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| 1. | Title of the course | Optimal Control |
| 2. | Course number | EE505L |
| 3. | Structure of credits | 3-0-0-3 |
| 4. | Offered to | PG |
| 5. | New course/modification to | Modification To EE5105/2 |
| 6. | To be offered by | Department of Electrical Engineering |
| 7. | To take effect from | July 2022 |
| 8. | Prerequisite | Nil |
| 9. | Course Objective(s): To introduce optimal control theory using tools from Calculus of variations for finding extremals that minimize/maximize cost functionals, and derive optimal control using Pontryagin's maximum principle. The course will also introduce numerical methods for solving problems related to practical applications. | |
| 10. | Course Content: Review of state-space representation of systems, Introduction to Optimization Unconstrained and constrained optimization, Karush-Kuhn-Tucker (KKT) conditions. Calculus of Variations-Examples of variational problems, Cost functionals, extremals, Weak and strong extrema, First-order necessary conditions for weak extrema--Euler-Lagrange equations, Hamiltonian formalism and mechanics, Variational problems with constraints, Second-order Conditions-Legendre's condition, Weierstrass-Erdmann corner conditions, Weierstrass excess function ; Optimal control problem formulations- Variational approach to the fixed-time, free endpoint problem; Pontryagin maximum principle- Proof of the maximum principle, Time-optimal control of double integrator, Bang-bang control; Hamiltonian-Jacobi Bellman (HJB) equation-principle of optimality, Sufficient condition for optimality ; Linear quadratic regulator (LQR) problem- candidate optimal feedback law, Riccati differential equation, proof of sufficiency using HJB equation ; Numerical methods for optimal control problems- Evaluation of parameter-dependent functionals and their gradients, Indirect methods, Direct methods. Applications- Time-optimal control of linear systems, Singular control, Optimal control to target curves. | |
| 11. | Textbook(s): 1. Naidu D S, <i>Optimal Control Systems</i> , CRC press (2002). 2. Pinch E R, <i>Optimal Control and the Calculus of Variations</i> , Oxford University Press (1995). | |
| 12. | Reference(s): 1. Mike M G, <i>A Primer on The Calculus of Variations and Optimal Control Theory</i> , 1st Edition, American Mathematical Society (2012). 2. Daniel L, <i>Calculus of Variations and Optimal Control Theory - A Concise Introduction</i> , Princeton University Press (2012). | |