

SAB Meeting

NMPC of the carousel-setup with the flying ball

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Motivation

- Well identified model available (Ernesto)
- Rather simple system (one control input)
- Define a non-trivial objective
- First step towards half-wing, tethered airplane NMPC

Current State

- Open loop control (no state feedback)
- State evolution by integration
- Optimization running in the real-time loop
 - Integration of auto-generated code
 - Check for timing

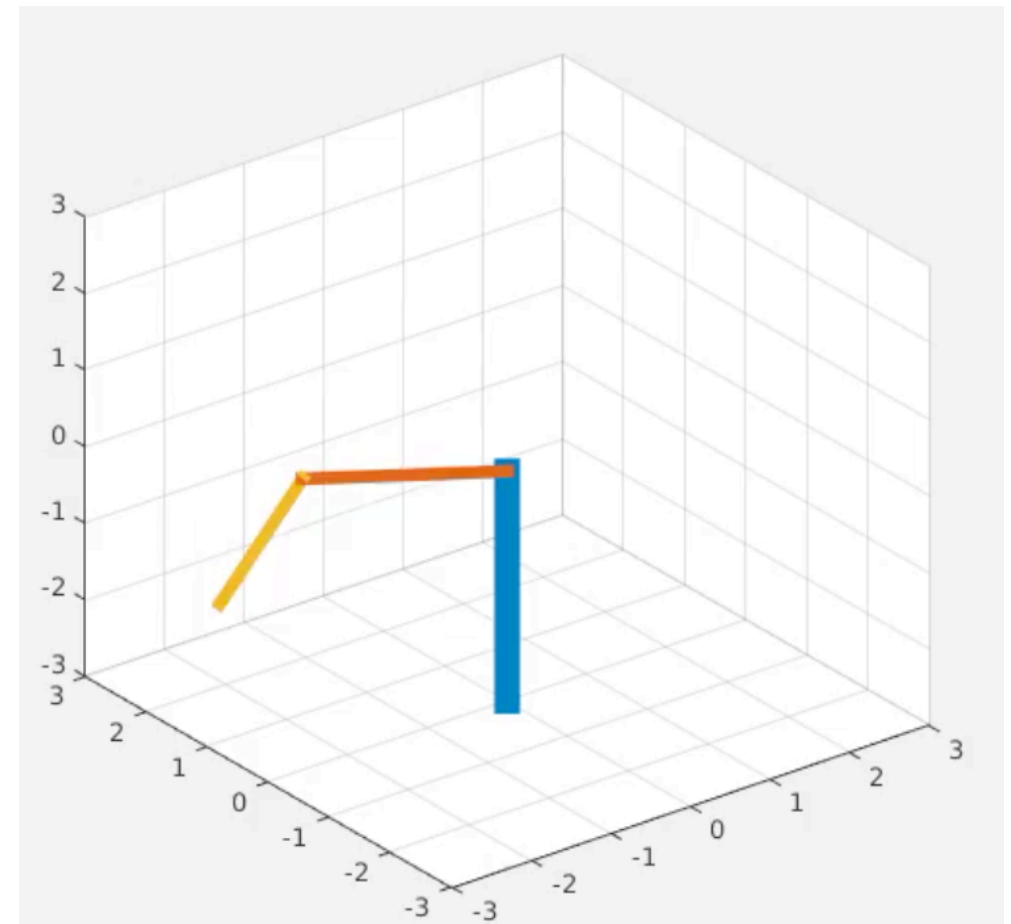
Model

$$x = [\delta, \alpha, \beta, \dot{\delta}, \dot{\alpha}, \dot{\beta}, \ddot{\delta}, \dot{\delta}_{sp}]^\top$$

$$u = \ddot{\delta}_{sp}$$

$$p = (m_{\text{ball}}, \mu_\alpha, \mu_\beta, \mu_{\text{air}}, l_{\text{tether}}, I_{\text{arm}}, I_{\text{LAS}})$$

$$\dot{x} = \begin{bmatrix} \dot{\delta} \\ \dot{\alpha} \\ \dot{\beta} \\ \ddot{\delta} \\ a(x, p) \\ b(x, p) \\ w_n^2 \dot{\delta}_{sp} - 2d w_n \ddot{\delta} - w_n \dot{\delta} \\ u \end{bmatrix}$$



MPC workflow

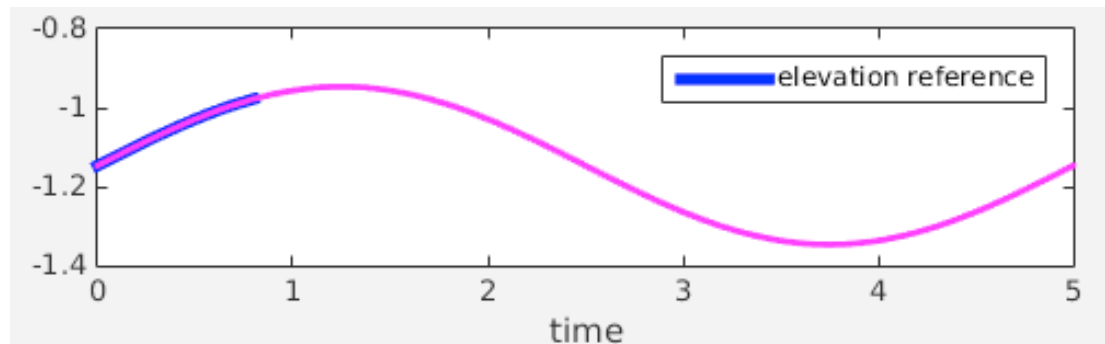
- Formulation of the Optimal Control Problem
- Implementation of OCP in ACADO Toolkit
 - Generation of optimized code
- Implementation of real-time loop

Optimal Control Problem

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \underset{x(\cdot), u(\cdot)}{\text{minimize}} && \int_0^T \left\| \begin{bmatrix} x(t) \\ u(t) \end{bmatrix} - y(t) \right\|_W^2 dt + \|x(T) - y_N\|_{W_N}^2 \\
 & \text{subject to} && x(0) = \bar{x}_0, \\
 & && \dot{x}(t) = f(x(t), u(t)), \quad \forall t \in [0, T], \\
 & && u_{\min} \leq u \leq u_{\max}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$T = 40 \cdot 20\text{ms}$$

$$y_\alpha(t) =$$



$$y_{\dot{\delta}} = 0.2 \cdot 2\pi \frac{\text{rad}}{\text{s}}$$

$$y_u = 0$$

$$W = \text{diag}([10^{-8} \ 1.0 \ 10^{-8} \ 0.4 \ 10^{-8} \ 10^{-8} \ 10^{-8} \ 10^{-8} \ 10^{-3}])$$

$$x = [\delta, \alpha, \beta, \dot{\delta}, \dot{\alpha}, \dot{\beta}, \ddot{\delta}, \dot{\delta}_{\text{sp}}]^\top$$

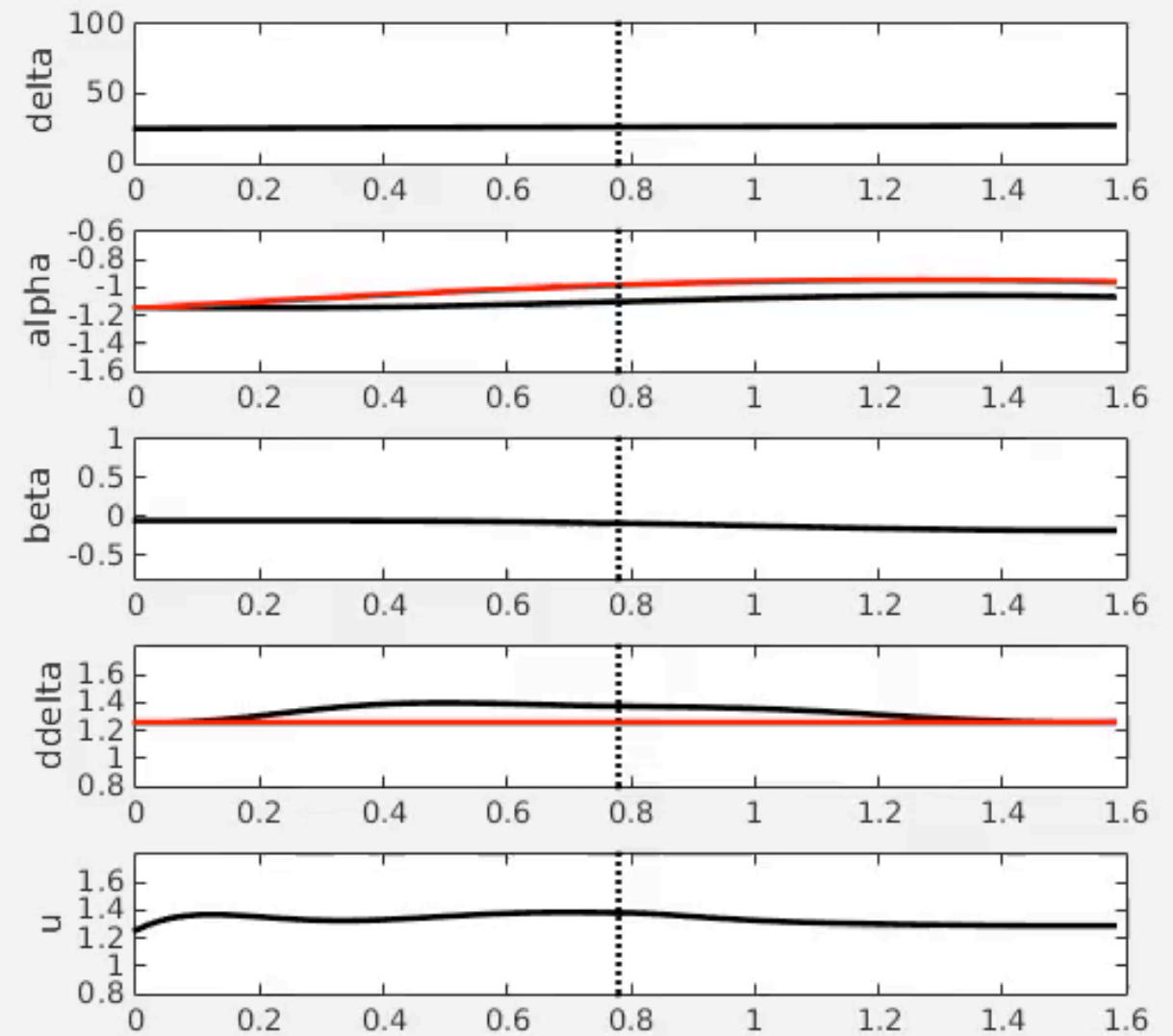
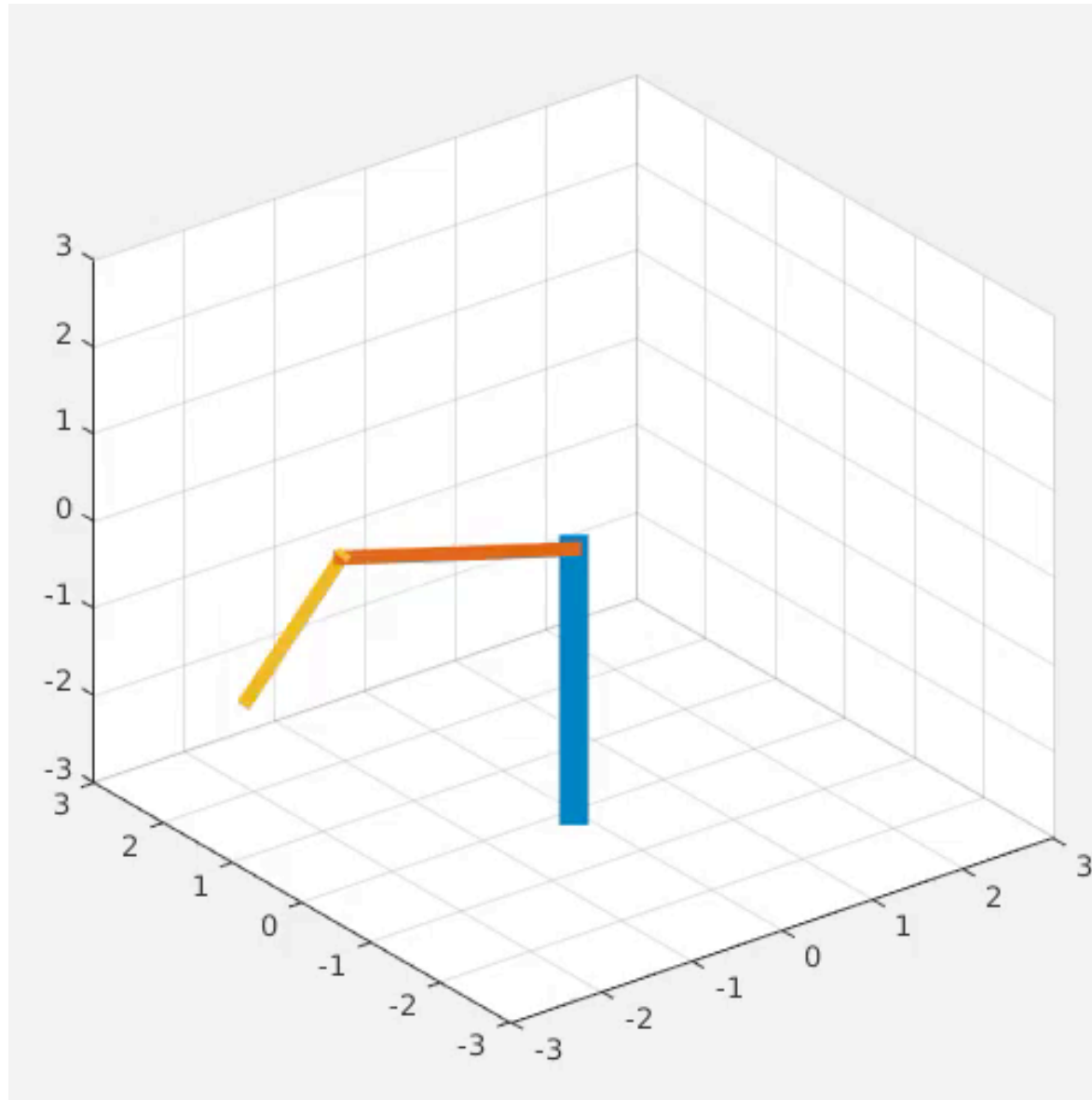
OCP in ACADO

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1  ocp = acado.OCP(0.0 , T, N);
2  ocp.minimizeLSQ(W,[x;u]);
3  ocp.minimizeLSQEndTerm(WN,[xN;uN]);
4  ocp.subjectTo(-umin <= u <= umax);
5  ocp.setModel(ode);
6  mpc = acado.OCPexport( ocp );
7  mpc.set( 'HESSIAN_APPROXIMATION', 'GAUSS_NEWTON' );
8  mpc.set( 'DISCRETIZATION_TYPE', 'MULTIPLE_SHOOTING' );
9  mpc.set( 'SPARSE_QP_SOLUTION', 'FULL_CONDENSING_N2' );
10 mpc.set( 'INTEGRATOR_TYPE', 'INT_RK4' );
11 mpc.set( 'NUM_INTEGRATOR_STEPS', N );
12 mpc.set( 'QP_SOLVER', 'QP_QPOASES' );
13 _____EXPORT CODE_____
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Control loop

```
1  #include <acado_functions.h>
2
3  InitializeSolver();
4
5  acadoVariables.x = x_initialization;
6  acadoVariables.u = u_initialization;
7  preperationStep();
8
9  real-time loop:
10      acadoVariables.y = y;
11      acadoVariables.yN = yN;
12      acadoVariables.x0 = state_feedback;
13      feedBackStep();
14      drives.write(control);
15      shiftStates(2,0,0);
16      shiftControls(0);
17      preparationsStep();
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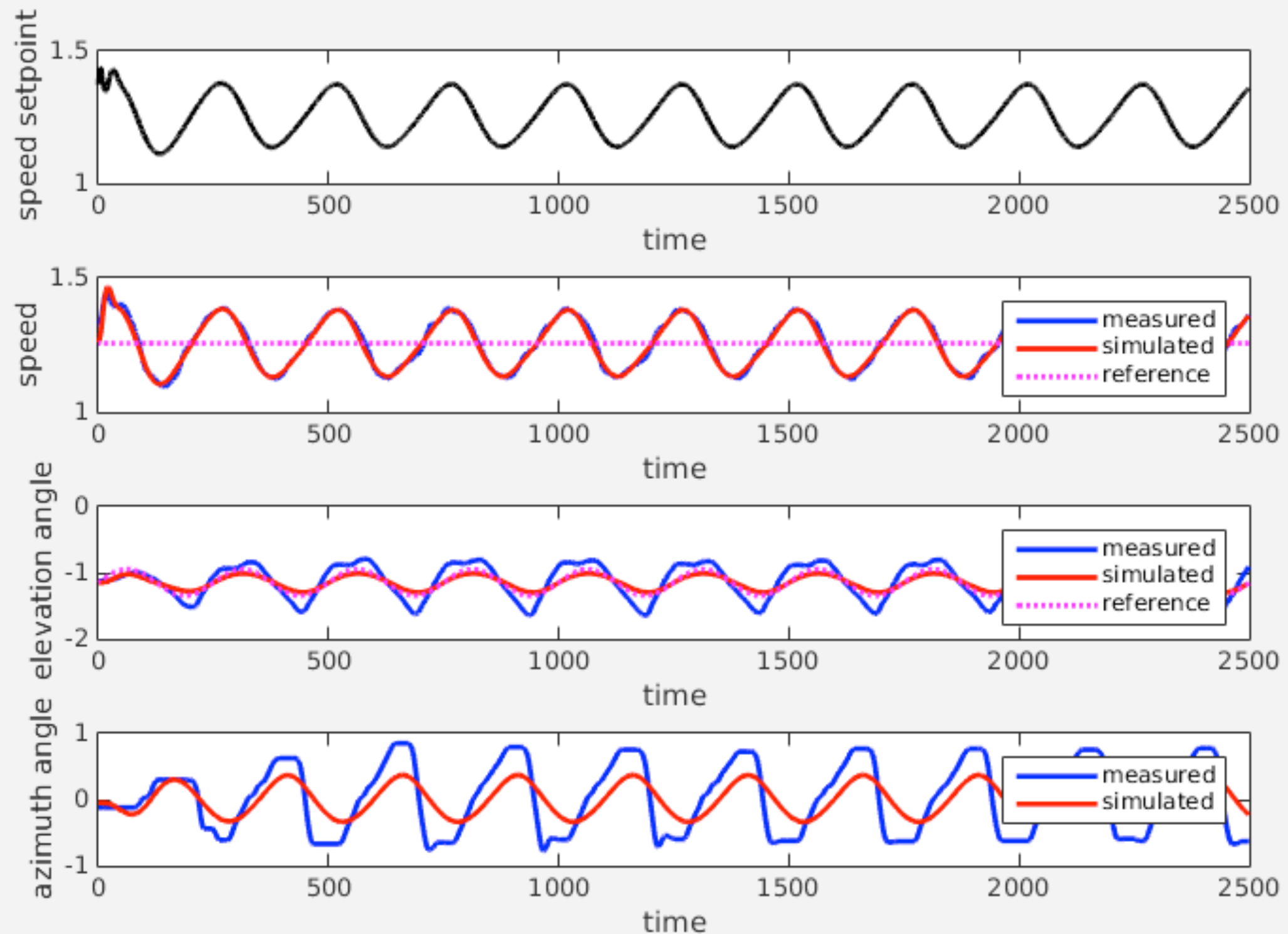
NMPC in Simulation



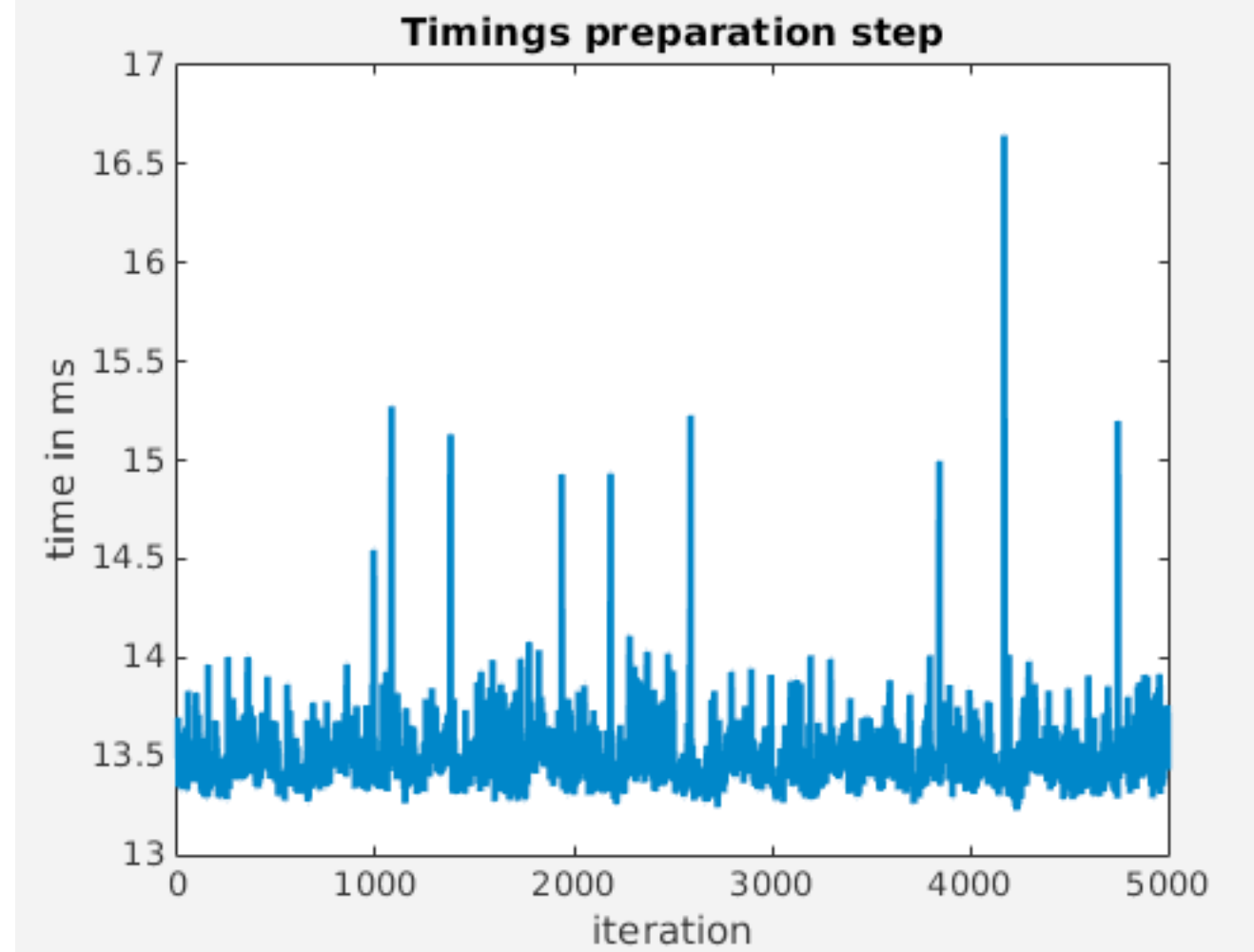
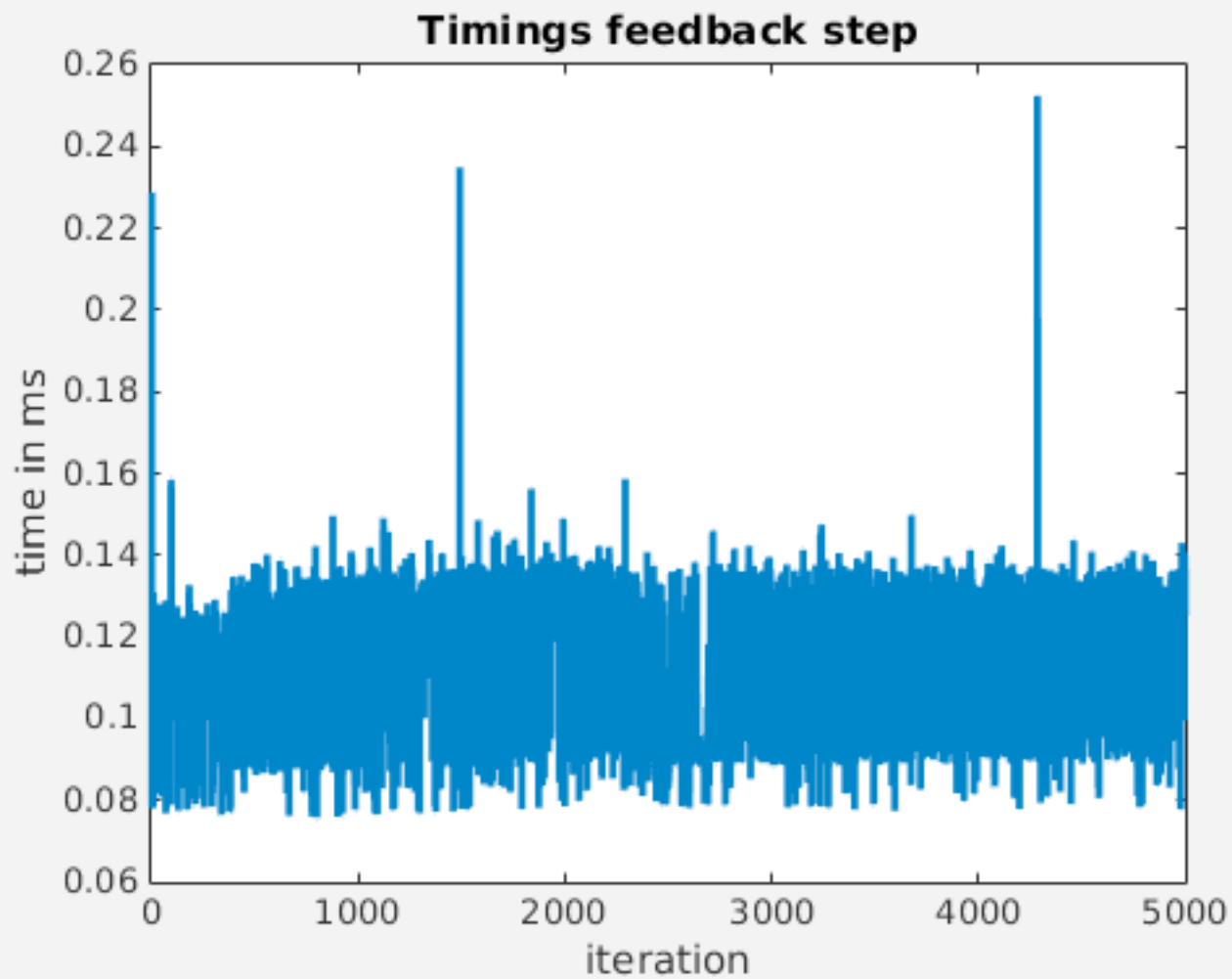
Open loop control



Measurements



Timings



- Average: 13.604ms, Maximum: 16.727ms

Conclusion

- Open loop seems to work pretty good
- Fast calculation times
- Next:
 - Integrate estimator and feedback
 - Half-wing setup

Thank you for your attention!

Questions?