

# On the continuity property of $L_p$ balls and an application<sup>☆</sup>

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## Abstract

In this paper continuity properties of the set-valued map  $p \rightarrow B_p(\mu_0)$ ,  $p \in (1, +\infty)$ , are considered where  $B_p(\mu_0)$  is the closed ball of the space  $L_p([t_0, \theta]; R^m)$  centered at the origin with radius  $\mu_0$ . It is proved that the set-valued map  $p \rightarrow B_p(\mu_0)$ ,  $p \in (1, +\infty)$ , is continuous. Applying obtained results, the attainable set of the nonlinear control system with integral constraint on the control is studied. The admissible control functions are chosen from  $B_p(\mu_0)$ . It is shown that the attainable set of the system is continuous with respect to  $p$ .

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## 1. Introduction

Let  $\|\cdot\|$  be Euclidean norm in  $R^m$ ,  $\|u(\cdot)\|_p$  ( $1 \leq p < +\infty$ ) be a norm in  $L_p([t_0, \theta], R^m)$ , where  $L_p([t_0, \theta], R^m)$  denotes the space of measurable functions  $u(\cdot): [t_0, \theta] \rightarrow R^m$  with bounded  $\|u(\cdot)\|_p$  norm and

$$\|u(\cdot)\|_p = \left( \int_{t_0}^{\theta} \|u(t)\|^p dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}.$$

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For  $p \geq 1$  and  $\mu_0 > 0$  we set

$$B_p(\mu_0) = \{u(\cdot) \in L_p([t_0, \theta], R^m) : \|u(\cdot)\|_p \leq \mu_0\}. \tag{1.1}$$

It is obvious that  $B_p(\mu_0)$  is the closed ball centered at the origin with radius  $\mu_0$  in  $L_p([t_0, \theta], R^m)$ .

The Hausdorff distance between the sets  $A \subset R^m$  and  $E \subset R^m$  is denoted by  $h(A, E)$  and is defined as

$$h(A, E) = \max \left\{ \sup_{x \in A} d(x, E), \sup_{y \in E} d(y, A) \right\}$$

where  $d(x, E) = \inf\{\|x - y\| : y \in E\}$ .

The Hausdorff distance between the sets  $U \subset L_{p_1}([t_0, \theta], R^m)$  and  $V \subset L_{p_2}([t_0, \theta], R^m)$  is denoted by  $h_1(U, V)$  and is defined as

$$h_1(U, V) = \max \left\{ \sup_{x(\cdot) \in V} d_1(x(\cdot), U), \sup_{y(\cdot) \in U} d_1(y(\cdot), V) \right\}$$

where  $d_1(x(\cdot), U) = \inf\{\|x(\cdot) - y(\cdot)\|_1 : y(\cdot) \in U\}$ ,  $p_1 \in [1, \infty)$ ,  $p_2 \in [1, \infty)$ .

For  $\Omega \subset R^n$  we denote by  $\mu(\Omega)$  the Lebesgue measure of the set  $\Omega$ .

The need to evaluate the distance between the sets arises in various problems of theory and applications (see, e.g., [1,2,4–6,8–10,13] and references therein).

In this paper, the Hausdorff distance between the sets  $B_p(\mu_0)$  and  $B_{p_*}(\mu_0)$  is studied where  $p > 1$  and  $p_* > 1$ . In Section 2 we prove that  $h_1(B_p(\mu_0), B_{p_*}(\mu_0)) \rightarrow 0$  as  $p \rightarrow p_* - 0$  (Proposition 2.5). In Section 3 it is shown that  $h_1(B_p(\mu_0), B_{p_*}(\mu_0)) \rightarrow 0$  as  $p \rightarrow p_* + 0$  (Proposition 3.5). As a corollary of Propositions 2.5 and 3.5, Theorem 3.6 concludes that  $h_1(B_p(\mu_0), B_{p_*}(\mu_0)) \rightarrow 0$  as  $p \rightarrow p_*$ . In Section 4 we consider attainable sets of the nonlinear control system with integral constraints on control.  $B_p(\mu_0)$  is chosen as the set of admissible control functions. As an application of Theorem 3.6, it is proved that the attainable set of the control system is continuous with respect to  $p$  (Theorem 4.2).

Let  $H \in (0, \infty)$ . We set

$$B_p^H(\mu_0) = \{u(\cdot) \in B_p(\mu_0) : \|u(t)\| \leq H \text{ for every } t \in [t_0, \theta]\}.$$

The following proposition characterizes the Hausdorff distance between the sets  $B_p(\mu_0)$  and  $B_p^H(\mu_0)$ .

**Proposition 1.1.** *Let  $p > 1$ ,  $H > 0$ . Then the inequality*

$$h_1(B_p(\mu_0), B_p^H(\mu_0)) \leq \frac{2\mu_0^p}{H^{p-1}}$$

*holds.*

**Proof.** Let us choose an arbitrary  $u(\cdot) \in B_p(\mu_0)$  and define a function  $u_*(\cdot) : [t_0, \theta] \rightarrow R^m$ , setting for  $t \in [t_0, \theta]$

$$u_*(t) = \begin{cases} u(t), & \|u(t)\| \leq H, \\ \frac{u(t)}{\|u(t)\|} H, & \|u(t)\| > H. \end{cases} \tag{1.2}$$

It is not difficult to verify that  $u_*(\cdot) \in B_p^H(\mu_0)$ . Let

$$\Omega = \{ \tau \in [t_0, \theta]: \|u(\tau)\| > H \}.$$

Then using Hölder and Minkowski inequalities, we have from (1.2) that

$$\|u(\cdot) - u_*(\cdot)\|_1 = \int_{\Omega} \|u(t) - u_*(t)\| dt \leq 2\mu_0\mu(\Omega)^{\frac{p-1}{p}}. \tag{1.3}$$

Since  $u(\cdot) \in B_p(\mu_0)$  and  $\|u(\tau)\| > H$  for every  $\tau \in \Omega$ , we obtain

$$H^p\mu(\Omega) \leq \int_{\Omega} \|u(\tau)\|^p d\tau \leq \int_{t_0}^{\theta} \|u(\tau)\|^p d\tau \leq \mu_0^p$$

and consequently

$$\mu(\Omega) \leq \frac{\mu_0^p}{H^p}. \tag{1.4}$$

Then it follows from (1.3) and (1.4)

$$\|u(\cdot) - u_*(\cdot)\|_1 \leq 2\mu_0 \left( \frac{\mu_0^p}{H^p} \right)^{\frac{p-1}{p}} = \frac{2\mu_0^p}{H^{p-1}}.$$

Since  $u(\cdot) \in B_p(\mu_0)$  is arbitrarily chosen, we get the inequality

$$\sup_{u(\cdot) \in B_p(\mu_0)} d_1(u(\cdot), B_p^H(\mu_0)) \leq \frac{2\mu_0^p}{H^{p-1}}. \tag{1.5}$$

Since  $B_p^H(\mu_0) \subset B_p(\mu_0)$  then (1.5) completes the proof of the proposition.  $\square$

We obtain the following corollary from Proposition 1.1.

**Corollary 1.2.** *Let  $p_* > 1$  and  $\varepsilon > 0$ . Then there exists  $H_*(\varepsilon) > 2\mu_0$  such that for all  $H > H_*(\varepsilon)$  the inequality*

$$h_1(B_p(\mu_0), B_p^H(\mu_0)) \leq \varepsilon$$

holds for any  $p \in [\frac{p_*+1}{2}, 2p_*]$ .

## 2. Left evaluation of $B_p(\mu_0)$

In this section, we will evaluate the Hausdorff distance between the sets  $B_p(\mu_0)$  and  $B_{p_*}(\mu_0)$  as  $p \rightarrow p_* - 0$ .

Let

$$\alpha_0 = \min \left\{ \frac{\mu_0}{2}, 1 \right\}. \tag{2.1}$$

**Proposition 2.1.** *Let  $p_* > 1$ ,  $\varepsilon \in (0, \alpha_0)$  and  $H_2 > H_1 > 2\mu_0$ . Then there exists  $\delta_1 = \delta_1(\varepsilon, H_1, H_2) \in (0, \frac{p_*-1}{2}]$  such that the inclusion*

$$B_{p_*}^{H_1}(\mu_0) \subset B_p^{H_2}(\mu_0) + 2(\theta - t_0)\varepsilon B_1(1)$$

holds for all  $p \in (p_* - \delta_1, p_*)$  where  $\alpha_0 > 0$  is defined by (2.1) and  $B_1(1)$  is defined by (1.1).

**Proof.** Let

$$\delta_1(\varepsilon, H_1, H_2) = \min\{\beta_1(\varepsilon, H_1), \beta_2(\varepsilon, H_1), p_* - p_1(H_1, H_2)\}$$

where

$$p_1(H_1, H_2) = \max\left\{\frac{p_* + 1}{2}, \frac{p_*}{1 + \log_{\frac{H_1}{\mu_0}} \frac{H_2}{H_1}}\right\},$$

$$\beta_1(\varepsilon, H_1) = p_* \left(1 - \frac{1}{1 + \log_{\frac{H_1}{\mu_0}} \frac{H_1 + \varepsilon}{H_1}}\right),$$

$$\beta_2(\varepsilon, H_1) = p_* \left(1 - \frac{1}{1 + \log_{\frac{\varepsilon}{\mu_0}} \frac{H_1 - \varepsilon}{H_1}}\right).$$

It is not difficult to verify that  $\delta_1(\varepsilon, H_1, H_2) \in (0, \frac{p_*-1}{2}]$ .

Let  $u_*(\cdot) \in B_{p_*}^{H_1}(\mu_0)$  be arbitrarily chosen and  $p \in (p_* - \delta_1(\varepsilon, H_1, H_2), p_*)$ . We set

$$u_p(t) = u_*(t) \|u_*(t)\|^{\frac{p_*-p}{p}} \mu_0^{\frac{p-p_*}{p}}, \quad t \in [t_0, \theta]. \tag{2.2}$$

Since  $u_*(\cdot) \in B_{p_*}^{H_1}(\mu_0)$  and  $p \in (p_* - \delta_1(\varepsilon, H_1, H_2), p_*)$ , it is possible to prove that  $u_p(\cdot) \in B_p^{H_2}(\mu_0)$ .

Denote

$$A(\varepsilon) = \{t \in [t_0, \theta]: 0 \leq \|u_*(t)\| \leq \varepsilon\}, \quad B(\varepsilon) = \{t \in [t_0, \theta]: \varepsilon < \|u_*(t)\| \leq H_1\}.$$

Let  $t \in A(\varepsilon)$ . Then  $0 \leq \|u_*(t)\| \leq \varepsilon$ . Since  $\varepsilon < \frac{\mu_0}{2}$  and  $p < p_*$  then we obtain

$$\|u_*(t)\| \left|1 - \left(\frac{\|u_*(t)\|}{\mu_0}\right)^{\frac{p_*-p}{p}}\right| \leq \varepsilon \tag{2.3}$$

for every  $t \in A(\varepsilon)$ .

Let  $t \in B(\varepsilon)$ . Then  $\varepsilon < \|u_*(t)\| \leq H_1$  and this gives

$$1 - \left(\frac{H_1}{\mu_0}\right)^{\frac{p_*-p}{p}} \leq 1 - \left(\frac{\|u_*(t)\|}{\mu_0}\right)^{\frac{p_*-p}{p}} \leq 1 - \left(\frac{\varepsilon}{\mu_0}\right)^{\frac{p_*-p}{p}}. \tag{2.4}$$

Since  $p \in (p_* - \delta_1(\varepsilon, H_1, H_2), p_*)$ , then we get from (2.4) that the inequality

$$\left|1 - \left(\frac{\|u_*(t)\|}{\mu_0}\right)^{\frac{p_*-p}{p}}\right| \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{H_1}$$

holds for every  $t \in B(\varepsilon)$  and consequently

$$\|u_*(t)\| \left| 1 - \left( \frac{\|u_*(t)\|}{\mu_0} \right)^{\frac{p_*-p}{p}} \right| \leq \varepsilon. \tag{2.5}$$

Finally, it follows from (2.3) and (2.5) that

$$\|u_p(\cdot) - u_*(\cdot)\|_1 \leq \varepsilon \left[ \mu(A(\varepsilon)) + \mu(B(\varepsilon)) \right] \leq 2\varepsilon(\theta - t_0). \tag{2.6}$$

Since  $p \in (p_* - \delta_1(\varepsilon, H_1, H_2), p_*)$  and  $u_*(\cdot) \in B_{p_*}^{H_1}(\mu_0)$  are arbitrarily chosen, (2.6) implies the validity of the proposition.  $\square$

From Corollary 1.2 and Proposition 2.1 the validity of the following proposition follows.

**Proposition 2.2.** *Let  $p_* > 1$ ,  $\varepsilon \in (0, \alpha_0)$  where  $\alpha_0 > 0$  is defined by (2.1). Then there exists  $\gamma_1 = \gamma_1(\varepsilon) \in (0, \frac{p_*-1}{2}]$  such that the inclusion*

$$B_{p_*}(\mu_0) \subset B_p(\mu_0) + \varepsilon B_1(1)$$

holds for any  $p \in (p_* - \gamma_1, p_*)$ .

**Proof.** By Corollary 1.2 there exists  $H_*(\varepsilon) > 2\mu_0$  such that for every  $H > H_*(\varepsilon)$  the inclusions

$$B_p(\mu_0) \subset B_p^H(\mu_0) + \frac{\varepsilon}{3} B_1(1), \quad B_p^H(\mu_0) \subset B_p(\mu_0) + \frac{\varepsilon}{3} B_1(1) \tag{2.7}$$

hold for any  $p \in [\frac{p_*+1}{2}, 2p_*]$ .

Let  $H_1(\varepsilon) = 2H_*(\varepsilon)$ ,  $H_2(\varepsilon) = 3H_*(\varepsilon)$ . Then by virtue of Proposition 2.1 there exists  $\gamma_1(\varepsilon) = \delta_1(\varepsilon, H_1(\varepsilon), H_2(\varepsilon)) \in (0, \frac{p_*-1}{2}]$  such that the inclusion

$$B_{p_*}^{H_1(\varepsilon)}(\mu_0) \subset B_p^{H_2(\varepsilon)}(\mu_0) + \frac{\varepsilon}{3} B_1(1) \tag{2.8}$$

holds for all  $p \in (p_* - \gamma_1(\varepsilon), p_*)$ .

The proof of the proposition follows from (2.7) and (2.8).  $\square$

Now, let us give an upper estimation of the set  $B_p^H(\mu_0)$  as  $p \rightarrow p_* - 0$ . Let

$$\mu_* = \max \left\{ \mu_0^{\frac{p_*-p}{p_*}} : p \in \left[ \frac{p_*+1}{2}, p_* \right] \right\}, \tag{2.9}$$

$$L_* = (2 + \mu_*) (\theta - t_0). \tag{2.10}$$

**Proposition 2.3.** *Let  $p_* > 1$ ,  $\varepsilon \in (0, \alpha_0)$ ,  $H > 2\mu_0$  where  $\alpha_0 > 0$  is defined by (2.1). Then there exists  $\delta_2 = \delta_2(\varepsilon, H) \in (0, \frac{p_*-1}{2}]$  such that the inclusion*

$$B_p^H(\mu_0) \subset B_{p_*}^H(\mu_0) + L_* \varepsilon^{\frac{1}{2}} B_1(1)$$

holds for any  $p \in (p_* - \delta_2, p_*)$ .

**Proof.** Let

$$\delta_2(\varepsilon, H) = \min \{ \beta_3(\varepsilon, H), \beta_4(\varepsilon, H) \}$$

where

$$\beta_3(\varepsilon, H) = \min \left\{ p_* \log \frac{\mu_0}{\varepsilon} \frac{H + \varepsilon}{H}, \frac{p_* - 1}{2} \right\},$$

$$\beta_4(\varepsilon, H) = \min \left\{ p_* \log \frac{\mu_0}{H} \frac{H - \varepsilon}{H}, \frac{p_* - 1}{2} \right\}.$$

It is obvious that  $\delta_2(\varepsilon, H) \in (0, \frac{p_* - 1}{2}]$ .

Let  $p \in (p_* - \delta_2(\varepsilon, H), p_*)$ . Now let us choose an arbitrary  $u(\cdot) \in B_p^H(\mu_0)$  and define a function  $u_*(\cdot) : [t_0, \theta] \rightarrow R^m$  by setting

$$u_*(t) = u(t) \|u(t)\|^{\frac{p-p_*}{p_*}} \mu_0^{\frac{p_*-p}{p_*}}, \quad t \in [t_0, \theta]. \tag{2.11}$$

Since  $u(\cdot) \in B_p^H(\mu_0)$  one can show that  $u_*(\cdot) \in B_{p_*}^H(\mu_0)$ .

Now let us set

$$A(\varepsilon) = \{t \in [t_0, \theta]: 0 \leq \|u(t)\| \leq \varepsilon\}, \quad B(\varepsilon) = \{t \in [t_0, \theta]: \varepsilon < \|u(t)\| \leq H_1\}.$$

Let  $t \in A(\varepsilon)$ . Then  $0 \leq \|u(t)\| \leq \varepsilon$ . Since  $\varepsilon < \alpha_0 \leq 1$  and  $p \in (p_* - \delta_2(\varepsilon, H), p_*) \subset [\frac{p_*+1}{2}, p_*)$  we get from (2.11)

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{A(\varepsilon)} \|u(t) - u_*(t)\| dt &\leq \varepsilon(\theta - t_0) + \mu_0^{\frac{p_*-p}{p_*}} \varepsilon^{\frac{p}{p_*}} (\theta - t_0) \\ &\leq \varepsilon(\theta - t_0) + \varepsilon^{\frac{1}{2}} \mu_*(\theta - t_0) \\ &\leq \varepsilon^{\frac{1}{2}} (1 + \mu_*)(\theta - t_0) \end{aligned} \tag{2.12}$$

where  $\mu_*$  is defined by (2.9).

Let  $t \in B(\varepsilon)$ . Then  $\varepsilon < \|u(t)\| \leq H$  and

$$1 - \left(\frac{\mu_0}{\varepsilon}\right)^{\frac{p_*-p}{p_*}} \leq 1 - \left(\frac{\mu_0}{\|u(t)\|}\right)^{\frac{p_*-p}{p_*}} \leq 1 - \left(\frac{\mu_0}{H}\right)^{\frac{p_*-p}{p_*}}. \tag{2.13}$$

Since  $p \in (p_* - \delta_2(\varepsilon, H), p_*)$  then (2.13) implies

$$\left| 1 - \left(\frac{\mu_0}{\|u(t)\|}\right)^{\frac{p_*-p}{p_*}} \right| \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{H}$$

and consequently

$$\|u(t)\| \left| 1 - \left(\frac{\mu_0}{\|u(t)\|}\right)^{\frac{p_*-p}{p_*}} \right| \leq \varepsilon \tag{2.14}$$

for every  $t \in B(\varepsilon)$ . Thus, it follows from (2.12) and (2.14)

$$\begin{aligned} \|u(\cdot) - u_*(\cdot)\|_1 &\leq \varepsilon^{\frac{1}{2}}(\theta - t_0)[1 + \mu_* + \varepsilon^{\frac{1}{2}}] \\ &\leq \varepsilon^{\frac{1}{2}}(\theta - t_0)[2 + \mu_*] = \varepsilon^{\frac{1}{2}} L_* \end{aligned}$$

where  $L_*$  is defined by (2.10).

Since  $p \in (p_* - \delta_2(\varepsilon, H), p_*)$  and  $u(\cdot) \in B_p^H(\mu_0)$  are arbitrarily chosen, we obtain the validity of the proposition.  $\square$

The following proposition gives an upper estimation of the set  $B_p(\mu_0)$  as  $p \rightarrow p_* - 0$ .

**Proposition 2.4.** Let  $p_* > 1$ ,  $\varepsilon \in (0, \alpha_0)$  where  $\alpha_0 > 0$  is defined by (2.1). Then there exists  $\gamma_2 = \gamma_2(\varepsilon) \in (0, \frac{p_*-1}{2}]$  such that the inclusion

$$B_p(\mu_0) \subset B_{p_*}(\mu_0) + \varepsilon B_1(1)$$

holds for any  $p \in (p_* - \gamma_2, p_*)$ .

**Proof.** By Corollary 1.2 there exists  $H_*(\varepsilon) > 2\mu_0$  such that for all  $H > H_*(\varepsilon)$  the inclusions

$$B_p(\mu_0) \subset B_p^H(\mu_0) + \frac{\varepsilon}{3} B_1(1), \quad B_p^H(\mu_0) \subset B_p(\mu_0) + \frac{\varepsilon}{3} B_1(1) \tag{2.15}$$

hold for any  $p \in [\frac{p_*+1}{2}, 2p_*]$ .

Let  $H(\varepsilon) = 2H_*(\varepsilon)$ . Then due to Proposition 2.3 there exists  $\delta_2(\varepsilon) = \delta_2(\varepsilon, H(\varepsilon)) \in (0, \frac{p_*-1}{2}]$  such that the inclusion

$$B_p^{H(\varepsilon)}(\mu_0) \subset B_{p_*}^{H(\varepsilon)}(\mu_0) + \frac{\varepsilon}{3} B_1(1) \tag{2.16}$$

holds for any  $p \in (p_* - \delta_2(\varepsilon), p_*)$ .

Let  $\gamma_2 = \gamma_2(\varepsilon) = \delta_2(\varepsilon)$ . Then (2.15) and (2.16) complete the proof.  $\square$

From Propositions 2.2 and 2.4 we get the following proposition.

**Proposition 2.5.** Let  $p_* > 1$ ,  $\varepsilon \in (0, \alpha_0)$  where  $\alpha_0 > 0$  is defined by (2.1). Then there exists  $\delta_* = \delta_*(\varepsilon) \in (0, \frac{p_*-1}{2}]$  such that the inequality

$$h_1(B_p(\mu_0), B_{p_*}(\mu_0)) \leq \varepsilon$$

holds for all  $p \in (p_* - \delta_*, p_*)$ .

### 3. Right evaluation of $B_p(\mu_0)$

In this section we will study right continuity of the set-valued map  $p \rightarrow B_p(\mu_0)$ ,  $p \in (1, +\infty)$ . The following proposition gives an upper estimation of the set  $B_p^H(\mu_0)$  as  $p \rightarrow p_* + 0$ .

**Proposition 3.1.** Let  $p_* > 1$ ,  $\varepsilon \in (0, \alpha_0)$ ,  $H_1 > H_2 > \mu_0$  where  $\alpha_0 > 0$  is defined by (2.1). Then, there exists  $\nu_1 = \nu_1(\varepsilon, H_1, H_2) \in (0, p_*]$  such that the inclusion

$$B_p^{H_2}(\mu_0) \subset B_{p_*}^{H_1}(\mu_0) + 2(\theta - t_0)\varepsilon B_1(1)$$

holds for any  $p \in (p_*, p_* + \nu_1)$ .

**Proof.** Let

$$\nu_1(\varepsilon, H_1, H_2) = \min\{\beta_1^*(\varepsilon, H_1, H_2), \beta_2^*(\varepsilon, H_1, H_2), p_2(H_1, H_2) - p_*\}$$

where

$$p_2(H_1, H_2) = \min\left\{2p_*, p_* \left(1 + \log_{\frac{H_2}{\mu_0}} \frac{H_1}{H_2}\right)\right\},$$

$$\beta_1^*(\varepsilon, H_1, H_2) = \min\left\{p_* \log_{\frac{H_2}{\mu_0}} \frac{H_2 + \varepsilon}{H_2}, p_*\right\},$$

$$\beta_2^*(\varepsilon, H_1, H_2) = \min \left\{ p_* \log_{\frac{\varepsilon}{\mu_0}} \frac{H_2 - \varepsilon}{H_2}, p_* \right\}.$$

It is obvious that  $v_1(\varepsilon, H_1, H_2) \in (0, p_*]$ .

Let  $p \in (p_*, p_* + v_1(\varepsilon, H_1, H_2))$  and choose an arbitrary  $u(\cdot) \in B_p^{H_2}(\mu_0)$ . Define a function  $u_*(\cdot) : [t_0, \theta] \rightarrow R^m$  by setting

$$u_*(t) = u(t) \left\| u(t) \right\|^{\frac{p-p_*}{p_*}} \mu_0^{\frac{p-p_*}{p_*}}, \quad t \in [t_0, \theta]. \tag{3.1}$$

It is not difficult to show that  $u_*(\cdot) \in B_{p_*}^{H_1}(\mu_0)$ .

Let us denote

$$A(\varepsilon) = \{t \in [t_0, \theta]: 0 \leq \|u(t)\| \leq \varepsilon\}, \quad B(\varepsilon) = \{t \in [t_0, \theta]: \varepsilon < \|u(t)\| \leq H_2\}.$$

Let  $t \in A(\varepsilon)$ . Since  $\varepsilon < \mu_0$  and  $p > p_*$  then we obtain

$$\left\| u(t) \right\| \left| 1 - \left( \frac{\|u(t)\|}{\mu_0} \right)^{\frac{p-p_*}{p_*}} \right| \leq \varepsilon. \tag{3.2}$$

Let  $t \in B(\varepsilon)$ . Then  $\varepsilon < \|u(t)\| \leq H_2$  and consequently

$$1 - \left( \frac{H_2}{\mu_0} \right)^{\frac{p-p_*}{p_*}} \leq 1 - \left( \frac{\|u(t)\|}{\mu_0} \right)^{\frac{p-p_*}{p_*}} \leq 1 - \left( \frac{\varepsilon}{\mu_0} \right)^{\frac{p-p_*}{p_*}}. \tag{3.3}$$

Since  $p \in (p_*, p_* + v_1(\varepsilon, H_1, H_2))$ , from (3.3) we see that the inequality

$$\left| 1 - \left( \frac{\|u(t)\|}{\mu_0} \right)^{\frac{p-p_*}{p_*}} \right| \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{H_2}$$

is satisfied and hence

$$\left\| u(t) \right\| \left| 1 - \left( \frac{\|u(t)\|}{\mu_0} \right)^{\frac{p-p_*}{p_*}} \right| \leq \varepsilon. \tag{3.4}$$

Thus, from (3.2) and (3.4) we obtain the inequality

$$\|u(\cdot) - u_*(\cdot)\|_1 \leq \varepsilon \mu(A(\varepsilon)) + \varepsilon \mu(B(\varepsilon)) \leq 2\varepsilon(\theta - t_0).$$

Since  $p \in (p_*, p_* + v_1(\varepsilon, H_1, H_2))$  and  $u(\cdot) \in B_p^{H_2}(\mu_0)$  are arbitrarily chosen, the proof is completed.  $\square$

**Proposition 3.2.** *Let  $p_* > 1$ ,  $\varepsilon \in (0, \alpha_0)$  where  $\alpha_0 > 0$  is defined by (2.1). Then there exists  $\gamma_1^* = \gamma_1^*(\varepsilon) \in (0, p_*]$  such that the inclusion*

$$B_p(\mu_0) \subset B_{p_*}(\mu_0) + \varepsilon B_1(1)$$

*holds for any  $p \in (p_*, p_* + \gamma_1^*)$ .*

The proof of Proposition 3.2 follows from Corollary 1.2 and Proposition 3.1.

Let us define constants

$$\mu^* = \max \left\{ \mu_0^{\frac{p-p_*}{p}} : p \in [p_*, 2p_*] \right\}, \tag{3.5}$$

$$L^* = (2 + \mu^*)(\theta - t_0) \tag{3.6}$$

which are required in Proposition 3.3 and will be used in the sequel.



**Proposition 3.3.** Let  $p_* > 1$ ,  $\varepsilon \in (0, \alpha_0)$  and  $H > 2\mu_0$  where  $\alpha_0 > 0$  is defined by (2.1). Then, there exists  $v_2 = v_2(\varepsilon, H) \in (0, p_*]$  such that the inclusion

$$B_{p_*}^H(\mu_0) \subset B_p^H(\mu_0) + L_*\varepsilon^{\frac{1}{2}}B_1(1)$$

holds for any  $p \in (p_*, p_* + v_2)$ .

**Proof.** Let

$$v_2(\varepsilon, H) = \min\{\beta_3^*(\varepsilon, H), \beta_4^*(\varepsilon, H)\}$$

where

$$\beta_3^*(\varepsilon, H) = \min\left\{p_*\left(\frac{1}{1 - \log_{\frac{\mu_0}{\varepsilon}} \frac{H+\varepsilon}{H}} - 1\right), p_*\right\},$$

$$\beta_4^*(\varepsilon, H) = \min\left\{p_*\left(\frac{1}{1 - \log_{\frac{\mu_0}{H}} \frac{H-\varepsilon}{H}} - 1\right), p_*\right\}.$$

It is obvious that  $v_2(\varepsilon, H) \in (0, p_*]$ .

Let  $p \in (p_*, p_* + v_2(\varepsilon, H))$  and  $u_*(\cdot) \in B_{p_*}^H(\mu_0)$  be arbitrarily chosen. We set

$$u(t) = u_*(t) \|u_*(t)\|^{\frac{p_*-p}{p}} \mu_0^{\frac{p-p_*}{p}}, \quad t \in [t_0, \theta]. \tag{3.7}$$

It can be shown that  $u(\cdot) \in B_p^H(\mu_0)$ .

We denote

$$A(\varepsilon) = \{t \in [t_0, \theta]: 0 \leq \|u_*(t)\| \leq \varepsilon\}, \quad B(\varepsilon) = \{t \in [t_0, \theta]: \varepsilon < \|u_*(t)\| \leq H\}.$$

Let  $t \in A(\varepsilon)$ . Then  $0 \leq \|u_*(t)\| \leq \varepsilon$ . Since  $\varepsilon < \alpha_0 < 1$ ,  $p \in [p_*, 2p_*]$  then we obtain that

$$\int_{A(\varepsilon)} \|u_*(t) - u_*(t)\| \|u_*(t)\|^{\frac{p_*-p}{p}} \mu_0^{\frac{p-p_*}{p}} dt \leq \varepsilon(\theta - t_0) + \mu_0^{\frac{p-p_*}{p}} \varepsilon^{\frac{p_*}{p}} (\theta - t_0)$$

$$\leq \varepsilon^{\frac{1}{2}}(1 + \mu^*)(\theta - t_0) \tag{3.8}$$

where  $\mu^*$  is defined by (3.5).

Let  $t \in B(\varepsilon)$ . Then,  $\varepsilon < \|u_*(t)\| \leq H$  and consequently

$$1 - \left(\frac{\mu_0}{\varepsilon}\right)^{\frac{p-p_*}{p}} \leq 1 - \left(\frac{\mu_0}{\|u_*(t)\|}\right)^{\frac{p-p_*}{p}} \leq 1 - \left(\frac{\mu_0}{H}\right)^{\frac{p-p_*}{p}}. \tag{3.9}$$

Since  $p \in (p_*, p_* + v_2(\varepsilon, H))$  then from (3.9) we get

$$\left|1 - \left(\frac{\mu_0}{\|u_*(t)\|}\right)^{\frac{p-p_*}{p}}\right| \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{H_2}$$

and hence

$$\|u_*(t)\| \left|1 - \left(\frac{\mu_0}{\|u_*(t)\|}\right)^{\frac{p-p_*}{p}}\right| \leq \varepsilon \tag{3.10}$$

for every  $t \in B(\varepsilon)$ . From (3.8) and (3.10) we conclude that

$$\begin{aligned} \|u(\cdot) - u_*(\cdot)\|_1 &\leq \varepsilon^{\frac{1}{2}}(1 + \mu^*)(\theta - t_0) + \varepsilon(\theta - t_0) \\ &\leq \varepsilon^{\frac{1}{2}}(\theta - t_0)[2 + \mu^*] = \varepsilon^{\frac{1}{2}}L^* \end{aligned}$$

where  $L^*$  is defined by (3.6).

Since  $p \in (p_*, p_* + \nu_2(\varepsilon, H))$  and  $u_*(\cdot) \in B_{p_*}^H(\mu_0)$  are arbitrarily chosen, this completes the proof of the proposition.  $\square$

**Proposition 3.4.** *Let  $p_* > 1$ ,  $\varepsilon \in (0, \alpha_0)$  where  $\alpha_0 > 0$  is defined by (2.1). Then there exists  $\gamma_2^* = \gamma_2^*(\varepsilon) \in (0, p_*]$  such that the inclusion*

$$B_{p_*}(\mu_0) \subset B_p(\mu_0) + \varepsilon B_1(1)$$

holds for any  $p \in (p_*, p_* + \gamma_2^*)$ .

The proof of Proposition 3.4 follows from Corollary 1.2 and Proposition 3.3. Propositions 3.2 and 3.4 imply the validity of the following proposition.

**Proposition 3.5.** *Let  $p_* > 1$  and  $\varepsilon \in (0, \alpha_0)$  where  $\alpha_0 > 0$  is defined by (2.1). Then there exists  $\delta^* = \delta^*(\varepsilon) \in (0, p_*]$  such that the inequality*

$$h_1(B_p(\mu_0), B_{p_*}(\mu_0)) \leq \varepsilon$$

holds for all  $p \in (p_*, p_* + \delta^*)$ .

Finally, from Propositions 2.5 and 3.5 we obtain the validity of following theorem, which characterizes continuity of the set-valued map  $p \rightarrow B_p(\mu_0)$  with respect to  $p$  where  $p \in (1 + \infty)$ .

**Theorem 3.6.** *Let  $p_* > 1$  and  $\varepsilon \in (0, \alpha_0)$  where  $\alpha_0 > 0$  is defined by (2.1). Then there exists  $\delta = \delta(\varepsilon) > 0$  such that the inequality*

$$h_1(B_p(\mu_0), B_{p_*}(\mu_0)) \leq \varepsilon$$

holds for all  $p \in (p_* - \delta, p_* + \delta)$ .

#### 4. Attainable sets of control systems

Consider the control system the behavior of which is described by the differential equation

$$\dot{x}(t) = f(t, x(t), u(t)), \quad x(t_0) \in X_0, \tag{4.1}$$

where  $x \in R^n$  is the phase state vector of the system,  $u \in R^m$  is the control vector,  $t \in [t_0, \theta]$  is the time and  $X_0 \subset R^n$  is a compact set.

It is assumed that the right-hand side of the system (4.1) satisfies the following conditions:

- (4.A) the function  $f(\cdot) : [t_0, \theta] \times R^n \times R^m \rightarrow R^n$  is continuous;
- (4.B) for any bounded set  $D \subset [t_0, \theta] \times R^n$  there exist constants  $L_1 = L_1(D) > 0$ ,  $L_2 = L_2(D) > 0$  and  $L_3 = L_3(D) > 0$  such that

$$\|f(t, x_1, u_1) - f(t, x_2, u_2)\| \leq (L_1 + L_2\|u_2\|)\|x_1 - x_2\| + L_3\|u_1 - u_2\|$$

for any  $(t, x_1) \in D$ ,  $(t, x_2) \in D$ ,  $u_1 \in R^m$  and  $u_2 \in R^m$ ;

(4.C) There exists a constant  $c > 0$  such that

$$\|f(t, x, u)\| \leq c(1 + \|x\|)(1 + \|u\|)$$

for every  $(t, x, u) \in [t_0, \theta] \times R^n \times R^m$ .

The set  $B_p(\mu_0)$  is called the set of admissible control functions and a function  $u(\cdot) \in B_p(\mu_0)$  is said to be an admissible control function where the set  $B_p(\mu_0)$  is defined by (1.1).

Let  $u_*(\cdot) \in B_p(\mu_0)$ . The absolutely continuous function  $x_*(\cdot) : [t_0, \theta] \rightarrow R^n$  which satisfies the equation  $\dot{x}_*(t) = f(t, x_*(t), u_*(t))$  a.e. in  $[t_0, \theta]$  and the initial condition  $x_*(t_0) = x_0 \in X_0$  is said to be a solution of the system (4.1) with initial condition  $x_*(t_0) = x_0$ , generated by the admissible control function  $u_*(\cdot)$ . The symbol  $x(\cdot; t_0, x_0, u(\cdot))$  denotes a solution of the system (4.1) with initial condition  $x(t_0) = x_0$ , generated by the admissible control function  $u(\cdot)$ .

Let us define the sets

$$X_p(t_0, X_0, \mu_0) = \{x(\cdot; t_0, x_0, u(\cdot)) : [t_0, \theta] \rightarrow R^n : x_0 \in X_0, u(\cdot) \in B_p(\mu_0)\}$$

and

$$X_p(t; t_0, X_0, \mu_0) = \{x(t) \in R^n : x(\cdot) \in X_p(t_0, X_0, \mu_0)\}$$

where  $t \in [t_0, \theta]$ .

The set  $X_p(t; t_0, X_0, \mu_0)$  is called the attainable set of the system (4.1) at the instant of time  $t$ . It is clear that the set  $X_p(t; t_0, X_0, \mu_0)$  consists of all  $x \in R^n$  to which the system (4.1) can be steered at the instant of time  $t \in [t_0, \theta]$ . In general the set  $X_p(t; t_0, X_0, \mu_0) \subset R^n$  is not closed (see, e.g., [3]) and it is not difficult to verify that it depends on  $t, t_0, X_0$  and  $\mu_0$  continuously. Other properties of the attainable set  $X_p(t; t_0, X_0, \mu_0) \subset R^n$  and approximation methods for its numerical construction have been considered in [7,8,10–13]. In this section we show that the attainable set  $X_p(t; t_0, X_0, \mu_0) \subset R^n$  depends on  $p$  continuously.

The following proposition characterizes boundedness of the attainable sets of the system (4.1).

**Proposition 4.1.** *The inequality*

$$\|x(t)\| \leq (\rho_* + r_*) \exp(r_*)$$

holds for every  $p \in (1, +\infty)$ ,  $x(\cdot) \in X_p(t_0, X_0, \mu_0)$  and  $t \in [t_0, \theta]$  where

$$\rho_* = \max\{\|x\| : x \in X_0\}, \quad r_* = cr_0(1 + \mu_0), \quad r_0 = \max\{\theta - t_0, 1\}, \tag{4.2}$$

$c > 0$  is defined by condition (4.C).

The proof of the proposition follows from conditions (4.A)–(4.C) and Gronwall inequality.

Denote

$$D = \{(t, x) \in [t_0, \theta] \times R^n : \|x\| \leq (\rho_* + r_*) \exp(r_*)\} \tag{4.3}$$

where  $\rho_*$  and  $r_*$  are defined by (4.2).

According to Proposition 4.1 we get that  $(t, x(t)) \in D$  for every  $p \in (1, +\infty)$ ,  $x(\cdot) \in X_p(t_0, X_0, \mu_0)$  and  $t \in [t_0, \theta]$ . Therefore, here and henceforth we will have in mind the cylinder (4.3) as the set  $D$  in condition (4.B).

Note that the continuity property of the set-valued map  $p \rightarrow B_p(\mu_0)$ ,  $p \in (1, +\infty)$ , implies the uniform continuity (with respect to  $t$ ) of the set-valued map  $p \rightarrow X_p(t; t_0, X_0, \mu_0)$ ,  $p \in (1, +\infty)$ .

**Theorem 4.2.** *Let  $p_* > 1$ ,  $\varepsilon \in (0, \alpha_0)$  where  $\alpha_0 > 0$  is defined by (2.1). Then there exists  $\xi = \xi(\varepsilon) > 0$  such that the inequality*

$$h_c(X_p(t_0, X_0, \mu_0), X_{p_*}(t_0, X_0, \mu_0)) \leq \varepsilon$$

*holds for any  $p \in (p_* - \xi, p_* + \xi)$  and consequently for all  $t \in [t_0, \theta]$*

$$h(X_p(t; t_0, X_0, \mu_0), X_{p_*}(t; t_0, X_0, \mu_0)) \leq \varepsilon.$$

*Here  $h_c(S, G)$  denotes the Hausdorff distance between the sets  $S \subset C([t_0, \theta]; R^n)$  and  $G \subset C([t_0, \theta]; R^n)$  and is defined as*

$$h_c(S, G) = \max \left\{ \sup_{x(\cdot) \in S} d_c(x(\cdot), G), \sup_{y(\cdot) \in G} d_c(y(\cdot), S) \right\}$$

*where  $d_c(x(\cdot), G) = \inf\{\|x(\cdot) - y(\cdot)\|_c : y(\cdot) \in G\}$ ,  $\|z(\cdot)\|_c = \max\{\|z(t)\| : t \in [t_0, \theta]\}$ ,  $C([t_0, \theta]; R^n)$  is the space of continuous functions  $x(\cdot) : [t_0, \theta] \rightarrow R^n$ .*

**Proof.** Let

$$a_0 = L_1 r_0 + L_2 r_0 \mu_0, \quad b_0 = L_3 \exp(a_0) \tag{4.4}$$

where  $r_0$  is defined by (4.2).

By virtue of Proposition 3.6 for  $\frac{\varepsilon}{b_0}$  there exists  $\xi = \xi(\varepsilon)$  such that the inequality

$$h_1(B_p(\mu_0), B_{p_*}(\mu_0)) \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{b_0} \tag{4.5}$$

holds for all  $p \in (p_* - \xi(\varepsilon), p_* + \xi(\varepsilon))$ .

Let us choose an arbitrary  $p \in (p_* - \xi(\varepsilon), p_* + \xi(\varepsilon))$  and  $x(\cdot) \in X_p(t_0, X_0, \mu_0)$ . Then there exist  $x_0 \in X_0$  and  $u(\cdot) \in B_p(\mu_0)$  such that the equality

$$x(t) = x_0 + \int_{t_0}^t f(\tau, x(\tau), u(\tau)) d\tau \tag{4.6}$$

holds for every  $t \in [t_0, \theta]$ .

According to (4.5) there exists  $u_*(\cdot) \in B_{p_*}(\mu_0)$  such that

$$\|u(\cdot) - u_*(\cdot)\|_1 \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{b_0}. \tag{4.7}$$

Let

$$x_*(t) = x_0 + \int_{t_0}^t f(\tau, x_*(\tau), u_*(\tau)) d\tau \tag{4.8}$$

where  $t \in [t_0, \theta]$ . Then  $x_*(\cdot) \in X_{p_*}(t_0, X_0, \mu_0)$ . It follows from (4.B), (4.6)–(4.8) that

$$\|x(t) - x_*(t)\| \leq L_3 \frac{\varepsilon}{b_0} + \int_{t_0}^t (L_1 + L_2 \|u_*(\tau)\|) \|x(\tau) - x_*(\tau)\| d\tau \tag{4.9}$$

for all  $t \in [t_0, \theta]$ . From (4.4), (4.9) and Gronwall’s inequality we obtain that the inequality

$$\begin{aligned} \|x(t) - x_*(t)\| &\leq \frac{\varepsilon}{b_0} L_3 \exp \left[ \int_{t_0}^{\theta} (L_1 + L_2 \|u_*(\tau)\|) d\tau \right] \\ &= \frac{\varepsilon}{b_0} L_3 \exp(a_0) = \varepsilon \end{aligned} \tag{4.10}$$

holds for every  $t \in [t_0, \theta]$ . Since  $p \in (p_* - \xi(\varepsilon), p_* + \xi(\varepsilon))$  and  $x(\cdot) \in X_p(t_0, X_0, \mu_0)$  are arbitrarily chosen, we get from (4.10) that

$$X_p(t_0, X_0, \mu_0) \subset X_{p_*}(t_0, X_0, \mu_0) + \varepsilon B_c \tag{4.11}$$

holds for every  $p \in (p_* - \xi(\varepsilon), p_* + \xi(\varepsilon))$  where  $B_c$  is unique ball of the space  $C([t_0, \theta]; R^n)$ .

Analogously, it is possible to prove that

$$X_{p_*}(t_0, X_0, \mu_0) \subset X_p(t_0, X_0, \mu_0) + \varepsilon B_c \tag{4.12}$$

for every  $p \in (p_* - \xi(\varepsilon), p_* + \xi(\varepsilon))$ .

Thus, inclusions (4.11) and (4.12) imply the validity of the theorem.  $\square$

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