

Lecture 18

Last time: Optimization theories

- min jerk : cartesian  
joint x2
- min torque change
- min variance in task space

Regardless of what is being optimized, there are stereotypical mvt.

Characteristics people have found so far.

→ see p2, + ~~p3~~ first

Curvature

$$C(t) = \frac{\ddot{x}\dot{y} - \ddot{y}\dot{x}}{(\dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2)^{3/2}} = \frac{1}{r(t)} \leftarrow \text{radius of curvature}$$

Relating to the curves we have been drawing.



$$v(t) = \text{tangential velocity (speed)}$$

$$\sqrt{\dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2}$$

The relationship between  $v$  &  $C$

$$v = \gamma C^{-1/3}$$

$\uparrow$   
const

As  $v \uparrow, C \downarrow$

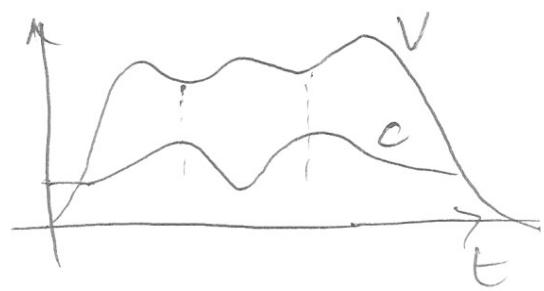
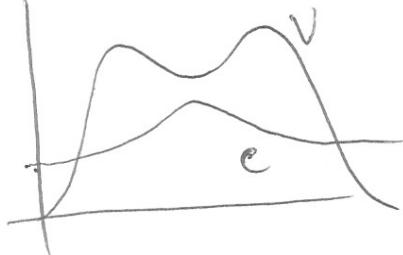
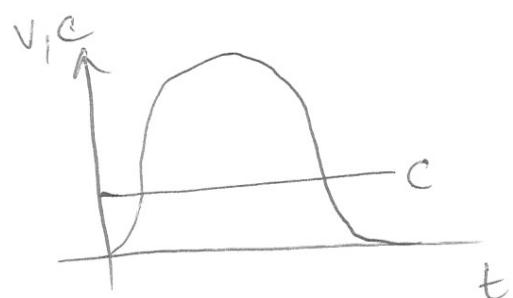
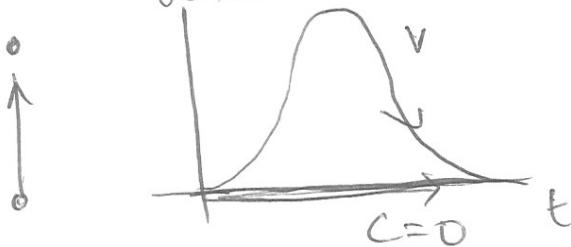
(P2)

Bell-shaped profile - Talked about this a lot.

- In general, hard to violate, but there are two cases when it happens.

a. When m/s are curvy.

vel, curvature



b. When m/s are executed slowly.



Generally, even if there is violation, profiles look like a combo of

(P3)

Relate to this

②  $\frac{2}{3}$  power law. (Lacquariti, 1983)

→ applies bottom velocity & mvt. curvature.

(continued on bottom of p1)

(p4)

Definition of power law:

$$\log(v) \propto \log(c)$$

Relate "angular vel" w/ curvature

$$v = \omega r = \gamma c^{-1/3}$$

$$\text{Note that } r = \frac{1}{c}$$

$$\Rightarrow \omega = \gamma c^{2/3}$$

But we relate better to the tangential velocity

$$v = (\dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2)^{1/2} = \gamma c^{-1/3}$$

$$= \gamma \left( \frac{\ddot{x}\dot{y} - \ddot{y}\dot{x}}{(\dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2)^{3/2}} \right)^{-1/3}$$

$$(\dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2)^{1/2} = \gamma \frac{(\ddot{x}\dot{y} - \ddot{y}\dot{x})^{-1/3}}{(\dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2)^{1/2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \gamma = (\dot{x}\ddot{y} - \dot{y}\ddot{x})^{1/3}$$

$$\Rightarrow \dot{x}\ddot{y} - \dot{y}\ddot{x} = \gamma^3 \leftarrow \text{still a constant.}$$

Taking derivative

$$\dot{x}\ddot{y} + \ddot{x}\dot{y} - \dot{y}\ddot{x} - \ddot{y}\dot{x} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \ddot{x}\dot{y} - \ddot{y}\dot{x} \text{ or } \frac{\ddot{x}}{\dot{x}} = \frac{\dot{y}}{\dot{x}} \text{ Relationship between velo.}$$

what does this mean?

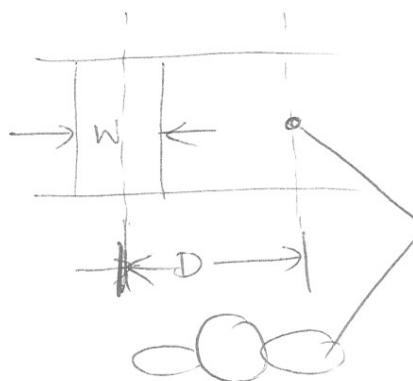
Vel & jerk parallel to each other.

Lots of papers <sup>on</sup> ~~use~~ the  $2/3$  power law.

- By product of the smooth mvt  $\Rightarrow$  result in power law.

### 3) Fitts' Law (Fitts, 1954)

The more accuracy the movement needs to be, the slower it is expected



$$T = c_1 + c_2 \log_2 \left( \frac{2D}{w} \right)$$

Moving time → constants  
 $D$  = Distance to target center  
 $w$  = Target width in dirn of mvt.

$T \uparrow$  as  $D \uparrow$  or  $w \downarrow$  in log scale

Very frequently referred to still: impt. for work efficiency using mouse + clicking on buttons

Schmidt (1979) extended this to mvt. errors

$$We = k \left( \frac{D}{T} \right)$$



Other imp't characteristic that are known but do not have a name.

④ Movement time does not scale w/ mvt. distance.

→ mvt. time approximately the same for a large range of motion

(of course, this can be changed w/ target size as in ~~Fitts~~ law or just tell people to make fast mvt's)

⑤ For sequential mvt's, what stays constant is the mvt. time ratio even if the whole seq. is executed @ different speeds.



Finally, but very imp't.

⑥ High variability in mvt. paths

Even for perfectly mastered mvt's, pt. to pt. mvt's are different every single time.

↳ this makes games like golf, tennis, darts fun even@ pro level.

↓  
games that don't have many other external variability

Where does this variability come from? }  
Why don't we correct this completely? } Open question

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Book → Good as a term paper idea.

Funnily, even w/ all the variability, we can still tell the handwriting,  
walking patterns that are signature/specific to the person.

So what are the domains <sup>in which</sup> ~~that~~ variabilities are tolerated w/p one  
person + " " " " ~~that~~" "  $\Rightarrow$  another person?