Objectives of Meeting Movements - Application for Ship in Maneuvering

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Abstract: The paper devotes the formulation of the problem of optimizing the oncoming traffic and gives a description of the concept and control system that implements the navigation of ships in maneuvers. In nautical practice, the ship has been encountered in the special situations, such as: avoiding collision, maintaining the time arriving the pilot station, picking up pilot, berthing as schedules, sailing in confined water area... In order to solve this issue, the authors present their researches about the task of interception optimal time and the normal and degenerate problem; also they give the remarks about globally-optimal control and optimal control. Accordingly, the result is applied for ship control in maneuvering.

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1. Introduction

In nautical practice, the ship has been encountered in the special situations, such as: avoiding collision, maintaining the time arriving the pilot station, picking up pilot, berthing as schedules, sailing in confined water area... in order to solve these issues, we will formulate the problem of optimizing the oncoming traffic and give a description of the concept and control system that implements the navigation of ships in maneuvers. The optimization problems can be classified for which you are to minimize the transition time from the initial state to the final area relates to the tasks of the optimal time. In this section we formulate the problem precisely control the optimal time to be considered at a particular physical example. Most of this section is devoted to a discussion of the problem from a geometric point of view. We show that the time-optimal problem essentially reduces to finding [1, 4, 11, 12]:

1) The first time at which the area of reachable states meets the area S;
2) Control, which it carries out.

2. The Task of Interception Optimal Time

The vessel will be considered as a dynamic system with state $x(t)$, an exit $y(t)$ and the control $u(t)$, defined by the equations [2, 7, 11, 12]:

$$\dot{x}(t) = f[x(t), t + B[x(t), t]u(t)] \quad (2.1)$$
$$y(t) = h[x(t)] \quad (2.2)$$

Let's assume that

- $x(t)$ - $n$ dimensional vector
- $y(t)$ - $m$ dimensional vector
- $u(t)$ - $r$ dimensional vector

Also that

$$n \geq r \geq m > 0 \quad (2.4)$$

Thus, $f$ - a $n$-dimensional vector function; $B[x,t]$ - the matrix-function of the size $n \times r$ and $h$ is a $m$-dimensional vector function. We will consider that components of a vector of control $u(t)$ are limited on size by inequalities [11]

$$|u_j(t)| \leq m_j, j = 1,2,...,r \quad (2.5)$$

Let $z(t)$ - a vector with $m$ components. We will agree to name a $z(t)$ desirable exit. Let $e(t) = y(t) - z(t)$ - Error
vector.
Let \( t_0 \) - initial time and \( x(t_0) \) - starting state of dynamic system.

It is required to find control, which:
1) Satisfies to restrictions (2.5);
2) Operates system in such a manner that during the final moment of time

\[
e(T) \in E
\]  

Where \( E \) - some set subset from \( R^n \);

3) Minimises transition time \( T - t_0 \).

If the dynamic system [3, 7] described by (2.1) and (2.2), is completely observable, to everyone \( y(t) \) there corresponds a unique status \( x(t) \). Hence, area \( S \) in space of statuses can be defined parity:

\[
S = \{ x(T): y(T) = h(x(T)); y(T) \in Y \}
\]  

We use Pontryagin’s minimum principle [4, 13] to receive the systematized approach to the decision of problems on optimum speed. Received results in the analytical form can be used for numerical representation of decisions. We will consider control, optimum on speed, for mobile area \( S \). The system is given:

\[
\begin{align*}
x_i(t) &= f_i[x(t), t] + \sum_{j} b_{ij}[x(t), t]u_j(t); \\
i &= 1, 2, \ldots, n \\
or \quad x(t) &= f[x(t), t] + B[x(t), t]u(t)
\end{align*}
\]  

Set smooth area \( S \) is defined by parities:

\[
g_{\alpha}[x, t] = 0, \alpha = 1, 2, \ldots, n - \beta; \beta \geq 1
\]  
or

\[
g[x, t] = 0
\]  

\[
n - \beta \text{ vector with component } g_{\alpha}
\]  

Components \( u_1(t), u_2(t), \ldots, u_r(t) \) are limited on size by parity:

\[
\begin{align*}
|u_j(t)| &\leq 1, j = 1, 2, \ldots, r \text{ with all } t; \\
or \quad u(t) &\in \Omega
\end{align*}
\]  

Functional it is defined in a kind:

\[
J(u) = \int_{t_0}^{T} dt = T - t_0
\]  

- Translated \( x(t_0) \) systems (2.8) in area \( S \);
- Minimised functional \( J(u) \).

On the basis of a minimum principle [4, 13] it is possible to assert that there is (optimum) additional vector \( p^*(t) \) corresponding to optimum control \( u^*(t) \) and an optimum trajectory \( x^*(t) \). Existence \( p^*(t) \) is a necessary condition. It is necessary, those components \( \dot{x}_j^*(t) \) and \( p_j^*(t) \), \( k = 1, 2, \ldots, n \) satisfied to the initial equations:

\[
\begin{align*}
\dot{x}_j^*(t) &= \frac{\partial H[x^*(t), p^*(t), u^*(t), t]}{\partial p_j^*(t)}; \\
p_j^*(t) &= \frac{\partial H[x^*(t), p^*(t), u^*(t), t]}{\partial \dot{x}_j^*(t)}
\end{align*}
\]  

3. Normal and Degenerate Problem

3.1. Normal Task

Suppose [1, 6, 15, 16] that the interval \( [t_0, T^*] \) has a countable set of points \( t_1, t_2, t_3, \ldots \)

\[
t_\gamma \in [t_0, T^*], \gamma = 1, 2, 3, \ldots; j = 1, 2, \ldots, r
\]  

Such that

\[
q_j^*(t) = \sum_{i} h_{ij}[x^*(t), t]u_j(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } t = t_\gamma; \\
\neq 0 & \text{in other case}
\end{cases}
\]  

In this case, the problem of optimal speed will be called normal.

Fig. 3.1 shows the function \( q_j^*(t) \) and the corresponding \( u_j^*(t) \). Function \( q_j^*(t) \) vanishes only in isolated moments in time, and therefore control, time-optimal, a piecewise constant function with simple jumps. If all functions \( q_j^*(t) \) have the same properties, the task is a normal control. It is usually said that the control \( u_j^*(t) \) will switch when \( t = t_\gamma \) and that when the number of switches \( u_j^*(t) \) is equal to the greatest number (or \( \infty \)). Control \( u_j^*(t) \) shown in Fig. 3.1 will switch 4 times. Consequently, the number of switches is four.

Fig. 3.1. A function \( q_j^*(t) \) that gives a well-defined control \( u_j^*(t) \).
3.2. Degenerate Problem

Assume [1, 6, 15, 16] there is an interval \([t_0, T^*]\) of one (or more) \([T_1, T_2]\) of sub-slot \([t_0, T^*]\), such that

\[
q_j^*(t) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} b_{ij}[x^*(t), t]p_i^*(t) = 0 \quad \text{with} \quad t \in [T_1, T_2], \quad (3.3)
\]

This problem is called degenerate, and the interval \([T_1, T_2]\) (or intervals) - interval degeneracy.

Function \(q_j^*(t)\) shown in Fig. 3.1, is equal to zero for all \(t\) of \([T_1, T_2]\), and therefore corresponds to a degenerate problem. Thus, in the degenerate case the problem exists at least one time sub-slot \(u_j^*(t) = -\text{sign} \left( \sum_{i=1}^{n} b_{ij}[x^*(t), t]p_i^*(t) \right)\) for which the ratio does not determine the optimum control, and as a function of \(x^*(t)\) and \(p^*(t)\).

![Internal degeneracy](image)

Fig. 3.2. Shown in the figure corresponds to the function \(q_j^*(t)\) of a degenerate problem of optimal control.

The last statement does not mean that the optimal control does not exist or cannot be determined. It only means that a necessary condition does not give a definite relation between \(x^*(t)\), \(p^*(t)\), \(u^*(t)\), \(t\). Degenerate problems are typical for ship in addressing the meeting of movements.

We consider the problem of optimal normal speed. In this case, thus excluded \(u^*(t)\) from all the necessary conditions. Therefore, all the conditions are laid down by \(x^*(t)\), \(p^*(t)\), \(t\). Degenerate problems are typical for ship in addressing the meeting of movements.

State two theorems that summarize these ideas.

Theorem 1. Relay Principle [1, 11, 12]. Let \(u^*(t)\) - optimal control for the problem, but also \(x^*(t)\) and \(p^*(t)\) - its corresponding phase trajectory and an additional vector. If the task is normal, components \(u_1^*(t), u_2^*(t), \ldots, u_r^*(t)\) of control \(u^*(t)\) shall be determined by the relations:

\[
u_j^*(t) = -\text{sign} \left( \sum_{i=1}^{n} b_{ij}[x^*(t), t]p_i^*(t) \right) \quad j = 1, 2, \ldots, r \quad (3.4)
\]

for the \(t \in [t_0, T^*]\) Equation (3.4) can be written more compactly:

\[
u^*(t) = -\text{SIGN} \left\{ q^*(t) \right\} = -\text{SIGN} \left\{ B[x(t), t]p^* \right\} \quad (3.5)
\]

Thus, if a normal task, the components of the control-optimal are a piecewise-constant (or relay) functions of time. The following theorem can be proved by direct substitution.

Theorem 2. Prerequisites [1, 11, 12]. Let \(u^*(t)\) - optimal control for the problem, \(x^*(t)\) - state at time-optimal trajectory and \(p^*(t)\) - corresponding to an additional vector. Let \(T^*\) - minimum time. If a normal task, it is necessary to:

A) Satisfies the degenerate problem (3.2);
B) The condition \(x^*(t)\) and an additional vector \(p^*(t)\) comply with the simplified canonical equations:

\[
\dot{x}_k(t) = f_k[x^*(t), t] - \sum_{j=1}^{n} b_{kj}[x^*(t), t]p_j^*(t)\]

\[
\dot{p}_k^*(t) = -\sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{\partial f_i[x^*(t), t]}{\partial x_i} p_i^*(t) + \sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{\partial b_{ik}[x^*(t), t]}{\partial x_i} p_i^*(t) \quad (3.7)
\]

for the \(k = 1, 2, \ldots, n\) and \(t \in [t_0, T^*]\);
C) Hamiltonian along the optimal trajectory is determined by the equation

\[
H[x^*(t), p^*(t), u^*(t), t] = 1 + \sum_{i=1}^{n} f_i[x^*(t), t]p_i^*(t) - \sum_{j=1}^{n} \left( \sum_{i=1}^{n} b_{ij}[x^*(t), t]p_j^*(t) \right) \quad (3.8)
\]

D) The final time \(T^*\) the relation

\[
1 + \sum_{i=1}^{n} f_i[x^*(T^*), T^*]p_i^*(T^*) - \sum_{j=1}^{n} \left( \sum_{i=1}^{n} b_{ij}[x^*(T^*), T^*]p_j^*(T^*) \right) = \sum_{\alpha=1}^{n-\beta} \epsilon_{\alpha} \left. \frac{\partial g_{\alpha}[x^*(T^*), T^*]}{\partial T^*} \right|_{T^*} \quad (3.9)
\]

E) At the initial time \(t_0\)

\[
x^*(t_0) = x(t_0) \quad (3.10)
\]

the final time \(T^*\)

\[
g_{\alpha}[x^*(T^*), T^*] = 0, \quad \alpha = 1, 2, \ldots, n - \beta; \beta \geq 1; \quad (3.11)
\]

\[
p^*(T^*) = \sum_{\alpha=1}^{n-\beta} \frac{\partial g_{\alpha}[x^*(T^*), T^*]}{\partial x^*(T^*)} \quad (3.12)
\]

We give a geometric interpretation of Theorem 2.
Prerequisites

Assume that \( n = 3 \) and \( r = 2 \). As shown in Fig. 3.3, the matrix size \( B'[x^*(t), t] \) associated with the conversion \( 2 \times 3 \), displaying 3-dimensional vector \( p^*(t) \) a 2-dimensional vector \( q^*(t) = B'[x^*(t), t]p^*(t) \).

In order to minimize the scalar product \([u^*(t), q^*(t)]\), vector control \( u^*(t) \) must have a maximum value and be directed opposite to the vector \( q^*(t) \). So if, \( q^*(t) \) is in the first quadrant, the vector \( u^*(t) \) should be “resting” on the angle A square restrictions. If \( q^*(t) \) in the second quadrant, the \( u^*(t) \) should be sent to angle B, and so on.

Prerequisites lead to a symmetric method for finding optimal control. This will be discussed in detail in the steps below. Results of degenerate problem and associated optimal values are necessary conditions. If this control \( u(t) \) and the corresponding trajectory is not satisfied any of the necessary conditions, it follows that \( u(t) \) is not optimal control.

Steps are set ratio that must be met for optimal control \( u^*(t) \), states \( x^*(t) \), corresponding \( p^*(t) \), and a minimum time \( T^* \). The essence of the challenge is to find the optimal control, and so the question arises: how can using all of these theorems to find the optimal control problem. The answer to this question will be given below. In addition, each step of our argument will be entitled, which will allow to trace the logical connection between them.

Step 1. Formation of the Hamiltonian [6, 16]. We form the Hamiltonian \( H[x(t), p(t), u(t), t] \) system

\[
\dot{x}(t) = f[x(t), t] + B'[x(t), t]u(t) \quad \text{and functional } \quad J(u) = \int_0^1 dt.
\]

Hamiltonian using expressions can be written as

\[
H[x(t), p(t), u(t), t] = 1 + \left\{ f[x(t), t], p(t) \right\} + \left\{ u(t), B'[x(t), t], p(t) \right\}
\]

which emphasizes that \( x(t), p(t), u(t) - \) Vectors representing a function of time. At this point, we do not impose restrictions on any vector values \( x(t), p(t), u(t), \) or by \( t \).

Step 2. Minimizing the Hamiltonian [6, 16]. Hamiltonian \( H[x(t), p(t), u(t), t] \) depends on \( 2n + r + 1 \) variables. Let us assume that we have fixed \( x(t), p(t), u(t) \) and \( t \) and consider the behavior of the Hamiltonian (which now is only a function of \( u \), as \( x(t), p(t), \) and \( t \) are constant) when changing \( u(t) \) limitations in \( \Omega \). In particular, we want to find a control in which the Hamiltonian has the absolute minimum. Therefore, we define \( H \)-minimal control as follows.

Definition 1. \( H \)-minimal control [16]. Admissible control \( u^0(t) \), \( H \)-called minimal if it satisfies

\[
H[x(t), p(t), u^0(t), t] \leq H[x(t), p(t), u(t), t]
\]

for all \( u(t) \in \Omega \) and all \( x(t), p(t) \) and \( t \).

Previously, it was found that the minimum control \( H - u^0(t) \), for the Hamiltonian of the type (3.13) is given by equation:

\[
u^0_j(t) = -\text{sign}\left\{ \sum_{i=1}^n h_{ij}[x(t), t]p_i(t) \right\}
\]

or in vector form,

\[
u^0(t) = -\text{SIGN} \left\{ B'[x(t), t]p(t) \right\}
\]

Substitute the \( H \)-minimal control \( u^0(t) \), expression in (3.13):

\[
H[x(t), p(t), u^0(t), t] = 1 + \left\{ f[x(t), t], p(t) \right\} - \left\{ \text{SIGN} \left\{ B'[x(t), t]p(t) \right\}, B'[x(t), t], p(t) \right\}
\]

Consequently,

\[
H[x(t), p(t), u^0(t), t] = 1 + \sum_{j=1}^r f_j[x(t), t]p_j(t) - \sum_{j=1}^r \sum_{i=1}^n h_{ij}[x(t), t]p_i(t)
\]

The right side of (3.18) is a function only of the \( x(t) \) and \( p(t) \). We define the function \( H^0[x(t), p(t), t] \) by the relation
Equations (3.27), (3.26) and (3.15) imply that the number of 
$u^j(t_0) = \text{sign} \{ q_j(t_0) \}$ equal 1 or -1. Thus, the solution of 
the equations (3.22) and (3.23) it is determined, at least for $t$, 
close to $t_0$. We denote the solutions of equations (3.22) and 
(3.23) through

$$x(t) = x(t,t_0,x(t_0),p(t_0)) \quad p(t) = p(t,t_0,x(t_0),p(t_0))$$

(3.28)

to emphasize their dependence on a known initial state $x(t_0)$ 
and the intended initial value $p(t_0)$.

Simulation is as follows. Measuring signals $x(t_0)$ and $p(t_0)$, 
at each time we get and register signals:

$$q_j(t) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} b_j[x(t),t]p_i(t), j = 1,2,\ldots,r$$

(3.29)

$$\dot{q}_j(t), \ddot{q}_j(t), \dddot{q}_j(t), j = 1,2,\ldots,r$$

(3.30)

$$H^0[x(t),p(t),t] = 1 + \sum_{i=1}^{n} f_i[x(t),t]p_i(t) - \sum_{r}^{n} q_j(t)$$

(3.31)

$$g_{\alpha}[x(t),t], \alpha = 1,2,\ldots,n-\beta$$

(3.32)

$$\frac{\partial g_{\alpha}[x(t),t]}{\partial t}, \alpha = 1,2,\ldots,n-\beta$$

(3.33)

$$h_{\alpha}[x(t),t] = \frac{\partial g_{\alpha}[x(t),t]}{\partial x(t)}, \alpha = 1,2,\ldots,n-\beta$$

(3.34)

Using concrete (randomly selected) value $p(t_0)$, 
sequentially for each time $t$ in some interval $[t_0, T]$, ask 
ourselves the following questions:

Question 1. If $q(t) = 0$, then $q(t) \neq 0$? If $q_j(t) = 0$, then $\dot{q}_j(t) \neq 0$? (And so on). If the answer to the first question is positive (i.e. “Yes”), then we ask the second question. If the answer is negative (i.e. “No”), then we change the value $p(t_0)$ 
and repeat again the first question.

Question 2. If the answer to the first question is “Yes”, is there a time $T$, for which satisfies

$$g_{\alpha}[x(T),T] = 0, for all \alpha = 1,2,\ldots,n-\beta$$

(3.35)

If the answer to the second question is “No”, we change $p(t_0)$ and start all over again. If the answer is “Yes”, then ask a third question.

Question 3. If the answer to the second question is “Yes”, are there permanent third question. $e_{\mu}, e_{\nu}, e_{\alpha,\beta}$ such that the relation of:

$$H^0[x(T),p(T),t] = \sum_{\alpha=1}^{n-\beta} e_{\alpha} \frac{\partial g_{\alpha}[x(T),T]}{\partial T}$$

(3.36)

If the answer is “No”, then we must change $p(t_0)$ and start all over again. If the answer is “Yes”, then go to question 4.
Question 4: If the answer to the third question is “Yes”, there are permanent constants \( k_0, k_1, \ldots, k_{n-\beta} \) such that the relation:

\[
p(T) = \sum_{a=1}^{n-\beta} k_a \frac{\partial g_a[x(T), T]}{\partial x} \tag{3.37}
\]

If the answer is “No”, then we must change \( p(t_0) \) and start all over again. If the answer is “Yes”, it means that we found \( p(t_0) \) one in which the answers to all questions 1 - 4 are positive. In this case, we remember accepted \( p(t_0) \) and begin to experiment at first, until we find all the vectors \( p(t_0) \), for which the answers to questions 1 - 4 are positive. The logical sequence of questions is shown in Fig. 3.2.

Step 5. Possible control-optimal. Formalize the results of the modeling done in step 4. We have identified the set \( \mathcal{Z}_0 \), which is a set of initial values \( \hat{p}(t_0) \), corresponding to a given \( x(t_0) \) and having the property that the answers to all questions 1 - 4 will be positive (i.e. “Yes”). It is clear that \( \mathcal{Z}_0 \) is a subspace of the \( n \)-dimensional space \( R_n \). You can imagine \( \mathcal{Z}_0 \) as a “way out” of the logical process shown in Fig. 3.4 more precisely \( \mathcal{Z}_0 \) is defined as follows [1, 4, 16].

Definition 2. Let \( \mathcal{Z}_0 \) – area of initial states an additional variable \( \hat{p}(t_0) \), with the following properties [4, 11, 16]:

1) For each \( \hat{p}(t_0) \in \mathcal{Z}_0 \) corresponding solutions of (3.22) and (3.23), denoted by

\[
\begin{aligned}
\hat{x}(t) &= \hat{x}[t, t_0, x(t_0), \hat{p}(t_0)] \\
\hat{p}(t) &= \hat{p}[t, t_0, x(t_0), \hat{p}(t_0)] 
\end{aligned}
\tag{3.38}
\]

satisfy the relation

\[
q_j(t) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} b_i [\hat{x}(t), \hat{p}(t)] \hat{p}_i(t) = 0, j = 1, 2, \ldots, r
\tag{3.39}
\]

only on a countable set of points \( r \).

2) There is a time \( T \) (depending on \( x(t_0) \) and \( \hat{p}(t_0) \)), such that it is possible to find the constants \( e_0, e_1, \ldots, e_{n-\beta} \) and \( k_0, k_1, \ldots, k_{n-\beta} \) that respects the following relationships:

\[
H^0[\hat{x}(T), \hat{p}(T), T] = \sum_{i=1}^{n} f_i[\hat{x}(T), \hat{p}(T)] \hat{p}_i(T) - \sum_{j=1}^{r} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^{n} b_j[\hat{x}(T), \hat{p}(T)] \hat{p}_i(T) \right] e_j, \\
- \sum_{a=1}^{n-\beta} k_a \frac{\partial g_a[x(T), T]}{\partial x} \tag{3.40}
\]

\[
g_a[x(T), T] = 0, \alpha = 1, 2, \ldots, n-\beta \tag{3.41}
\]

\[
\hat{p}(T) = \sum_{a=1}^{n-\beta} k_a \frac{\partial g_a[x(T), T]}{\partial x} \tag{3.42}
\]

You can return to Theorem 2 and compare the relation (3.40) and (3.39), (3.41) with (3.11) and (3.42) and (3.12). By virtue of the fact that the functions \( q_j(t) \) zero only on a countable set \( t \), and also similar to the equations (3.22) and (3.23) with (3.6) and (3.7) we obtain the following lemma.

Lemma 1. Each solution \( \hat{x}(t_0) \) and \( \hat{p}(t_0), t \in [t_0, T] \), produced by the element of the set \( \mathcal{Z}_0 \), satisfies all the necessary conditions for simplified Theorem 2 [6, 16].

We have shown that \( H \)-minimal control \( u^0(t) \) (see. Definition 1. \( H \)-minimal control) is given by [see. ratio (3.16)]

\[
u^0(t) = -\text{SIGN}[\beta(t,x(t),t)p(t)] \tag{3.43}
\]

Comparing the expression (3.43) with (3.16) and taking into account Lemma 2, we obtain the following lemma.

Lemma 2. Each control \( \hat{u}(t_0) \), product of the elements of \( \mathcal{Z}_0 \), satisfies the necessary conditions of theorem 1 - Relay principle. Note that [6, 16]

\[
H[\hat{x}(t), \hat{p}(t), \hat{u}(t)] \leq H[\hat{x}(t), \hat{p}(t), u(t)] \tag{3.44}
\]

for all \( u(t) \in \Omega and t \in [t_0, T^*] \).

Now to clarify the meaning of Lemmas 2 and 3, and the usefulness of the necessary conditions for finding the control-optimal.

To be specific, let us assume that there are three different control-optimal, transforming the system from a given initial state \( x(t_0) \) to \( S \). All three controls, by definition, require the same minimum time \( T^* \). We denote these (time-optimal) controls so

\[
u_1^*(t), u_2^*(t), \ldots, u_r^*(t), \quad t \in [t_0, T^*] \tag{3.45}
\]

If you draw a 4 modeling step, we define the set \( \mathcal{Z}_0 \). Suppose that we can find [the expression (3.43)] five different departments, corresponding to the elements \( \mathcal{Z}_0 \). These controls will be

\[
u_1^*(t), u_2^*(t), \ldots, u_r^*(t), \quad t \in [t_0, T^*] \tag{3.46}
\]

and the corresponding slots in which they are defined is
These two controls must be called \( \tilde{u}^0_{i} \) and \( \tilde{u}^0_{j} \), which is the optimal time, i.e., e., the resulting trajectories meet all the conditions \( \{ \text{i.e.} \{ \text{iii}) \} \). For definiteness, we assume:

\[
\begin{align*}
\tilde{u}^0_{i}(t) &= u^*_{i} \tilde{T}_1 = T^*; \quad t \in [t_0, T^*]; \\
\tilde{u}^0_{j}(t) &= u^*_{j} \tilde{T}_2 = T^*; \quad t \in [t_0, T^*]; \\
\tilde{u}^0_{k}(t) &= u^*_{k} \tilde{T}_3 = T^*; \quad t \in [t_0, T^*].
\end{align*}
\] (3.48)

The question arises: what is the significance of controls \( \tilde{u}^0_{i} \) and \( \tilde{u}^0_{j} \)? These two controls must be locally-optimal. Since there is the principle of minimum conditions for a local, it cannot distinguish local from global optimal controls. The only way to determine which departments \( \tilde{u}^0_{i}(t), \ldots, \tilde{u}^0_{k}(t) \) are globally optimal - is to measure and compare the times \( \tilde{T}_1, \ldots, \tilde{T}_k \) and, thus, found that

\[
\begin{align*}
\tilde{T}_1 &= \tilde{T}_2 = \tilde{T}_3 = T^*; \\
\tilde{T}_4 > T^*; \\
\tilde{T}_5 > T^*.
\end{align*}
\] (3.49)

For this reason, we emphasize that the necessary conditions give only controls that can be optimal. In the next section we discuss the results obtained above.

In the previous sections were obtained necessary conditions for optimal control and developed a systematic method for determining the idealized offices, one of which may be the best in performance, but also established (Theorem 1) that if the problem is normal, then the components of the control-optimal, are piecewise constant functions of time \([1, 4, 11, 16]\).

As for the normal components of the problem optimal control must be piecewise constant functions of time, one of the necessary conditions, namely:

\[
H[x(t), p(t), u(t), t] \leq H[x(t), p^*(t), u(t), t];
\]

\[
u(t) \in \Omega
\]

allow you to restrict the search for optimal class control \( u_j(t) \) \( = 1, j = 1, 2, \ldots, r \). This is perhaps the most useful result obtained from the minimum principle, while the rest of the necessary conditions give more appropriate boundary conditions and transversely conditions.

It should be noted that the Hamiltonian \([6, 16]\)

\[
\begin{align*}
&H[x(t), p(t), u(t), t] = 1 + \left\{ f[x(t), t], p(t) \right\} + \\
&\quad (u(t), B[x(t), t]) p(t) \end{align*}
\] (3.50)

and differential equations

\[
\begin{align*}
\dot{x}(t) &= \frac{\partial H[x(t), p(t), u(t), t]}{\partial p(t)} \\
\dot{p}(t) &= -\frac{\partial H[x(t), p(t), u(t), t]}{\partial x(t)}
\end{align*}
\] (3.51)

System is fully defined and functional and thus independent of the boundary conditions and at the region \( S \). In addition, the minimum control \( H - u^0(t) \) (cm. Definition 1. \( H \)-minimal control), defined by the equation \([6]\)

\[
u^0(t) = -\text{SIGN}\{ B'[x(t), t]p(t) \}
\] (3.52)

independently (functional) of the boundary conditions imposed. Thus, steps 1 - 3, are exactly the same for any problem about the optimal speed. Necessary conditions for the Hamiltonian and an additional variable in the final time \( T^* \) together with a given initial state and equations region \( S \) provide enough boundary conditions for the solution of the system \( 2n \) differential equations.

We showed step by step process used to determine the controls \( u^0(t) \), the resulting trajectories \( \tilde{x}(t_0) \) and appropriate additional variables \( \tilde{p}(t_0) \), meet all the necessary conditions. In order to highlight these values, we make the following behavior.

Definition 3. Extreme variables. The control \( u^0(t) \) called extreme if \( u^0(t) \) and the corresponding trajectory \( \tilde{x}(t_0) \) and an additional variable \( \tilde{p}(t_0) \) meet all the conditions \([i.e.\ Equation \ (3.38) \ and \ (3.40) - (3.44)]\). It will also be called \( \tilde{x}(t_0) \) and \( \tilde{p}(t_0) \) extremely trajectories state and an additional variable, respectively \([1, 9, 13]\).

4. Remarks

In general, can be a lot of extreme control. Each extreme control gives a trajectory that may be optimal either locally or globally. Since extreme control satisfies all the necessary conditions, we can note the following \([1, 4, 14]\).

Remark 1. If the optimal control \( u^0(t) \) exists and is unique there is no other local optimal controls, there is only one extreme control \( u^0(t) \), which is the optimal time, i.e. e. \( u^0(t) = u^*(t) \).

It is clear that the assumption of the absence of other locally-optimal controls made in Remark 1 makes the principle of minimum of necessary and sufficient condition.

Remark 2. If there is only a variety of optimal controls and if there \( m_2 \) control, optimal locally, but are not optimal globally, then all will be \( m_2 \) extreme control.

Remark 3. If a globally-optimal control does not exist and there \( m_2 \) different locally optimal controls, there is a \( m_2 \) extreme control.

Therefore, the existence of extreme control does not imply the need for a globally-optimal control.

Remark 4. If the optimal control exists, it can be found by calculating the time \( T \) required by each of the extreme control and control by minimizing \( T \). These remarks lead to the conclusion that dealing with the
problem of optimal control, we need to know the answers to the following questions:

1) Whether there is a control-optimal?
2) Only if the optimal control?
3) Whether a task is normal?
4) Does not contain additional information that is necessary conditions for the data system and the area $S$?

Unfortunately, for arbitrary nonlinear systems and areas of $S$ answers to these questions have not yet been received. There are, however, a number of results for a class of linear systems. Since this class of systems is extremely important, we will devote a few paragraphs to it to get additional results that are important, both from theoretical and practical points of view.

5. Conclusion

Accordingly, the research devotes the formulation of the problem of optimizing the oncoming traffic and gives a description of the concept and control system that implements the navigation of ships in maneuvers. In sum, we can conclude as following [5, 10, 14]:

- The substantiation of statement of problems of control is made by a meeting of movements and geometrical interpretation of a problem of a finding of ship control, optimum on time, in the form of moving areas in space of statuses is offered in due course.
- Possibilities of a principle of a minimum for a finding of optimum controls are considered and ways of reception of numerical decisions are offered.
- The reasons of occurrence normal and degenerate control in problems of ship control are established by a meeting of movements [8].

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