

TURNPIKE PROPERTY FOR INFINITE DIMENSIONAL  
CONVEX DISCRETE-TIME CONTROL SYSTEMS  
IN A BANACH SPACE

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**Abstract:** In this work we study the structure of “approximate” solutions for an infinite dimensional discrete-time optimal control problem determined by a convex function  $v : K \times K \rightarrow R^1$ , where  $K$  is a convex closed bounded subset of a Banach space. We show that for a generic function  $v$  there exists  $y_v \in K$  such that each “approximate” optimal solution  $\{x_i\}_{i=0}^n \subset K$  is contained in a small neighborhood of  $y_v$  for all  $i \in \{N, \dots, n - N\}$ , where  $N$  is a constant, which depends on the neighborhood and does not depend on  $n$ . This result is a generalization of the main result of Zaslavski [*Journal of Convex Analysis*, **5** (1998), 237-248], which was established for convex uniformly continuous functions.

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### 1. Introduction

Let  $(X, \|\cdot\|)$  be a Banach space and let  $K \subset X$  be a nonempty closed convex bounded set. Denote by  $\mathfrak{A}$  the set of all bounded convex functions  $v : K \times K \rightarrow R^1$ , which are continuous at a point  $(x, x)$  for any  $x \in K$ . Denote by  $\mathfrak{A}_l$  the set of all lower semicontinuous functions  $v \in \mathfrak{A}$ , by  $\mathfrak{A}_c$  the set of all continuous

functions  $v \in \mathfrak{A}$  and by  $\mathfrak{A}_u$  the set of all functions  $v \in \mathfrak{A}$  which satisfy the following assumption:

**Uniform Continuity.** For each  $\epsilon > 0$  there exists  $\delta > 0$  such that for each  $x_1, x_2, y_1, y_2 \in K$  satisfying  $\|x_i - y_i\| \leq \delta$ ,  $i = 1, 2$  the relation  $|v(x_1, x_2) - v(y_1, y_2)| \leq \epsilon$  holds.

We equip the space  $\mathfrak{A}$  with the metric

$$\rho(u, v) = \sup\{|v(x, y) - u(x, y)| : x, y \in K\}, \quad u, v \in \mathfrak{A}. \quad (1.1)$$

Evidently the metric space  $(\mathfrak{A}, \rho)$  is complete and  $\mathfrak{A}_l$ ,  $\mathfrak{A}_c$  and  $\mathfrak{A}_u$  are closed subsets of  $(\mathfrak{A}, \rho)$ . We equip the sets  $\mathfrak{A}_l$ ,  $\mathfrak{A}_c$  and  $\mathfrak{A}_u$  with the metric  $\rho$ .

In this paper we investigate the structure of “approximate” solutions of optimization problems

$$\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} v(x_i, x_{i+1}) \rightarrow \min, \quad (P)$$

$$\{x_i\}_{i=0}^n \subset K, \quad x_0 = y, \quad x_n = z,$$

where  $v \in \mathfrak{A}$ ,  $y, z \in K$  and an integer  $n \geq 1$ .

The interest in these discrete-time optimal problems stems from the study of various optimization problems, which can be reduced to this framework, e.g., continuous-time control systems, which are represented by ordinary differential equations, whose cost integrand contains a discounting factor (see Leizarowitz [3]), the infinite-horizon control problem of minimizing  $\int_0^T L(z, z') dt$  as  $T \rightarrow \infty$  in Leizarowitz [4] and the analysis of a long slender bar of a polymeric material under tension in Leizarowitz and Mizel [5], Marcus and Zaslavski [10], Marcus and Zaslavski [11], Zaslavski [18] and Zaslavski [19]. Similar optimization problems are also considered in mathematical economics (see Dzalilov et al [2], Makarov et al [6], Makarov and Rubinov [7], Mamedov and Pehlivan [8], Mamedov and Pehlivan [9], McKenzie [12], Radner [13], Rubinov [14], Rubinov [15] and Samuelson [16]).

In Zaslavski [20] we showed that for a generic function  $v \in \mathfrak{A}_u$  the following property holds:

(TP) There is  $y_v \in K$  such that for all large enough  $n$  and each  $y, z \in K$  an “approximate” solution  $\{x_i\}_{i=0}^n$  of problem (P) is contained in a small neighborhood of  $y_v$  for all  $i \in \{N, \dots, n - N\}$ , where  $N$  is a constant, which depends on the neighborhood and does not depend on  $n$ .

This phenomenon, which is called the turnpike property (TP) is well known in mathematical economics. The term was first coined by Samuelson in 1958

(see Samuelson [16]), where he showed that an efficient expanding economy would spend most of the time in the vicinity of a balanced equilibrium path (also called a von Neumann path). This property was further investigated in in mathematical economics (see Dzalilov et al [1], Dzalilov et al [2], Makarov et al [6], Makarov and Rubinov [7], Mamedov and Pehlivan [8], Mamedov and Pehlivan [9], McKenzie [12], Radner [13], Rubinov [14] and Rubinov [15]) for optimal trajectories of models of economic dynamics. A related weak version of the turnpike property was studied in Zaslavski [17] with a nonconvex function  $v : K \times K \rightarrow R^1$  and a compact metric space  $K$ .

When we say that a certain property holds for a generic element of a complete metric space  $Y$  we mean that the set of points, which have this property contains a  $G_\delta$  everywhere dense subset of  $Y$ . Such an approach, when a certain property is investigated for the whole space  $Y$  and not just for a single point in  $Y$ , has already been successfully applied in many areas of analysis. In this paper we generalize the main result of Zaslavski [20] and show that the turnpike property holds for a generic function  $v \in \mathfrak{A}$ .

In almost all studies of discrete time control systems the turnpike property was considered for a single cost function  $v$  and a space of states  $K$ , which was a compact convex set in a finite dimensional space. In these studies the compactness of  $K$  plays an important role. Specifically for the optimization problems considered in this paper and in Zaslavski [20] if a function  $v$  has the turnpike property then its “turnpike”  $y_v$  is a unique solution of the following optimization problem

$$v(x, x) \rightarrow \min, \quad x \in K.$$

The existence of a solution of this problem is guaranteed only if  $K$  satisfies some compactness assumptions. To obtain the uniqueness of the solution we need additional assumptions on  $v$  such as its strict convexity.

In Zaslavski [20] and here, instead of considering the turnpike property for a single cost function  $v$ , we investigate it for spaces of all such functions equipped with some natural metric, and show that this property holds for most of these functions. In Zaslavski [20] we established the turnpike property without compactness assumption on the space of states for a generic convex uniform continuous cost function. Note that the uniform continuity assumption is essential for the proof of the main result of Zaslavski [20]. In the present paper we establish the turnpike property for a generic convex cost function without this assumption.

For each  $v \in \mathfrak{A}$ , each pair of integers  $m_1, m_2 > m_1$  and each  $y_1, y_2 \in K$  we

define

$$\sigma(v, m_1, m_2) = \inf\left\{ \sum_{i=m_1}^{m_2-1} v(z_i, z_{i+1}) : \{z_i\}_{i=m_1}^{m_2} \subset K \right\}, \quad (1.2)$$

$$\sigma(v, m_1, m_2, y_1, y_2) = \inf\left\{ \sum_{i=m_1}^{m_2-1} v(z_i, z_{i+1}) : \{z_i\}_{i=m_1}^{m_2} \subset K, \right. \\ \left. z_{m_1} = y_1, z_{m_2} = y_2 \right\}, \quad (1.3)$$

and the minimal growth rate

$$\mu(v) = \inf\left\{ \liminf_{N \rightarrow \infty} N^{-1} \sum_{i=0}^{N-1} v(z_i, z_{i+1}) : \{z_i\}_{i=0}^{\infty} \subset K \right\}. \quad (1.4)$$

We will show (see Proposition 2.1) that for any  $v \in \mathfrak{A}$ ,

$$\mu(v) = \inf\{v(z, z) : z \in K\}.$$

In this paper we will construct a set  $\mathfrak{F}$  ( $\mathfrak{F}_l, \mathfrak{F}_c, \mathfrak{F}_u$ , respectively), which is a countable intersection of open everywhere dense subsets of  $\mathfrak{A}$  ( $\mathfrak{A}_l, \mathfrak{A}_c, \mathfrak{A}_u$ , respectively) and such that

$$\mathfrak{F}_l \subset \mathfrak{A}_l \cap \mathfrak{F}, \quad \mathfrak{F}_c \subset \mathfrak{A}_c \cap \mathfrak{F}, \quad \mathfrak{F}_u \subset \mathfrak{A}_u \cap \mathfrak{F}.$$

We will establish the following two theorems.

**Theorem 1.1.** *Let  $v \in \mathfrak{F}$ . Then there exists a unique  $y_v \in K$  such that  $v(y_v, y_v) = \mu(v)$  and the following assertion holds:*

*For each  $\epsilon > 0$  there exist a neighborhood  $\mathfrak{U}$  of  $v$  in  $\mathfrak{A}$  and  $\delta > 0$  such that for each  $u \in \mathfrak{U}$  and each  $y \in K$  satisfying  $u(y, y) \leq \mu(u) + \delta$  the relation  $\|y - y_v\| \leq \epsilon$  holds.*

**Theorem 1.2.** *Let  $w \in \mathfrak{F}$  and  $\epsilon > 0$ . Then there exist  $\delta \in (0, \epsilon)$ , a neighborhood  $\mathfrak{U}$  of  $w$  in  $\mathfrak{A}$  and an integer  $N \geq 1$  such that for each  $u \in \mathfrak{U}$ , each integer  $n \geq 2N$  and each sequence  $\{x_i\}_{i=0}^n \subset K$  satisfying*

$$\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} u(x_i, x_{i+1}) \leq \sigma(u, 0, n, x_0, x_n) + \delta$$

*there exist  $\tau_1 \in \{0, \dots, N\}$  and  $\tau_2 \in \{n - N, \dots, n\}$  such that*

$$\|x_t - y_w\| \leq \epsilon, \quad t = \tau_1, \dots, \tau_2.$$

*Moreover, if  $\|x_0 - y_w\| \leq \delta$ , then  $\tau_1 = 0$ , and if  $\|y_w - x_n\| \leq \delta$ , then  $\tau_2 = n$ .*

## 2. Preliminary Results

Set

$$D_0 = \sup\{\|x\| : x \in K\}. \quad (2.1)$$

For each bounded function  $v : K \times K \rightarrow R^1$  we set

$$\|v\| = \sup\{|v(x, y)| : x, y \in K\}. \quad (2.2)$$

**Proposition 2.1.** *Let  $v \in \mathfrak{A}$ . Then*

$$\mu(v) = \inf\{v(z, z) : z \in K\}.$$

*Proof.* It is not difficult to see that

$$\inf\{v(x, x) : x \in K\} \geq \mu(v) \quad (2.3)$$

and that for each integer  $m \geq 1$  and each  $y_1, y_2 \in K$ ,

$$\sigma(v, 0, m, y_1, y_2) - 4\|v\| \leq \sigma(v, 0, m) \leq m\mu(v). \quad (2.4)$$

Let  $\epsilon > 0$ . Choose a natural number  $m \geq 4$  for which

$$(4\|v\| + 1)m^{-1} < \epsilon. \quad (2.5)$$

There exists a sequence  $\{y_i\}_{i=0}^m \subset K$  such that

$$y_0 = y_m \text{ and } \sigma(v, 0, m, y_0, y_0) + 1 \geq \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} v(y_i, y_{i+1}). \quad (2.6)$$

By (2.6) and (2.4),

$$\sum_{i=0}^{m-1} v(y_i, y_{i+1}) \leq m\mu(v) + 4\|v\| + 1. \quad (2.7)$$

Set

$$z_0 = m^{-1} \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} y_i. \quad (2.8)$$

By (2.5-2.8) and the convexity of  $v$ ,

$$v(z_0, z_0) = v(m^{-1} \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} (y_i, y_{i+1})) \leq m^{-1} \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} v(y_i, y_{i+1})$$

$$\leq m^{-1}(m\mu(v) + 4\|v\| + 1) = \mu(v) + (4\|v\| + 1)m^{-1} < \mu(v) + \epsilon$$

and

$$v(z_0, z_0) < \mu(v) + \epsilon.$$

Therefore

$$\inf\{v(z, z) : z \in K\} < \mu(v) + \epsilon.$$

Since  $\epsilon$  is an arbitrary positive number we conclude that

$$\inf\{v(z, z) : z \in K\} \leq \mu(v).$$

Together with (2.3) this completes the proof of Proposition 2.1.  $\square$

In Zaslavski [20] Proposition 2.1 was proved for  $v \in \mathfrak{A}_u$ . In the proof we used uniform continuity of  $v$ .

For the proofs of the following two propositions see Proposition 2.2 and Proposition 2.3 of Zaslavski [20].

**Proposition 2.2.** *Let  $v \in \mathfrak{A}$ ,  $\epsilon \in (0, 1)$ . Then there exist  $\delta \in (0, \epsilon)$ ,  $u \in \mathfrak{A}$  and  $z_0 \in K$  such that*

$$0 \leq u(x, y) - v(x, y) \leq \epsilon, \quad x, y \in K, \quad \mu(v) + \delta \geq v(z_0, z_0),$$

and for each  $y \in K$  satisfying  $u(y, y) \leq \mu(u) + \delta$  the inequality  $\|y - z_0\| \leq \epsilon$  holds.

Moreover, if  $v \in \mathfrak{A}_l$  ( $\mathfrak{A}_c$ ,  $\mathfrak{A}_u$ , respectively), then  $u \in \mathfrak{A}_l$  ( $\mathfrak{A}_c$ ,  $\mathfrak{A}_u$ , respectively).

**Proposition 2.3.** *There exist sets  $\mathfrak{F}^{(0)} \subset \mathfrak{A}$ ,  $\mathfrak{F}_l^{(0)} \subset \mathfrak{A}_l \cap \mathfrak{F}^{(0)}$ ,  $\mathfrak{F}_c^{(0)} \subset \mathfrak{A}_c \cap \mathfrak{F}^{(0)}$  and  $\mathfrak{F}_u^{(0)} \subset \mathfrak{A}_u \cap \mathfrak{F}^{(0)}$  such that  $\mathfrak{F}^{(0)}$  ( $\mathfrak{F}_l^{(0)}$ ,  $\mathfrak{F}_c^{(0)}$  and  $\mathfrak{F}_u^{(0)}$ , respectively) is a countable intersection of open everywhere dense subsets of  $\mathfrak{A}$  ( $\mathfrak{A}_l$ ,  $\mathfrak{A}_c$  and  $\mathfrak{A}_u$ , respectively) and such that for each  $v \in \mathfrak{F}^{(0)}$  the following assertions hold:*

(i) *there exists a unique  $y_v \in K$  such that  $v(y_v, y_v) = \mu(v)$ .*

(ii) *for each  $\epsilon > 0$  there exist a neighborhood  $\mathfrak{U}$  of  $v$  in  $\mathfrak{A}$  and  $\delta > 0$  such that for each  $u \in \mathfrak{U}$  and each  $y \in K$  satisfying  $u(y, y) \leq \mu(u) + \delta$  the relation  $\|y - y_v\| \leq \epsilon$  holds.*

In Zaslavski [20] we proved these propositions for  $v \in \mathfrak{A}_u$  but in the proofs we did not use uniform continuity. The proof of Proposition 2.3 is based on Proposition 2.2.

**3. Proofs of Theorem 1.1 and Theorem 1.2**

Let the sets  $\mathfrak{F}^{(0)}$ ,  $\mathfrak{F}_l^{(0)}$ ,  $\mathfrak{F}_c^{(0)}$  and  $\mathfrak{F}_u^{(0)}$  be as guaranteed in Proposition 2.3. For each  $w \in \mathfrak{F}^{(0)}$  there exists a unique  $y_w \in K$  such that

$$w(y_w, y_w) = \mu(w). \tag{3.1}$$

Let  $v \in \mathfrak{F}^{(0)}$  and  $\gamma \in (0, 1)$ . Define

$$v_\gamma(x, y) = v(x, y) + \gamma(\|x - y_v\| + \|y - y_v\|), \quad x, y \in K. \tag{3.2}$$

Clearly  $v_\gamma \in \mathfrak{A}$ , if  $v \in \mathfrak{A}_l$  ( $\mathfrak{A}_c$ ,  $\mathfrak{A}_u$ , respectively), then  $v_\gamma \in \mathfrak{A}_l$  ( $\mathfrak{A}_c$ ,  $\mathfrak{A}_u$ , respectively).

**Lemma 3.1.** *Let  $\epsilon \in (0, 1)$ . Then there exists an integer  $n \geq 1$  such that for each sequence  $\{x_i\}_{i=0}^n \subset K$ , which satisfies*

$$\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} v_\gamma(x_i, x_{i+1}) \leq \sigma(v_\gamma, 0, n, x_0, x_n) + 4,$$

there is  $j \in \{0, \dots, n - 1\}$  such that

$$\|x_j - y_v\|, \quad \|x_{j+1} - y_v\| \leq \epsilon.$$

For the proof of this lemma see Lemma 3.1 of Zaslavski [20]. Lemma 3.1 implies the following auxiliary result.

**Lemma 3.2.** *Let  $\epsilon \in (0, 1)$ . Then there exist a neighborhood  $\mathfrak{U}$  of  $v_\gamma$  in  $\mathfrak{A}$  and an integer  $n \geq 1$  such that for each  $u \in \mathfrak{U}$  and each sequence  $\{x_i\}_{i=0}^n \subset K$ , which satisfies*

$$\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} u(x_i, x_{i+1}) \leq \sigma(u, 0, n, x_0, x_n) + 3,$$

there is  $j \in \{0, \dots, n - 1\}$  such that  $\|x_j - y_v\|, \|x_{j+1} - y_v\| \leq \epsilon$ .

It is not difficult to see that

$$\sigma(v, 0, m, y_v, y_v) = m\mu(v) \text{ for all natural numbers } m, \tag{3.3}$$

$$\mu(v_\gamma) = \mu(v) = v(y_v, y_v) = v_\gamma(y_v, y_v) \tag{3.4}$$

and

$$\sigma(v_\gamma, 0, m, y_v, y_v) = m\mu(v_\gamma) \text{ for all natural numbers } m. \tag{3.5}$$

**Lemma 3.3.** *Let  $\epsilon \in (0, 1)$ . Then there exists  $\delta \in (0, \epsilon)$  such that for each integer  $n \geq 1$  and each sequence  $\{x_i\}_{i=0}^n \subset K$ , which satisfies*

$$x_0 = x_n = y_v, \quad \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} v_\gamma(x_i, x_{i+1}) \leq \sigma(v_\gamma, 0, n, y_v, y_v) + \delta, \quad (3.6)$$

*the following relation holds:*

$$\|x_i - y_v\| \leq \epsilon, \quad i = 0, \dots, n. \quad (3.7)$$

*Proof.* Choose a positive number

$$\delta < \epsilon\gamma. \quad (3.8)$$

Assume that  $n$  is a natural number and a sequence  $\{x_i\}_{i=0}^n \subset K$  satisfies (3.6). Then by (3.4-3.6), the definition of  $v_\gamma$  (see (3.2)) and (3.3),

$$\begin{aligned} n\mu(v) &= n\mu(v_\gamma) = \sigma(v_\gamma, 0, n, y_v, y_v) \\ &\geq \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} v_\gamma(x_i, x_{i+1}) - \delta = -\delta + \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} v(x_i, x_{i+1}) \\ &\quad + \gamma \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} (\|x_i - y_v\| + \|x_{i+1} - y_v\|) \\ &\geq -\delta + \sigma(v, 0, n, y_v, y_v) + \gamma \sum_{i=0}^n \|x_i - y_v\| = -\delta + \gamma \sum_{i=0}^n \|x_i - y_v\| + n\mu(v), \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\delta \geq \gamma \sum_{i=0}^n \|x_i - y_v\|.$$

Combined with (3.8) this implies that

$$\|x_i - y_v\| \leq \delta\gamma^{-1} < \epsilon, \quad i = 0, \dots, n.$$

Lemma 3.3 is proved.  $\square$

**Lemma 3.4.** *Let  $\epsilon \in (0, 1)$ . Then there exists  $\delta \in (0, \epsilon)$  such that for each integer  $n \geq 1$  and each sequence  $\{x_i\}_{i=0}^n \subset K$ , which satisfies*

$$\|x_i - y_v\| \leq \delta, \quad i = 0, n, \quad \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} v_\gamma(x_i, x_{i+1}) \leq \sigma(v_\gamma, 0, n, x_0, x_n) + \delta, \quad (3.9)$$



the following relation holds:

$$\|x_i - y_v\| \leq \epsilon, \quad i = 0, \dots, n. \tag{3.10}$$

*Proof.* By Lemma 3.3 there exists  $\delta_1 \in (0, 2^{-1}\epsilon)$  such that for each natural number  $q$  and each sequence  $\{x_i\}_{i=0}^q \subset K$ , which satisfies

$$x_0 = x_q = y_v, \quad \sum_{i=0}^{q-1} v_\gamma(x_i, x_{i+1}) \leq \sigma(v_\gamma, 0, q, y_v, y_v) + 2\delta_1, \tag{3.11}$$

the following inequality holds:

$$\|x_i - y_v\| \leq \epsilon, \quad i = 0, \dots, q. \tag{3.12}$$

Since  $v_\gamma$  is continuous at the point  $(y_v, y_v)$  there exists

$$\delta \in (0, \delta_1/4), \tag{3.13}$$

such that

$$|v_\gamma(z_1, z_2) - v_\gamma(y_v, y_v)| \leq \delta_1/4, \tag{3.14}$$

for any  $(z_1, z_2) \in K \times K$  satisfying

$$\|z_i - y_v\| \leq \delta, \quad i = 1, 2. \tag{3.15}$$

Assume that  $n$  is a natural number and a sequence  $\{x_i\}_{i=0}^n \subset K$  satisfies (3.9). We will show that (3.10) is valid. Define

$$y_0 = x_0, \quad y_n = x_n, \quad y_i = y_v \text{ for all } i \in \{0, \dots, n\} \setminus \{0, n\}, \tag{3.16}$$

$$z_i = y_v, \quad i = 0, \dots, n. \tag{3.17}$$

By (3.17), (3.1), (3.4), (3.5) and (3.3),

$$\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} v_\gamma(z_i, z_{i+1}) = n\mu(v_\gamma) = n\mu(v) \tag{3.18}$$

$$= \sigma(v_\gamma, 0, n, y_v, y_v) = \sigma(v, 0, n, y_v, y_v).$$

It follows from (3.16), (3.17), (3.9) and the definition of  $\delta$  (see (3.13), (3.15)) that

$$\left| \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} v_\gamma(z_i, z_{i+1}) - \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} v_\gamma(y_i, y_{i+1}) \right| \leq 2^{-1}\delta_1.$$

Together with (3.18) this implies that

$$\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} v_\gamma(y_i, y_{i+1}) \leq 2^{-1}\delta_1 + n\mu(v). \quad (3.19)$$

By (3.9), (3.16) and (3.19),

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} v_\gamma(x_i, x_{i+1}) &\leq \sigma(v_\gamma, 0, n, x_0, x_n) + \delta \\ &\leq \delta + \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} v_\gamma(y_i, y_{i+1}) \leq 2^{-1}\delta_1 + \delta + n\mu(v), \\ \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} v_\gamma(x_i, x_{i+1}) &\leq 2^{-1}\delta_1 + \delta + n\mu(v). \end{aligned} \quad (3.20)$$

Define

$$\bar{y}_0 = y_v, \bar{y}_i = x_{i-1}, i = 1, \dots, n+1, \bar{y}_{n+2} = y_v. \quad (3.21)$$

It follows from (3.21), (3.9) and the definition of  $\delta$  (see (3.13), (3.15)) that

$$|v_\gamma(\bar{y}_0, \bar{y}_1) - v_\gamma(y_v, y_v)|, |v_\gamma(\bar{y}_{n+1}, \bar{y}_{n+2}) - v_\gamma(y_v, y_v)| \leq \delta_1/4. \quad (3.22)$$

It follows from (3.21), (3.22), (3.4), (3.20) and (3.13) that

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=0}^{n+1} v_\gamma(\bar{y}_i, \bar{y}_{i+1}) &= v_\gamma(\bar{y}_0, \bar{y}_1) + v_\gamma(\bar{y}_{n+1}, \bar{y}_{n+2}) \\ &+ \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} v_\gamma(x_i, x_{i+1}) \leq 2(\delta_1/4 + \mu(v)) + \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} v_\gamma(x_i, x_{i+1}) \\ &\leq n\mu(v) + \delta_1/2 + \delta + \delta_1/2 + 2\mu(v) \\ &= (n+2)\mu(v) + \delta + \delta_1 < 2\delta_1 + (n+2)\mu(v), \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\sum_{i=0}^{n+1} v_\gamma(\bar{y}_i, \bar{y}_{i+1}) \leq (n+2)\mu(v) + 2\delta_1. \quad (3.23)$$

By (3.23), (3.21), (3.4) and (3.5),

$$\bar{y}_i = y_v, i = 0, n+2,$$

$$\sum_{i=0}^{n+1} v_\gamma(\bar{y}_i, \bar{y}_{i+1}) \leq 2\delta_1 + \sigma(v_\gamma, 0, n + 2, y_v, y_v).$$

It follows from these relations and the definition of  $\delta_1$  (see (3.11), (3.12)) that

$$\|\bar{y}_i - y_v\| \leq \epsilon, \quad i = 0, \dots, n + 2.$$

Together with (3.21) this implies that

$$\|x_i - y_v\| \leq \epsilon, \quad i = 0, \dots, n.$$

Lemma 3.4 is proved. □

**Lemma 3.5.** *Let  $\epsilon \in (0, 1)$ . Then, there exist  $\delta \in (0, \epsilon)$ , a neighborhood  $\mathfrak{U}$  of  $v_\gamma$  in  $\mathfrak{A}$  and an integer  $N \geq 1$  such that for each  $u \in \mathfrak{U}$ , each integer  $n \geq 2N$  and each sequence  $\{x_i\}_{i=0}^n \subset K$  satisfying*

$$\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} u(x_i, x_{i+1}) \leq \sigma(u, 0, n, x_0, x_n) + \delta,$$

there exist  $\tau_1 \in \{0, \dots, N\}$ ,  $\tau_2 \in \{-N + n, n\}$  such that

$$\|x_t - y_v\| \leq \epsilon, \quad t = \tau_1, \dots, \tau_2,$$

and moreover, if  $\|x_0 - y_v\| \leq \delta$ , then  $\tau_1 = 0$ , and if  $\|x_n - y_v\| \leq \delta$ , then  $\tau_2 = n$ .

For the proof of this lemma see Lemma 3.4 of Zaslavski [20]. It is based on Lemma 3.4.

Let  $v \in \mathfrak{F}^{(0)}$ ,  $\gamma \in (0, 1)$  and let  $j \geq 1$  be an integer. There exist an integer  $N(v, \gamma, j) \geq 1$ , an open neighborhood  $\mathfrak{U}_0(v, \gamma, j)$  of  $v_\gamma$  in  $\mathfrak{A}$  and a number  $\delta(v, \gamma, j) \in (0, 2^{-j})$  such that Lemma 3.5 holds with  $v, \gamma$  and  $\epsilon = 2^{-j}$ ,  $\delta = \delta(v, \gamma, j)$ ,  $\mathfrak{U} = \mathfrak{U}_0(v, \gamma, j)$ ,  $N = N(v, \gamma, j)$ .

There are an open neighborhood  $\mathfrak{U}(v, \gamma, j)$  of  $v_\gamma$  in  $\mathfrak{A}$  and an integer  $N_1(v, \gamma, j) \geq 1$  such that  $\mathfrak{U}(v, \gamma, j) \subset \mathfrak{U}_0(v, \gamma, j)$  and Lemma 3.2 holds with  $v, \gamma$  and  $\mathfrak{U} = \mathfrak{U}(v, \gamma, j)$ ,  $n = N_1(v, \gamma, j)$ ,  $\epsilon = 4^{-j}\delta(v, \gamma, j)$ .

Define:

$$\mathfrak{F} = [\cap_{q=1}^\infty \cup \{\mathfrak{U}(v, \gamma, j) : v \in \mathfrak{F}^{(0)}, \gamma \in (0, 1), j = q, q + 1, \dots\}] \cap \mathfrak{F}^{(0)},$$

$$\mathfrak{F}_l = [\cap_{q=1}^\infty \cup \{\mathfrak{U}(v, \gamma, j) : v \in \mathfrak{F}_l^{(0)}, \gamma \in (0, 1), j = q, q + 1, \dots\}] \cap \mathfrak{F}_l^{(0)},$$

$$\mathfrak{F}_c = [\cap_{q=1}^\infty \cup \{\mathfrak{U}(v, \gamma, j) : v \in \mathfrak{F}_c^{(0)}, \gamma \in (0, 1), j = q, q + 1, \dots\}] \cap \mathfrak{F}_c^{(0)},$$

and

$$\mathfrak{F}_u = [\bigcap_{q=1}^\infty \cup \{\mathfrak{U}(v, \gamma, j) : v \in \mathfrak{F}_u^{(0)}, \gamma \in (0, 1), j = q, q + 1, \dots\}] \cap \mathfrak{F}_u^{(0)}.$$

It is not difficult to see that  $\mathfrak{F}$  ( $\mathfrak{F}_l, \mathfrak{F}_c, \mathfrak{F}_u$ , respectively) is a countable intersection of open everywhere dense subsets of  $\mathfrak{A}$  ( $\mathfrak{A}_l, \mathfrak{A}_c, \mathfrak{A}_u$ , respectively).

It is easy to see that Theorem 1.1 follows from Proposition 2.3 and the definition of  $\mathfrak{F}$ .

*Proof of Theorem 1.2.* Let  $w \in \mathfrak{F}$ ,  $\epsilon > 0$ . We may assume that  $\epsilon < 1$ . Choose an integer  $q \geq 1$  such that

$$64 \cdot 2^{-q} < \epsilon. \tag{3.24}$$

There exist  $v \in \mathfrak{F}^{(0)}$ ,  $\gamma \in (0, 1)$  and an integer  $j \geq q$  such that

$$w \in \mathfrak{U}(v, \gamma, j). \tag{3.25}$$

By (3.25), Lemma 3.2, which holds with  $\mathfrak{U} = \mathfrak{U}(v, \gamma, j)$ ,  $n = N_1(v, \gamma, j)$ ,  $\epsilon = 4^{-j}\delta(v, \gamma, j)$ ,  $v, \gamma$ , and the equality  $\sigma(w, 0, N_1(v, \gamma, j), y_w, y_w) = N_1(v, \gamma, j)\mu(w)$ ,

$$\|y_w - y_v\| \leq 4^{-j}\delta(v, \gamma, j). \tag{3.26}$$

Set

$$\mathfrak{U} = \mathfrak{U}(v, \gamma, j), \quad N = N(v, \gamma, j), \quad \delta = 4^{-j}\delta(v, \gamma, j). \tag{3.27}$$

Assume that  $u \in \mathfrak{U}$ , an integer  $n \geq 2N$  and a sequence  $\{x_i\}_{i=0}^n \subset K$  satisfies

$$\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} u(x_i, x_{i+1}) \leq \sigma(u, 0, n, x_0, x_n) + \delta. \tag{3.28}$$

It follows from (3.28), (3.27), the definition of  $\mathfrak{U}_0(v, \gamma, j)$ ,  $N(v, \gamma, j)$ ,  $\delta(v, \gamma, j)$  and Lemma 3.5 that there exist  $\tau_1 \in \{0, \dots, N\}$ ,  $\tau_2 \in \{n - N, \dots, n\}$  such that

$$\|x_i - y_v\| \leq 2^{-j}, \quad t = \tau_1, \dots, \tau_2.$$

Moreover, if  $\|x_0 - y_v\| \leq \delta(v, \gamma, j)$ , then  $\tau_1 = 0$ , and if  $\|x_n - y_v\| \leq \delta(v, \gamma, j)$ , then  $\tau_2 = n$ . Together with (3.26), (3.24) and (3.27) this implies that

$$\|x_i - y_w\| \leq 2^{1-j} < \epsilon, \quad i = \tau_1, \dots, \tau_2;$$

if  $\|x_0 - y_w\| \leq \delta$ , then  $\|x_0 - y_v\| \leq \delta(v, \gamma, j)$  and  $\tau_1 = 0$ ; if  $\|x_n - y_w\| \leq \delta$ , then  $\|x_n - y_v\| \leq \delta(v, \gamma, j)$  and  $\tau_2 = n$ . This completes the proof of Theorem 1.2. □

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