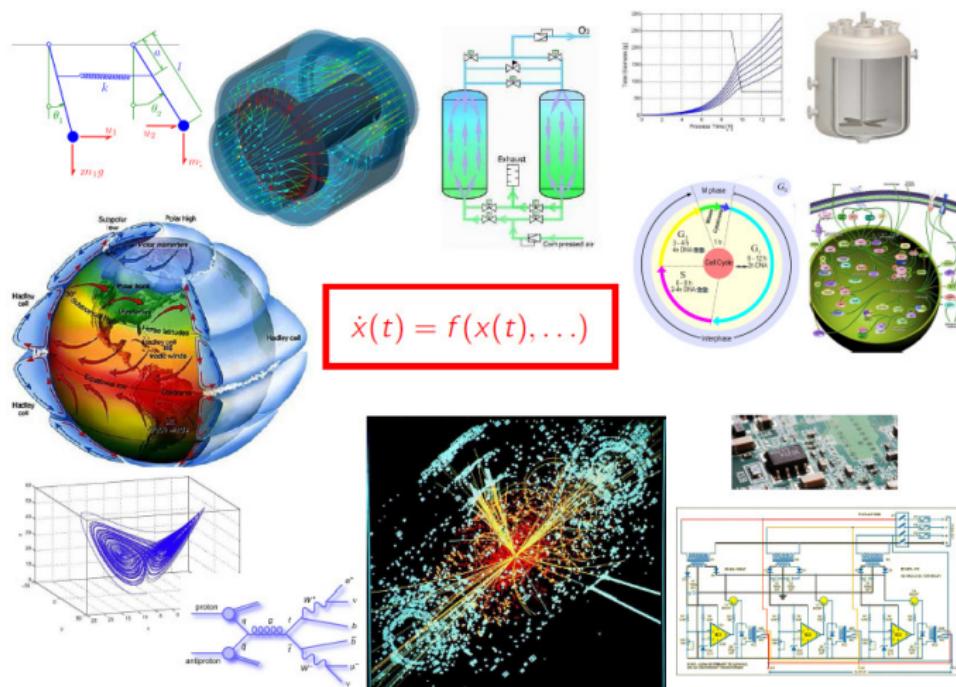
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Nonlinear Dynamic Systems



Optimal Control

Many Fields of Application:

- Optimal Motions in Robotics
- Operation of a Chemical Plant
- Seasonal Heat Storage
- Kite Power

Problems:

- Optimize Parameters/Controls
- Uncertainties/Disturbances



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MHE

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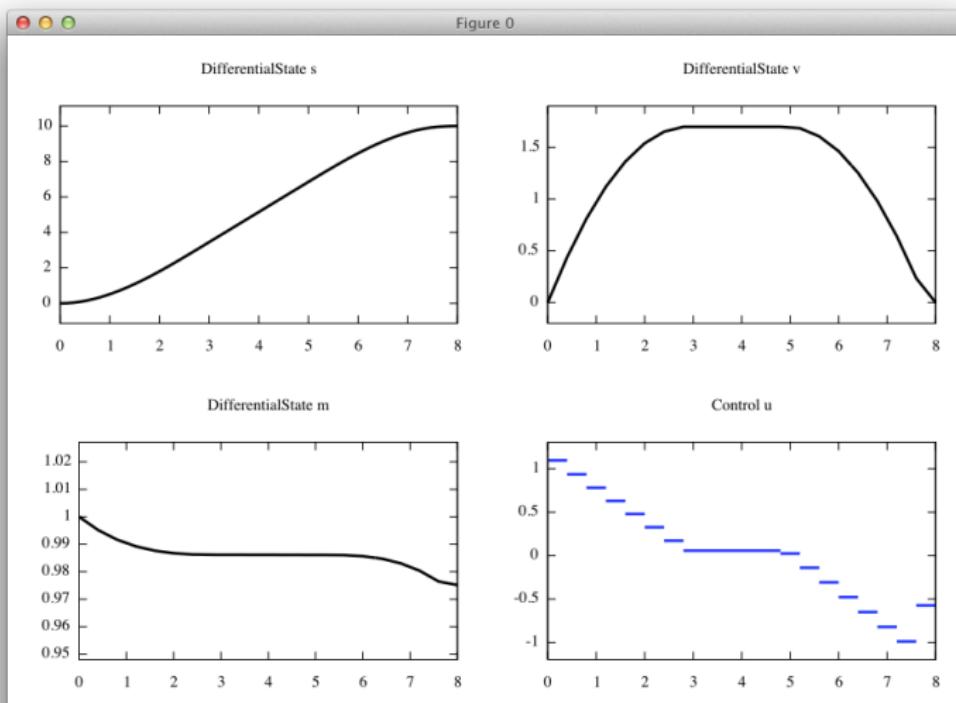
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DifferentialState           s,v,m;
Control                   u;
Parameter                 T;
DifferentialEquation      f( 0.0, T );
OCP ocp( 0.0, T );
ocp.minimizeMayerTerm( T );

f << dot(s) == v;
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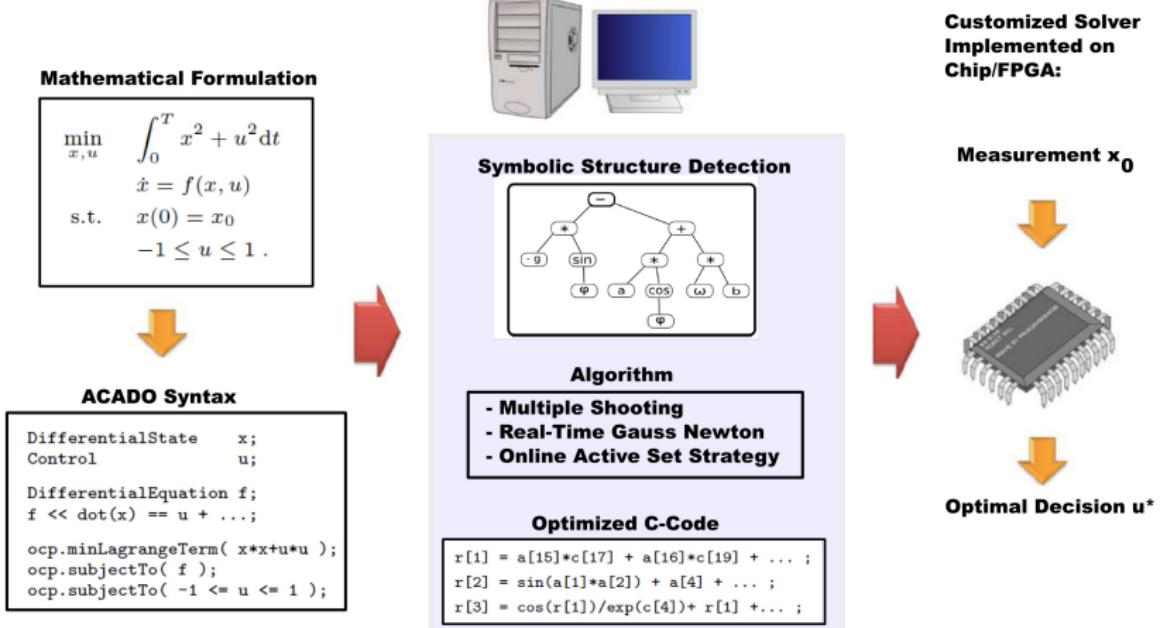
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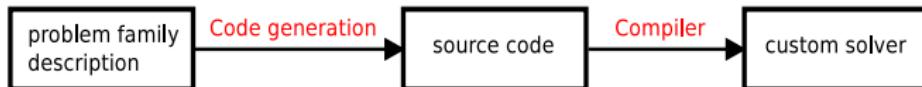
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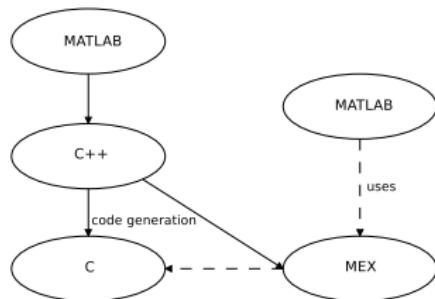
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Economic MPC

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→ *shooting discretization*

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s.t. $0 = x_0 - \bar{x}_0$

$$0 = x_{i+1} - \Phi_i(x_i, u_i)$$

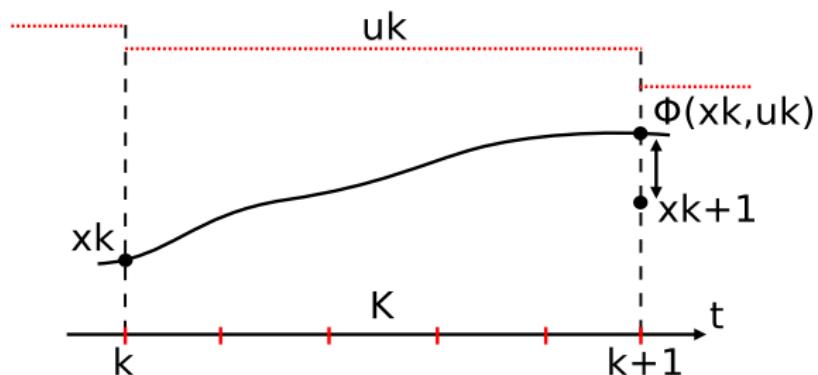
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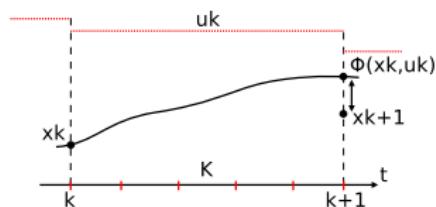
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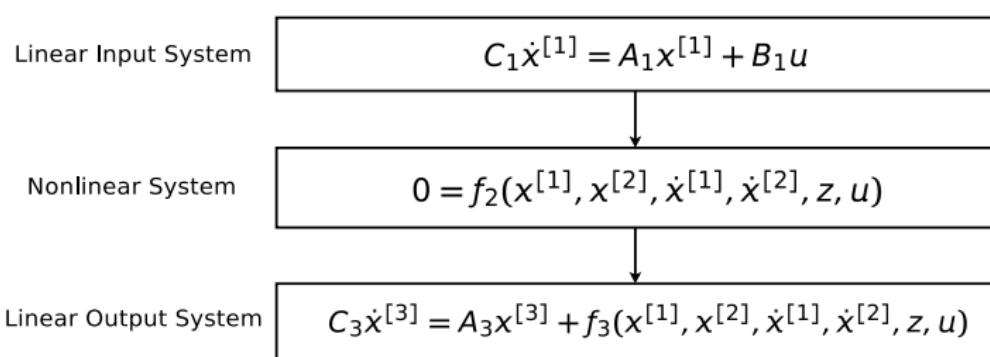
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$$0 = \Phi_k(\bar{w}_k) - x_{k+1} + \frac{\partial \Phi_k}{\partial w}(\bar{w}_k)(w_k - \bar{w}_k)$$



- integration and sensitivity generation is typically a major computational step

The 3-stage model structure



Sequential Quadratic Programming (SQP - RTI)

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Objective quadratic subproblem

- Gauss-Newton: easy, convex, fast
- Exact Hessian: $B_k = \nabla_W^2 \mathcal{L}(\cdot)$

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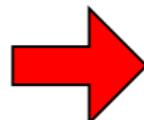
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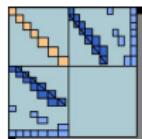
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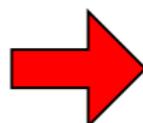


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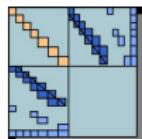
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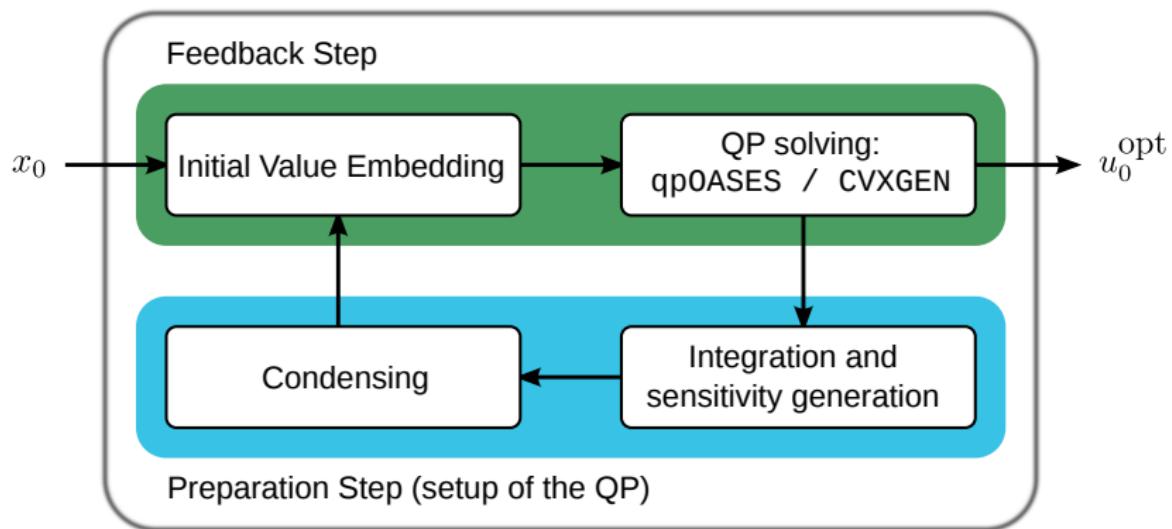


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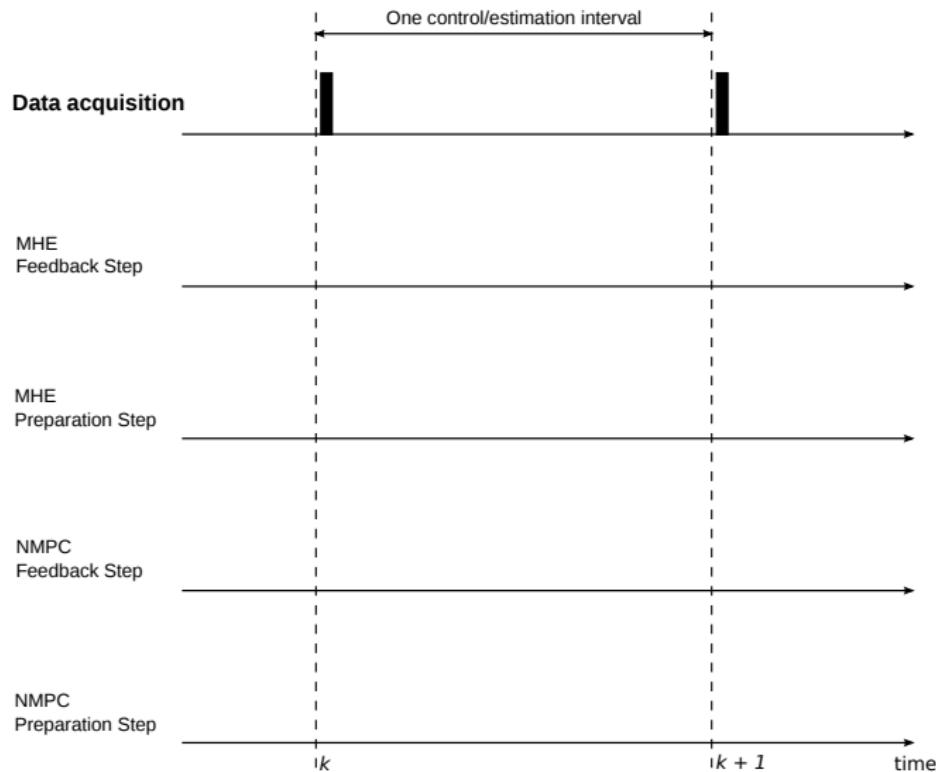


→ solve the condensed QP with a dense linear algebra QP solver,
e.g. **qpOASES**, www.qpoases.org

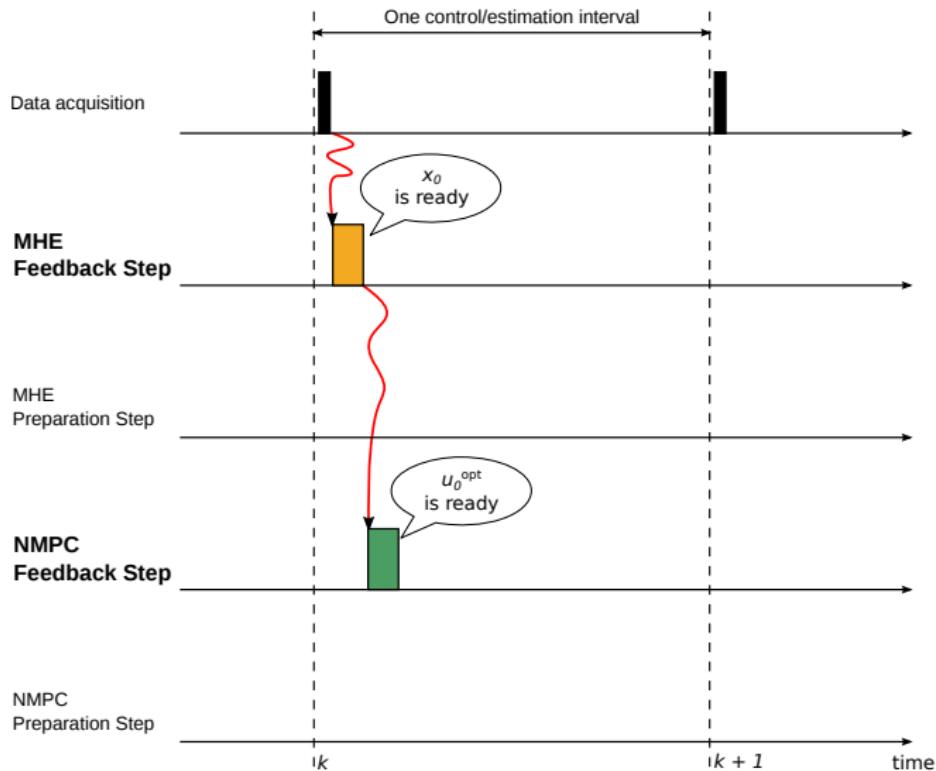
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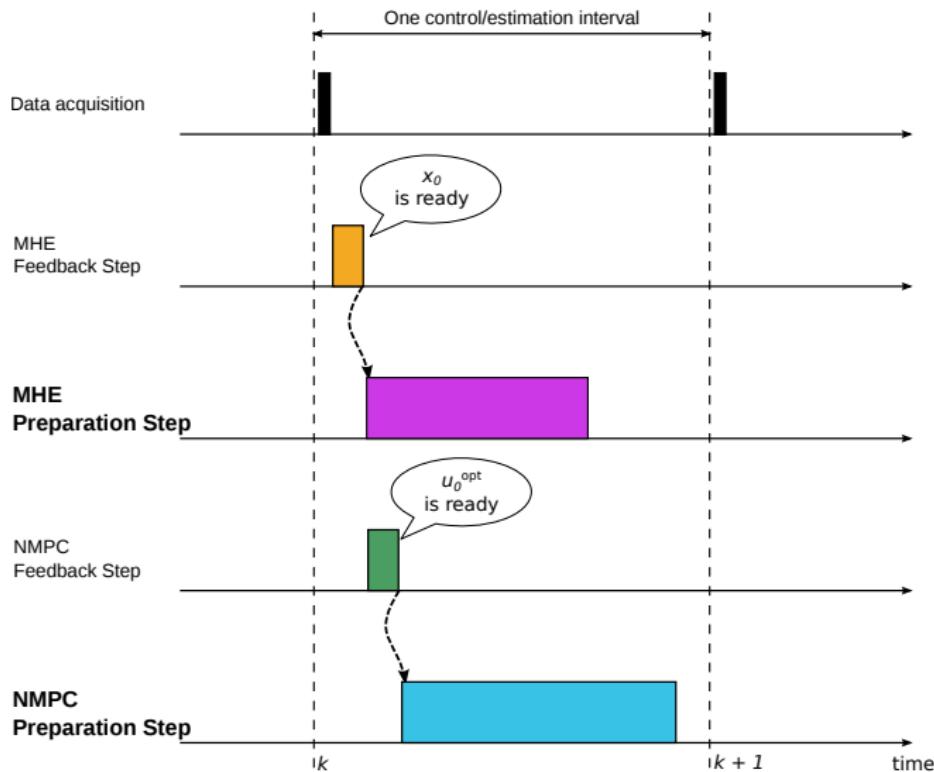
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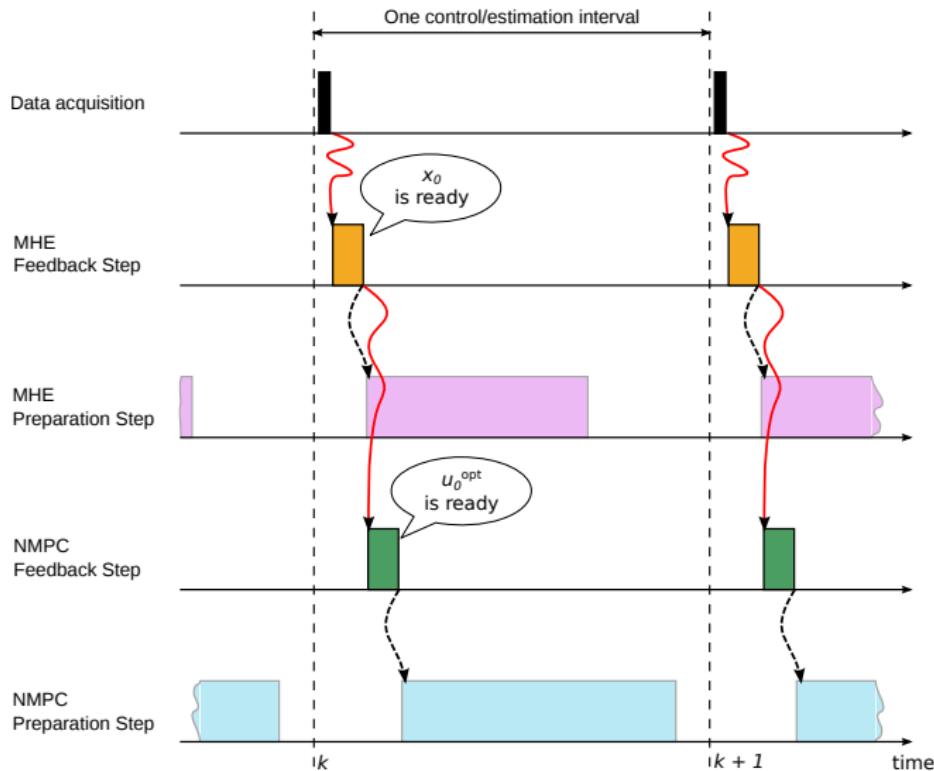
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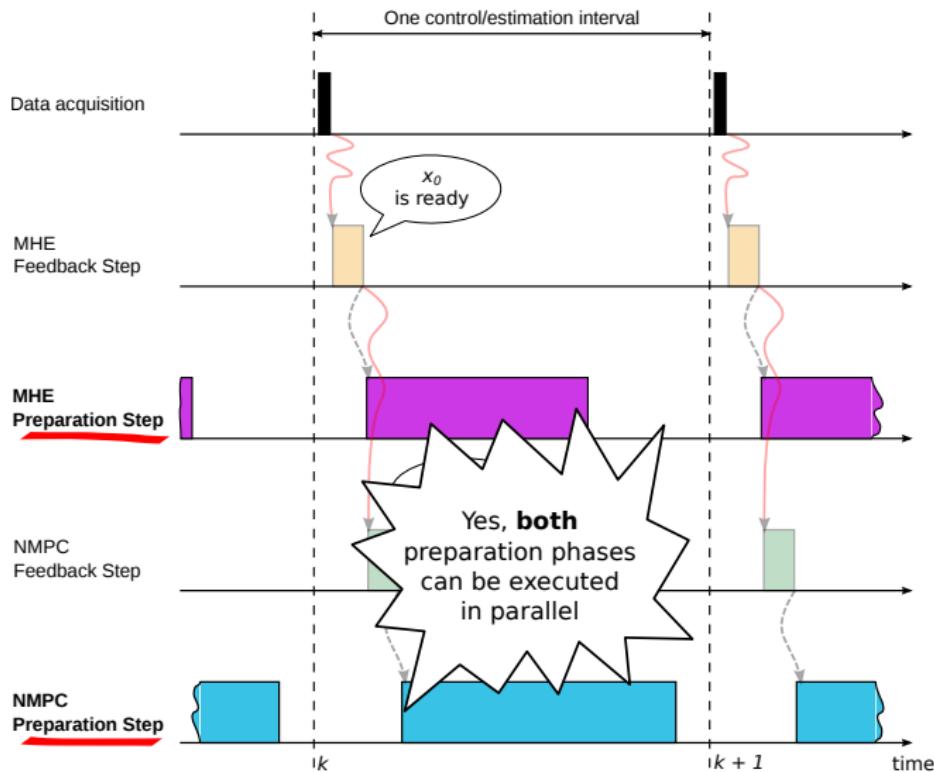
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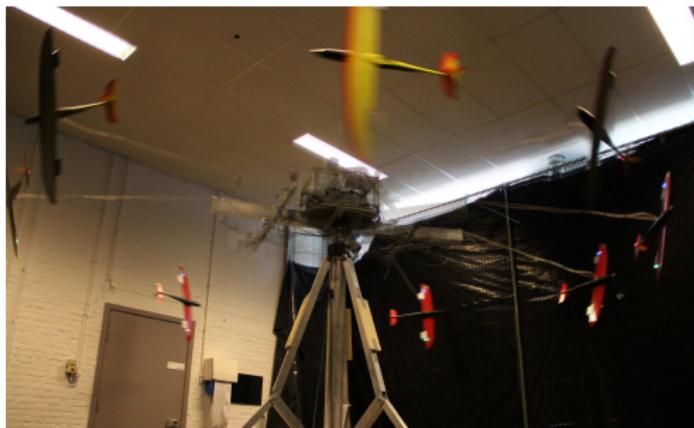


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MHE and NMPC implementation on an experimental test set-up for launch/recovery of an airborne wind energy (AWE) system [Geebelen, 2013], located at KU Leuven (new carousel in Freiburg).



¹Joint work: A. Wagner, M. Vukov, M. Zanon, K. Geebelen

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Problem specific info

- Nonlinear dynamics: 22 states and 3 inputs
- Nonlinear measurement functions (for camera and IMU)
- Sensors:
 - Camera measurements 12 data @ 10 Hz with delay
 - IMU measurements 6 data @ 500 Hz
 - encoder measurements 2 data @ 10 Hz
- Sampling frequency: 10 Hz

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Timing results: MHE & NMPC

		Average	Worst case
MHE	Preparation phase	3.76 ms	3.76 ms
	Estimation phase	0.75 ms	0.78 ms
	Overall execution time	4.51 ms	4.54 ms
MPC	Preparation phase	3.56 ms	3.56 ms
	Feedback phase	0.50 ms	0.61 ms
	Overall execution time	4.06 ms	4.17 ms

MHE applied on an induction motor [Frick, 2012]²

Dynamic system properties:

- 5 states, 2 controls
- 6 estimation intervals
- sampling freq.: **1.5 kHz**

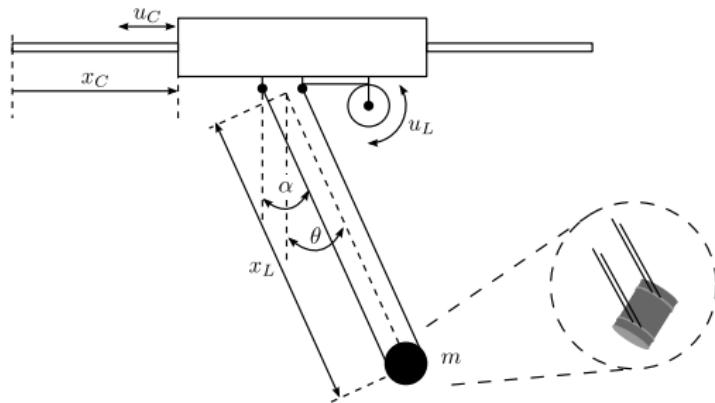


Execution times:

- one RTI on a 3 GHz Intel CPU: **30 µs**
(double precision)
- one RTI on a 1 GHz TI low power DSP: **270 µs**
(single precision)

²Joint work with ETH Zürich (D. Frick, A. Domahidi, S. Mariethoz, M. Morari)

Overhead crane [Debrouwere, 2014]



Overhead crane³

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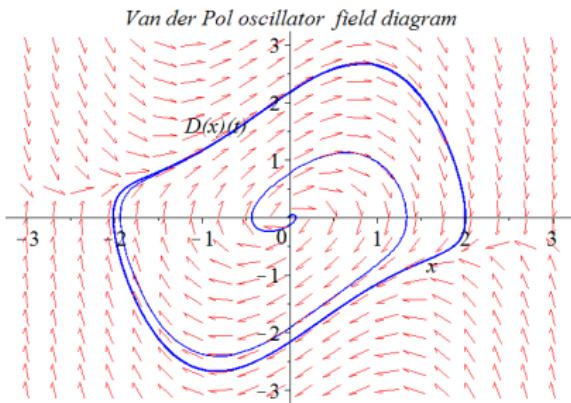
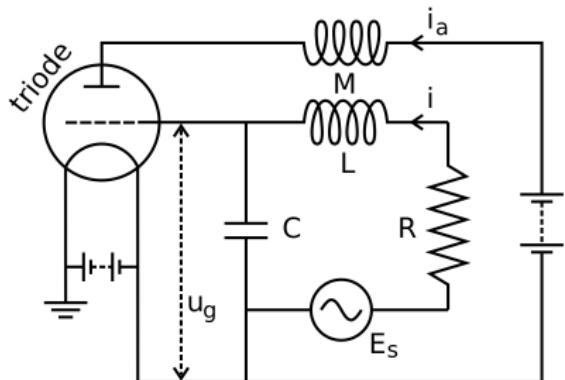
⇒ **integration speedup factor ~ 3**

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Let's control the Van der Pol oscillator



Van der Pol oscillator x, x' phase diagram for $\epsilon = \alpha = 1$

$$\dot{x}_1 = (1 - x_2^2)x_1 - x_2 + u$$

$$\dot{x}_2 = x_1$$

Thank you for your attention!

Questions?