

16.485: VNAV - Visual Navigation for Autonomous Vehicles

Lecture 9: Trajectory Optimization



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Planning vs. Control



















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Continuity constrains for trajectory opt.





- Need to enforce "continuity" between segments for smooth trajectory
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$$\min_{x(t),u(t)} J(t_A, t_B, x(t), u(t))$$

$$= \min_{\sigma(t)} J(t_A, t_B, \sigma(t))$$







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this lecture...



- Need to enforce "continuity" between segments for smooth trajectory
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- Need to ensure **feasibility; e.g.:**
 - Hit no obstacles (done)



this lecture...

- Need to enforce "continuity" between segments for smooth trajectory
- Need to ensure "minimal" motion
- Need to ensure **feasibility; e.g.:**
 - Hit no obstacles
 - Don't saturate controller

Friday's lecture...

Need to control time-length of trajectory

Friday's lecture..

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