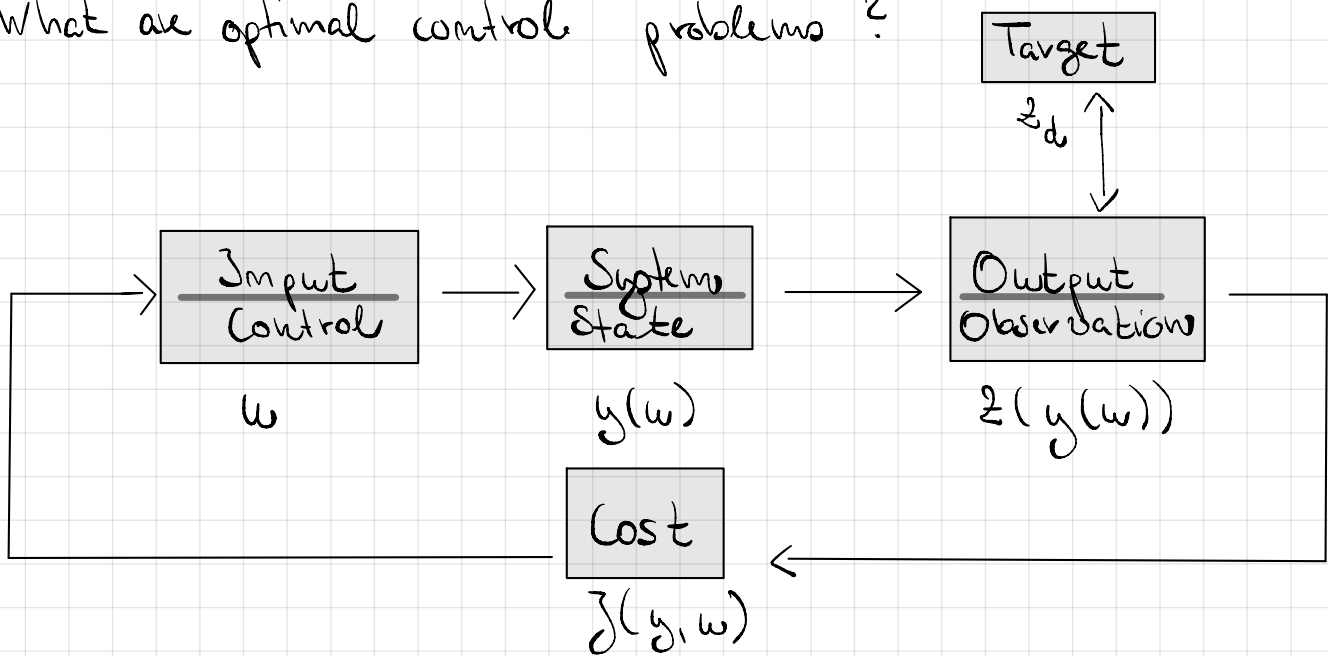
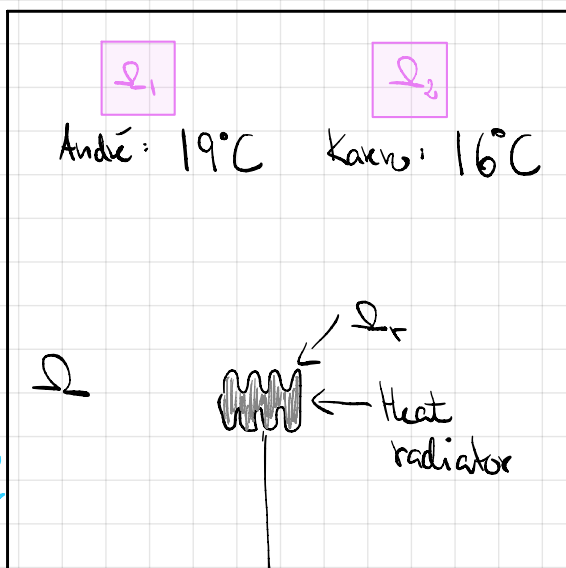


# Lecture 01: Introduction to Optimization II

- Optimization II also known as:
  - "Optimal control of Partial Differential Equations (PDE)" or
  - "Optimal control problems (OCP) governed by PDEs" or
  - "Optimizations with PDE constraints" or ...
- What are optimal control problems?



## Example 1: Optimal heat source



- Input: radiator as heat source  $w$
- State: Resulting temperature  $y$  in  $\Omega$
- Observations: temperature  $y|_{\Omega_1 \cup \Omega_2} := z$
- Target: desired value:
 
$$z_d \text{ s.t. } z_d(x) = \begin{cases} 19 & x \in \Omega_1 \\ 16 & x \in \Omega_2 \end{cases}$$
- Cost? E.g. the 'distance'

between output and target. But also heating costs!

$$J(y, w) = \text{"Distance" to target} + \text{heating costs}$$

Mathematically we want them to solve the following problem:

Minimize the cost functional

$$J(y, w) = \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega_1 \cup \Omega_2} |y(x) - z_d(x)|^2 dx}_{\text{measures distance to target}} + \underbrace{\frac{\alpha}{2} \int_{\Omega_r} w^2(x) dx}_{\text{measures heating costs}}$$

subject to the state problem

$$\begin{cases} -\Delta y = w & \text{in } \Omega & \text{stationary heat equation} \\ \frac{\partial y}{\partial n} = 0 & \text{on } \partial\Omega & \text{homogeneous Neumann condition} \end{cases}$$

state problem

This is an example of a linear-quadratic elliptic control problem with distributed control (functional).  
 $w$  is a "volume"-based control.

Sometimes there are also constraints on the control or state.

E.g. the heat radiator has a minimal and maximal heat output:

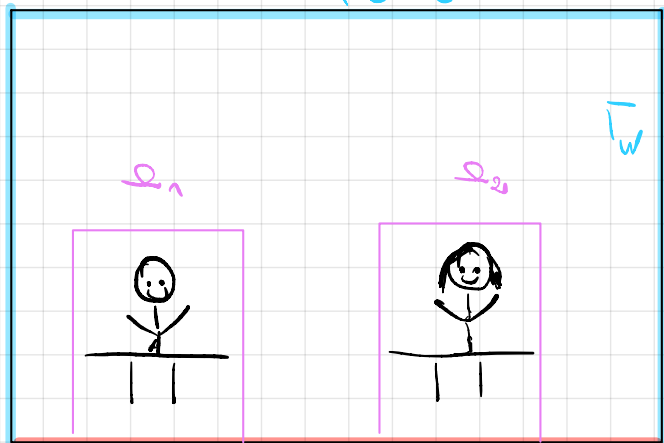
$$0 \leq w(x) \leq w_{\max} \quad x \in \Omega_r.$$

This is an example of pointwise control constraints, more specifically box constraints for the control.

## Example 2: Optimal floor heating in 3D

$\Gamma_w$  perfectly isolated walls

$$z_d(x) = \begin{cases} 19 & x \in \Omega_1 \\ 16 & x \in \Omega_2 \end{cases}$$



A fancy floor heating from the future  $\Gamma_D$

which offers pointwise controllable heating!

Now minimize

$$J(y, w) = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega_1 \cup \Omega_2} |y(x) - z_d(x)|^2 + \frac{\alpha}{2} \int_{\Gamma_D} w^2(x) d\Gamma$$

where  $y$  is given by the state problem

$$\begin{cases} -\Delta y = f & \text{in } \Omega \\ \frac{\partial y}{\partial n} = 0 & \text{on } \Gamma_w \quad \text{Neumann boundary condition (b.c.)} \\ y = \boxed{w} & \text{on } \Gamma_D \quad \text{Dirichlet b.c.} \end{cases}$$

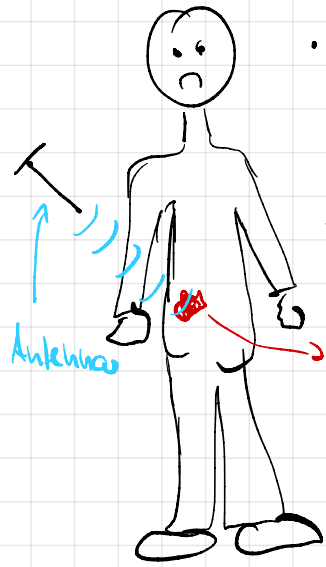
control

and subject to the box control constraints

$$0 \leq w(x) \leq w_{\max} \quad x \in \Gamma_D.$$

This is an example of linear-quadratic elliptic control problem with boundary control (and possibly box control constraints).

### Example 3: Regional hyperthermia as cancer therapy



- Idea is to heat up the cancer tumor through radio/microwaves emitted by some antennas.
- Goal is to reach a therapeutic target temperature  $T_{tumor} \approx 43^\circ\text{C}$  without damaging healthy tissue in  $\Omega_{hea}$  by "overcooking" it, so temperature  $y$  should be below some limit temperature  $T_{lim}$ .
- Usual therapy time is 40-60 min.

Taken from  
 "Mathematical cancer therapy planning in deep regional hyperthermia"  
 by Dujlhard, Schela, Wessler, Acta Numerica (2012)



Figure 2.1. Hyperthermia treatment planning. (a) Real patient in hospital.<sup>1</sup> (b) Virtual patient in the virtual lab.

water bolus

A simplified formulation as optimal control problem could be

$$J(\omega, y) = \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega_{tumor}} |z_d - y(\omega)|^2}_{a)} + \underbrace{\frac{\alpha}{2} \int_{\Omega_{hea}} (y(\omega) - z_{lim})^2}_{b)} \quad \text{subject to}$$

-- only penalize if  $y(\omega) > z_{lim}$ .

$$\begin{cases} \rho c \frac{\partial y}{\partial t} = \nabla \cdot (\kappa \nabla y) - c_b w (y - y_{blood}) + w & \text{in } \Omega \\ -\kappa \frac{\partial y}{\partial n} = h (y - y_{bolus}) & \text{on } \partial\Omega \end{cases}$$

Bio-heat equations

Robin boundary condition

Alternative to avoid hot spikes in healthy tissue: Remove

b) from  $J$ , instead required that  $y(x) \leq y_{lim} \quad x \in \Omega_{hea}$ .

This is an example of a linear-quadratic parabolic control problem, possibly with state inequality constraints.