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# A Mayer Problem for A Controlled Sweeping Process

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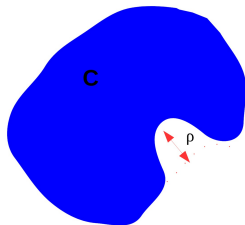
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with respect to  $u : [0, T] \rightsquigarrow U$ ,  $u$  is measurable.

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# Main result

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for all continuous functions  $\varphi : [0, T] \rightarrow R^n$

$$\begin{aligned} - \int_{[0, T]} \langle \varphi(t), dp \rangle &= - \int_{[0, T]} \langle \varphi(t), \nabla_x d(x_*(t), C(t)) \rangle \xi(t) d\mu \\ &\quad - \int_{[0, T]} \langle \varphi(t), \eta(t) \nabla_x^2 d(x_*(t), C(t)) p(t) \rangle dt \\ &\quad + \int_{[0, T]} \langle \varphi(t), \nabla_x f(x_*(t), u_*(t)) p(t) \rangle dt, \end{aligned} \tag{2}$$

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- Let  $(x_\varepsilon, u_\varepsilon)$  be solution of the problem  $(P_\varepsilon)$ . Then there exists a sequence  $\varepsilon_n \downarrow 0$  such that

$$x_{\varepsilon_n} \rightarrow x_* \text{ weakly in } W^{1,2}([0, T]; R^n)$$

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The adjoint equation for  $P_\varepsilon$

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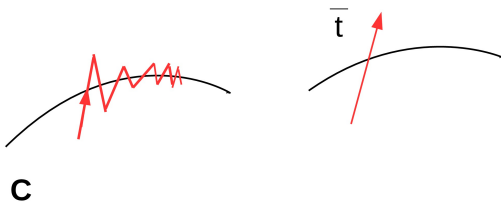
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$$\Psi(x) = \frac{1}{3} \psi^3(x) 1_{(0, +\infty)}(\psi(x)).$$



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The state space is  $R^2 \ni (x, y)$ , the constraint  $C(t)$  is constant and equals  $C := \{(x, y) : y \geq 0\}$ , the upper half plane.

We wish to minimize  $x(1) + y(1)$  subject to

$$\begin{cases} (\dot{x}(t), \dot{y}(t)) \in -N_C(x(t), y(t)) + (u_1(t), u_2(t)) \\ (x(0), y(0)) = (0, y_0), \quad y_0 \geq 0, \end{cases} \quad (10)$$

where the controls  $(u_1, u_2)$  belong to  $[-1, 1] \times [-1, \frac{-1}{2}] =: U$ .

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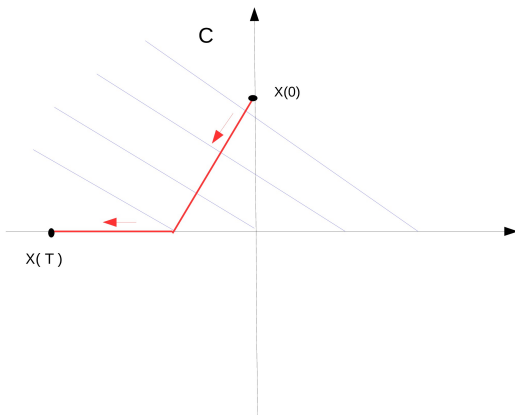
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$p^x$  is continuous at  $t = 1$  and  $p^y(1-) + 1 = 1$ , namely  
 $p^y(1-) = 0$ .

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The adjoint vector  $(p^x, p^y)$  is :

$$p^x(t) = -1 \quad \text{for all } t \in [0, 1]$$

$$p^y(t) = 0 \quad \text{for all } t \in [0, 1[$$

$$p^y(1) = -1.$$

The maximum condition

$$\langle (-1, -1), (u_*^x, u_*^y) \rangle = \max_{|u_1| \leq 1, 1 \leq u_2 \leq \frac{-1}{2}} \langle (-1, -1), (u_1, u_2) \rangle \quad t = 1$$

$$\langle (-1, 0), (u_*^x, u_*^y) \rangle = \max_{|u_1| \leq 1, 1 \leq u_2 \leq \frac{-1}{2}} \langle (-1, 0), (u_1, u_2) \rangle \quad 0 \leq t < 1$$

which gives  $u_*^x = -1$  and  $u_*^y(1) = -1$ , while no information is available for  $u_*^y(t)$  if  $0 \leq t < 1$  (**the optimal solution belongs to  $intC$** ). If we assume that  $u_*^y$  is constant, then the expected optimal control  $u_*^y = -1$  is found.

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