



Studying the Changes of an Optimal Trajectory

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Abstract

This paper provides an extension to an optimal control problem using the negative logarithm of deterioration and spoilage function as total cost. This function must be minimized at the end of planning period depending on the alternative quadratic exponential form. The co-state variable $\lambda_0(t)$ has negative values along the optimal trajectory according to the Pontryagin Minimum Principle (PMP). The different values of this co-state variable are investigated using initial values for the optimal control rates, separately. The controlled system according to each value is presented. Studying the behavior of optimal inventory levels, the optimal production rates, and the optimal spoilage function, it is our optimal solution along the optimal trajectory. The effectiveness of increasing and decreasing the co-state values on the optimal trajectory especially at the end of planning period is investigated. Also, the sensitivity analysis that reflects the effect of changes of different parameters (the deterioration and spoilage parameters values, and the initial values of inventory levels and production rates) on the optimal solution is explained with many different cases. Finally, we compared, numerically, the results for using these different co-state values with the results obtained when this value is negative.

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1. Introduction

An optimal control problem of multi-item inventory model has a wide impor-

tance in practice. El-Sayed [1] has studied the effect of different types of demand rates on the total cost function, which refers to minimize the negative value of logarithm of deterioration and spoilage function at the end of planning period, using the Pontryagin Minimum Principle (PMP) for -1 value for the co-state variable $\lambda_0(t)$. Now we need to know whether the changing of co-state values of this variable has effects on the optimal trajectory or not. So, in this paper, we will extend this study using different co-state values, whether less or more than negative one, for the co-state variable $\lambda_0(t)$, using initial values for the optimal control rates. The purpose of this paper is obtaining the optimal inventory levels, the optimal production rates, and the minimum value of deterioration and spoilage function as the total cost at the end of planning period, and also studying the behavior of an optimal trajectory for each value, studying the sensitivity analysis of changing the parameters values of the model. As it is expected, the optimal inventory levels of the two items could be affected by these changes as we shall see later.

So, we concentrated on the sensitivity analysis of changing the spoilage parameters on the optimal solution especially at the end of planning period. Finally, to complete this study, we must compare the obtained results for these different co-state values with the results which are obtained when the co-state variable equals -1 .

Zhao and Prentice [2] have presented the quadratic exponential form (QEF) for the two correlated variables X_1, X_2 as:

$$f(x_1, x_2) = \frac{1}{\sum_{x_1, x_2} \exp\{\theta_1 x_1 + \theta_2 x_2 + \theta_{12} x_1 x_2\}} \exp\{\theta_1 x_1 + \theta_2 x_2 + \theta_{12} x_1 x_2\}. \quad (1)$$

El-Sayed [1] has supposed that $\theta_1 = \psi_1 u_1$, $\theta_2 = \psi_2 u_2$ and $\theta_{12} = \psi_{12} u_1 u_2$, where the spoilage parameters ψ_1 , ψ_2 and ψ_{12} depend on the control variables U_1 and U_2 , $\psi's > 0$.

Since θ_1 , θ_2 and θ_{12} are the deterioration parameters, $\theta's > 0$.

So, we can use the normalizing term, $\sum_{x_1, x_2} \exp\{\theta_1 x_1 + \theta_2 x_2 + \theta_{12} x_1 x_2\}$, in the function (1) to be rewritten in the exponential form, El-Sayed *et al.* [3], as shown below:

$$f(x_1, x_2) = \exp\{\theta_1 x_1 + \theta_2 x_2 + \theta_{12} x_1 x_2 - \log(1 + \psi_1 u_1 + \psi_2 u_2 + \psi_{12} u_1 u_2)\}. \quad (2)$$

The minimizing of an integral of negative logarithm of this function can be used as the total cost. This cost reflects the levels of deterioration and spoilage of items at the end of planning period.

This paper can be organized as follows: Section 2 presents the mathematical model for the optimal control problem and the corresponding controlled systems. Section 3 presents the numerical solution for the controlled systems for different rates and different co-state values. Section 4 presents the sensitivity analysis of the model parameters and co-state variable $\lambda_0(t)$. Finally Section 5 gives some conclusions.

2. The Model

Let us define the following parameters, which are used in the mathematical optimal control model:

$X_i(t)$: Inventory levels at time t .

$U_i(t)$: Production rates at time t .

T : Length of planning period.

x_{i0} : Initial inventory levels.

a_{ii} : Deterioration coefficient due to self-contact of item x_i .

a_{ij} : Deterioration coefficient of x_i due to presence a unit of x_j , $i \neq j = 1, 2$.

$D_i(x_1, x_2, t)$: Demand rates of (x_1, x_2) .

ψ_1 : Spoilage rate of x_1 , $\psi_1 > 0$.

ψ_2 : Spoilage rate of x_2 , $\psi_2 > 0$.

ψ_{12} : Spoilage rate of (x_1, x_2) , jointly, $\psi_{12} > 0$.

θ_1 : Natural deterioration rate of x_1 , $\theta_1 > 0$.

θ_2 : Natural deterioration rate of x_2 , $\theta_2 > 0$.

θ_{12} : Natural deterioration rate of (x_1, x_2) , jointly, $\theta_{12} > 0$.

As we mentioned before, the integral of negative logarithm of the function (2), which represents the deterioration and spoilage function, is used as a cost function:

$$\begin{aligned} x_0(T) &= \int_0^T -\ln f(x_1, x_2) dt \\ &= \int_0^T [-\theta_1 x_1 - \theta_2 x_2 - \theta_{12} x_1 x_2 + \log(1 + \psi_1 u_1 + \psi_2 u_2 + \psi_{12} u_1 u_2)] dt. \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

So, the problem can be formulated as:

$$\text{Minimize } \left\{ x_0(T) = \int_0^T [-\theta_1 x_1 - \theta_2 x_2 - \theta_{12} x_1 x_2 + \log(1 + \psi_1 u_1 + \psi_2 u_2 + \psi_{12} u_1 u_2)] dt \right\}, \quad (4)$$

subject to:

$$\dot{x}_1 = -x_1(\theta_1 + a_{12}x_2 + a_{11}x_1) - D_1 + u_1, \quad (5)$$

$$\dot{x}_2 = -x_2(\theta_2 + a_{21}x_1 + a_{22}x_2) - D_2 + u_2, \quad (6)$$

and

$$x_1(t) \geq 0, \quad x_2(t) \geq 0, \quad u_1(t) \geq 0, \quad u_2(t) \geq 0, \quad (7)$$

where,

$$t \in T, D(x_1, x_2, t) \geq 0, \quad \theta_1, \theta_2, \theta_{12} > 0, \quad \psi_1, \psi_2, \psi_{12} > 0.$$

Using the Pontryagin Minimum Principle (PMP), let us define $\dot{x}_0 = \frac{\partial x_0(T)}{\partial t}$,

and introduce the co-state variables λ_0 , λ_1 and λ_2 corresponding to the state variables X_0 , X_1 and X_2 respectively. From (4), (5) and (6), we can write the Hamiltonian function as follows:

$$H = \lambda_0 \dot{x}_0 + \lambda_1 \dot{x}_1 + \lambda_2 \dot{x}_2, \quad (8)$$

Moreover, to obtain the co-state equations and the Lagrange multipliers associated with the constraints (5) and (6), we formulate the Lagrangian function as follows:

$$L = H + \mu_1 x_1 + \mu_2 x_2 + \mu_3 u_1 + \mu_4 u_2, \quad (9)$$

where, $\mu_1(t), \mu_2(t), \mu_3(t), \mu_4(t)$ are known as Lagrange multipliers. These Lagrange multipliers satisfy the conditions:

$$\mu_1(t) \geq 0, \mu_2(t) \geq 0, \mu_3(t) \geq 0, \mu_4(t) \geq 0, \mu_1 x_1 = 0, \mu_2 x_2 = 0, \mu_3 u_1 = 0, \mu_4 u_2 = 0. \quad (10)$$

From (9), we can easily obtain the co-state equations

$$\dot{\lambda}_i(t) = -\frac{\partial L}{\partial x_i}, \quad i = 0, 1, 2, \quad (11)$$

then,

$$\dot{\lambda}_0(t) = -\frac{\partial L}{\partial x_0} = 0, \quad \dot{\lambda}_1(t) = -\frac{\partial L}{\partial x_1}, \quad \dot{\lambda}_2(t) = -\frac{\partial L}{\partial x_2}, \quad (12)$$

The first equation of (12) shows that the co-state variable $\lambda_0(t)$ remains constant along the optimal trajectory, and the Pontryagin principle requires that this constant should be a negative value, Sethi and Thompson [4].

In this paper, we will use different values for this co-state variable $\lambda_0(t)$.

$$\lambda_0 = -10, \lambda_0 = -2 \quad \text{or} \quad \lambda_0 = -0.1, \quad (13)$$

Substituting from (4), (5), (6), (8) and (13) in (9), we can write the Hamiltonian function, L , in the following form, first: when $\lambda_0(t) = -10$:

$$\begin{aligned} L = & 10 \left[\theta_1 x_1 + \theta_2 x_2 + \theta_{12} x_1 x_2 - \log(1 + \psi_1 u_1 + \psi_2 u_2 + \psi_{12} u_1 u_2) \right] \\ & + \lambda_1 \left[-x_1 (\theta_1 + a_{12} x_2 + a_{11} x_1) - D_1 + u_1 \right] \\ & + \lambda_2 \left[-x_2 (\theta_2 + a_{21} x_1 + a_{22} x_2) - D_2 + u_2 \right] \\ & + \mu_1 x_1 + \mu_2 x_2 + \mu_3 u_1 + \mu_4 u_2. \end{aligned} \quad (14)$$

From conditions (7) and (10), we get

$$\mu_1(t) = \mu_2(t) = \mu_3(t) = \mu_4(t) = 0. \quad (15)$$

Substituting from (13) and (14) into (12) we get

$$\dot{\lambda}_1 = \lambda_1 \left(\frac{\partial D_1}{\partial x_1} + 10\theta_1 + a_{12} x_2 + 2a_{11} x_1 \right) + \lambda_2 \left(\frac{\partial D_2}{\partial x_1} + a_{21} x_2 \right) - \theta_1 - 10\theta_{12} x_2, \quad (16)$$

$$\dot{\lambda}_2 = \lambda_2 \left(\frac{\partial D_2}{\partial x_2} + 10\theta_2 + a_{21} x_1 + 2a_{22} x_2 \right) + \lambda_1 \left(\frac{\partial D_1}{\partial x_2} + a_{12} x_1 \right) - \theta_2 - 10\theta_{12} x_1, \quad (17)$$

with boundary conditions

$$\lambda_i(T) \neq 0, \quad i = 1, 2 \quad (18)$$

where T is the length of planning period which can be suggested.

To obtain the optimal production rates (control variables) $U_i, i = 1, 2$, we differentiate the Lagrange function (14) with respect to u_1, u_2 respectively and putting it equal to zero, we get

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial u_1} = -\frac{10(\psi_1 + \psi_{12}u_2)}{1 + \psi_1u_1 + \psi_2u_2 + \psi_{12}u_1u_2} + \lambda_1 = 0.$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial u_2} = -\frac{10(\psi_2 + \psi_{12}u_1)}{1 + \psi_1u_1 + \psi_2u_2 + \psi_{12}u_1u_2} + \lambda_2 = 0.$$

Then,

$$U_1^*(t) = \frac{1}{\lambda_1} - \frac{1 + \psi_2u_2}{10(\psi_1 + \psi_{12}u_2)}, \lambda_1 \neq 0 \tag{19}$$

$$U_2^*(t) = \frac{1}{\lambda_2} - \frac{1 + \psi_1u_1}{10(\psi_2 + \psi_{12}u_1)}, \lambda_2 \neq 0 \tag{20}$$

Since, u_1 and u_2 are start values of the production rates. Then using the Equations (5), (6), (16) and (17), we get the controlled system of non-linear ordinary differential equations:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \dot{x}_1 &= -x_1(\theta_1 + a_{12}x_2 + a_{11}x_1) - D_1 + u_1 \\ \dot{x}_2 &= -x_2(\theta_2 + a_{21}x_2 + a_{22}x_2) - D_2 + u_2 \\ \dot{\lambda}_1 &= \lambda_1 \left(\frac{\partial D_1}{\partial x_1} + 10\theta_1 + a_{12}x_2 + 2a_{11}x_1 \right) + \lambda_2 \left(\frac{\partial D_2}{\partial x_1} + a_{21}x_2 \right) - \theta_1 - 10\theta_{12}x_2 \\ \dot{\lambda}_2 &= \lambda_2 \left(\frac{\partial D_2}{\partial x_2} + 10\theta_2 + a_{21}x_1 + 2a_{22}x_2 \right) + \lambda_1 \left(\frac{\partial D_1}{\partial x_2} + a_{12}x_1 \right) - \theta_2 - 10\theta_{12}x_1 \end{aligned} \right\} \tag{21}$$

We can construct this system when $\lambda_0 = -2$:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \dot{x}_1 &= -x_1(\theta_1 + a_{12}x_2 + a_{11}x_1) - D_1 + u_1 \\ \dot{x}_2 &= -x_2(\theta_2 + a_{21}x_2 + a_{22}x_2) - D_2 + u_2 \\ \dot{\lambda}_1 &= \lambda_1 \left(\frac{\partial D_1}{\partial x_1} + 2\theta_1 + a_{12}x_2 + 2a_{11}x_1 \right) + \lambda_2 \left(\frac{\partial D_2}{\partial x_1} + a_{21}x_2 \right) - \theta_1 - 2\theta_{12}x_2 \\ \dot{\lambda}_2 &= \lambda_2 \left(\frac{\partial D_2}{\partial x_2} + 2\theta_2 + a_{21}x_1 + 2a_{22}x_2 \right) + \lambda_1 \left(\frac{\partial D_1}{\partial x_2} + a_{12}x_1 \right) - \theta_2 - 2\theta_{12}x_1 \end{aligned} \right\} \tag{22}$$

and when $\lambda_0 = -0.1$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \dot{x}_1 &= -x_1(\theta_1 + a_{12}x_2 + a_{11}x_1) - D_1 + u_1 \\ \dot{x}_2 &= -x_2(\theta_2 + a_{21}x_2 + a_{22}x_2) - D_2 + u_2 \\ \dot{\lambda}_1 &= \lambda_1 \left(\frac{\partial D_1}{\partial x_1} + 0.1\theta_1 + a_{12}x_2 + 2a_{11}x_1 \right) + \lambda_2 \left(\frac{\partial D_2}{\partial x_1} + a_{21}x_2 \right) - \theta_1 - 0.1\theta_{12}x_2 \\ \dot{\lambda}_2 &= \lambda_2 \left(\frac{\partial D_2}{\partial x_2} + 0.1\theta_2 + a_{21}x_1 + 2a_{22}x_2 \right) + \lambda_1 \left(\frac{\partial D_1}{\partial x_2} + a_{12}x_1 \right) - \theta_2 - 0.1\theta_{12}x_1 \end{aligned} \right\} \tag{23}$$

The optimal control variables can be constructed when $\lambda_0 = -2$:

$$U_1^*(t) = \frac{1}{\lambda_1} - \frac{1 + \psi_2u_2}{2(\psi_1 + \psi_{12}u_2)}, \lambda_1 \neq 0, \tag{24}$$

$$U_2^*(t) = \frac{1}{\lambda_2} - \frac{1 + \psi_1u_1}{2(\psi_2 + \psi_{12}u_1)}, \lambda_2 \neq 0, \tag{25}$$

and when $\lambda_0(t) = -0.1$:

$$U_1^*(t) = \frac{1}{\lambda_1} - \frac{1 + \psi_2 u_2}{0.1(\psi_1 + \psi_{12} u_2)}, \quad \lambda_1 \neq 0, \quad (26)$$

$$U_2^*(t) = \frac{1}{\lambda_2} - \frac{1 + \psi_1 u_1}{0.1(\psi_2 + \psi_{12} u_1)}, \quad \lambda_2 \neq 0. \quad (27)$$

This system can be used to describe the time evolution of inventory levels and production rates. The analytical solution of this system is very difficult and then we can solve it numerically.

3. Numerical Solution

The solution of optimal control problem of this model will be carried out using Pontryagin Minimum Principle (PMP). The numerical solution is to be necessary when the analytical solution is absence for the non-linear systems (21, 22 and 23). In this solution we solve the non-linear ordinary differential equations using Runge-Kutta method, using the initial and boundary values for $x_1(t), x_2(t), \lambda_1(t)$ and $\lambda_2(t)$. For simplicity we supposed that the initial values u_{10}, u_{20} can be used alternative to u_1, u_2 in the Equations (19), (20), (24), (25), (26) and (27) to obtain the optimal production rates $U_1^*(T)$ and $U_2^*(T)$ respectively. Also, we will use these initial values to obtain the optimal total cost $x_0^*(T)$ as it is in the Equation (4).

The numerical solution can be explained by different types of demand as:

1) The demand rates are constant:

$$D(x_1, x_2, t) = \gamma_i.$$

2) The demand rates are linear functions of inventory levels and time:

$$D(x_1, x_2, t) = \gamma_i + w_i x_i.$$

3) The demand rates are logistic functions of inventory levels and time:

$$D(x_1, x_2, t) = 2x_i(\kappa_i - x_i).$$

4) The demand rates are periodic functions of time:

$$D(x_1, x_2, t) = 1 - b_i \cos(t).$$

where γ_i, w_i, κ_i and $b_i (i=1,2)$ are positive constants.

Table 1 presents the values of system parameters and the initial states which are used in the numerical examples for four cases of demand rate functions as follows:

The next subsections explain the controlled system for each case of the demand rates functions with different co-state value $\lambda_0(t)$ as shown below.

3.1. Co-State Value $\lambda_0 = -10$

In this subsection we will use different demand rates with $\lambda_0 = -10$.

3.1.1. Constant Rates

We will present the model with demand function as constant rates, $D(x_1, x_2, t) = \gamma_i$.

Substituting in the controlled system (21) by the constant demand rates, we have the controlled system:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \dot{x}_1 &= -x_1(\theta_1 + a_{12}x_2 + a_{11}x_1) - \gamma_1 + \frac{1}{\lambda_1} - \frac{1 + \psi_2 u_{20}}{10(\psi_1 + \psi_{12}u_{20})} \\ \dot{x}_2 &= -x_2(\theta_2 + a_{21}x_2 + a_{22}x_2) - \gamma_2 + \frac{1}{\lambda_2} - \frac{1 + \psi_1 u_{10}}{10(\psi_2 + \psi_{12}u_{10})} \\ \dot{\lambda}_1 &= \lambda_1(10\theta_1 + a_{12}x_2 + 2a_{11}x_1) + a_{21}\lambda_2x_2 - \theta_1 - 10\theta_{12}x_2 \\ \dot{\lambda}_2 &= \lambda_2(10\theta_2 + a_{21}x_1 + 2a_{22}x_2) + a_{12}\lambda_1x_1 - \theta_2 - 10\theta_{12}x_1 \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (28)$$

Solving the controlled system (28) numerically, we get some results as displayed in **Table 2**.

3.1.2. Linear Rates

Also, we will present the model with demand function as linear rates, $D(x_1, x_2, t) = \gamma_i + w_i x_i$. Substituting in the controlled system (21) by the linear demand rates, we have the controlled system:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \dot{x}_1 &= -x_1(w_1 + \theta_1 + a_{12}x_2 + a_{11}x_1) - \gamma_1 + \frac{1}{\lambda_1} - \frac{1 + \psi_2 u_{20}}{10(\psi_1 + \psi_{12}u_{20})} \\ \dot{x}_2 &= -x_2(w_2 + \theta_2 + a_{21}x_2 + a_{22}x_2) - \gamma_2 + \frac{1}{\lambda_2} - \frac{1 + \psi_1 u_{10}}{10(\psi_2 + \psi_{12}u_{10})} \\ \dot{\lambda}_1 &= \lambda_1(w_1 + 10\theta_1 + a_{12}x_2 + 2a_{11}x_1) + a_{21}\lambda_2x_2 - \theta_1 - 10\theta_{12}x_2 \\ \dot{\lambda}_2 &= \lambda_2(w_2 + 10\theta_2 + a_{21}x_1 + 2a_{22}x_2) + a_{12}\lambda_1x_1 - \theta_2 - 10\theta_{12}x_1 \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (29)$$

Solving the controlled system (29) numerically, we get some results as displayed in **Table 2**.

3.1.3. Logistic Rates

We present the model with demand function as logistic rates,

$$D(x_1, x_2, t) = 2x_i(\kappa_i - x_i).$$

Table 1. Values and initial states of system parameters.

u_{10}	u_{20}	θ_1	θ_2	θ_{12}	a_{12}	a_{21}	a_{11}	a_{22}	γ_1
20	18	0.02	0.01	0.05	0.8	0.7	0.02	0.01	0.8
x_{10}	x_{20}	x_{20}	w_2	κ_1	κ_2	b_1	b_2	T	γ_2
1	1	0.3	0.2	0.9	0.8	0.9	0.8	1	0.7
ψ_1	ψ_2	ψ_{12}	$\lambda_1(T)$	$\lambda_2(T)$					
0.02	0.01	0.05	1	1					

Table 2. The optimal solution when $\lambda_0 = -10$.

Demand Rates	$x_1^*(T)$	$x_2^*(T)$	$u_1^*(T)$	$u_2^*(T)$	$x_0^*(T)$
Constant	0.88	0.95	0.87	0.86	0.07
Linear	0.81	0.87	0.87	0.86	0.10
Logistic	0.97	1.10	0.87	0.86	0.00
Periodic	1.16	1.14	0.87	0.86	0.06

Substituting in the controlled system (21) by the logistic demand rates, we have the controlled system:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \dot{x}_1 &= -x_1 \left(2(\kappa_1 - x_1) + \theta_1 + a_{12}x_2 + a_{11}x_1 \right) + \frac{1}{\lambda_1} - \frac{1 + \psi_2 u_{20}}{10(\psi_1 + \psi_{12} u_{20})} \\ \dot{x}_2 &= -x_2 \left(2(\kappa_2 - x_2) + \theta_2 + a_{21}x_2 + a_{22}x_2 \right) + \frac{1}{\lambda_2} - \frac{1 + \psi_1 u_{10}}{10(\psi_2 + \psi_{12} u_{10})} \\ \dot{\lambda}_1 &= \lambda_1 \left(2(\kappa_1 - 2x_1 + a_{11}x_1) + 10\theta_1 + a_{12}x_2 \right) + a_{21}\lambda_2 x_2 - \theta_1 - 10\theta_{12}x_2 \\ \dot{\lambda}_2 &= \lambda_2 \left(2(\kappa_2 - 2x_2 + a_{22}x_2) + 10\theta_2 + a_{21}x_1 \right) + a_{12}\lambda_1 x_1 - \theta_2 - 10\theta_{12}x_1 \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (30)$$

Solving the controlled system (30) numerically, we get some results as displayed in **Table 2**.

3.1.4. Periodic Rates

Finally, we will present the model with demand function as periodic rates, $D(x_1, x_2, t) = 1 - b_i \cos(t)$. Substituting in the controlled system (21) by the periodic demand rates, we have the controlled system:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \dot{x}_1 &= -x_1 \left(\theta_1 + a_{12}x_2 + a_{11}x_1 \right) - 1 + b_1 \cos(t) + \frac{1}{\lambda_1} - \frac{1 + \psi_2 u_{20}}{10(\psi_1 + \psi_{12} u_{20})} \\ \dot{x}_2 &= -x_2 \left(\theta_2 + a_{21}x_2 + a_{22}x_2 \right) - 1 + b_2 \cos(t) + \frac{1}{\lambda_2} - \frac{1 + \psi_1 u_{10}}{10(\psi_1 + \psi_{12} u_{10})} \\ \dot{\lambda}_1 &= \lambda_1 \left(10\theta_1 + a_{12}x_2 + 2a_{11}x_1 \right) + a_{21}\lambda_2 x_2 - \theta_1 - 10\theta_{12}x_2 \\ \dot{\lambda}_2 &= \lambda_2 \left(10\theta_2 + a_{21}x_1 + 2a_{22}x_2 \right) + a_{12}\lambda_1 x_1 - \theta_2 - 10\theta_{12}x_1 \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (31)$$

Solving the controlled system (31) numerically, we get some results as displayed in **Table 2**.

As we see from **Table 2**, the optimal value of the cost function when $\lambda_0 = -10$ is achieved in the logistic rate (0). The optimal production rates are similar (0.87, 0.86) in all cases. The inventory levels are smaller (0.81, 0.87) in the linear case but higher (1.16, 1.14) in the periodic case.

3.2. Co-State $\lambda_0 = -2$

Also, in this subsection we use the previous demand rates with $\lambda_0 = -2$.

3.2.1. Constant Rates

We will present the model with demand function as constant rates, $D(x_1, x_2, t) = \gamma_i$. Substituting in the controlled system (22) by the constant demand rates, we have the controlled system:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \dot{x}_1 &= -x_1 \left(\theta_1 + a_{12}x_2 + a_{11}x_1 \right) - \gamma_1 + \frac{1}{\lambda_1} - \frac{1 + \psi_2 u_{20}}{2(\psi_1 + \psi_{12} u_{20})} \\ \dot{x}_2 &= -x_2 \left(\theta_2 + a_{21}x_2 + a_{22}x_2 \right) - \gamma_2 + \frac{1}{\lambda_2} - \frac{1 + \psi_1 u_{10}}{2(\psi_2 + \psi_{12} u_{10})} \\ \dot{\lambda}_1 &= \lambda_1 \left(2\theta_1 + a_{12}x_2 + 2a_{11}x_1 \right) + a_{21}\lambda_2 x_2 - \theta_1 - 2\theta_{12}x_2 \\ \dot{\lambda}_2 &= \lambda_2 \left(2\theta_2 + a_{21}x_1 + 2a_{22}x_2 \right) + a_{12}\lambda_1 x_1 - \theta_2 - 2\theta_{12}x_1 \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (32)$$

Solving the controlled system (32) numerically, we get some results which are displayed in **Table 3**.

3.2.2. Linear Rates

Also, we will present the model with demand function as linear rates, $D(x_1, x_2, t) = \gamma_i + w_i x_i$. Substituting in the controlled system (22) by the linear demand rates, we have the controlled system:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \dot{x}_1 &= -x_1(w_1 + \theta_1 + a_{12}x_2 + a_{11}x_1) - \gamma_1 + \frac{1}{\lambda_1} - \frac{1 + \psi_2 u_{20}}{2(\psi_1 + \psi_{12} u_{20})} \\ \dot{x}_2 &= -x_2(w_2 + \theta_2 + a_{21}x_2 + a_{22}x_2) - \gamma_2 + \frac{1}{\lambda_2} - \frac{1 + \psi_1 u_{10}}{2(\psi_2 + \psi_{12} u_{10})} \\ \dot{\lambda}_1 &= \lambda_1(w_1 + 2\theta_1 + a_{12}x_2 + 2a_{11}x_1) + a_{21}\lambda_2 x_2 - \theta_1 - 2\theta_{12}x_2 \\ \dot{\lambda}_2 &= \lambda_2(w_2 + 2\theta_2 + a_{21}x_1 + 2a_{22}x_2) + a_{12}\lambda_1 x_1 - \theta_2 - 2\theta_{12}x_1 \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (33)$$

Solving the controlled system (33) numerically, we get the results displayed in **Table 3**.

3.2.3. Logistic Rates

We present the model with demand function as logistic rates,

$D(x_1, x_2, t) = 2x_i(\kappa_i - x_i)$. Substituting in the controlled system (22) by the logistic demand rates, we have the controlled system:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \dot{x}_1 &= -x_1(2(\kappa_1 - x_1) + \theta_1 + a_{12}x_2 + a_{11}x_1) + \frac{1}{\lambda_1} - \frac{1 + \psi_2 u_{20}}{2(\psi_1 + \psi_{12} u_{20})} \\ \dot{x}_2 &= -x_2(2(\kappa_2 - x_2) + \theta_2 + a_{21}x_2 + a_{22}x_2) + \frac{1}{\lambda_2} - \frac{1 + \psi_1 u_{10}}{2(\psi_2 + \psi_{12} u_{10})} \\ \dot{\lambda}_1 &= \lambda_1(2(\kappa_1 - 2x_1 + a_{11}x_1) + 2\theta_1 + a_{12}x_2) + a_{21}\lambda_2 x_2 - \theta_1 - 2\theta_{12}x_2 \\ \dot{\lambda}_2 &= \lambda_2(2(\kappa_2 - 2x_2 + a_{22}x_2) + 2\theta_2 + a_{21}x_1) + a_{12}\lambda_1 x_1 - \theta_2 - 2\theta_{12}x_1 \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (34)$$

Solving the controlled system (30) numerically, we get the results are displayed in **Table 3**.

3.2.4. Periodic Rates

Finally, we will present the model with demand function as periodic rates, $D(x_1, x_2, t) = 1 - b_i \cos(t)$. Substituting in the controlled system (22) by the periodic demand rates, we have the controlled system:

Table 3. The optimal solution when $\lambda_0 = -2$.

Demand Rates	$x_1^*(T)$	$x_2^*(T)$	$u_1^*(T)$	$u_2^*(T)$	$x_0^*(T)$
Constant	1.42	1.57	0.36	0.31	0.00
Linear	1.30	1.42	0.36	0.31	0.00
Logistic	0.65	0.68	0.36	0.31	0.00
Periodic	1.57	1.69	0.36	0.31	0.00

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \dot{x}_1 &= -x_1(\theta_1 + a_{12}x_2 + a_{11}x_1) - 1 + b_1 \cos(t) + \frac{1}{\lambda_1} - \frac{1 + \psi_2 u_{20}}{2(\psi_1 + \psi_{12}u_{20})} \\ \dot{x}_2 &= -x_2(\theta_2 + a_{21}x_2 + a_{22}x_2) - 1 + b_2 \cos(t) + \frac{1}{\lambda_2} - \frac{1 + \psi_1 u_{10}}{2(\psi_2 + \psi_{12}u_{10})} \\ \dot{\lambda}_1 &= \lambda_1(2\theta_1 + a_{12}x_2 + 2a_{11}x_1) + a_{21}\lambda_2x_2 - \theta_1 - 2\theta_{12}x_2 \\ \dot{\lambda}_2 &= \lambda_2(2\theta_2 + a_{21}x_1 + 2a_{22}x_2) + a_{12}\lambda_1x_1 - \theta_2 - 2\theta_{12}x_1 \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (35)$$

Solving the controlled system (35) numerically, we get the results can be displayed in **Table 3**.

We will use the parameters values as they are in **Table 1** without changing in all cases.

As we see from **Table 3**, the optimal value of the cost function when $\lambda_0 = -2$ is equal (0) in all cases. Also, the optimal production rates are similar (0.36, 0.31) in all cases. The optimal inventory levels are smaller (0.65, 0.68) in the logistic case but higher (1.57, 1.69) in the periodic case.

3.3. Co-State Value $\lambda_0 = -0.1$

Finally, we use the previous demand rates with $\lambda_0 = -0.1$.

3.3.1. Constant Rates

We will present the model with demand function as constant rates, $D(x_1, x_2, t) = \gamma_i$.

Substituting in the controlled system (23) by the constant demand rates, we have the controlled system:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \dot{x}_1 &= -x_1(\theta_1 + a_{12}x_2 + a_{11}x_1) - \gamma_1 + \frac{1}{\lambda_1} - \frac{1 + \psi_1 u_{20}}{0.1(\psi_2 + \psi_{12}u_{20})} \\ \dot{x}_2 &= -x_2(\theta_2 + a_{21}x_2 + a_{22}x_2) - \gamma_2 + \frac{1}{\lambda_2} - \frac{1 + \psi_1 u_{10}}{0.1(\psi_2 + \psi_{12}u_{10})} \\ \dot{\lambda}_1 &= \lambda_1(0.1\theta_1 + a_{12}x_2 + 2a_{11}x_1) + a_{21}\lambda_2x_2 - \theta_1 - 0.1\theta_{12}x_2 \\ \dot{\lambda}_2 &= \lambda_2(0.1\theta_2 + a_{21}x_1 + 2a_{22}x_2) + a_{12}\lambda_1x_1 - \theta_2 - 0.1\theta_{12}x_1 \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (36)$$

Solving the controlled system (36) numerically, we get the results displayed in **Table 4**.

3.3.2. Linear Rates

Also, we will present the model with demand function as linear rates,

$D(x_1, x_2, t) = \gamma_i + w_i x_i$. Substituting in the controlled system (23) by the linear demand rates, we have the controlled system:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \dot{x}_1 &= -x_1(w_1 + \theta_1 + a_{12}x_2 + a_{11}x_1) - \gamma_1 + \frac{1}{\lambda_1} - \frac{1 + \psi_1 u_{20}}{0.1(\psi_2 + \psi_{12}u_{20})} \\ \dot{x}_2 &= -x_2(w_2 + \theta_2 + a_{21}x_2 + a_{22}x_2) - \gamma_2 + \frac{1}{\lambda_2} - \frac{1 + \psi_1 u_{10}}{0.1(\psi_2 + \psi_{12}u_{10})} \\ \dot{\lambda}_1 &= \lambda_1(w_1 + 0.1\theta_1 + a_{12}x_2 + 2a_{11}x_1) + a_{21}\lambda_2x_2 - \theta_1 - 0.1\theta_{12}x_2 \\ \dot{\lambda}_2 &= \lambda_2(w_2 + 0.1\theta_2 + a_{21}x_1 + 2a_{22}x_2) + a_{12}\lambda_1x_1 - \theta_2 - 0.1\theta_{12}x_1 \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (37)$$

Table 4. The optimal solution when $\lambda_0 = -0.1$.

Demand Rates	$x_1^*(T)$	$x_2^*(T)$	$u_1^*(T)$	$u_2^*(T)$	$x_0^*(T)$
Constant	0.56	0.61	0.00	0.00	0.67
Linear	0.33	0.40	0.00	0.00	0.60
Logistic	0.37	0.13	0.00	0.00	0.06
Periodic	0.21	0.24	0.00	0.00	0.16

Solving the controlled system (37) numerically, we get the results displayed in **Table 4**.

3.3.3. Logistic Rates

We present the model with demand function as logistic rates,

$$D(x_1, x_2, t) = 2x_i(\kappa_i - x_i).$$

Substituting in the controlled system (23) by the logistic demand rates, we have the controlled system:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \dot{x}_1 &= -x_1(2(\kappa_1 - x_1) + \theta_1 + a_{12}x_2 + a_{11}x_1) + \frac{1}{\lambda_1} - \frac{1 + \psi_1 u_{20}}{0.1(\psi_2 + \psi_{12} u_{20})} \\ \dot{x}_2 &= -x_2(2(\kappa_2 - x_2) + \theta_2 + a_{21}x_2 + a_{22}x_2) + \frac{1}{\lambda_2} - \frac{1 + \psi_1 u_{10}}{0.1(\psi_2 + \psi_{12} u_{10})} \\ \dot{\lambda}_1 &= \lambda_1(2(\kappa_1 - 2x_1 + a_{11}x_1) + 0.1\theta_1 + a_{12}x_2) + a_{21}\lambda_2 x_2 - \theta_1 - 0.1\theta_{12}x_2 \\ \dot{\lambda}_2 &= \lambda_2(2(\kappa_2 - 2x_2 + a_{22}x_2) + 0.1\theta_2 + a_{21}x_1) + a_{12}\lambda_1 x_1 - \theta_2 - 0.1\theta_{12}x_1 \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (38)$$

Solving the controlled system (38) numerically, we get the results displayed in **Table 4**.

3.3.4. Periodic Rates

Finally, we will present the model with demand function as periodic rates, $D(x_1, x_2, t) = 1 - b_i \cos(t)$. Substituting in the controlled system (23) by the periodic demand rates, we have the controlled system:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \dot{x}_1 &= -x_1(\theta_1 + a_{12}x_2 + a_{11}x_1) - 1 + b_1 \cos(t) + \frac{1}{\lambda_1} - \frac{1 + \psi_1 u_{20}}{0.1(\psi_2 + \psi_{12} u_{20})} \\ \dot{x}_2 &= -x_2(\theta_2 + a_{21}x_2 + a_{22}x_2) - 1 + b_2 \cos(t) + \frac{1}{\lambda_2} - \frac{1 + \psi_1 u_{10}}{0.1(\psi_2 + \psi_{12} u_{10})} \\ \dot{\lambda}_1 &= \lambda_1(0.1\theta_1 + a_{12}x_2 + 2a_{11}x_1) + a_{21}\lambda_2 x_2 - \theta_1 - 0.1\theta_{12}x_2 \\ \dot{\lambda}_2 &= \lambda_2(0.1\theta_2 + a_{21}x_1 + 2a_{22}x_2) + a_{12}\lambda_1 x_1 - \theta_2 - 0.1\theta_{12}x_1 \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (39)$$

Solving the controlled system (39) numerically, we get the results displayed in **Table 4**.

We will use the parameters values as they are in **Table 1**. But we changed the next values, since the models are more sensitivity for changing these paprameters:

Constant case

ψ_1	ψ_2	ψ_{12}	u_{10}	u_{20}
0.04	0.03	0.8	22	20

Linear case

ψ_1	ψ_2	ψ_{12}	u_{10}	u_{20}	w_1	w_2
0.05	0.05	0.80	22	20	0.3	0.2

Logistic case

ψ_1	ψ_2	ψ_{12}	u_{10}	u_{20}	k_1	k_2
0.03	0.03	0.40	22	20	0.6	0.5

Periodic case

ψ_1	ψ_2	ψ_{12}	u_{10}	u_{20}	b_1	b_2
0.01	0.01	0.50	22	20	0.3	0.2

As we see from **Table 4**, the minimum cost when $\lambda_0 = -0.1$ is achieved in the constant case (0.67). Also, the optimal production rates are similar (0, 0) in all cases. The optimal inventory levels are higher in the constant case but smaller in the logistic and periodic cases (0.13, 0.21).

4. Sensitivity Analysis

In this section will compare between the results when the co-state value $\lambda_0 = -1$, using the parameters values are used in **Table 1**. Then we can study the sensitivity analysis for these changes in all cases.

The optimal production rates, when $\lambda_0 = -1$, is become:

$$U_1^*(t) = \frac{1}{\lambda_1} - \frac{1 + \psi_2 u_2}{\psi_1 + \psi_{12} u_2}, \quad \lambda_1 \neq 0 \quad (40)$$

$$U_2^*(t) = \frac{1}{\lambda_2} - \frac{1 + \psi_1 u_1}{\psi_2 + \psi_{12} u_1}, \quad \lambda_2 \neq 0 \quad (41)$$

Also, we can use the initial values u_{10} and u_{20} alternatively to u_1 and u_2 respectively.

The controlled systems are become in each case as follow.

4.1. Constant Rates

The controlled system is become:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \dot{x}_1 &= -x_1 (\theta_1 + a_{12} x_2 + a_{11} x_1) - \gamma_1 + \frac{1}{\lambda_1} - \frac{1 + \psi_2 u_{20}}{\psi_1 + \psi_{12} u_{20}} \\ \dot{x}_2 &= -x_2 (\theta_2 + a_{21} x_1 + a_{22} x_2) - \gamma_2 + \frac{1}{\lambda_2} - \frac{1 + \psi_1 u_{10}}{\psi_2 + \psi_{12} u_{10}} \\ \dot{\lambda}_1 &= \lambda_1 (\theta_1 + a_{12} x_2 + 2a_{11} x_1) + a_{21} \lambda_2 x_2 - \theta_1 - \theta_{12} x_2 \\ \dot{\lambda}_2 &= \lambda_2 (\theta_2 + a_{21} x_1 + 2a_{22} x_2) + a_{12} \lambda_1 x_1 - \theta_2 - \theta_{12} x_1 \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (42)$$

4.2. Linear Rates

The controlled system is become:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \dot{x}_1 &= -x_1(w_1 + \theta_1 + a_{12}x_2 + a_{11}x_1) - \gamma_1 + \frac{1}{\lambda_1} - \frac{1 + \psi_2 u_{20}}{\psi_1 + \psi_{12} u_{20}} \\ \dot{x}_2 &= -x_2(w_2 + \theta_2 + a_{21}x_2 + a_{22}x_2) - \gamma_2 + \frac{1}{\lambda_2} - \frac{1 + \psi_1 u_{10}}{\psi_2 + \psi_{12} u_{10}} \\ \dot{\lambda}_1 &= \lambda_1(w_1 + \theta_1 + a_{12}x_2 + 2a_{11}x_1) + a_{21}\lambda_2 x_2 - \theta_1 - \theta_{12}x_2 \\ \dot{\lambda}_2 &= \lambda_2(w_2 + \theta_2 + a_{21}x_1 + 2a_{22}x_2) + a_{12}\lambda_1 x_1 - \theta_2 - \theta_{12}x_1 \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (43)$$

4.3. Logistic Rates

The controlled system is become:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \dot{x}_1 &= -x_1(2(\kappa_1 - x_1) + \theta_1 + a_{12}x_2 + a_{11}x_1) + \frac{1}{\lambda_1} - \frac{1 + \psi_2 u_{20}}{\psi_1 + \psi_{12} u_{20}} \\ \dot{x}_2 &= -x_2(2(\kappa_2 - x_2) + \theta_2 + a_{21}x_2 + a_{22}x_2) + \frac{1}{\lambda_2} - \frac{1 + \psi_1 u_{10}}{\psi_2 + \psi_{12} u_{10}} \\ \dot{\lambda}_1 &= \lambda_1(2(\kappa_1 - 2x_1 + a_{11}x_1) + \theta_1 + a_{12}x_2) + a_{21}\lambda_2 x_2 - \theta_1 - \theta_{12}x_2 \\ \dot{\lambda}_2 &= \lambda_2(2(\kappa_2 - 2x_2 + a_{22}x_2) + \theta_2 + a_{21}x_1) + a_{12}\lambda_1 x_1 - \theta_2 - \theta_{12}x_1 \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (44)$$

4.4. Periodic Rates

The controlled system is become:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \dot{x}_1 &= -x_1(\theta_1 + a_{12}x_2 + a_{11}x_1) - 1 + b_1 \cos(t) + \frac{1}{\lambda_1} - \frac{1 + \psi_2 u_{20}}{\psi_1 + \psi_{12} u_{20}} \\ \dot{x}_2 &= -x_2(\theta_2 + a_{21}x_2 + a_{22}x_2) - 1 + b_2 \cos(t) + \frac{1}{\lambda_2} - \frac{1 + \psi_1 u_{10}}{\psi_2 + \psi_{12} u_{10}} \\ \dot{\lambda}_1 &= \lambda_1(\theta_1 + a_{12}x_2 + 2a_{11}x_1) + a_{21}\lambda_2 x_2 - \theta_1 - \theta_{12}x_2 \\ \dot{\lambda}_2 &= \lambda_2(\theta_2 + a_{21}x_1 + 2a_{22}x_2) + a_{12}\lambda_1 x_1 - \theta_2 - \theta_{12}x_1 \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (45)$$

These systems can be solved numerically using the parameters values as used in **Table 1**. Because of the model is very sensitive when using the co-state value, $\lambda_0 = -1$, the following values have been changed in each case separately, and the other values remained without changing:

Constant case

x_{10}	x_{20}	u_{10}	u_{20}
10	10	10	15

Linear case

x_{10}	x_{20}	u_{10}	u_{20}	ψ_1	ψ_2	ψ_{12}
10	10	10	15	0.05	0.04	0.20

Logistic case

x_{10}	x_{20}	u_{10}	u_{20}	a_{12}	a_{21}	ψ_{12}
1	1	10	15	0.90	0.80	0.30

Periodic case

x_{10}	x_{20}	u_{10}	u_{20}	ψ_{12}
10	10	10	15	0.30

The optimal cost $x_0^*(T)$ is become as in the function (4) after replacing u_1 , u_2 in the Equations (40) and (41) by u_{10} and u_{20} respectively. The optimal solution is presented when $\lambda_0 = -1$ in **Table 5** as shown below.

As we see from **Table 5**, the minimum cost when $\lambda_0 = -1$ is achieved in the logistic case (0.02). Unlike all previous cases for the values of $\lambda_0(t)$, the optimal production rates are not similar. These rates are higher (0.85, 0.76) in the linear case but smaller (0.48, 0.26) in the constant case. The optimal inventory levels are higher (1.86, 1.95) in the periodic case but smaller (0.89, 0.90) in the logistic case.

So, we can conclude that the co-state value $\lambda_0 = -1$ is more sensitive for changing the values of parameters and actually more effectiveness on the optimal solution.

5. Conclusions

In this study, we discussed the optimal control problem using the deterioration and spoilage function, as the total cost must be minimized at the end of planning period, depending on the alternative quadratic exponential form (AQEF). We have used different values for the co-state variable $\lambda_0 = [-10, -2, -1, -0.1]$ which has negative values along the optimal trajectory. Also, we studied the effectiveness of increasing and decreasing these values on the behavior of optimal trajectory and then the optimal solution (the inventory levels, the production rates and the total cost) at the end of planning period. Also, we explained the sensitivity analysis for the effect of changing the values of model parameters (especially the deterioration and spoilage parameters and the initial values for inventory levels and production rates) on the optimal solution when the variable $\lambda_0 = [-0.1, -1]$. Also, we compared the results that obtained when the variable $\lambda_0 = [-10, -2, -0.1]$, with the results that obtained when $\lambda_0 = -1$ and have conducted that the model is more sensitive for changing the values of $\lambda_0(t)$. Finally, we concluded that the production rates are similar in all cases for the

Table 5. The optimal solution when $\lambda_0 = -1$.

Demand Rates	$x_1^*(T)$	$x_2^*(T)$	$u_1^*(T)$	$u_2^*(T)$	$x_0^*(T)$
Constant	1.77	1.90	0.85	0.76	1.83
Linear	1.5	1.56	0.48	0.26	1.10
Logistic	0.89	0.90	0.76	0.61	0.02
Periodic	1.86	1.95	0.75	0.60	1.41

co-state variable $\lambda_0(t)$ except when $\lambda_0 = -1$. Also, the optimal inventory levels of the two items are affected by these changes in all cases.

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