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Advanced Process Systems Engineering  
Homework 8

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Due: 4/11/11

1. Use MATLAB to show that the solution profiles for the example:

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & -b(1) \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \frac{da}{dt} = -a(t)(u(t) + 0.5u(t)^2) \\ & \frac{db}{dt} = a(t)u(t) \\ & a(0) = 1, \quad b(0) = 0, \quad u(t) \in [0, 5] \end{aligned}$$

satisfy the optimality conditions.

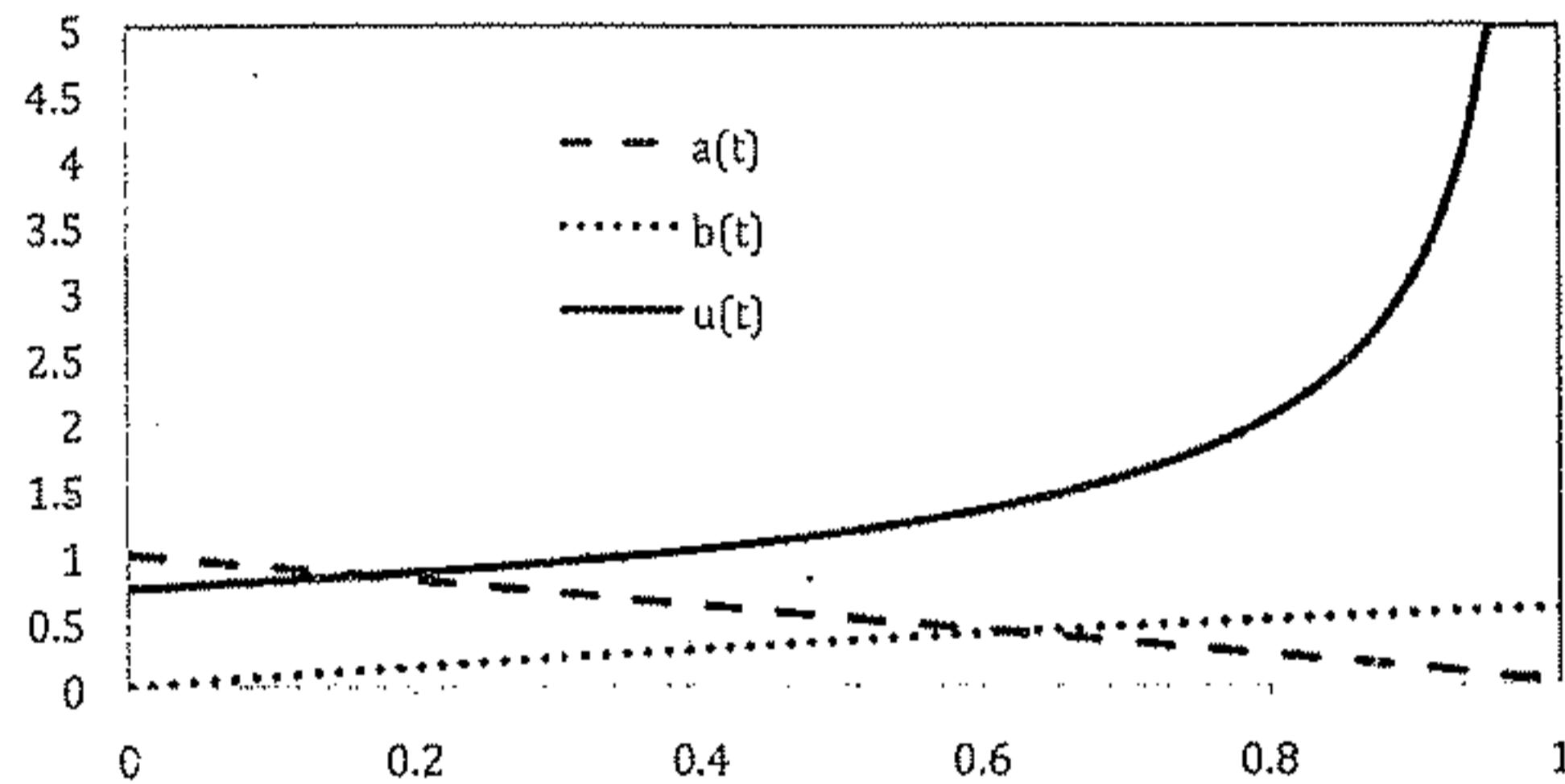


Figure 1: State and Control Profiles for Batch Reactor:  $A \rightarrow B, A \rightarrow C$

2. For the singular control problem given by:

$$\min \Phi(z(t)), \quad \text{s.t. } \frac{dz(t)}{dt} = f_1(z) + f_2(z)u(t), z(0) = z_0, u(t) \in [u_L, u_U].$$

Show that  $q \geq 2$  in  $\frac{d^q H_u(t)}{dt^q} = \varphi(z, u) = 0$ .

3. For the problem below, derive the two point boundary value problem and show the relationship of  $u(t)$  to the state and adjoint variables.

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & z_1(1)^2 + z_2(1)^2 \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \frac{dz_1(t)}{dt} = -2z_2, \quad z_1(0) = 1 \\ & \frac{dz_2(t)}{dt} = z_1 u(t), \quad z_2(0) = 1 \end{aligned}$$

4. Solve the Catalyst Example given below for the case where the first reaction is irreversible ( $k_2 = 0$ ). Show that this problem has a bang-bang solution.

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \min \quad a(t_f) + b(t_f) - a_0 \\
 \text{s.t.} \quad & \frac{da(t)}{dt} = -u(k_1 a(t) - k_2 b(t)) \\
 & \frac{db(t)}{dt} = u(k_1 a(t) - k_2 b(t)) - (1-u)k_3 b(t) \\
 & a(0) = a_0, \quad b(0) = 0, \quad u(t) \in [0, 1].
 \end{aligned}$$

### Solution - Task 8.

1)  $\min -b(1)$

s.t.  $\dot{a} = -a(u + \frac{1}{2}u^2)$

$\dot{b} = au$

$a(0)=1, b(0)=0, u \in [0, 5]$

$$H = -\lambda_1 a(u + u^2/2) + \lambda_2 au + \gamma_x(u-5) - \gamma_u$$

$$0 \leq u \perp \gamma_x \geq 0; 0 \leq \gamma_x \perp (5-u) \geq 0$$

$$\dot{\lambda}_1 = (\lambda_1 - \lambda_2)u + \lambda_1 u^2/2, \lambda_1(0) = 0$$

$$\dot{\lambda}_2 = 0, \lambda_2(1) = -1 \Rightarrow \lambda_2(t) = -1$$

$$H_u = -\lambda_1 a(1+u) + \lambda_2 a - \gamma_x + \gamma_u = 0$$

Note

$$H(1) = -a(1)u(1) - \gamma_x + \gamma_u = 0,$$

so  $\gamma_u = a(1)u(1) \geq 0$ . because  
it is not optimal for  $u(1)$  to be zero

$$\text{Hence } \gamma_u > 0 \Rightarrow u(1) = 5.$$

- At  $t_1$ , we have  $\gamma_u = 0$  and  $u(t)$  moves off boundary from  $0$ ,  $u(t) = (\lambda_2/\lambda_1) - 1 = -(1 + 1/\lambda_1)$   
and at  $u(t_1) = 5, \lambda_1(t_1) = -0.6667$

- Integrate from  $t_f = 1 \rightarrow t_1$ ,

$$\int_1^{t_1} = 5(\lambda_1 + 1) + 12.5\lambda_1, \lambda_1(0) = 0$$

until  $\lambda_1(t_1) = -1/6$

- Integrate from  $t_1 \rightarrow 0$  with  $u = -(1 + 1/\lambda_1)$

$$\int_{t_1}^0 = (\lambda_1 - \lambda_2)u + \lambda_1 u^2/2, \lambda_1(t_1) = -1/6$$

- Integrate  $a, b$  forward using  $u(t)$

## Verification of Profiles:

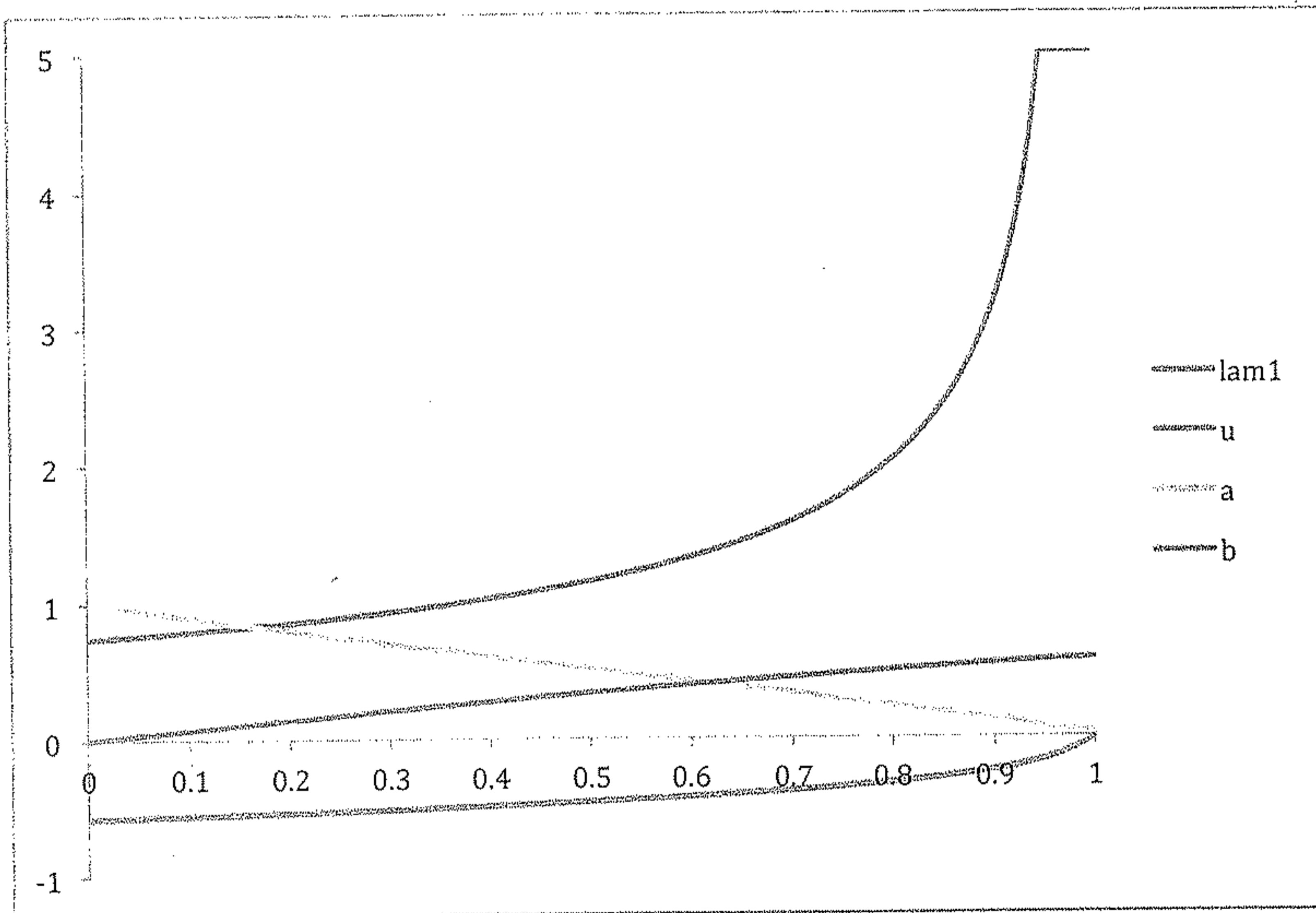
1. Solve  $\dot{\lambda}_1 = 5(\lambda_1 + 1) + 12.5\lambda_1$ ,  $\lambda_1(0) = 0$  (i.e.,  $u(t) = 5$ ) until  $\lambda_1(t_1) = -1/6$ . This occurs at  $t_1 = 0.95$ .
2. From  $t = t_1 \rightarrow 0$ , set  $u(t) = -(1+1/\lambda_1(t))$  and integrate

$$\dot{\lambda}_1 = u(t)(\lambda_1 + 1) + u(t)^2 \lambda_1 / 2, \quad \lambda_1(t_1) = -1/6.$$

3. From  $t=0$ , integrate forward:

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{a} &= -a(u + u^2), \quad a(0) = 1 \\ \dot{b} &= au, \quad b(0) = 0\end{aligned}$$

This yields the profiles below.



## 2. Singular control problem

$$\text{Min } J(y)$$

$$\text{s.t. } \dot{z} = f_1 + f_2 u, z(0) = z_0 \\ u \in U \text{ s.t.}$$

$$H = J^T(f_1 + f_2 u)$$

$$H_u = f_2^T$$

$$\dot{J} = -\left(\frac{\partial f_1}{\partial z} + \frac{\partial f_2 u}{\partial z}\right)$$

$$\lambda(t_f) = \frac{\partial J}{\partial z}$$

$$\dot{H}_u = \frac{\partial f_2(f_1 + f_2 u)^T}{\partial z} - \left(\frac{\partial f_1}{\partial z} + \frac{\partial f_2 u}{\partial z}\right) \lambda f_2$$

note what we have  $u$  is a scalar

$$\frac{\partial f_2(f_2 u)^T}{\partial z} = \frac{\partial f_2 u}{\partial z} f_2^T$$

so we have

$$\dot{H}_u = \frac{\partial f_2(f_1^T \lambda)}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial z} \lambda f_2$$

$$3) \text{ Min } z_1^2(1) + z_2^2(1)$$

$$\text{s.t. } \dot{z}_1 = -2z_2, z_1(0) = 1$$

$$\dot{z}_2 = z_1 u, z_2(0) = 1$$

$$H = -2\lambda_1 z_2 + \lambda_2 z_1 u$$

$$H_u = \lambda_2 z_1 = 0$$

$$\lambda_1 = -\lambda_2 u, \lambda_1(1) = 2z_1(1)$$

$$\lambda_2 = 2\lambda_1, \lambda_2(1) = 2z_2(1)$$

$$\dot{H}_u = \lambda_2 \dot{z}_1 + \lambda_2 \dot{z}_1 = 0$$

$$= 2\lambda_1 z_1 - 2\lambda_2 z_2 = 0$$

$$\ddot{H}_u = 2(\lambda_1 \dot{z}_1 + \lambda_2 \dot{z}_1 - \lambda_2 \dot{z}_2 - \lambda_2 \ddot{z}_2) = 0$$

$$= 2(-\lambda_2 z_1 u - 2\lambda_1 z_2 + 2\lambda_1 z_2 - \lambda_2 z_1 u) = 0$$

$$-2\lambda_2 z_1 u - 4\lambda_1 z_2 = 0$$

$$u = -\frac{2\lambda_1 z_2}{\lambda_2 z_1}$$

4) Catalyst mixing problem

$$\text{Min } a(t_f) + b(t_f) - a_0$$

$$\text{s.t. } \dot{a} = -u k_1 a$$

$$\dot{b} = u k_1 a - (1-u) k_3 b$$

$$a(0) = a_0, \quad b(0) = 0$$

$$u \in [0, 1]$$

$$H = (\lambda_2 - \lambda_1) k_1 a u - \lambda_2 k_3 b (1-u) \\ - \gamma_0 u + \gamma_1 (u-1)$$

$$\lambda_1 = -(\lambda_2 - \lambda_1) k_1 a \quad \lambda_1(t_f) = 1$$

$$\lambda_2 = (1-u) \lambda_2 k_3 \quad \lambda_2(t_f) = 1$$

$$\text{Let } J = (\lambda_2 - \lambda_1) k_1 a + \lambda_2 k_3 b$$

$$\frac{\partial H}{\partial u} = J(t) = \gamma_0 + \gamma_1 = 0$$

$$0 \leq \gamma_0 + u \geq 0$$

$$0 \leq \gamma_1 + (1-u) \geq 0$$

$$u(t) = 0 \Rightarrow J(t) \geq 0$$

$$u(t) = 1 \Rightarrow J(t) \leq 0$$

$$u(t) \in (0, 1) \Rightarrow J(t) = 0$$

$$\text{at } t = t_f, \lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = 1, \quad J = k_3 b > 0 \Rightarrow u(t_f) = 0$$

$$t = t_0, a = a_0, b = 0, J = (\lambda_2 - \lambda_1) k_1 a_0$$

also

$$\therefore H(t) = H(t_f) = -k_3 b(t_f) < 0$$

$$0 > H(0) = (\lambda_2 - \lambda_1) k_1 a_0 < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow u(0) = 1$$

Now is there any portion where  
 $H_u = \int = 0$  for  $t \in (0, t_f)$ ?

$$1) \quad \dot{J} = (\lambda_2 - \lambda_1) k_1 a + \lambda_2 k_3 b = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} 2) \quad \dot{J} &= (\lambda_2 - \lambda_1) k_1 a + \lambda_2 k_3 b \\ &\quad + (\lambda_2 - \lambda_1) k_1 \dot{a} + \lambda_2 k_3 \dot{b} \\ &= [(\lambda_2 - \lambda_1) k_1 a + (1-u) \lambda_2 k_3] k_1 a \\ &\quad - (\lambda_2 - \lambda_1) k_1^2 a u + (1-u) \lambda_2 k_3^2 b \\ &\quad + \lambda_2 k_3 [u k_1 a - (1-u) k_3 b] \\ &= \lambda_2 k_3 k_1 a = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 3) \quad \ddot{J} &= \lambda_2 a k_3 k_1 + \lambda_2 \dot{a} k_3 k_1 \\ &= (1-u) \lambda_2 k_3^2 k_1 a - \lambda_2 u k_1^2 k_3 a \\ &= \lambda_2 k_3 k_1 a [k_3 - u(k_3 + k_1)] = 0 \end{aligned}$$

The solution must be bang-bang. From (2)  
we have  $\lambda_2(t) = 0$  if  $\dot{J} = 0$ . Also from (1)  
this leads to  $\lambda_1(t) = 0$ . Both occur since  
 $a(t) > 0$ , for  $t_f < \infty$ . Also, (3) is consistent  
with  $\ddot{J}(t) = 0$ .

$$\text{Since } H(t) = (\lambda_2 - \lambda_1) k_1 a u - \lambda_2 k_3 b (1-u) \\ = -k_3 b (t_f) < 0$$

there is no point in time,  $t$ , where  
 $\lambda_1(t) = \lambda_2(t) = 0$ .

The bang-bang solution can be found with  
a 2 variable  $(t_{\text{switch}}, t_f)$  optimization.