

# LECTURE 6, March 14, 2023

PLAN : Recap: • If  $\exists$  classical sol. in  $[0, T]$   
we expect it is unique

• but don't expect  $\exists$  globally in time  
in fact the value fun.  $v$  is not  $C^1$  ...

• want.  $v$  "generalized solution" of HJ

• want also UNIQUENESS of GEN. SOLN.

Special case  $H = H(p) \rightsquigarrow$  Hopf-Lax formula  
(1960-70)

$$\text{for } (CP) \quad \begin{cases} u_t + H(D_x u) = 0 \\ u(x, 0) = g(x) \end{cases}$$

Ass.

•  $H: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  indep. of  $x$  & CONVEX & SUPERLINEAR.

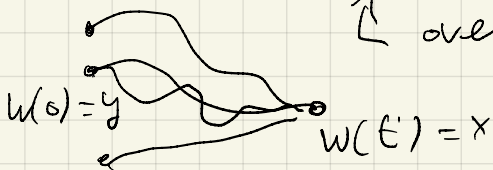
•  $g: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  Lipschitz.

Def. :  $L = H^*$

Recall : CANDIDATE SOLUT.

$$v(x, t) = \inf \left\{ \int_0^t L(\dot{w}(s)) ds + g(y) : w(0) = y, w(t) = x, w \in C^1 \right\}$$

$\uparrow$  over  $y$  &  $w$



Thm.  $v(x, t) = u(x, t) := \min_{y \in \mathbb{R}^n} \left\{ t L\left(\frac{x-y}{t}\right) + g(y) \right\} \quad \forall t > 0$   
 $\rightarrow$  H-L formula. (HL)

Note : the R.H.S. is a FINITE-DIMENSIONAL MINIMIZATION PROBLEM!

→ much easier to compute  $v$ !

Proof. 1.  $\exists$  min in  $(H-L)$ . Fix  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n, t > 0$

$$|g(y) - g(0)| \leq L_g |y| \Rightarrow |g(y)| \leq |g(0)| + L_g |y|$$

$$\left| \frac{x-y}{t} \right| = \frac{|y|}{t} + o(|y|) \text{ as } |y| \rightarrow \infty. \quad L \text{ superlinear} \Rightarrow$$

$$\frac{L\left(\frac{x-y}{t}\right)}{\frac{|y|}{t}} \rightarrow +\infty \text{ as } |y| \rightarrow \infty \Rightarrow$$

$$\frac{tL\left(\frac{x-y}{t}\right) + g(y)}{|y|} \rightarrow +\infty \text{ as } |y| \rightarrow \infty$$

$$\Rightarrow \underbrace{tL\left(\frac{x-y}{t}\right) + g(y)} \rightarrow +\infty$$

$\exists$  min  $y$  }  $\square$  1.

2. " $v \leq u$ ". Choose  $w(s) = y + \frac{s}{t}(x-y)$   $w(0) = y$   
 $w(t) = x$

$$w \in C^1, \quad \dot{w}(s) = \frac{x-y}{t}$$

$$v(x,t) \leq \int_0^t L\left(\frac{x-s}{t}\right) ds + \underbrace{tL\left(\frac{x-y}{t}\right) + g(y)}_{\text{by } \mathbb{R}^n} = u(x,t)$$

$$\Rightarrow v(x,t) \leq \min_y \left\{ \int_0^t L\left(\frac{x-s}{t}\right) ds + tL\left(\frac{x-y}{t}\right) + g(y) \right\} = u(x,t). \quad \square$$

3. " $v \geq u$ ". Fix any  $w \in C^1, w(0) = y, w(t) = x$

$$L\left(\frac{1}{t} \int_0^t \dot{w}(s) ds\right) \leq \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t L(\dot{w}(s)) ds$$

Jensen

$$\frac{x-y}{t}$$

$\forall y \forall w \in \mathcal{A}_t$

$$tL\left(\frac{x-y}{t}\right) + g(y) \leq \int_0^t L(\dot{w}(s)) ds + g(y)$$

$$\Rightarrow \inf_y \left\{ t L\left(\frac{x-y}{t}\right) + g(y) \right\} \leq \inf_{y, \tau} \left\{ (\tau) L\left(\frac{x-y}{\tau}\right) + g(y) \right\} = v(x, t)$$

" "  
 $u(x, t)$ . □

Def. (HL)  $u(x, t) := \begin{cases} \min_y \left\{ t L\left(\frac{x-y}{t}\right) + g(y) \right\}, & t > 0 \\ g(x) & t = 0. \end{cases}$

this is a candidate sol. of (CP).

Lemma (a simplified version of Dynamic Programming Principle)

$$\forall x \in \mathbb{R}^n \quad \forall 0 \leq \tau < t$$

$$u(x, t) = \min_{y \in \mathbb{R}^n} \left\{ (t-\tau) L\left(\frac{x-z}{t-\tau}\right) + u(y, \tau) \right\}$$

Remark.  $\tau = 0 \implies u(y, \tau) = g(y) \rightarrow$  def. of  $u$ .

Proof. 0.  $\min_y \left\{ \dots \right\} \exists$ . We'll see that  $y \mapsto u(y, \tau)$  is Lip, so  $\exists$  a unique repeat previous argument.  $\implies \left\{ \dots \right\} \rightarrow +\infty$  as  $|y| \rightarrow \infty \implies \exists \min_y \left\{ \dots \right\}$ . □

1. " $\leq$ " Fix  $y, \tau$ , choose  $z \in \mathbb{R}^n$ :

$$u(y, \tau) = \tau L\left(\frac{y-z}{\tau}\right) + g(z)$$

$$u(x, t) \leq t L\left(\frac{x-z}{t}\right) + g(z) \leq \textcircled{+} \text{ use convexity of } L.$$

$$\frac{x-z}{t} = \frac{x-z}{t} + \frac{y-z}{\tau} = \underbrace{\left(1 - \frac{\tau}{t}\right)}_{\frac{t-\tau}{t}} \frac{x-z}{t-\tau} + \frac{\tau}{t} \frac{y-z}{\tau} =$$

$d = \frac{\tau}{t} \in ]0, 1[$

$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{+} &\leq t \frac{t-\tau}{t} L \left( \frac{x-y}{t-\tau} \right) + t \frac{1}{t} L \left( \frac{y-z}{t} \right) + g(z) = \\ &= (t-\tau) L \left( \frac{x-y}{t-\tau} \right) + \underbrace{t L \left( \frac{y-z}{t} \right) + g(z)}_{u(y,\tau)} \quad \forall g \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow u(x,t) \leq \min_y \left\{ (t-\tau) L \left( \frac{x-y}{t-\tau} \right) + u(y,\tau) \right\} \quad \square \text{ "}\leq\text{"}$$

2. "  $\geq$  " similar, see [Evals].  $\square$

Lemma:  $u(x,t) = (HL) = \begin{cases} \min \{ & \} & t > 0 \\ g(x) & t = 0 \end{cases}$

is Lipschitz in  $\mathbb{R}^n \times [0, \infty)$ , in particular

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} u(x,t) = g(x).$$

Proof. 1. Lip in  $x$ ,  $t > 0$  fixed.  $x, \hat{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$

$$u(\hat{x}, t) - u(x, t) \leq \dots \quad \text{choose } g: u(x,t) = t L \left( \frac{x-y}{t} \right) + g(y)$$

$$\leq t L \left( \frac{\hat{x} - (x+y)}{t} \right) + g(\hat{x} - x + y) - t L \left( \frac{x-y}{t} \right) - g(y)$$

$$= g(\hat{x} - x + y) - g(y) \leq L_g |\hat{x} - x|$$

Exchange the roles of  $\hat{x}$  and  $x \Rightarrow$

$$|u(\hat{x}, t) - u(x, t)| \leq L_g |\hat{x} - x| \quad \square \text{ Lip } x$$



2. Lip in  $t$  at  $t=0$  : Look for  $\bar{c}$  :

$$|u(x,t) - g(x)| \leq \bar{c}t \quad \forall t > 0 \quad \underline{\text{GOAL}}$$

$$u(x,t) - g(x) \leq tL(0) + \cancel{g(x)} - \cancel{g(x)} = tL(0) \quad \text{if } \frac{1}{2}$$

$y=x$

Remains :  $\bar{c}$ ? :  $g(x) - u(x,t) \leq \bar{c}t$  i.e.

$$u(x,t) \geq g(x) - \bar{c}t \quad \text{goal.} \quad \text{Use } g(y) - g(x) \geq -\frac{L_g}{\delta}(y-x)$$

$$u(x,t) = \min_y \left\{ tL\left(\frac{x-y}{t}\right) + g(y) \right\} \geq g(x)$$

$$\geq g(x) + \min_y \left\{ \underbrace{tL\left(\frac{x-y}{t}\right)}_z - \underbrace{L_g|y-x|}_{|z|t} \right\} =$$

$$= g(x) + \min_{z \in \mathbb{R}^n} \left\{ tL(z) - tL_g|z| \right\} = \begin{cases} \bar{c}|z| = \max_{|z|=1} z \cdot p \\ |p| = \bar{c} \\ -\bar{c}|z| = \min_{|z|=1} (-z \cdot p) \\ |p| = \bar{c} \end{cases}$$

$$= g(x) + \min_{z \in \mathbb{R}^n} \min_{|p| \leq L_g} t \left\{ L(z) - z \cdot p \right\}$$

$$= g(x) - t \max_z \left\{ \max_{|p| \leq L_g} \left\{ z \cdot p - L(z) \right\} \right\}$$

$$= g(x) - t \max_{|p| \leq L_g} L^*(p) = g(x) - t \max_{|p| \leq L_g} H(p)$$

Duality

$$u(x,t) - g(x) \geq -t \bar{c}_{H,g}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{GOAL with } \bar{c} = L(0) \vee \bar{c}_{H,g} \quad \text{if } 2$$

3. Lip in  $t > 0$  :  $0 < \hat{t} < t$  Goal :

$$|u(x, t) - u(x, \hat{t})| \leq C |t - \hat{t}|.$$

$$(DPP) \quad u(x, t) = \min_y \left\{ (t - \hat{t}) L \left( \frac{x - y}{t - \hat{t}} \right) + \underbrace{u(y, \hat{t})}_{\text{instead of } g(y)} \right\}$$

Repeat the proof done for  $\hat{t} = 0$  with  $g$  replaced by  $u(\cdot, \hat{t})$  : they have the same Lip const  $\square$

$$\underline{4.} \quad |u(x, t) - u(\hat{x}, \hat{t})| \leq \frac{L}{g} |x - \hat{x}| + \bar{C} |t - \hat{t}| \quad \square$$

$\pm u(x, \hat{t})$

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Thm. Let  $u$  be given by (H-L) be differentiable at  $(x, t)$ ,  $t > 0$ . Then

$$\left[ u_t + H(D_x u) \right]_{(x, t)} = 0.$$

Proof. 1. " $\leq$ "  $0 \neq q \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $t - \tau = h > 0$

(DPP)  $\Rightarrow$

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$$u(x + hq, t + h) = \min_y \left\{ h L \left( \frac{x + hq - y}{h} \right) + u(y, t) \right\} \stackrel{y=x}{\leq} \\ \leq h L \left( \frac{hq}{h} \right) + u(x, t)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{u(x + hq, t + h) - u(x, t)}{h} \leq L(q)$$

$h > 0$

$$\left( u_t + D_x u \cdot q \right)_{(x, t)} = \frac{\partial u}{\partial q}(q, 1) \leq L(q) \quad \forall q$$

$$\Rightarrow u_t + \sup_{q \in \mathbb{R}^n} \{ D_x u \cdot q - L(q) \} \leq 0$$

by Duality thm.  $L^*(D_x u) = H(D_x u)$   $\square$  " $\leq$ "

2. " $\geq$ " Given  $(x, t)$ ,  $t > 0$ . GOAL  $\exists q \in \mathbb{R}^n$ :

$$u_t + D_x u \cdot q - L(q) \geq 0 \quad (G)$$

$$\left( \Rightarrow u_t + \sup_q \{ \underbrace{D_x u \cdot q - L(q)}_{\geq H(D_x u)} \} \geq 0 \right)$$

$$u(x, t) - u(y, \tau) \geq tL\left(\frac{x-z}{t}\right) + g(z) - \tau L\left(\frac{y-z}{\tau}\right) - g(z) = (\star)$$

choose  $z$ :  $u(x, t) = tL\left(\frac{x-z}{t}\right) + g(z)$

Look for  $(g, \tau)$ :  $\frac{x-z}{t} = \frac{y-z}{\tau}$   $y = z + \tau \frac{x-z}{t}$

$h = t - \tau > 0$   $\tau = t - h$   $\frac{1}{t} = 1 - \frac{h}{t}$   $\rightarrow z + x - z - \frac{h}{t}(x-z)$

$(\star) \Leftrightarrow y = x - \frac{h}{t}(x-z)$  Back to  $(\star)$

$$u(x, t) - u\left(x - \frac{h}{t}(x-z)\right) \geq (t-\tau) L\left(\frac{x-z}{t}\right)$$

$$\frac{u(x, t) - u\left(x - \frac{h}{t}(x-z)\right)}{h} \geq L\left(\frac{x-z}{t}\right)$$

let  $h \rightarrow 0+$

$$\left( u_t + D_x u \cdot \frac{x-z}{t} \right)_{(x, t)} \geq L\left(\frac{x-z}{t}\right) \quad q := \frac{x-z}{t}$$

$$u_t + D_x u \cdot q \Big|_{(x, t)} \geq L(q) \quad \text{the GOAL (G)} \quad \square$$

Thm (Redemacher [Evans - Gariepy. Measure theory ...])

$f: \mathbb{R}^h \supseteq A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  Lipschitz  $\Rightarrow f$  is differentiable almost everywhere.

Cor.  $u$  def. by (H-L) is Lip in  $\mathbb{R}^h \times [0, \infty)$  &

satisfies.

("CP")

$$\begin{cases} u_t + H(D_x u) = 0 & \text{a.e. in } \mathbb{R}^h \times ]0, \infty) \\ u(x, 0) = g(x) & \forall x. \quad \square \end{cases}$$

Can call "weak sol." of (CP) a sol. of "CP"

i.e. a Lip. fn solving PDE a.e.

Q: Is it UNIQUE?      Answer: No

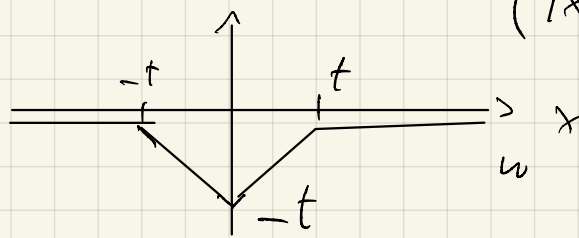
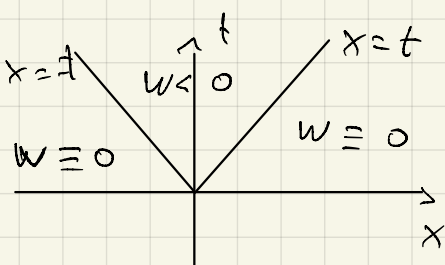
Example  $u=1$        $\begin{cases} u_t + u_x^2 = 0 & \mathbb{R} \times (0, \infty) \\ u(x, 0) = 0 \end{cases}$

$H(p) = p^2, \quad L(q) = \frac{q^2}{4}$

(HZ) :  $u(x, t) = \min_{y \in \mathbb{R}} \left\{ t \frac{(x-y)^2}{4t^2} + 0 \right\} = 0$

$u(x, t) \equiv 0$  is a CLASSICAL SOL.N. !

Another weak sol. is  $w(x, t) = \begin{cases} 0, & |x| \geq t \\ |x| - t, & |x| < t \end{cases}$



$w$  is Lip.

for  $|x| < t$        $w_t = -1$        $w_x = \text{sign } x$

$$(w_x)^2 = 1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad w_t + (w_x)^2 = 0 \quad \forall |x| < t$$

$\Rightarrow$  HT satisfied everywhere, except on  $\checkmark$   $\square$

Conclusion weak sols: "Lip + PDE a.e." is  
OK for Existence, NOT for uniqueness.

Remark classical sols are too strong, for GLOBAL  
existence, OK for uniqueness: see Verif. thm,  
& next time: "COMPARISON PRINCIPLE"  $\Rightarrow$   
UNIQUENESS of CLASSICAL sols.