Maximum Principle and Sensitivity Relations in the Infinite Horizon Optimal Control

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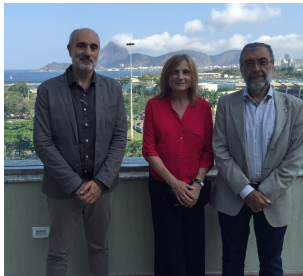- Many co-organised events, shared friends and co-authors, travels, diners, walks, discussions, confidences....

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Infinite Horizon Optimal Control Problem

$$V(t_0, x_0) = \inf \int_{t_0}^{\infty} L(t, x(t), u(t)) \, dt$$

over all trajectory-control pairs (x, u), subject to the state equation

$$\begin{cases} x'(t) = f(t, x(t), u(t)), \quad u(t) \in U(t) \quad \text{for a.e. } t \geq 0 \\ x(t_0) = x_0 \end{cases}$$

$x_0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$, $U : \mathbb{R}_+ \rightsquigarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ is a measurable set-valued map with closed $\neq \emptyset$ images, $L : \mathbb{R}_+ \times \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^m \to \mathbb{R}$, $f : \mathbb{R}_+ \times \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^m \to \mathbb{R}^n$.
Controls $u(t) \in U(t)$ are **Lebesgue measurable** selections.
L is bounded from below by a **function integrable** on $[0, \infty[$.
Thus V takes values in $(-\infty, +\infty]$.

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A classical infinite horizon optimal control problem

$$W(x_0) = \text{minimize} \int_0^\infty e^{-\rho t} \ell(x(t), u(t)) \, dt$$

over all trajectory-control pairs (x, u), subject to the state equation

$$\begin{cases} x'(t) = f(x(t), u(t)), \quad u(t) \in U \quad \text{for a.e. } t \geq 0 \\ x(0) = x_0 \end{cases}$$

controls $u(\cdot)$ are Lebesgue measurable, $\rho > 0$.

The literature addressing this problem deals with traditional questions of **existence** of optimal solutions, **regularity** of W, **necessary and sufficient** optimality conditions.
A. Seierstad and K. Sydsaeter. Optimal control theory with economic applications, 1986.

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Hamilton-Jacobi Equation

$\ell \geq 0$. Under some technical assumptions W is the unique **bounded lower semicontinuous solution** with values in $\mathbb{R}_+$ of the Hamilton-Jacobi equation

$$\rho W(x) + \sup_{u \in U}\left(\langle \nabla W(x), f(x, u)\rangle - \ell(x, u)\right) = 0$$

in the following sense

$$\rho W(x) + \sup_{u \in U}\left(\langle p, f(x, u)\rangle - \ell(x, u)\right) = 0 \quad \forall\, p \in \partial^- W(x), \;\; x \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

$\partial^- W(x)$ denotes the **subdifferential** of W at x.
HF and Plaskacz 1999, in the presence of **state constraints**.

If W is Bounded and Uniformly Continuous, then it is also the unique viscosity solution in the set of BUC functions
Soner 1986, in the presence of **state constraints**.

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Necessary Optimality Condition: Maximum Principle

If $(\bar{x}, \bar{u})$ is optimal, then $\exists \, p_0 \in \{0, 1\}$ and a locally absolutely continuous $p : [0, \infty[\to \mathbb{R}^n$ with $(p_0, p) \neq 0$, solving the **adjoint system**

$$-p'(t) = p(t) f_x(t, \bar{x}(t), \bar{u}(t)) - p_0 L_x(t, \bar{x}(t), \bar{u}(t)) \quad \text{for a.e.} \quad t \geq 0$$

and satisfying the **maximality condition**

$$\langle p(t), f(t, \bar{x}(t), \bar{u}(t)) \rangle - p_0 L(t, \bar{x}(t), \bar{u}(t)) =$$

$$\max_{u \in U(t)} (\langle p(t), f(t, \bar{x}(t), u) \rangle - p_0 L(t, \bar{x}(t), u)) \quad \text{for a.e.} \quad t \geq 0$$

If $p_0 = 0$ this maximum principle (MP) is called abnormal.

Transversality condition like $\lim_{t \to \infty} p(t) = 0$ is, in general, absent, cf. Halkin 1974.

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Main Differences with the Finite Horizon Case

- The maximum principle may be **abnormal**
- Transversality conditions are not derived from the cost : some authors, under appropriate assumptions, obtain a **transversality condition** at infinity in the form

$$\lim_{t\to\infty} p(t) = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad \lim_{t\to\infty} \langle p(t), \bar{x}(t) \rangle = 0$$

  However they are a consequence of the growth assumptions on f, L

Main difficulty behind : Restriction of an optimal solution to a finite time interval is no longer optimal

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Some Approaches to Get Necessary Conditions

- To work with "finitely" optimal controls Halkin 1974; Carlson, Haurie 1987. This leads to finite horizon problems with an end-point constraint
- Penalization and dealing with limits of finite horizon problems Aseev and Kryazhimskiy, 2004
- Locally weakly overtaking optimal controls Aseev and Veliov, 2015
- An alternative for linear control systems by Aubin and Clarke, 1979 : duality theory on weighted Sobolev spaces $L^p(0, \infty; \mathbb{R}^n)$ with the measure $e^{-\rho t} dt$ and, more recently, for more general measures Pickenhain 2010; Tauchnitz 2015
- Transversality condition at the initial state $-p(0) \in \partial W(x_0)$ (generalized gradient of W at x_0), Aubin and Clarke, 1979 Followed by works of Michel 1982; Ye 1993; Sagara 2010

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Dynamic Programming Principle

L is bounded from below by an **integrable function**, that is $L(t, x, u) \geq \alpha(t)$ for a.e. $t \geq 0$ and all x, u, where $\alpha : \mathbb{R}_+ \to \mathbb{R}$ is integrable on $[0, +\infty[$. Thus V takes values in $(-\infty, +\infty]$.

For every (t_0, x_0) with $V(t_0, x_0) < \infty$ the dynamic programming principle holds true: if $(\bar{x}, \bar{u})$ is optimal, then for every $T > t_0$,

$$V(t_0, x_0) = V(T, \bar{x}(T)) + \int_{t_0}^{T} L(t, \bar{x}(t), \bar{u}(t)) \, dt$$

and for any other trajectory control pair (x, u)

$$V(t_0, x_0) \leq V(T, x(T)) + \int_{t_0}^{T} L(t, x(t), u(t)) \, dt$$

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Reduction to the Bolza Problem with Finite Horizon

Introducing $g_T(y) := V(T, y)$ we get, using the **dynamic programming principle**, the **Bolza** type problem

$$V^B(t_0, x_0) := \inf \left(g_T(x(T)) + \int_{t_0}^{T} L(t, x(t), u(t)) \, dt \right)$$

over all trajectory-control pairs (x, u), subject to the state equation

$$\begin{cases} x'(t) = f(t, x(t), u(t)), \quad u(t) \in U(t) \quad \text{for a.e. } t \in [t_0, T] \\ x(t_0) = x_0 \end{cases}$$

g_T may be discontinuous and so the (MP) is not immediate.

Under assumptions (H) below, $V^B(s_0, y_0) = V(s_0, y_0)$ for all $s_0 \in [0, T]$, $y_0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$. Furthermore, if $(\bar{x}, \bar{u})$ is optimal for the infinite horizon problem at (t_0, x_0) then the restriction of $(\bar{x}, \bar{u})$ to $[t_0, T]$ is optimal for the above Bolza problem.

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Assumptions (H)

i) $\exists$ locally integrable $c, \theta : \mathbb{R}_+ \to \mathbb{R}_+$ such that for a.e. $t \geq 0$

$$|f(t, x, u)| \leq c(t)|x| + \theta(t), \quad \forall \, x \in \mathbb{R}^n, \, u \in U(t);$$

ii) $\forall \, R > 0, \, \exists$ a locally integrable $c_R : \mathbb{R}_+ \to \mathbb{R}_+$ such that for a.e. $t \geq 0, \, \forall \, x, y \in B(0, R), \, \forall \, u \in U(t)$

$$|f(t, x, u) - f(t, y, u)| + |L(t, x, u) - L(t, y, u)| \leq c_R(t)|x - y|;$$

iii) $\forall \, x \in \mathbb{R}^n, \, f(\cdot, x, \cdot), \, L(\cdot, x, \cdot)$ are Lebesgue-Borel measurable ;

iv) $\exists$ a locally integrable $\beta : \mathbb{R}_+ \to \mathbb{R}_+$ and a locally bounded nondecreasing $\phi : \mathbb{R}_+ \to \mathbb{R}_+$ such that for a.e. $t \geq 0$,

$$L(t, x, u) \leq \beta(t)\phi(|x|), \quad \forall \, x \in \mathbb{R}^n, \, u \in U(t);$$

v) $U(\cdot)$ is Lebesgue measurable and has closed nonempty images;

vi) For a.e. $t \geq 0, \, \forall \, x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ the set $F(t, x)$ is closed and convex

$$F(t, x) := \{(f(t, x, u), L(t, x, u) + r) : u \in U(t) \text{ and } r \geq 0\}$$

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Existence

For any $t_0 \in \mathbb{R}_+$, $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$ such that $V(t_0, x_0) < +\infty$, a trajectory-control pair $(\bar{x}, \bar{u})$ is called **optimal** for the infinite horizon problem at (t_0, x_0) if for every trajectory-control pair (x, u) satisfying $x(t_0) = x_0$ we have

$$\int_{t_0}^{\infty} L(t, \bar{x}(t), \bar{u}(t)) \, dt \le \int_{t_0}^{\infty} L(t, x(t), u(t)) \, dt$$

Proposition

Assume (H). Then V is lower semicontinuous and for every $(t_0, x_0) \in dom(V)$, there exists a trajectory-control pair $(\bar{x}, \bar{u})$ satisfying $V(t_0, x_0) = \int_{t_0}^{\infty} L(t, \bar{x}(t), \bar{u}(t)) \, dt$.

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Relaxation

Consider the **relaxed** infinite horizon problem

$$V^{rel}(t_0, x_0) = \inf \int_{t_0}^{\infty} \sum_{i=0}^{n} \lambda_i(t) L(t, x(t), u_i(t)) \, dt$$

over all trajectory-control pairs of

$$\begin{cases} x'(t) = \sum_{i=0}^{n} \lambda_i(t) f(t, x(t), u_i(t)) \\ u_i(t) \in U(t), \ \lambda_i(t) \geq 0, \ \sum_{i=0}^{n} \lambda_i(t) = 1 \\ x(t_0) = x_0, \end{cases}$$

where $u_i(\cdot)$, $\lambda_i(\cdot)$ are Lebesgue measurable.
Clearly $V^{rel} \leq V$.

The above corresponds to the convexification of the set

$$F(t, x) := \left\{ (f(t, x, u), L(t, x, u)) : u \in U(t) \right\}$$

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Continuity of V^{rel} allows to omit (H) vi)

Theorem

Assume (H) i)-v) and that, for a.e. $t \geq 0$ and all $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$, the set

$$\left\{ (f(t,x,u), L(t,x,u)) : u \in U(t) \right\}$$

is compact.
If for every $t \geq 0$, $V^{rel}(t, \cdot) : \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}$ is continuous, then $V^{rel} = V$ on $\mathbb{R}_+ \times \mathbb{R}^n$. In particular, if a trajectory-control pair $(\bar{x}, \bar{u})$ is optimal, then it is also optimal for the relaxed problem.

The above assumption is verified if $U(t)$ is compact a.e. and $f(t,x,\cdot)$, $L(t,x,\cdot)$ are continuous. We introduce the **Hamiltonian**

$$H(t,x,p) := \sup_{u \in U(t)} \left(\langle p, f(t,x,u) \rangle - L(t,x,u) \right)$$

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Generalized differentials and Limiting Normals

$\text{hyp}(\varphi)$ - **hypograph** of $\varphi : \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R} \cup \{\pm\infty\}$. For $x \in dom(\varphi)$

$$\partial^- \varphi(x) := \{p \mid \liminf_{y \to x} \frac{\varphi(y) - \varphi(x) - \langle p, y - x \rangle}{|y - x|} \geq 0\}$$

For $K \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ and $x \in K$

$$T_K(x) := \{v \mid \liminf_{h \to 0+} \frac{d_K(x + hv)}{h} = 0\}, \quad N_K^L(x) = \text{Limsup}_{y \to_K x}[T_K(y)]^-$$

where $T_K(y)^-$ is the negative polar of $T_K(y)$.

Limiting superdifferential resp. **horizontal superdifferential:**

$$\partial^{L,+} \varphi(x) := \{p \mid (-p, 1) \in N_{hyp(\varphi)}^L(x, \varphi(x))\}$$

$$\partial^{\infty,+} \varphi(x) := \{p \mid (-p, 0) \in N_{hyp(\varphi)}^L(x, \varphi(x))\}$$

If φ is loc. Lipschitz, $\partial\varphi(x)$ - **generalized gradient** of φ at x.
For loc. Lipschitz $\psi : \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^n$, $\partial\psi(x)$ denotes the **generalized Jacobian** of ψ at x.

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Maximum Principle for LSC Value Function

Theorem (normal MP with a sensitivity relation)

Let $(\bar{x}, \bar{u})$ be optimal at (t_0, x_0) and $\partial_x^- V(t_0, x_0) \neq \varnothing$.
If $f(t, \cdot, u)$ and $L(t, \cdot, u)$ are differentiable, then
$\forall\, p_0 \in \partial_x^- V(t_0, x_0)$ the solution $p(\cdot)$ of the adjoint system

$$-p'(t) = p(t)f_x(t, \bar{x}(t), \bar{u}(t)) - L_x(t, \bar{x}(t), \bar{u}(t)), \quad p(t_0) = -p_0$$

*satisfies for a.e. $t \geq t_0$ the **maximality condition***

$$\langle p(t), f(t, \bar{x}(t), \bar{u}(t)) \rangle - L(t, \bar{x}(t), \bar{u}(t)) = H(t, \bar{x}(t), p(t))$$

*and the **sensitivity relation***

$$-p(t) \in \partial_x^- V(t, \bar{x}(t)) \quad \forall\, t \geq t_0.$$

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Maximum Principle for any $(t_0, x_0) \in dom(V)$

Theorem (MP without transversality condition)

*Assume (H) and that $(\bar{x}, \bar{u})$ is optimal at (t_0, x_0). Then
i) either **normal (MP)** holds: $\exists\, p(\cdot)$ solving the adjoint inclusion*

$$-p'(t) \in p(t)\partial_x f(t, \bar{x}(t), \bar{u}(t)) - \partial_x L(t, \bar{x}(t), \bar{u}(t)) \quad a.e. \quad t \geq t_0$$

*and satisfying the maximality condition a.e. in $[t_0, +\infty[$
ii) or **abnormal (MP)** holds: $\exists\, p(\cdot) \neq 0$ solving*

$$-p'(t) \in p(t)\partial_x f(t, \bar{x}(t), \bar{u}(t)) \quad a.e. \quad t \geq t_0,$$

and satisfying a.e. in $[t_0, +\infty[$ the abnormal maximality condition

$$\langle p(t), f(t, \bar{x}(t), \bar{u}(t))\rangle = \max_{u \in U(t)} \langle p(t), f(t, \bar{x}(t), u)\rangle.$$

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Normality of the Maximum Principle

The infinite horizon problem is called **calm** with respect to the state variable at $(t_0, x_0) \in dom(V)$ if

$$\liminf_{y \to x_0} \frac{V(t_0, y) - V(t_0, x_0)}{|y - x_0|} > -\infty.$$

Theorem

Assume (H) i) − v) and that the infinite horizon problem is calm with respect to the state variable at $(t_0, x_0) \in dom(V)$.
If a trajectory-control pair $(\bar{x}, \bar{u})$ is optimal at (t_0, x_0), then a normal (MP) holds true.

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Maximum Principle with a Transversality Condition

Theorem

Let (H) $i) - v)$ hold and $(\bar{x}, \bar{u})$ be optimal at (t_0, x_0). If an upper semicontinuous function $\Phi : \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}$ satisfies $\Phi(\cdot) \leq V(t_0, \cdot)$ on $B(x_0, r)$ for some $r > 0$ and $\Phi(x_0) = V(t_0, x_0)$, then

i) either the normal (MP) holds true with
the **transversality condition**

$$-p(t_0) \in \partial^{L,+}\Phi(x_0);$$

ii) or the abnormal (MP) holds true with
the **transversality condition**

$$-p(t_0) \in \partial^{\infty,+}\Phi(x_0).$$

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Transversality Condition and Sensitivity Relation

Theorem

Assume (H) $i) - v)$ and that $V(T, \cdot)$ is locally Lipschitz for all large $T > 0$. Then for every $t \geq 0$, $V(t, \cdot)$ is locally Lipschitz with the local Lipschitz constant depending only on the magnitude of t. Moreover, if $(\bar{x}, \bar{u})$ is optimal at some (t_0, x_0), then the normal (MP) holds true together with the sensitivity relations

$$- p(t_0) \in \partial_x V(t_0, x_0), \quad -p(t) \in \partial_x V(t, \bar{x}(t)) \quad \text{for a.e. } t > t_0.$$

If c, θ, β are bounded and $F(t, x)$ are closed, then (MP) holds true with the adjoint system in the Hamiltonian form with p satisfying in addition the sensitivity relation

$$(H(t, \bar{x}(t), p(t)), -p(t)) \in \partial V(t, \bar{x}(t)) \quad \text{a.e.}$$

Second Order Jets

Let $\varphi \colon \mathbb{R}^n \to [-\infty, \infty]$ and $x \in dom(\varphi)$.
A pair $(q, Q) \in \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbf{S}(\mathrm{n})$ is a **subjet** of φ at x if

$$\varphi(x) + \langle q, y - x \rangle + \frac{1}{2} \langle Q(y - x), y - x \rangle \leq \varphi(y) + o(|y - x|^2)$$

for some $\delta > 0$ and for all $y \in x + \delta B$. Then $q \in \partial^- \varphi(x)$.
The set of all subjets of φ at x is denoted by $J^{2,-} \varphi(x)$.

We assume next that $H \in C^{2,1}_{loc}$, that f, L are differentiable with
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Riccati Equation

For a fixed $p_0 \in \partial_x^- V(t_0, x_0)$ let $\bar{p}(\cdot)$ solves the adjoint system with
$\bar{p}(t_0) = -p_0$.
We already know that $-\bar{p}(t) \in \partial_x^- V(t, \bar{x}(t))$ for all $t \geq t_0$.

If for some $T > t_0$, $V(t, \cdot) \in C^2$ for all $t \in [t_0, T]$, then the
Hessian $-V_{xx}(t, \bar{x}(t))$ solves the **matrix Riccati equation**:

$$\dot{R}(t) + H_{px}[t]R(t) + R(t)H_{xp}[t] + R(t)H_{pp}[t]R(t) + H_{xx}[t] = 0$$

where $H_{px}[t]$ abbreviates $H_{px}(t, \overline{x}(t), \overline{p}(t))$, and similarly for
$H_{xp}[t], H_{pp}[t], H_{xx}[t]$.

Forward Propagation of Subjets

> **Theorem (corollary of Cannarsa, HF, Scarinci, SICON, 2016)**
>
> Assume $(p_0, R_0) \in J_x^{2,-} V(t_0, x_0)$ for some $R_0 \in \boldsymbol{S}(\mathrm{n})$.
> If the solution R of the matrix Ricatti equation
>
> $$\dot{R}(t) + H_{px}[t]R(t) + R(t)H_{xp}[t] + R(t)H_{pp}[t]R(t) + H_{xx}[t] = 0$$
>
> with $R(t_0) = -R_0$ is defined on $[t_0, T]$, $T > t_0$, then the following
> **second order sensitivity relation** holds true:
>
> $$(-\bar{p}(t), -R(t)) \in J_x^{2,-} V(t, \bar{x}(t)), \ \forall \, t \in [t_0, T].$$

Similar result is valid for backward propagation of second order
superjets.

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We request, in addition, that for a closed set $K \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ trajectories of the control system have to satisfy the state constraint

$$x(t) \in K, \ \ \forall \ t \geq t_0$$

Assume that U is time independent and the following **inward pointing condition (IPC)** holds true:
$\exists \, \delta > 0$ such that $\forall \, x \in \partial K$ and $\forall \, u \in U$ with

$$\max_{n \in N_K^L(x) \cap S^{n-1}} \langle n, f(t,x,u) \rangle \geq 0$$

$\exists \, w \in U$ satisfying $\displaystyle \max_{n \in N_K^L(x) \cap S^{n-1}} \langle n, f(t,x,w) - f(t,x,u) \rangle < -\delta$

(Conditions developed together with M. Mazzola)
The usual H.M. Soner-type condition can not be applied in the non-autonomous case even for finite horizon problems :
counterexamples to NFT theorems where given by A. Bressan.

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Theorem

*Assume **(IPC)**, that (H) holds true with time independent
c, θ, U, that f is continuous, $L(t, x, u) = e^{-\rho t} \ell(x, u)$, with
$\ell : \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^m \to \mathbb{R}$ bounded, continuous and locally Lipschitz in x
uniformly in u.*
*Then for all $\rho > 0$ sufficiently large, V is locally Lipschitz and
$V(t, \cdot)$ is locally Lipschitz uniformly in t.*

The proof ot this result is so that it provides an estimate of ρ and
of the local Lipschitz constants of V and $V(t, \cdot)$ from c, θ, c_R and
the inward pointing condition.
This work is in progress with V. Basco and P. Cannarsa

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Maximum Principle under State Constraints

Under the same assumptions, let $(\bar{x}, \bar{u})$ be optimal at $(t_0, x_0) \in \mathbb{R}_+ \times K$. Then there exists a locally absolutely continuous $p : [t_0, \infty[\to \mathbb{R}^n$ with $-p(t_0) \in \partial_x^{L,+} V(t_0, x_0)$, a positive Borel measure μ on $[t_0, \infty[$ and a Borel measurable

$$\nu(t) \in \Big(\text{conv } N_K^L(\bar{x}(t)) \Big) \cap B \qquad \mu - \text{a.e.} \quad t \geq t_0$$

such that for

$$\eta(t) := \int_{[t_0,t]} \nu(s) d\mu(s) \ \ \forall \, t > t_0 \ \ \& \ \ \eta(t_0) = 0,$$

$q(t) = p(t) + \eta(t)$ and for a.e. $t \geq t_0$, we have

$$(-\dot{p}(t), \dot{\bar{x}}(t)) \in \partial_{x,p} H(t, \bar{x}(t), q(t))$$

$$-q(t) \in \partial_x V(t, \bar{x}(t)), \ \ (H(t, \bar{x}(t), q(t)), -q(t)) \in \partial \, V(t, \bar{x}(t))$$

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Local Lipschitz Continuity of $V(t, \cdot)$

Assume (H) with $c(t) \equiv c$, $\theta(t) \equiv \theta$, $c_R(t) \equiv \delta$ for all $R > 0$ and

$$|L(t, y, u) - L(t, x, u)| \leq k(t, |x| \vee |y|)|x - y|, \forall \, x, \, y \in \mathbb{R}^n, \, u \in U(t)$$

$k : \mathbb{R}_+ \times \mathbb{R}_+ \to \mathbb{R}_+$ is Lebesgue-Borel measurable, $k(t, \cdot)$ is $\nearrow$, and

$$\int_0^\infty e^{\delta t} k(t, (R + \theta t)e^{ct}) dt < +\infty \quad \forall \, R \geq 0.$$

If $\mathrm{dom}\,(V) \neq \varnothing$, then V is locally Lipschitz on $\mathbb{R}_+ \times \mathbb{R}^n$ and for all $t \geq 0$ and $R > 0$

$$|V(t, x_2) - V(t, x_1)| \leq e^{-\delta t} K_t(R) |x_2 - x_1| \qquad \forall \, x_1, x_2 \in B(0, R)$$

where for $M_t(\tau, R) = [R + \theta(\tau - t)]e^{c(\tau - t)}$

$$K_t(R) := \int_t^\infty e^{\delta \tau} k(\tau, M_t(\tau, R)) d\tau$$

Remark. Less restrictive assumptions imply just continuity of V.

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Corollary

Under the same assumptions let $(t_0, x_0) \in \mathbb{R}_+ \times \mathbb{R}^n$ and $(\bar{x}, \bar{u})$ be any trajectory-control pair satisfying $\bar{x}(t_0) = x_0$. Then for all $t \geq t_0$ and $x_1, x_2 \in B(\bar{x}(t), 1)$ we have

$$|V(t, x_2) - V(t, x_1)| \leq e^{-\delta t} K_{t_0} (1 + |x_0|) |x_2 - x_1|$$

Consequently, if $(\bar{x}, \bar{u})$ is optimal and (MP) is augmented by the sensitivity relation

$$-p(t) \in \partial_x V(t, \bar{x}(t)) \quad \text{a.e. } t > t_0$$

then $p(t) \to 0$ exponentially when $t \to \infty$.