

An analogue of the Pontryagin maximum principle in a discrete-continuous stepwise control problem

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ABSTRACT

The article considers one stepwise discrete-continuous optimal control problem described by a set of Volterra difference equations and Volterra-type integro-differential equations. An analogue of L.S. Pontryagin's maximum principle (discrete-continuous maximum principle) is proved.

1. Introduction

Various stepwise optimal control problems described by systems of differential equations have been studied in [1-4] and others.

In [5], one step-wise optimal control problem described by systems of Volterra difference equations and Volterra integro-differential equations is considered.

In this article, we consider a more general problem than in [5] and prove an analogue of L.S. Pontryagin's maximum principle (see, e.g., [6-8]) (discrete-continuous maximum principle).

2. Problem statement

Suppose that a controlled process is described by a set of Volterra difference equations and Volterra integro-differential equations

$$x_1(t+1) = f_1(t, x_1(t), u_1(t)) + \sum_{\tau=t_0}^t K_1(t, \tau, x_1(\tau), u_1(\tau)), t \in T_1 = \{t_0, t_0 + 1, \dots, t_1 - 1\}, \quad (1)$$

$$x_1(t_0) = x_{10}, \quad (2)$$

$$\dot{x}_2(t) = f_2(t, x_2(t), u_2(t)) + \int_{t_1}^t K_2(t, \tau, x_2(\tau), u_2(\tau)) d\tau, t \in T_2 = [t_1, t_2], \quad (3)$$

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$$x_2(t_1) = G(x_1(t_1)). \quad (4)$$

Here $f_1(t, x_1, u_1)$ ($K_1(t, \tau, x_1, u_1)$) is a prescribed n -dimensional vector function discrete in t (t, τ) and continuous in (x_1, u_1) together with partial derivatives of x_1 , $f_2(t, x_2, u_2)$, $K_2(t, \tau, x_2, u_2)$ are prescribed n -dimensional vector functions continuous in the set of variables together with partial derivatives of x_2 , x_{10} is a prescribed n -dimensional continuous vector, $G(x_1)$ is a prescribed continuous-differential n -dimensional vector-function, $u_1(t)$ ($u_2(t)$) is a $r(q)$ -dimensional discrete (piecewise continuous, with a finite number of points of discontinuity of the first kind) vector function of control actions, with values from a non-empty and bounded set U_1 (U_2), i.e.

$$\begin{aligned} u_1(t) &\in U_1 \subset R^r, t \in T_1, \\ u_2(t) &\in U_2 \subset R^q, t \in T_2. \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

The pair $(u_1(t), u_2(t))$ with the above properties will be called an admissible control.

We will assume that the given admissible control $(u_1(t), u_2(t))$ has the unique discrete solution $x_1(t)$ of problem (1)-(2) and the unique piecewise smooth solution $x_2(t)$ of problem (3)-(4).

On the solutions of Cauchy problems (1)-(4) generated by all possible admissible controls we define the functional

$$\begin{aligned} J(u_1, u_2) = & \varphi_1(x_1(t_1)) + \sum_{t=t_0}^{t_1-1} \sum_{\tau=t_0}^t F_1(t, \tau, x_1(\tau), u_1(\tau)) + \varphi_2(x_2(t_2)) + \\ & + \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \left[\int_{t_1}^t F_2(t, \tau, x_2(\tau), u_2(\tau)) d\tau \right] dt. \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

Here $\varphi_1(x_1), \varphi_2(x_2)$ are prescribed continuously differentiable scalar functions, $F_1(t, \tau, x_1, u_1)$ is a prescribed scalar function discrete in (t, τ) and continuously differentiable in x_1 , and $F_2(t, \tau, x_2, u_2)$ is a prescribed scalar function continuous over the set of variables together with partial derivatives of x_2 .

Consider the problem of finding the minimum value of functional (6) under constraints (1)-(5).

The admissible control $(u_1(t), u_2(t))$ that affords the minimum value to functional (6) under constraints (1)-(5) will be called optimal control, and the corresponding process $(u_1(t), u_2(t), x_1(t), x_2(t))$ an optimal process.

As can be seen, the optimal control problem under consideration is a Boltza problem.

The aim of the article is to derive a necessary optimality condition in the problem under consideration.

3. Formula of the increment of the quality functional

Suppose that $(u_1(t), u_2(t), x_1(t), x_2(t))$ and $(\bar{u}_1(t) = u_1(t) + \Delta u_1(t), \bar{u}_2(t) = u_2(t) + \Delta u_2(t), \bar{x}_1(t) = x_1(t) + \Delta x_1(t), \bar{x}_2(t) = x_2(t) + \Delta x_2(t))$ are some admissible processes.

We write down the increment of the quality functional:

$$\Delta J(u_1, u_2) = J(\bar{u}_1, \bar{u}_2) - J(u_1, u_2) = \varphi_1(\bar{x}_1(t_1)) - \varphi_1(x_1(t_1)) + \varphi_2(\bar{x}_2(t_2)) - \varphi_2(x_2(t_2)) +$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + \sum_{t=t_0}^{t_1-1} \left[\sum_{\tau=t_0}^t [F_1(t, \tau, \bar{x}_1(\tau), \bar{u}_1(\tau)) - F_1(t, \tau, x_1(\tau), u_1(\tau))] \right] + \\
& + \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \left[\int_{t_1}^t [F_2(t, \tau, \bar{x}_2(\tau), \bar{u}_2(\tau)) - F_2(t, \tau, x_2(\tau), u_2(\tau))] d\tau \right] dt.
\end{aligned} \tag{7}$$

It is clear that $(\Delta x_1(t), \Delta x_2(t))$ is the solution to the problem

$$\begin{aligned}
\Delta x_1(t+1) &= f_1(t, \bar{x}_1(t), \bar{u}_1(t)) - f_1(t, x_1(t), u_1(t)) + \\
& + \sum_{\tau=t_0}^t [K_1(t, \tau, \bar{x}_1(\tau), \bar{u}_1(\tau)) - K_1(t, \tau, x_1(\tau), u_1(\tau))],
\end{aligned} \tag{8}$$

$$\Delta x_1(t_0) = 0, \tag{9}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\Delta \dot{x}_2(t) &= f_2(t, \bar{x}_2(t), \bar{u}_2(t)) - f_2(t, x_2(t), u_2(t)) + \\
& + \int_{t_1}^t [K_2(t, \tau, \bar{x}_2(\tau), \bar{u}_2(\tau)) - K_2(t, \tau, x_2(\tau), u_2(\tau))] d\tau,
\end{aligned} \tag{10}$$

$$\Delta x_2(t_1) = G(\bar{x}_1(t)) - G(x_1(t_1)). \tag{11}$$

Let $\psi_i = \psi_i(t)$, $i = 1, 2$ be as yet arbitrary n -dimensional vector functions.

From identities (8) and (10), using a discrete analogue of the Fubini theorem (see, e.g., [9]) and the Fubini formula (see, e.g., [7]) after some transformations we obtain the validity of the relations

$$\begin{aligned}
& \psi_1'(t_1 - 1)\Delta x_1(t_1) + \sum_{t=t_0}^{t_1-1} \psi_1'(t-1)\Delta x_1(t) = \\
& = \sum_{t=t_0}^{t_1-1} \psi_1'(t) (f_1(t, \bar{x}_1(t), \bar{u}_1(t)) - f_1(t, x_1(t), u_1(t))) + \\
& + \sum_{t=t_0}^{t_1-1} \left[\sum_{\tau=t}^{t_1-1} \psi_1'(\tau) (K_1(\tau, t, \bar{x}_1(t), \bar{u}_1(t)) - K_1(\tau, t, x_1(t), u_1(t))) \right].
\end{aligned} \tag{12}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& \psi_2'(t_2)\Delta x_2(t_2) - \psi_2'(t_1) (G(\bar{x}_1(t_1)) - G(x_1(t_1))) - \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \psi_2'(t)\Delta x_2(t) dt = \\
& = \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \psi_2'(t) (f_2(t, \bar{x}_2(t), \bar{u}_2(t)) - f_2(t, x_2(t), u_2(t))) dt + \\
& + \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \left[\int_t^{t_2} \psi_2'(\tau) [K_2(\tau, t, \bar{x}_2(t), \bar{u}_2(t)) - K_2(\tau, t, x_2(t), u_2(t))] d\tau \right] dt.
\end{aligned} \tag{13}$$

Let us introduce analogues of the Hamilton-Pontryagin function in the form

$$H_1(t, x_1(t), u_1(t), \psi_1(t)) = \psi_1'(t)f_1(t, x_1(t), u_1(t)) + \sum_{\tau=t}^{t_1-1} [\psi_1'(\tau)K_1(\tau, t, x_1(t), u_1(t)) - F_1(\tau, t, x_1(t), u_1(t))], \quad (14)$$

$$H_2(t, x_2(t), u_2(t), \psi_2(t)) = \psi_2'(t)f_2(t, x_2(t), u_2(t)) + \int_t^{t_2} [\psi_2'(\tau)K_2(\tau, t, x_2(t), u_2(t)) - F_2(\tau, t, x_2(t), u_2(t))] d\tau, \quad (15)$$

$$M(\psi_2(t_1), x_1(t_1)) = \psi_2'(t_1)G(x_1(t_1)). \quad (16)$$

Taking into account identities (12), (13) and notations (14)-(16), increment (7) of the quality functional is represented as

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta J(u_1, u_2) &= \varphi_1(\bar{x}_1(t_1)) - \varphi_1(x_1(t_1)) + \varphi_2(\bar{x}_2(t_2)) - \varphi_2(x_2(t_2)) - \\ &- \sum_{t=t_0}^{t_1-1} [H_1(t, \bar{x}_1(t), \bar{u}_1(t), \psi_1(t)) - H_1(t, x_1(t), u_1(t), \psi_1(t))] + \psi_1'(t_1 - 1)\Delta x_1(t_1) + \\ &+ \sum_{t=t_0}^{t_1-1} \psi_1'(t - 1)\Delta x_1(t) - (M(\psi_2(t_1), \bar{x}_1(t_1)) - M(\psi_2(t_1), x_1(t_1))) + \\ &+ \psi_2'(t_2)\Delta x_2(t_2) - \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \psi_2'(t)\Delta x_2(t)dt - \\ &- \int_{t_1}^{t_2} [H_2(t, \bar{x}_2(t), \bar{u}_2(t), \psi_2(t)) - H_2(t, x_2(t), u_2(t), \psi_2(t))]dt. \end{aligned} \quad (17)$$

Let us introduce the notations

$$\Delta_{\bar{u}_i} H_i[t, x_i, \psi_i] \equiv H_i(t, x_i(t), \bar{u}_i(t), \psi_i(t)) - H_i(t, x_i(t), u_i(t), \psi_i(t)), i = 1, 2,$$

$$\Delta_{\bar{x}_i} H_i[t, x_i, \psi_i] \equiv H_i(t, \bar{x}_i(t), u_i(t), \psi_i(t)) - H_i(t, x_i(t), u_i(t), \psi_i(t)), i = 1, 2,$$

$$\frac{\partial H_i[t, x_i, \psi_i]}{\partial x_i} \equiv \frac{\partial H_i(t, x_i(t), u_i(t), \psi_i(t))}{\partial x_i}, i = 1, 2,$$

$$\Delta_{\bar{u}_i} f_i[t] \equiv f_i(t, x_i(t), \bar{u}_i(t)) - f_i(t, x_i(t), u_i(t)), i = 1, 2,$$

$$\frac{\partial f_i[t]}{\partial x_i} \equiv \frac{\partial f_i(t, x_i(t), u_i(t))}{\partial x_i}, i = 1, 2.$$

Taking into account the introduced notations and the Taylor formula, increment (17) of functional (6) is represented in the form

$$\begin{aligned}
\Delta J(u_1, u_2) = & \frac{\partial \varphi_1'(x_1(t_1))}{\partial x_1} \Delta x_1(t_1) + o_1(\|\Delta x_1(t_1)\|) + \frac{\partial \varphi_2'(x_2(t_2))}{\partial x_2} \Delta x_2(t_2) + o_2(\|\Delta x_2(t_2)\|) + \\
& + \psi_1'(t_1 - 1) \Delta x_1(t_1) + \sum_{t=t_0}^{t_1-1} \psi_1'(t - 1) \Delta x_1(t) - \sum_{t=t_0}^{t_1-1} \Delta_{\bar{u}_1} H_1[t, x_1, \psi_1] - \sum_{t=t_0}^{t_1-1} \frac{\partial H_1'[t, x_1, \psi_1]}{\partial x_1} \Delta x_1(t) - \\
& - \sum_{t=t_0}^{t_1-1} \frac{\partial \Delta_{\bar{u}_1} H_1'[t, x_1, \psi_1]}{\partial x_1} \Delta x_1(t) - \sum_{t=t_0}^{t_1-1} o_3(\|\Delta x_1(t)\|) - \\
& - \frac{\partial M'(\psi_2(t_1), x_1(t_1))}{\partial x_1} \Delta x_1(t_1) - o_4(\|\Delta x_1(t_1)\|) + \\
& + \psi_2'(t_2) \Delta x_2(t_2) - \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \dot{\psi}_2'(t) \Delta x_2(t) dt - \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \Delta_{\bar{u}_2} H_2[t, x_2, \psi_2] dt - \\
& - \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \frac{\partial H_2'[t, x_2, \psi_2]}{\partial x_2} \Delta x_2(t) dt - \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \frac{\partial \Delta_{\bar{u}_2} H_2'[t, x_2, \psi_2]}{\partial x_2} \Delta x_2(t) dt - \int_{t_1}^{t_2} o_5(\|\Delta x_2(t)\|) dt. \quad (18)
\end{aligned}$$

Here, and in the following, $\|\alpha\|$ is the norm of the vector $\alpha = (\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_n)'$, in linear - dimensional space R^n defined by the formula $\|\alpha\| = \sum_{i=1}^n |\alpha_i|$, and $o(\alpha)$ is a quantity having a higher order of smallness than α , i.e. $\frac{o(\alpha)}{\alpha} \rightarrow 0$ at $\alpha \rightarrow 0$.

Now suppose that the vector functions $\psi_i = \psi_i(t), i = 1, 2$ are solutions of the problems (conjugate system)

$$\psi_1(t - 1) = \frac{\partial H_1[t, x_1, \psi_1]}{\partial x_1}, t \in T_1, \quad (19)$$

$$\psi_1(t_1 - 1) = -\frac{\partial \varphi_1(x_1(t_1))}{\partial x_1} + \frac{\partial M(\psi_2(t_1), x_1(t_1))}{\partial x_1}, \quad (20)$$

$$\dot{\psi}_2(t) = -\frac{\partial H_2[t, x_2, \psi_2]}{\partial x_2}, t \in T_2, \quad (21)$$

$$\psi_2(t_2) = -\frac{\partial \varphi_2(x_2(t_2))}{\partial x_2}. \quad (22)$$

Then the formula of increment (17) will take the form

$$\begin{aligned}
\Delta J(u_1, u_2) = & - \sum_{t=t_0}^{t_1-1} \Delta_{\bar{u}_1} H_1[t, x_1, \psi_1] - \sum_{t=t_0}^{t_1-1} \frac{\partial \Delta_{\bar{u}_1} H_1'[t, x_1, \psi_1]}{\partial x_1} \Delta x_1(t) + o_1(\|\Delta x_1(t_1)\|) - \\
& - \sum_{t=t_0}^{t_1-1} o_3(\|\Delta x_1(t)\|) - \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \Delta_{\bar{u}_2} H_2[t, x_2, \psi_2] dt - \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \frac{\partial \Delta_{\bar{u}_2} H_2'[t, x_2, \psi_2]}{\partial x_2} \Delta x_2(t) dt - \\
& - \int_{t_1}^{t_2} o_5(\|\Delta x_2(t)\|) dt + o_2(\|\Delta x_2(t_2)\|) - o_4(\|\Delta x_1(t_1)\|). \quad (23)
\end{aligned}$$

In the following we will need to estimate the norm of the increment of the trajectory $(x_1(t), x_2(t))$.

4. Estimating the norm of the increment $\Delta x_i(t), i = 1, 2$, of the trajectory $x_i(t), i = 1, 2$

Taking into account problem (8)-(9), and then applying the discrete analogue of the Fubini theorem (see, e.g., [9]), we obtain that

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta x_1(t+1) &= \sum_{\tau=t_0}^t [f_1(\tau, \bar{x}_1(\tau), \bar{u}_1(\tau)) - f_1(\tau, x_1(\tau), u_1(\tau))] + \\ &+ \sum_{\tau=t_0}^t \left[\sum_{s=\tau}^t [K_1(s, \tau, \bar{x}_1(\tau), \bar{u}_1(\tau)) - K_1(s, \tau, x_1(\tau), u_1(\tau))] \right] - \sum_{\tau=t_0}^t \Delta x_1(\tau) = \\ &= \sum_{\tau=t_0}^t [f_1(\tau, \bar{x}_1(\tau), \bar{u}_1(\tau)) - f_1(\tau, x_1(\tau), \bar{u}_1(\tau)) + \Delta_{\bar{u}_1} f_1[\tau]] + \\ &+ \sum_{\tau=t_0}^t \left[\sum_{s=\tau}^t [K_1(s, \tau, \bar{x}_1(\tau), \bar{u}_1(\tau)) - K_1(s, \tau, x_1(\tau), \bar{u}_1(\tau))] + \Delta_{\bar{u}_1} K_1[s, \tau] \right] - \sum_{\tau=t_0}^t \Delta x_1(\tau). \end{aligned}$$

Hence using the Lipschitz condition we obtain

$$\|\Delta x_1(t+1)\| \leq L_1 \left[\sum_{\tau=t_0}^t \|\Delta x_1(\tau)\| + \sum_{\tau=t_0}^t \left[\|\Delta_{\bar{u}_1} f_1[\tau]\| + \sum_{s=\tau}^t \|\Delta_{\bar{u}_1} K_1[s, \tau]\| \right] \right].$$

($L_1 = \text{const} > 0$ is some constant)

Applying to the last inequality a discrete analogue of the Gronwall lemma (see, e.g., [6]) we obtain that

$$\|\Delta x_1(t)\| \leq L_2 \sum_{\tau=t_0}^t \left[\|\Delta_{\bar{u}_1} f_1[\tau]\| + \sum_{s=\tau}^t \|\Delta_{\bar{u}_1} F_1[s, \tau]\| \right], t \in T_2 \cup t_1. \quad (24)$$

($L_2 = \text{const} > 0$)

Further proceeding from the system of equations (10) to the equivalent integral equation, we will have

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta x_2(t) &= G(\bar{x}_1(t_1)) - G(x_1(t_1)) + \\ &+ \int_{t_1}^t \left[\int_{\tau}^t [K_2(s, \tau, \bar{x}_2(\tau), \bar{u}_2(\tau)) - K_2(s, \tau, x_2(\tau), \bar{u}_2(\tau)) + \Delta_{\bar{u}_2} K_2[s, \tau]] ds \right] d\tau + \\ &+ \int_{t_1}^t [\Delta_{\bar{u}_2} f_2[\tau] + f_2(\tau, \bar{x}_2(\tau), \bar{u}_2(\tau)) - f_2(\tau, x_2(\tau), \bar{u}_2(\tau))] d\tau. \end{aligned}$$

From the last identity, proceeding to the norm and using the Lipschitz condition, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \|\Delta x_2(t)\| \leq L_3 \left[\|\Delta x_1(t_1)\| + \int_{t_1}^t \left[\int_{\tau}^t [\|\Delta x_2(\tau)\| + \|\Delta_{\bar{u}_2} K_2[s, \tau]\|] ds \right] d\tau + \right. \\ \left. + \int_{t_1}^t [\|\Delta_{\bar{u}_2} f_2[\tau]\| + \|\Delta x_2(\tau)\|] d\tau \right]. \\ (L_3 = \text{const} > 0) \end{aligned}$$

Applying the Gronwall-Bellman lemma to the last inequality, we arrive at the estimate

$$\|\Delta x_2(t)\| \leq L_4 \left[\|\Delta x_1(t_1)\| + \int_{t_1}^t \left[\|\Delta_{\bar{u}_2} f_2[\tau]\| + \int_{\tau}^t \|\Delta_{\bar{u}_2} K_2[s, \tau]\| ds \right] d\tau \right]. \quad (25)$$

$(L_4 = \text{const} > 0)$

5. Necessary optimality conditions

Let us introduce the sets

$$f_1(t, x_1(t), U_1) = \{\alpha: \alpha = f_1(t, x_1(t), v_1(t)), v_1(t) \in U_1, t \in T_1\}, \quad (26)$$

$$F_1(t, \tau, x_1(\tau), U_1) = \{\beta: \beta = F_1(t, \tau, x_1(\tau), v_1(\tau)), v_1(\tau) \in U_1, \tau \in T_1\}, \quad (27)$$

$$K_1(t, \tau, x_1(\tau), U_1) = \{\gamma: \gamma = F_1(t, \tau, x_1(\tau), v_1(\tau)), v_1(\tau) \in U_1, \tau \in T_1\}. \quad (28)$$

Suppose that sets (26)-(28) are convex.

Suppose that in the problem under consideration $\Delta u_2(t) \equiv 0$.

The assumption of convexity of sets (26)-(28) allows a special increment of the control function $u_1(t)$ be determined from the formula

$$\Delta u_1(t; \varepsilon) = u_1(t; \varepsilon) - u_1(t), t \in T_1. \quad (29)$$

Here $\varepsilon \in [0, 1]$ is an arbitrary number, and $u_1(t; \varepsilon)$ is such an arbitrary admissible control that for the corresponding arbitrary admissible control $v_1(t)$

$$f_1(t, x_1(t), u_1(t; \varepsilon)) - f_1(t, x_1(t), u_1(t)) = \varepsilon [f_1(t, x_1(t), v_1(t)) - f_1(t, x_1(t), u_1(t))], \quad (30)$$

$$\begin{aligned} K_1(t, \tau, x_1(\tau), u_1(\tau; \varepsilon)) - K_1(t, \tau, x_1(\tau), u_1(\tau)) = \\ = \varepsilon [K_1(t, \tau, x_1(\tau), v_1(\tau)) - K_1(t, \tau, x_1(\tau), u_1(\tau))], \end{aligned} \quad (31)$$

$$\begin{aligned} F_1(t, \tau, x_1(\tau), u_1(\tau; \varepsilon)) - F_1(t, \tau, x_1(\tau), u_1(\tau)) = \\ = \varepsilon [F_1(t, \tau, x_1(\tau), v_1(\tau)) - F_1(t, \tau, x_1(\tau), u_1(\tau))]. \end{aligned} \quad (32)$$

We denote by $(\Delta x_1(t; \varepsilon), \Delta x_2(t; \varepsilon))$ the special increment of the trajectory $(x_1(t), x_2(t))$ corresponding to special increment (29) of the control $u_1(t)$.

From estimates (24) and (25) it immediately follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \|\Delta x_1(t; \varepsilon)\| \leq L_5 \varepsilon, t \in T_1 \cup t_1, \\ \|\Delta x_2(t; \varepsilon)\| = L_6 \varepsilon, t \in T_2. \end{aligned} \quad (33)$$

Now suppose that $\Delta u_1(t) = 0$. Then it is clear that $\Delta x_1(t) = 0$.

Then the special increment of the control function $u_2(t)$ can be determined from the formula

$$\Delta u_2(t; \mu) = \begin{cases} v_2 - u_2(t), & t \in [\theta, \theta + \mu), \\ 0, & t \in T_2 \setminus [\theta, \theta + \mu). \end{cases} \quad (34)$$

Here $\theta \in [t_1, t_2)$ is an arbitrary point of discontinuity of the control function $u_2(t)$, and $\mu > 0$ is an arbitrary sufficiently small number such that $\theta + \mu < t_2$.

We denote by $\Delta x_2(t; \mu)$ the special increment of the trajectory $x_2(t)$.

Then from estimate (25) we obtain that

$$\|\Delta x_2(t; \mu)\| = L_7 \mu, t \in T_2. \quad (35)$$

Taking into account formula (29) and estimates (33), we obtain from increment formula (23) that

$$\begin{aligned} & J(u_1(t) + \Delta u_1(t; \varepsilon), u_2(t)) - J(u_1(t), u_2(t)) = \\ & = -\varepsilon \sum_{t=t_0}^{t_1-1} [H_1(t, x_1(t), v_1(t), \psi_1(t)) - H_1(t, x_1(t), u_1(t), \psi_1(t))] + o(\varepsilon). \end{aligned} \quad (36)$$

Further, taking into account formula (34) and estimate (35) we have

$$\begin{aligned} & J(u_1(t), u_2(t) + \Delta u_2(t; \mu)) - J(u_1(t), u_2(t)) = \\ & = -\mu \int_{t_1}^{t_2} [H_2(t, x_2(t), v_2(t), \psi_2(t)) - H_2(t, x_2(t), u_2(t), \psi_2(t))] dt + o(\mu). \end{aligned} \quad (37)$$

From expansions (36) and (37) by virtue of arbitrariness of $\varepsilon \in [0, 1]$ and $\mu > 0$ follows

Theorem 1. Under the assumptions made, the optimality of the admissible control $(u_1(t), u_2(t))$ requires that the inequalities

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta_{v_1} H_1[\theta, x_1(\theta) \psi_1(\theta)] &\leq 0, \\ \Delta_{v_2} H_2[\theta, x_2(\theta) \psi_2(\theta)] &\leq 0 \end{aligned}$$

hold for all $v_1 \in U_1, \theta \in T_1$ and $v_2 \in U_2, \theta \in [t_1, t_2)$, respectively.

The theorem is a necessary first-order optimality condition.

Since the optimal control problem under consideration is discrete-continuous, we will call the obtained optimality condition a discrete-continuous analogue of the Pontryagin maximum principle.

6. Conclusion

We consider a stepwise optimal control problem described by a set of Volterra difference and integro-differential equations.

Applying a modified version of the method of increments, taking into account the specifics of the problem under consideration, the global necessary first-order optimality condition is proved.

As was noted, the obtained result is a L.S. Pontryagin maximum principle-type necessary optimality condition. But maximum principle-type optimality conditions often degenerate (see, e.g., [10, 11]). Therefore, the author proposes to devote a separate article to a study of the case of degeneration of a discrete-continuous analogue of the Pontryagin maximum principle.

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