

Classical optimal designs on annuli

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Introduction

Let $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ be open and bounded set.

Two phases each with different isotropic conductivity: α, β
 $(0 < \alpha < \beta)$.

q_α is the prescribed volume of the first phase α ($0 < q_\alpha < |\Omega|$).
 $\chi \in L^\infty(\Omega, \{0, 1\})$ a measurable characteristic function.

Conductivity can be expressed as

$$\mathbf{A}(\chi) := \chi \alpha \mathbf{I} + (1 - \chi) \beta \mathbf{I},$$

where

$$\int_{\Omega} \chi(\mathbf{x}) \, d\mathbf{x} = q_\alpha.$$

Introduction

State functions $u_i \in H_0^1(\Omega)$, $i = 1, 2, \dots, m$ are solutions of the following boundary value problems:

$$(1) \quad \begin{cases} -\operatorname{div}(\mathbf{A} \nabla u_i) = f_i & \text{in } \Omega \\ u_i = 0 & \text{on } \partial\Omega, \end{cases} \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, m.$$

Notation: $\mathbf{u} = (u_1, u_2, \dots, u_m)$.

Energy functional:

$$I(\chi) := \sum_{i=1}^m \mu_i \int_{\Omega} f_i(\mathbf{x}) u_i(\mathbf{x}) \, d\mathbf{x}.$$

where $\mu_i > 0$, $i = 1, 2, \dots, m$.

Statement of the problem

Optimal design problem:

$$(2) \quad \begin{cases} I(\chi) = \sum_{i=1}^m \mu_i \int_{\Omega} f_i u_i \, d\mathbf{x} \rightarrow \max \\ \text{s.t. } \chi \in L^\infty(\Omega, \{0, 1\}), \quad \int_{\Omega} \chi \, d\mathbf{x} = q_\alpha, \\ \mathbf{u} \text{ solves (1) with } \mathbf{A} = \chi \alpha \mathbf{I} + (1 - \chi) \beta \mathbf{I}. \end{cases}$$

If solution χ exists for (2) we call it *classical solution*.

Important: For general optimal design problems the classical solutions usually does not exists.

Aim of this talk:

- to express design problem as max-min optimization.
- to present examples of classical solutions on annuli.

Relaxed design

For characteristic functions relaxation consists of:

$$(3) \quad \chi \in L^\infty(\Omega, \{0, 1\}) \quad \rightsquigarrow \quad \theta \in L^\infty(\Omega, [0, 1]),$$

with

$$\int_{\Omega} \theta \, d\mathbf{x} := q_\alpha.$$

Notion of H-convergence is introduced for conductivity \mathbf{A} .

Effective conductivities:

$$\mathcal{K}(\theta) \subset M_d(\mathbb{R}) \text{ with local fraction } \theta \in [0, 1].$$

Precisely, $A \in \mathcal{K}(\theta)$ iff there exists sequence of characteristic functions

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \chi_n \xrightarrow{L^\infty \star} \theta \\ \mathbf{A}^n = \chi_n \alpha \mathbf{I} + (1 - \chi_n) \beta \mathbf{I} \xrightarrow{H} A. \end{array} \right.$$

Effective conductivities - set $\mathcal{K}(\theta)$

$\mathcal{K}(\theta)$ is given in terms of eigenvalues

$$\lambda_\theta^- \leq \lambda_j \leq \lambda_\theta^+ \quad j = 1, \dots, d$$

$$\sum_{j=1}^d \frac{1}{\lambda_j - \alpha} \leq \frac{1}{\lambda_\theta^- - \alpha} + \frac{d-1}{\lambda_\theta^+ - \alpha}$$

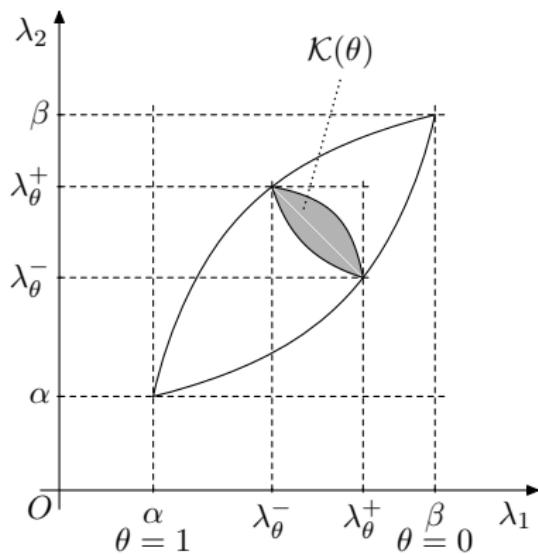
$$\sum_{j=1}^d \frac{1}{\beta - \lambda_j} \leq \frac{1}{\beta - \lambda_\theta^-} + \frac{d-1}{\beta - \lambda_\theta^+},$$

where

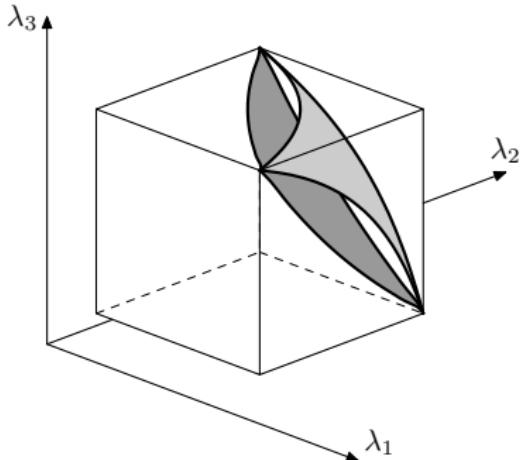
$$\begin{aligned}\lambda_\theta^+ &= \theta\alpha + (1-\theta)\beta \\ \frac{1}{\lambda_\theta^-} &= \frac{\theta}{\alpha} + \frac{1-\theta}{\beta}.\end{aligned}$$

Visual representation of a set $\mathcal{K}(\theta)$

For dimension $d = 2$:



For dimension $d = 3$:



Relaxed problem A

Relaxed design:

$$\mathcal{A} = \left\{ (\theta, \mathbf{A}) \in L^\infty(\Omega, [0, 1] \times \text{Sym}_d) \mid \begin{array}{l} \int_{\Omega} \theta \, d\mathbf{x} = q_\alpha, \\ \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{x}) \in \mathcal{K}(\theta(\mathbf{x})), \text{ a.e. } \mathbf{x} \end{array} \right\}$$

Relaxed problem can be written as:

$$(A) \quad \max_{(\theta, \mathbf{A}) \in \mathcal{A}} J(\theta, \mathbf{A}) = \max_{(\theta, \mathbf{A}) \in \mathcal{A}} \sum_{i=1}^m \mu_i \int_{\Omega} f_i u_i \, d\mathbf{x}$$

Unfortunately, \mathcal{A} is not a convex set.

Generalized (convex) problem B

To achieve convexity, an enlarged set is introduced:

$$\mathcal{B} = \left\{ (\theta, \mathbf{A}) \in L^\infty(\Omega, [0, 1] \times \text{Sym}_d) \mid \begin{array}{l} \int_{\Omega} \theta \, d\mathbf{x} = q_\alpha, \\ \lambda_{\theta(\mathbf{x})}^- \mathbf{I} \leq \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{x}) \leq \lambda_{\theta(\mathbf{x})}^+ \mathbf{I}, \text{ a.e. } \mathbf{x} \end{array} \right\}$$

and with it

$$(B) \quad \max_{(\theta, \mathbf{A}) \in \mathcal{B}} J(\theta, \mathbf{A}) = \max_{(\theta, \mathbf{A}) \in \mathcal{B}} \sum_{i=1}^m \mu_i \int_{\Omega} f_i u_i \, d\mathbf{x}$$

Set \mathcal{B} is convex and closed.

Observe that

$$\max_{(\theta, \mathbf{A}) \in \mathcal{A}} J(\theta, \mathbf{A}) \leq \max_{(\theta, \mathbf{A}) \in \mathcal{B}} J(\theta, \mathbf{A}).$$

Rewrite B as a max-min problem

Define $\mathcal{S} := \{\boldsymbol{\sigma} = (\boldsymbol{\sigma}_1, \boldsymbol{\sigma}_2, \dots, \boldsymbol{\sigma}_m) \mid \boldsymbol{\sigma}_i \in L^2(\Omega, \mathbb{R}^d), -\operatorname{div}(\boldsymbol{\sigma}_i) = f_i\}$

One can rewrite functional J in terms of fluxes:

$$J(\theta, \mathbf{A}) = \min_{\boldsymbol{\sigma} \in \mathcal{S}} \sum_{i=1}^m \mu_i \int_{\Omega} \mathbf{A}^{-1} \boldsymbol{\sigma}_i \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}_i$$

With notation $\mathcal{C} = \{(\theta, \mathbf{A}) \mid (\theta, \mathbf{A}^{-1}) \in \mathcal{B}\}$

$$\begin{aligned} \max_{(\theta, \mathbf{A}) \in \mathcal{B}} J(\theta, \mathbf{A}) &= \max_{(\theta, \mathbf{A}) \in \mathcal{B}} \min_{\boldsymbol{\sigma} \in \mathcal{S}} \sum_{i=1}^m \mu_i \int_{\Omega} \mathbf{A}^{-1} \boldsymbol{\sigma}_i \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}_i \\ &= \max_{(\theta, \mathbf{B}) \in \mathcal{C}} \min_{\boldsymbol{\sigma} \in \mathcal{S}} \sum_{i=1}^m \mu_i \int_{\Omega} \mathbf{B} \boldsymbol{\sigma}_i \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}_i \end{aligned}$$

Observe that

$$L(\boldsymbol{\sigma}, (\theta, \mathbf{B})) = \sum_{i=1}^m \mu_i \int_{\Omega} \mathbf{B} \boldsymbol{\sigma}_i \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}_i$$

$$\boldsymbol{\sigma} \mapsto L(\boldsymbol{\sigma}, (\theta, \mathbf{B}))$$

$$(\theta, \mathbf{B}) \mapsto L(\boldsymbol{\sigma}, (\theta, \mathbf{B}))$$

- quadratic (strictly convex)
- continuous in $L^2(\Omega)$ (l.s.c.)
- $(\exists(\theta, \mathbf{B})) \quad \boldsymbol{\sigma} \mapsto L(\boldsymbol{\sigma}, (\theta, \mathbf{B}))$
 $\lim_{\|\boldsymbol{\sigma}\| \rightarrow +\infty} L(\boldsymbol{\sigma}, (\theta, \mathbf{B})) = +\infty$
- linear (concave)
- continuous in $L^\infty \star$ (u.s.c.)
- set \mathcal{C} is compact (in $L^\infty \star$).

Min-max theory

Previous conclusions for the Lagrange functional L implies:

- set of saddle points $\mathcal{S}_0 \times \mathcal{C}_0 \subset \mathcal{S} \times \mathcal{C}$ is not empty
- min and max are interchangeable
- $\boldsymbol{\sigma} \mapsto L(\boldsymbol{\sigma}, (\theta, \mathbf{B}))$ is strictly convex $\Rightarrow \mathcal{S}_0 = \{\boldsymbol{\sigma}^*\}.$

This means that there exists **unique** $\boldsymbol{\sigma}^*$ such that this holds

$$\begin{aligned}\max_{(\theta, \mathbf{A}) \in \mathcal{B}} J(\theta, \mathbf{A}) &= \max_{(\theta, \mathbf{B}) \in \mathcal{C}} \min_{\boldsymbol{\sigma} \in \mathcal{S}} L(\boldsymbol{\sigma}, (\theta, \mathbf{B})) \\ &= \max_{(\theta, \mathbf{B}) \in \mathcal{C}} L(\boldsymbol{\sigma}^*, (\theta, \mathbf{B})) \\ &= \max_{(\theta, \mathbf{B}) \in \mathcal{C}} \sum_{i=1}^m \mu_i \int_{\Omega} \mathbf{B} \boldsymbol{\sigma}_i^* \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}_i^*\end{aligned}$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^m \mu_i \int_{\Omega} \mathbf{B} \boldsymbol{\sigma}_i^* \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}_i^* \text{ achieves max in } (\theta^*, \mathbf{B}^*) \in \mathcal{C}$$

$$\iff \mathbf{B}^* \boldsymbol{\sigma}_i^* = \frac{1}{\lambda_{\theta^*}^-} \boldsymbol{\sigma}_i^* \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, m$$

This means problem (B) achieves max in $(\theta^*, \mathbf{A}^*) \in \mathcal{B}$

$$\iff \mathbf{A}^* \nabla u_i^* = \lambda_{\theta^*}^- \nabla u_i^* \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, m$$

Instead of solving convex problem B, one can solve the following optimization problem:

$$(I) \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} I(\theta) = \sum_{i=1}^m \mu_i \int_{\Omega} f_i u_i \, dx \rightarrow \max \\ \text{s.t. } \theta \in L^\infty(\Omega, [0, 1]), \int_{\Omega} \theta = q_\alpha, \text{ where } \mathbf{u} \text{ satisfies} \\ -\operatorname{div}(\lambda_\theta^- \nabla u_i) = f_i, \quad u_i \in H_0^1(\Omega), \quad i = 1, \dots, m, \end{array} \right.$$

The necessary and sufficient condition of optimality

Define

$$\psi := \sum_{i=1}^m \mu_i |\sigma_i^*|^2.$$

Lemma

The necessary and sufficient condition of optimality for solution θ^ of optimal design problem (I) simplifies to the existence of a Lagrange multiplier $c \geq 0$ such that*

$$(4) \quad \begin{aligned} \psi = \sum_{\substack{i=1 \\ m}}^m \mu_i |\sigma_i^*|^2 > c &\Rightarrow \theta^* = 1, \\ \psi = \sum_{i=1}^m \mu_i |\sigma_i^*|^2 < c &\Rightarrow \theta^* = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Spherical symmetry

For spherically symmetric problem such that:

- $\Omega = R(\Omega)$ for any rotation R
- f_i are radial functions

it can be proved that there exists radial solution θ_R^* of (I).

In particular, it can be shown that

$$\max_{(\theta, \mathbf{A}) \in \mathcal{A}} J(\theta, \mathbf{A}) = I(\theta_R^*).$$

Examples

Design problems with spherical symmetry were studied for ball:

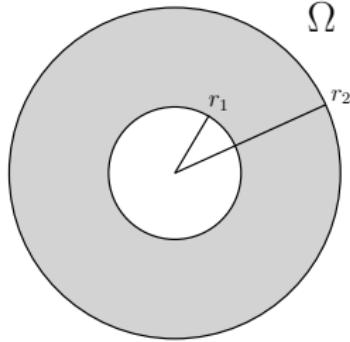
- **Single state equations**

Murat & Tartar (1985) Calculus of Variations and Homogenization
- there exists relaxed solution (θ^*, \mathbf{A}^*) among simple laminates.

- **Multiple state equations**

Vrdoljak, M. (2016) Classical Optimal Design in Two-Phase
Conductivity Problems. SIAM Journal on Control and
Optimization: 2020-2035

Single state optimal design problem



$$\Omega = \overline{K}(0, r_2) \setminus K(0, r_1)$$

Single state equation:

$$(5) \quad \begin{cases} -\operatorname{div}(\lambda_\theta^-(x)\nabla u) = 1 & \text{in } \Omega \\ u = 0 & \text{on } \partial\Omega \end{cases}$$

$$\text{where } \lambda_\theta^-(x) = \left(\frac{\theta(x)}{\alpha} + \frac{1-\theta(x)}{\beta} \right)^{-1}.$$

Optimization problem:

For

$$\theta \in \mathcal{T} := \left\{ \theta \in L^\infty(\Omega, [0, 1]) : \int_{\Omega} \theta \, dx = q_\alpha \right\}$$

$$I(\theta) = \int_{\Omega} u \, dx \rightarrow \max$$

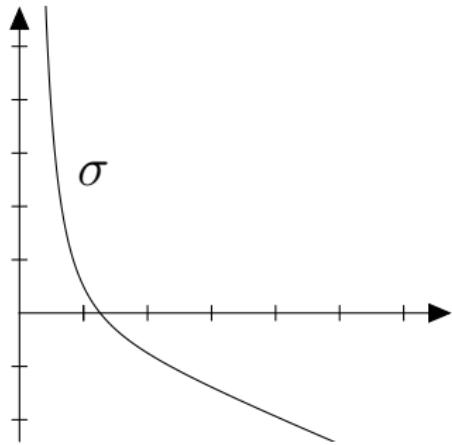
(5) in polar coordinates :

$$\begin{cases} -\frac{1}{r^{d-1}} \underbrace{\left(r^{d-1} \lambda_\theta^- u'(r) \right)'}_{\sigma} = 1 & \text{in } \langle r_1, r_2 \rangle \\ u(r_1) = u(r_2) = 0 \end{cases}$$

Observe that σ satisfies

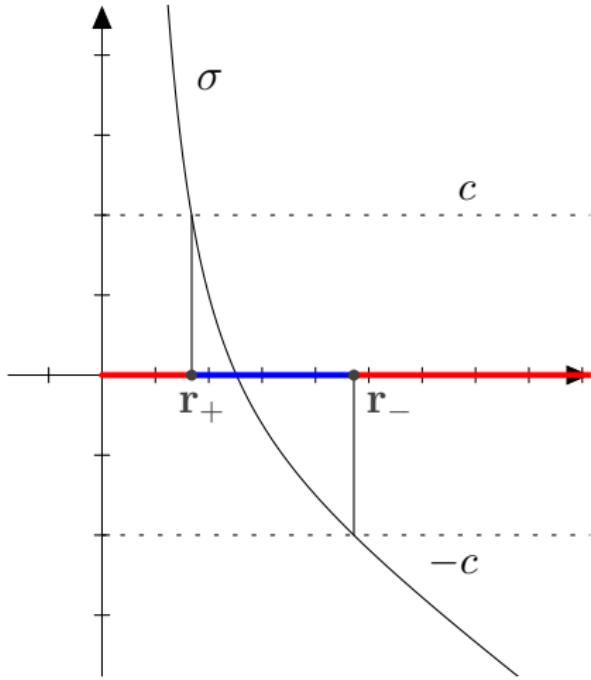
$$\sigma = -\frac{r}{d} + \frac{\gamma}{r^{d-1}}, \quad \gamma > 0$$

$\sigma(r) : \langle 0, \infty \rangle \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a
strictly decreasing function.



The necessary and sufficient condition of optimality for θ^* states

$$\begin{aligned} |\sigma^*| > c &\Rightarrow \theta^* = 1, \\ |\sigma^*| < c &\Rightarrow \theta^* = 0. \end{aligned}$$



There are only three possible candidates for optimal design:

$$1) \quad \theta^*(r) = \begin{cases} 1, & r \in [r_1, r_+] \\ 0, & r \in [r_+, r_-] \\ 1, & r \in [r_-, r_2] \end{cases}$$

$$2) \quad \theta^*(r) = \begin{cases} 1, & r \in [r_1, r_+] \\ 0, & r \in [r_+, r_2] \end{cases}$$

$$3) \quad \theta^*(r) = \begin{cases} 0, & r \in [r_1, r_-] \\ 1, & r \in [r_-, r_2] \end{cases}$$

Simplification to a non-linear system

Necessary and sufficient condition of optimality can also be expressed as a non-linear system (unknowns γ, c, r_+, r_-):

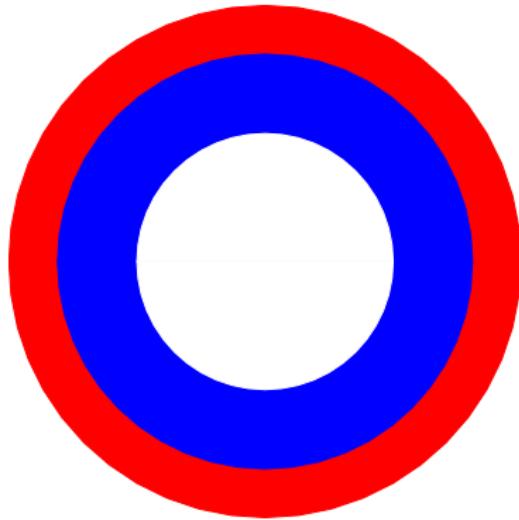
$$(6) \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} S_d \int_{r_1}^{r_2} \theta(\rho) \rho^{d-1} d\rho = q_\alpha \\ u(r_2) = 0 \iff \gamma \int_{r_1}^{r_2} \left(\frac{1}{a(\rho) \rho^{d-1}} \right) d\rho = \int_{r_1}^{r_2} \frac{\rho}{a(\rho)} d\rho \\ \sigma(r_+) = c, \quad \sigma(r_-) = -c, \quad \text{where } c > 0 \end{array} \right.$$

where

$$\sigma(r) = \frac{\gamma}{r^{d-1}} - \frac{r}{d}, \quad \& \quad a(r) = \left(\frac{\theta(r)}{\alpha} + \frac{1 - \theta(r)}{\beta} \right)^{-1}.$$

Results $d = 2$ or $d = 3$

3) case **beta-alpha**



Non-linear system (6) does not admit a solution for design in the case beta-alpha.

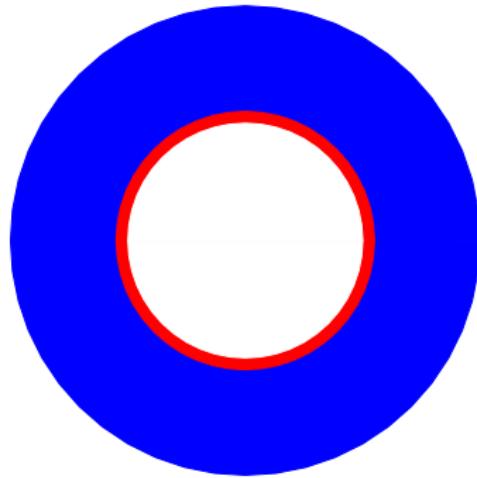
We have proof for $d = 2$ and $d = 3$.

Therefore, cases: 1) and 2) should be considered as possible solutions.

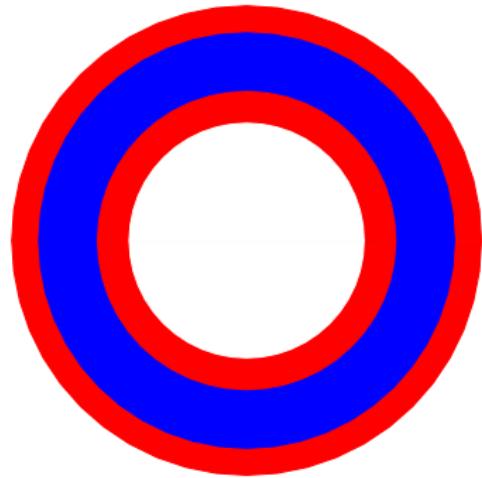
Results $d = 2$ or $d = 3$

Numerical results ($\alpha = 1, \beta = 2, r_1 = 1, r_2 = 2, d = 2$):

alpha-beta
 $(q_\alpha < 3.22\%)$



alpha-beta-alpha
 $(q_\alpha > 3.22\%)$



One can easily prove if q_α is very small, case alpha-beta is always solution (for arbitrary parameters α, β, r_1, r_2).

Multiple state optimal design problem, $d = 2$

Multiple state equations:

$$\begin{cases} -\operatorname{div}(\lambda_\theta^-(x)\nabla u_1) = 1 = \textcolor{blue}{f}_1 & \text{in } \Omega \\ u_1 = 0 & \text{on } \partial\Omega \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} -\operatorname{div}(\lambda_\theta^-(x)\nabla u_2) = \frac{b}{r(b-r)^2} = \textcolor{blue}{f}_2 & \text{in } \Omega \\ u_2 = 0 & \text{on } \partial\Omega \end{cases}$$

where $b > r_2$ and $\lambda_\theta^-(x) = \left(\frac{\theta(x)}{\alpha} + \frac{1-\theta(x)}{\beta} \right)$.

Optimization problem:

Find $\theta \in \mathcal{T}$ s.t.

$$I(\theta) = \mu_1 \int_{\Omega} \textcolor{blue}{f}_1 u_1 \, dx + \mu_2 \int_{\Omega} \textcolor{blue}{f}_2 u_2 \, dx \rightarrow \max$$

with $\mu_1, \mu_2 > 0$

One can easily calculate:

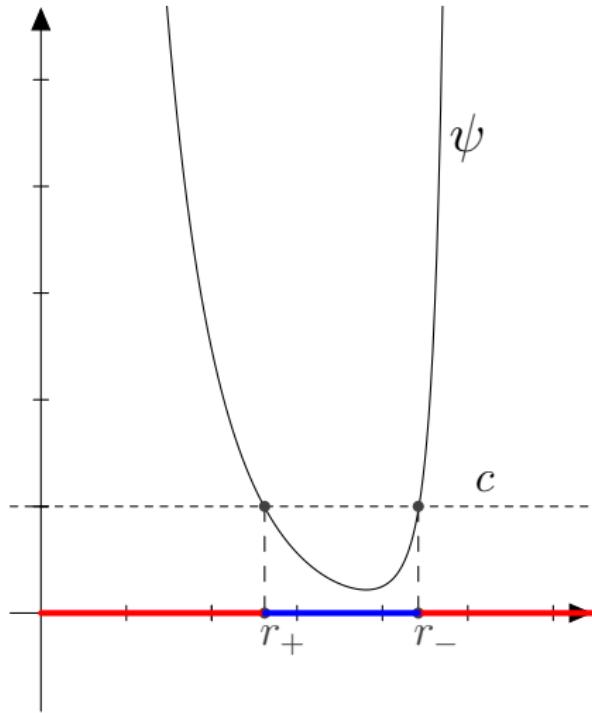
$$\sigma_1 = -\frac{r}{2} + \frac{\gamma_1}{r}, \quad \gamma_1 > 0 \quad \sigma_2 = \frac{1}{r-b} + \frac{\gamma_2}{r}, \quad \gamma_2 > 0$$

For any $\mu_1, \mu_2 > 0$ function $\psi : [r_1, r_2] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$,

$$\psi := \mu_1 \sigma_1^2 + \mu_2 \sigma_2^2$$

is a strictly convex function.

The necessary and sufficient condition of optimality states that there exists $c > 0$ such that :



As before this implies that there can only be 3 cases:

$$1) \theta^*(r) = \begin{cases} 1, & r \in [r_1, r_+] \\ 0, & r \in [r_+, r_-] \\ 1, & r \in [r_-, r_2] \end{cases}$$

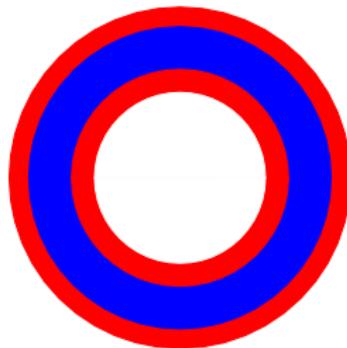
$$2) \theta^*(r) = \begin{cases} 1, & r \in [r_1, r_+] \\ 0, & r \in [r_+, r_2] \end{cases}$$

$$3) \theta^*(r) = \begin{cases} 0, & r \in [r_1, r_-] \\ 1, & r \in [r_-, r_2] \end{cases}$$

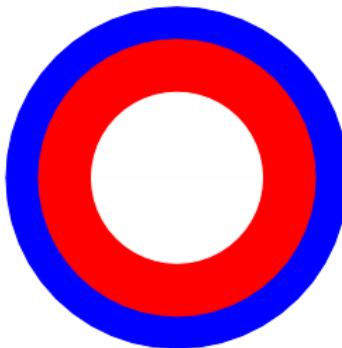
Results

Unlike previous one state example here all 3 cases (with **variations** of parameters: $\alpha, \beta, r_1, r_2, \mu_1, \mu_2$) can be possible solutions.

1) alpha-beta-alpha



2) alpha-beta



3) beta-alpha

