

Observe that, from (??) and (??), we have

$$a_n \rightarrow \theta(0), \quad b_n \rightarrow D\theta(0),$$

with

$$|a_n - \theta(0)| \leq \rho^{2n}, \quad |b_n - D\theta(0)| \leq C\rho^n. \quad (5.6)$$

Although we can not conclude about the convergence of the sequence of matrices $(M_n)_n$, we still obtain, again from (??), the estimate

$$|M_n| \leq Cn. \quad (5.7)$$

We conclude the paper with the proof of Theorem ??, which amounts to producing the continuous version of Proposition ??.

Proof of Theorem ??. Let $0 < r \leq \rho \ll 1$ be given. Take $n \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $\rho^{n+1} < r \leq \rho^n$. Observe that then

$$n \leq \frac{\ln r}{\ln \rho}.$$

From Proposition ?? and estimates (??) and (??), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \sup_{B_r} |\theta(x) - (\theta(0) + D\theta(0) \cdot x)| &\leq \sup_{B_{\rho^n}} |\theta(x) - (\theta(0) + D\theta(0) \cdot x)| \\ &\leq \sup_{B_{\rho^n}} \left| (\theta - P_n) + a_n - \theta(0) + b_n \cdot x - D\theta(0) \cdot x + \frac{x^t M_n x}{2} \right| \\ &\leq \rho^{2n} + \rho^{2n} + C\rho^{2n} + \frac{C}{2} n \rho^{2n} \\ &\leq C (\rho^{2n} + n \rho^{2n}) \\ &\leq \frac{C}{\rho^2} (\rho^{2(n+1)} + n \rho^{2(n+1)}) \\ &\leq \frac{C}{\rho^2} \left(r^2 + \frac{\ln r}{\ln \rho} r^2 \right) \\ &\leq \frac{C}{\rho^2 |\ln \rho|} \left(|\ln \rho| + \ln \frac{1}{r} \right) r^2 \\ &\leq \frac{2C}{\rho^2 |\ln \rho|} r^2 \ln \frac{1}{r} \\ &\leq Cr^2 \ln \frac{1}{r}, \end{aligned}$$

for a universal constant $C > 0$. The conclusion that, locally, θ has continuous first order derivatives, with a Log-Lipschitz modulus of continuity, follows from standard arguments in regularity theory.

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