

\mathcal{RO} Dynamics Solutions Properties

\mathcal{RO} dynamics (23) can be viewed as switched dynamical system with a discontinuous right-hand side. The conditions guaranteeing the existence and uniqueness of the solution and continuity w.r.t. initial conditions, for a general discontinuous dynamical system are provided in [45, Theorem 2.5]. In this section, we show that our \mathcal{RO} dynamics (23) satisfies the refined conditions presented in [40].

To prove the existence and uniqueness of solutions for (23), and also the continuity of solutions w.r.t. the initial conditions, there are two main steps. The first step is showing that \mathcal{RO} dynamics is a particular case of projected dynamical systems. The second step requires \mathcal{RO} dynamics (23) satisfying the monotonicity property, which is our main result.

Definition 2. (Projection operator) If \mathcal{K} is a closed convex set, for any point $\bar{y} \in \mathbb{R}^q$, the point projection of \bar{y} on the set \mathcal{K} can be written as

$$\text{proj}_{\mathcal{K}}(\bar{y}) = \underset{y \in \mathcal{K}}{\text{argmin}} \|y - \bar{y}\|.$$

For $\bar{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and $y \in \mathcal{K}$, vector projection of \bar{y} at y w.r.t. \mathcal{K} is

$$\Pi_{\mathcal{K}}(y, \bar{y}) = \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\text{proj}_{\mathcal{K}}(y + \delta \bar{y}) - y}{\delta}. \quad (49)$$

Note that the map $\text{proj}_{\mathcal{K}}$ is Lipschitz on \mathbb{R}^q with constant $L = 1$ [46, Proposition 2.4.1].

Definition 3. [Projected dynamical system [47]] Considering a differential equation $\dot{y} = F(y)$ with $F : \mathbb{R}^q \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^q$, the associated projected dynamical system is defined as

$$\dot{y} = \Pi_{\mathcal{K}}(y, F(y)), \quad y(0) \in \mathcal{K}. \quad (50)$$

Lemma 5. (\mathcal{RO} dynamics as a projected dynamics) \mathcal{RO} dynamics (23) can be written as a projected dynamical system according to Definition 3.

Proof. The proof of Lemma 5 follows along the lines of the construction outlined in [40]. Details omitted. \square

Remark 12 (Projected Dynamics Foundation). The following proposition establishes existence despite discontinuities from projections, uniqueness via the Lipschitz property, continuous dependence on initial conditions, and thus the validity of Lyapunov analysis for Theorem 4.

Proposition 6. If F in the projected dynamical system (50) is Lipschitz on \mathcal{K} , we have the following existence, uniqueness, and continuity w.r.t. the initial condition results for the solutions of the projected dynamics (50):

- 1) For any $y_0 \in \mathcal{K}$, there exists a unique solution $t \rightarrow y(t)$ of the projected system (50) with $y(0) = y_0$ in $[0, \infty)$.
- 2) Consider a sequence of points $\{y_k\}_{k=1}^{\infty} \subset \mathcal{K}$ with $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} y_k = y$. Then, the sequence of solutions $\{t \rightarrow \gamma_k(t)\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$ of the projected dynamics (50) with $\gamma_k(0) = y_k$ for all k , converges to the solution $t \rightarrow \gamma(t)$ of (50) with $\gamma(0) = y$ uniformly on every compact set of $[0, \infty)$.

The ability to write \mathcal{RO} dynamics (23) as a projected dynamical system along with the monotonicity property is used in the proof of the existence, uniqueness and continuity of the solutions of the set \mathbb{S} .

Lemma 6. (Existence, uniqueness and continuity of solutions) $\gamma : [0, T] \rightarrow \mathbb{S}$ is defined as a Caratheodory solution of $\mathcal{Z}^{\mathcal{RO}}$ in the interval $[0, T]$ if γ is absolutely continuous on $[0, T]$ and satisfies $\dot{\gamma}(t) = \mathcal{Z}^{\mathcal{RO}}(\gamma(t))$ almost everywhere in $[0, T]$. Under Assumptions 1 and 2, and starting from any point $z \in \mathbb{S}$, a unique solution to \mathcal{RO} dynamics (23) exists and remains in $\mathbb{S} \cap V^{-1}(\leq V(z))$. Also, if a sequence of points $\{z_k\}_{k=1}^{\infty} \subset \mathbb{S}$ converges to z as $k \rightarrow \infty$, the sequence of solutions $\{t \rightarrow \gamma_k(t)\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$ of $\mathcal{Z}^{\mathcal{RO}}$ starting at these points (that is, $\gamma_k(0) = z_k$ for all k) converge uniformly to the solution $t \rightarrow \gamma(t)$ on every compact set of $[0, \infty)$.

The proof of this lemma follows closely along the lines of proof for the existence and uniqueness of solution for the primal-dual dynamical system from [40, Lemma 4.3].

Proof of Theorem 5

Based on the optimal solution x^* for \mathcal{RO} problem,

$$\mu = \min_{\mathcal{F}_i(x) \leq 0} \mathcal{F}_0(x), \quad \mu = \mathcal{F}_0(x^*).$$

As the cost function of μ_{ε} is smaller than or equal to that of \mathcal{RO} and the feasible sets of the two problems are equal,

$$\mu_{\varepsilon} - \mu \leq 0. \quad (51)$$

Since x^* minimizes $\mathcal{F}_0(x)$ over the constraint set, $\mu = \mathcal{F}_0(x^*) \leq \mathcal{F}_0(x_{\varepsilon}^*)$. Adding and subtracting $\varepsilon \sum_{i=1}^N \mathcal{F}_i(x_{\varepsilon}^*)$ in the right-hand side (RHS) and using (51) yields $\varepsilon \sum_{i=1}^N \mathcal{F}_i(x_{\varepsilon}^*) \leq \mu_{\varepsilon} - \mu \leq 0$.

Following a similar argument as before by comparing $\mu(\varepsilon_0)$ and μ_{ε} for $\varepsilon_0 \geq \varepsilon$, we now let

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_{\varepsilon} &= \tilde{\mathcal{F}}_0(x_{\varepsilon}^*) = \mathcal{F}_0(x_{\varepsilon}^*) + \varepsilon \sum_{i=1}^N \mathcal{F}_i(x_{\varepsilon}^*), \\ \mu(\varepsilon_0) &= \tilde{\mathcal{F}}_0(x_{\varepsilon_0}^*) + \delta \sum_{i=1}^N \mathcal{F}_i(x_{\varepsilon_0}^*), \end{aligned}$$

where $\delta = \varepsilon_0 - \varepsilon$. Then, $\mu_{\varepsilon} \geq \mu(\varepsilon_0)$, but because x_{ε}^* is optimal for μ_{ε} , we have $\tilde{\mathcal{F}}_0(x_{\varepsilon}^*) \leq \tilde{\mathcal{F}}_0(x_{\varepsilon_0}^*)$. As x_{ε}^* is feasible for $\mu(\varepsilon_0)$,

$$\tilde{\mathcal{F}}_0(x_{\varepsilon_0}^*) + \delta \sum_{i=1}^N \mathcal{F}_i(x_{\varepsilon_0}^*) = \mu(\varepsilon_0) \leq \tilde{\mathcal{F}}_0(x_{\varepsilon}^*) + \delta \sum_{i=1}^N \mathcal{F}_i(x_{\varepsilon}^*).$$

Combining the two inequalities,

$$\delta \sum_{i=1}^N \mathcal{F}_i(x_{\varepsilon_0}^*) - \delta \sum_{i=1}^N \mathcal{F}_i(x_{\varepsilon}^*) \leq \tilde{\mathcal{F}}_0(x_{\varepsilon}^*) - \tilde{\mathcal{F}}_0(x_{\varepsilon_0}^*) \leq 0,$$

which implies that $\sum_{i=1}^N \mathcal{F}_i(x_{\varepsilon_0}^*) \leq \sum_{i=1}^N \mathcal{F}_i(x_{\varepsilon}^*)$. Thus,

$$\varepsilon \sum_{i=1}^N \mathcal{F}_i(x_{\varepsilon_0}^*) \leq \varepsilon \sum_{i=1}^N \mathcal{F}_i(x_{\varepsilon}^*) \leq \mu_{\varepsilon} - \mu \leq 0. \quad (52)$$

Since $\sum_{i=1}^N \mathcal{F}_i(x_{\varepsilon_0}^*) = \frac{\mu(\varepsilon_0) - \mathcal{F}_0(x_{\varepsilon_0}^*)}{\varepsilon_0}$ is bounded, we have

$$\varepsilon \sum_{i=1}^N \mathcal{F}_i(x_{\varepsilon_0}^*) \leq \mu_{\varepsilon} - \mu \leq 0, \quad (53)$$