THE NONCONVEX MULTI-DIMENSIONAL RIEMANN PROBLEM FOR HAMILTON-JACOBI EQUATIONS*

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Abstract. Simple inequalities are presented for the viscosity solution of a Hamilton-Jacobi equation in N space dimension when neither the initial data nor the Hamiltonian need be convex (or concave). The initial data are uniformly Lipschitz and can be written as the sum of a convex function in a group of variables and a concave function in the remaining variables, therefore including the nonconvex Riemann problem. The inequalities become equalities wherever a "maxmin" equals a "minmax" and thus a representation formula for this problem is then obtained, generalizing the classical Hopf's formulas.

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1. Introduction. We are concerned with viscosity solutions (see Crandall and Lions [3], Crandall, Evans, and Lions [2], Lions [12]) to the following partial differential equation:

(H-J)
$$\varphi_t + H(D_x \varphi) = 0 \text{ in } \mathbb{R}^N \times (0, \infty),$$

satisfying the initial data

(IC)
$$\varphi(x, 0) = \varphi_0(x)$$
 in \mathbb{R}^N ,

where $H \in C(\mathbb{R}^N)$, $D_x \varphi = (\varphi_{x_1}, \dots, \varphi_{x_N})$ is the spatial gradient of φ , and φ_0 is at least uniformly continuous. This Cauchy problem has, for any T > 0, a unique viscosity solution $\varphi(x, t)$ in the space $UC_x(\mathbb{R}^N \times [0, T])$ of the continuous functions which are uniformly continuous in $x \in \mathbb{R}^N$ uniformly in $t \in [0, T]$, see Ishii [10] or Crandall and Lions [5].

We are interested in giving explicit pointwise upper and lower bounds for the solution, providing in some cases a representation formula for φ , for some special initial data but without extra assumptions on the Hamiltonian H.

Some general representation formulas for viscosity solutions of Cauchy problems for Hamilton-Jacobi equations are due to Evans [6] and Evans and Souganidis [7]. However, they either involve an infinite number of max-min operations over \mathbb{R}^{N} [6], or a single max-min operation over infinite-dimensional sets of "controls" and "strategies" [7]. Two simpler formulas solving almost everywhere (H-J)(IC), one dual of the other, were derived by Hopf [9] for two special cases. The first one holds for convex Hamiltonians and general (Lipschitz) initial data, and it is well known in the theory of conservation laws in the case N = 1 (it is often called the Lax formula). It was shown to give the viscosity solution to the problem by Lions [12], Evans [6], Bardi and Evans [1], with different proofs and slightly different assumptions. The second

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Hopf's formula is valid for general Hamiltonians and convex or concave (Lipschitz) initial data φ_0 , and it is

(1.1)
$$\varphi(x,t) = \sup_{v \in \mathbb{Q}^N} \{x \cdot v - \varphi_0^*(v) - tH(v)\}$$

for φ_0 convex, and

(1.2)
$$\varphi(x, t) = \inf_{v \in \mathbb{R}^{N}} \{x \cdot v - \varphi_{0}^{*}(-v) - tH(v)\}$$

for φ_0 concave, where φ_0^* is the Legendre transform (or Fenchel conjugate) of φ_0 , that is

$$\varphi_0^*(v) \coloneqq \sup_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^N} \{\mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{v} - \varphi_0(\mathbf{x})\} \leq +\infty$$

for φ_0 convex, while for φ_0 concave it is

$$\varphi_0^*(v) \coloneqq -(-\varphi_0)^*(v) = \inf_{x \in \mathbb{R}^N} \{-x \cdot v - \varphi_0(x)\} \ge -\infty.$$

Osher [14] rederived for the viscosity solution of (H-J) the special case of formula (1.1) occurring when the initial data are of Riemann type (and convex), i.e., they are piecewise affine with one jump in the derivative across a plane. Bardi and Evans [1] showed the connection between Osher's formulas for convex Riemann data and Hopf's formulas, and proved that (1.1) and (1.2) give the viscosity solution of (H-J)(IC) in the general case. Lions and Rochet [13] gave a different proof under slightly more general assumptions.

We are now going to describe our main result. Let j be an integer, $0 \le j \le N$, and for any $v \in \mathbb{R}^N$ set

$$v = (v_A, v_B), \quad v_A \coloneqq (v_1, \cdots, v_j) \in \mathbb{R}^j, \quad v_B \coloneqq (v_{j+1}, \cdots, v_N) \in \mathbb{R}^{N-j}$$

THEOREM 1. Assume $H \in C(\mathbb{R}^N)$, $\varphi_1: \mathbb{R}^j \to \mathbb{R}$ uniformly Lipschitz and convex, $\varphi_2: \mathbb{R}^{N-j} \to \mathbb{R}$ uniformly Lipschitz and concave. Then the unique viscosity solution $\varphi \in UC_x(\mathbb{R}^N \times [0, T])$ of (H-J) taking on the initial data

$$\varphi(x,0) = \varphi_1(x_A) + \varphi_2(x_B)$$

satisfies for all $x \in \mathbb{R}^N$ and $t \ge 0$

(1.3)
$$\sup_{v_A \in \mathbb{R}^j} \inf_{v_B \in \mathbb{R}^{N-j}} G(v, x, t) \leq \varphi(x, t) \leq \inf_{v_B \in \mathbb{R}^{N-j}} \sup_{v_A \in \mathbb{R}^j} G(v, x, t),$$

where

$$G(v, x, t) \coloneqq x \cdot v - \varphi_1^*(v_A) - \varphi_2^*(-v_B) - tH(v).$$

Note that the pointwise estimate (1.3) gives a representation formula for the solution whenever the first and last terms are equal (as they are for t=0). A trivial case where this occurs is for j=N or j=0, because (1.3) reduces to Hopf's formulas (1.1) or (1.2). A more interesting case occurs when the Hamiltonian separates the variables v_A and v_B , that is,

$$H(v) = H_1(v_A) + H_2(v_B).$$

In this case we get

$$\varphi(x, t) = \sup_{v_A \in \mathbb{R}^j} \{x_A \cdot v_A - \varphi_1^*(v_A) - tH_1(v_A)\} + \inf_{v_B \in \mathbb{R}^{N-j}} \{x_B \cdot v_B - \varphi_2^*(-v_B) - tH_2(v_B)\},$$

which is the superposition of the solutions to the problems

$$\varphi_t + H_i(D_x \varphi) = 0, \qquad \varphi(\cdot, 0) = \varphi_i$$

for i = 1, 2.

Next we specialize formula (1.3) to a particular class of (Riemann) initial data. Let A, u_i^+ , u_i^- be constants and define

$$u_i(x) \coloneqq \begin{cases} u_i^+ & \text{if } x_i > 0, \\ u_i^- & \text{if } x_i < 0 \end{cases}$$

for $i = 1, \dots, N$. Then take

(1.4)
$$\varphi_0(x) = A + \sum_{i=1}^N x_i u_i(x) = A + x \cdot u(x).$$

These data correspond to a Riemann problem for the system of conservation laws satisfied (formally) by the spatial gradient of φ ; see Remark 2.2. Let, for $i = 1, \dots, N$,

$$\Omega_i \coloneqq \{s \mid \min(u_i^+, u_i^-) \le s \le \max(u_i^+, u_i^-)\},\$$

$$\chi_i \coloneqq \operatorname{sign}(u_i^+ - u_i^-),$$

and reorder the indices, without loss of generality, so that

(1.5)
$$\chi_i = 1$$
 for $i = 1, \dots, j;$ $\chi_i = -1$ for $i = j+1, \dots, N$

 $(0 \le j \le N)$. Finally set

$$\Omega_A \coloneqq \Omega_1 \times \cdots \times \Omega_i; \quad \Omega_B \coloneqq \Omega_{i+1} \times \cdots \times \Omega_N; \quad \Omega \coloneqq \Omega_A \times \Omega_B.$$

COROLLARY 2. The viscosity solution to (H-J)(IC) with the initial data given by (1.4) under the convention (1.5) satisfies

(1.6) $A + \max_{v_A \in \Omega_A} \min_{v_B \in \Omega_B} \{x \cdot v - tH(v)\} \leq \varphi(x, t) \leq A + \min_{v_B \in \Omega_B} \max_{v_A \in \Omega_A} \{x \cdot v - tH(v)\}.$

The rest of the paper is organized as follows. In § 2, as motivation, we show how formula (1.6) was first (formally) derived in connection with numerical approximation schemes for Hamilton-Jacobi equations and for conservation laws. In § 3 we give the proofs of Theorem 1 and Corollary 2, which are quite different from the previous derivation, and rather simple, in that they make use only of Hopf's formulas (1.1), (1.2) and a comparison argument.

2. A derivation of (1.6) by means of Godunov's Hamiltonians. The purpose of this section is to motivate Corollary 2 and to explain its connection with approximation schemes for (H-J). The rigorous proofs will be given in § 3. We assume that the solutions of (H-J) have the following properties:

- (P1) The solution $\varphi(x, t)$ is a nondecreasing function of the initial data.
- (P2) The partial derivatives φ_{x_i} satisfy a maximum principle at points of continuity, i.e., for $i = 1, \dots, N$:

$$\min(u_i^-, u_i^+) \leq \varphi_{x_i} \leq \max(u_i^-, u_i^+).$$

- (P3) The speed of propagation is finite.
- (P4) If $\psi(x_2, \dots, x_N, t)$ is a viscosity solution of

 $\psi_t + H(v_1, \psi_{x_2}, \cdots, \psi_{x_N}) = 0$

for a constant v_1 then

$$\varphi(x, t) = v_1 x_1 + \psi(x_2, \cdots, x_N, t)$$

is a viscosity solution to (H-J).

It is easy to see formally that the solution to the Cauchy problem (H-J)(IC), with initial data given by (1.4), satisfies

(2.1)
$$\varphi(x, t) = tg\left(\frac{x}{t}\right) + A = tg(\zeta) + A,$$

where g satisfies:

(2.2)
$$g = \zeta \cdot D_{\zeta}g - H(D_{\zeta}g)$$

whenever $D_{\zeta}g$ is continuous.

In (H-J), we let $\tau = t$, $y_i = x_i - \zeta_i t$ for ζ fixed. (H-J) becomes

$$(\mathrm{H}-\mathrm{J}^{1}) \qquad \varphi_{\tau} + H(D_{\nu}\varphi) - \zeta D_{\nu}\varphi = \varphi_{\tau} + H^{1}(D_{\nu}\varphi) = 0 \qquad (\text{defining } H^{1}(D_{\nu}\varphi))$$

with the same initial data (1.4).

Thus, by (2.2), to evaluate $g(\zeta)$ we need only evaluate $-H^1(D_y(g(y)))$ at y=0 for any t>0. From (P2) above we know that $(D_yg)_{y=0}$ lies in Ω for t>0. Moreover, if we integrate $(H-J)^1$ from $\tau=0$ to $\tau=\Delta t$ we have

(2.3)

$$\varphi(0, \Delta t) = A - \Delta t H^{1}((D_{y}g)_{y=0})$$

$$= \varphi_{0}(0) - \Delta t \tilde{H}^{1}(D_{+}^{x_{1}}\varphi_{0}(0), D_{-}^{x_{1}}\varphi_{0}(0); D_{+}^{x_{2}}\varphi_{0}(0), D_{-}^{x_{2}}\varphi_{0}(0); \cdots$$

$$\cdots; D_{+}^{x_{N}}\varphi_{0}(0), D_{-}^{x_{N}}\varphi_{0}(0)).$$

Here

(2.4)
$$D_{\pm}^{x_i}\varphi_0(0) = \pm \frac{(\varphi_0(\pm he_i) - \varphi_0(0))}{h} = u_i^{\pm}$$

where $e_i = \{0, 0, \dots, 1, 0, \dots\}$, the *i*th unit vector, and $\tilde{H}^1(u_1^+, u_1^-; u_2^+, u_2^-; \dots; u_N^+, u_N^-)$ is determined by (2.3).

This formula can be interpreted as a numerical algorithm. Suppose we are given a grid

$$x_{j_i}^i = j_i h, \quad i = 1, \cdots, N; \quad j_i = 0, \pm 1, \cdots$$

and values of a discrete function $\psi_j = \psi_{j_1 j_2 \cdots j_N}$. Then for each *j*, we construct the piecewise affine function which, in each of the 2^N orthants centered at *j*, interpolates ψ_j and its *N* nearest neighbors, $\psi_{j\pm e_i}$ for $i = 1, \dots, N$. From (P3), if

(2.5) (CFL)
$$\frac{\Delta t}{h} \max_{\substack{v \in \Omega^{(j)} \\ i=1,\cdots,N}} |H_{u_i}^1| \leq \frac{1}{N^{1/2}},$$

where $\Omega^{(j)}$ is the same as Ω with each u_i^- , u_i^+ replaced by $D_-^{x_i}\psi_j$, $D_+^{x_i}\psi_j$, then the solution to the initial value problem (H-J¹) with the above affine initial data in the diamond centered at j when evaluated at $x = x_j$ and $t = \Delta t$ is independent of the values of the initial data outside of this diamond.

Thus (2.3) (with $\varphi_0(0)$ replaced by ψ_j^n and $\varphi(0, \Delta t)$ by ψ_j^{n+1}), gives us a monotone finite difference scheme approximating (H-J¹) which is in differenced form with numerical Hamiltonian \tilde{H}^1 . These concepts were introduced in [4]. The scheme is monotone, which means that the right side of (2.3) is an increasing function of all the $\varphi_{j\pm e_i}$, because of property (P1). The function \tilde{H}^1 is called Godunov's Hamiltonian by analogy with the definition of Godunov's scheme for conservation laws in one space dimension [8]. The scheme is consistent, which means

$$H^{1}(u_{1}, u_{1}; u_{2}, u_{2}; \cdots; u_{N}, u_{N}) = H^{1}(u_{1}, u_{2}, \cdots, u_{N}).$$

Monotonicity implies that

$$\tilde{H}^{1}(u_{1}^{+}, u_{1}^{-}; u_{2}^{+}, u_{2}^{-}; \cdots; u_{N}^{+}, u_{N}^{-})$$

is a nonincreasing function of all the u_i^+ and a nondecreasing function of all the u_i . In particular, for N = 1, this means for any $v_1 \in \Omega = \Omega_1$:

$$sgn (u_1^+ - u_1^-) [\tilde{H}^1(u_1^+, u_1^-) - H^1(v_1)] = sgn (u_1^+ - v_1) [\tilde{H}^1(u_1^+, u_1^-) - \tilde{H}^1(v_1, u_1^-)] + sgn (v_1 - u_1^-) [\tilde{H}^1(v_1, u_1^-) - \tilde{H}^1(v_1, v_1)]$$
(2.6)

≦0.

But, by (P2), $\tilde{H}^{1}(u_{1}^{+}, u_{1}^{-}) = H^{1}(\tilde{u}_{1})$ for some \tilde{u}_{1} in Ω . Thus we have (2.7) $\tilde{H}^{1}(u_{1}^{+}, u_{1}^{-}) = \chi_{1} \min_{v_{1} \in \Omega_{1}} \chi_{1} H^{1}(v_{1}).$

(This formula was obtained earlier in [14].) Now we proceed inductively. Suppose, for $N \le M - 1$, we have

(2.8)

$$\begin{aligned}
\max_{v_{j+1}\in\Omega_{j+1}}\cdots\max_{v_{N}\in\Omega_{N}}\min_{v_{1}\in\Omega_{1}}\cdots\min_{v_{j}\in\Omega_{j}}H^{1}(v_{1},v_{2},\cdots,v_{N}) \\
&\leq \widetilde{H}^{1}(u_{1}^{+},u_{1}^{-};u_{2}^{+},u_{2}^{-};\cdots;u_{N}^{+},u_{N}^{-}) \\
&\leq \min_{v_{1}\in\Omega_{1}}\cdots\min_{v_{j}\in\Omega_{j}}\max_{v_{j+1}\in\Omega_{j+1}}\cdots\max_{v_{N}\in\Omega_{N}}H^{1}(v_{1},v_{2},\cdots,v_{N}),
\end{aligned}$$

where

$$\chi_i = 1,$$
 $i = 1, \dots, j,$
 $\chi_i = -1,$ $i = j + 1, \dots, N.$

Next we have, N = M and for any $v_1 \in \Omega_1$:

(2.9)
$$\chi_1[\tilde{H}^1(u_1^+, u_1^-; u_2^+, u_2^-; \cdots; u_M^+, u_M^-) - \tilde{H}^1(v_1, v_1; u_2^+, u_2^-; \cdots; u_M^+, u_M^-)] \leq 0,$$

using the same argument as in (2.6).

Now, for any fixed v_1 , $\tilde{H}^1(v_1, v_1; u_2^+ u_2^-, \cdots; u_M^+, u_M^-)$ is Godunov's Hamiltonian when the initial data for $(H-J^1)$ has a constant x_1 derivative,

$$\frac{\partial \varphi_0}{\partial x_1}(x) \equiv v_1$$

Then it follows from (P4) that

$$g\left(\frac{x}{t}\right) = \frac{x_1}{t} v_1 + \tilde{g}\left(\frac{x_2}{t}, \frac{x_3}{t}, \cdots, \frac{x_M}{t}\right)$$

(where \tilde{g} also depends on v_1).

By the induction hypothesis, this means we have

(2.10)

$$\chi_{1}\tilde{H}^{1}(u_{1}^{+}, u_{1}^{-}; u_{2}^{+}, u_{2}^{-}; \cdots; u_{M}^{+}, u_{M}^{-})$$

$$\leq \chi_{1}\tilde{H}^{1}(v_{1}, v_{1}; u_{2}^{+}, u_{2}^{-}; \cdots; u_{M}^{+}, u_{M}^{-})$$

$$= -\chi_{1}\tilde{g}(0, 0, \cdots, 0)$$

$$\leq \chi_{1}\chi_{2} \min_{v_{2} \in \Omega_{2}} \chi_{2} \cdots \chi_{M} \min_{v_{M} \in \Omega_{M}} \chi_{M}H^{1}(v_{1}, v_{2} \cdots v_{M})$$

$$= \chi_{1}H^{1}(v_{1}, \tilde{v}_{2}, \cdots, \tilde{v}_{M})$$

where the extrema is taken on at $\tilde{v}_2, \dots, \tilde{v}_M$, which depends on v_1 . The vector $(v_1, \tilde{v}_2, \dots, \tilde{v}_N) \in \Omega_1$, where $v_1 \in \Omega_1$ is arbitrary. We next take \min_{v_1} of the expression in (2.10). If all the $\chi_i \equiv 1$ or all the $\chi_i \equiv -1$ we have equality by (P2). Otherwise, $\chi_i \equiv 1$, $1 \le i \le j$, $\chi_i \equiv -1$, $j+1 \le i \le M$, and we have the right-hand inequality in (2.8). Next we have, for any $v_{j+1} \in \Omega_{j+1}$, following the argument above:

(2.11)
$$\tilde{H}^{1}(u_{1}^{+}, u_{1}^{-}; u_{2}^{+}, u_{2}^{-}; \cdots; u_{M}^{+}, u_{M}^{-}) \\ \cong \tilde{H}^{1}(u_{1}^{+}, u_{1}^{-}; \cdots; v_{j+1}; \cdots; u_{M}^{+}, u_{M}^{-}) \\ \cong \chi_{j+2} \min_{v_{j+2} \in \Omega_{j+2}} \chi_{j+2} \cdots \chi_{M} \min_{v_{M} \in \Omega_{M}} \chi_{M} \chi_{1} \min_{v_{1} \in \Omega_{1}} \chi_{1} \cdots \chi_{j} \\ \cdots \min_{v_{j} \in \Omega_{j}} \chi_{j} H^{1}(v_{1}, v_{2}, \cdots, v_{M}).$$

We next take the max v_{j+1} of the expression in (P4) which gives us the left-hand inequality in (2.8).

We have now obtained formula (2.8) for any N; using (2.1) and (2.2) gives us our intuitive derivation of (1.6).

Remark 2.1. We note that (2.8) validates the conjecture about Godunov's Hamiltonian in [15] when the inequalities in (2.10) and (2.11) become equalities. That paper also discusses the high-order accurate nonoscillatory numerical solution of (H-J) in some detail. See also [16] for a further discussion of these issues.

Remark 2.2. If we take the space gradient of (H-J) and call $u_1 = \varphi_{x_1}$, $u_2 = \varphi_{x_2}$, etc., we arrive at the system of conservation laws

(2.12)
$$(u_i)_i + \frac{\partial}{\partial_{x_i}} H(u_1, \cdots, u_N) = 0, \qquad i = 1, \cdots, N$$

with initial data:

$$u_i(x, 0) = \begin{cases} u_i^+ & \text{if } x_i > 0 \\ u_i^- & \text{if } x_i < 0, \qquad i = 1, \cdots, N. \end{cases}$$

Thus (1.6) gives us information about the solution to this special Riemann problem for a special system of conservation laws.

3. Proofs.

Proof of Theorem 1. Since φ_2 can be written as the Legendre transform of its Legendre transform

$$\varphi_2(x_B) = \inf_{v_B \in \mathbb{R}^N} \{-x_B \cdot v_B - \varphi_2^*(v_B)\},\$$

we will first solve (H-J) with the initial data

(3.1)
$$\psi_0(v_B, x) = \varphi_1(x_A) - x_B \cdot v_B - \varphi_2^*(v_B)$$

and then take the infimum as v_B varies in \mathbb{R}^{N-j} . Since the initial data ψ_0 are convex in x for each choice of v_B , we can write Hopf's formula for the solution $\psi(v_B, x, t)$ of (H-J) plus

$$\psi(v_B, x, 0) = \psi_0(v_B, x)$$
 for all $x \in \mathbb{R}^N$

To do this we compute the Legendre transform with respect to x of ψ_0 :

$$\psi_0^*(v_B, y) = \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^N} \{ x_A \cdot y_A + x_B \cdot (y_B + v_B) - \varphi_1(x_A) + \varphi_2^*(v_B) \\ = \begin{cases} +\infty & \text{if } y_B \neq -v_B, \\ \varphi_1^*(y_A) + \varphi_2^*(v_B) & \text{if } y_B = -v_B, \end{cases}$$

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and then apply (1.1) to get

$$\psi(v_B, x, t) = \sup_{\substack{y_A \in \mathbb{R}^j \\ v_A \in \mathbb{R}^j}} \{x_A \cdot y_A - x_B \cdot v_B - \varphi_1^*(y_A) - \varphi_2^*(v_B) - tH(y_A, -v_B)\}$$

=
$$\sup_{\substack{v_A \in \mathbb{R}^j \\ v_A \in \mathbb{R}^j}} G(-v, x, t).$$

Since $\psi(v_B, \cdot, \cdot) \in UC_x(\mathbb{R}^N \times [0, T])$ for all v_B and $\psi(v_B, x, 0) \ge \varphi(x, 0)$, a standard comparison theorem for unbounded viscosity solutions [10], [5] gives

$$\psi(v_B, x, t) \ge \varphi(x, t)$$
 for all $(x, t) \in \mathbb{R}^N \times [0, T]$, $v_B \in \mathbb{R}^{N-j}$

Then

$$\inf_{v_B \in \mathbb{R}^{N-j}} \sup_{v_A \in \mathbb{R}^j} G(v, x, t) = \inf_{v_B \in \mathbb{R}^{N-j}} \psi(v_B, x, t) \ge \varphi(x, t)$$

which is the second inequality in (1.3).

The first inequality is proved in a similar way. We apply Hopf's formula (1.2) to compute the solution $\psi(v_A, x, t)$ of (H-J) with the concave initial condition

$$\psi(v_A, x, 0) = \varphi_2(x_B) + x_A \cdot v_A - \varphi_1^*(v_A) \leq \varphi(x, 0).$$

Since

$$\psi^{*}(v_{A}, y, 0) = \begin{cases} -\infty & \text{if } y_{A} \neq -v_{A}, \\ \varphi_{1}^{*}(v_{A}) + \varphi_{2}^{*}(y_{B}) & \text{if } y_{A} = -v_{B}, \end{cases}$$

we get

$$\psi(v_A, x, t) = \inf_{v_B \in \mathbb{R}^{N-j}} G(v, x, t),$$

and, as before, we conclude by means of a comparison theorem. \Box

Remark 3.1. The first and the third member of (1.3) coincide with φ at t = 0, but in general it is not clear whether they are continuous. However, they are anyway respectively a subsolution and a supersolution of (H-J) in the generalized viscosity sense of Ishii [11]. This follows from Proposition 2.4 in [11], because they are, respectively, a supremum and an infimum of solutions of (H-J).

Proof of Corollary 2. We set

$$\varphi_1(x_A) = A + x_A \cdot u(x_A), \qquad \varphi_2(x_B) = x_B \cdot u(x_B),$$

and compute the Legendre transforms

$$\varphi_1^*(v_A) = -A + \sup_{x_A \in \mathbb{R}^j} x_A \cdot (v_A - u(x_A))$$

$$= \begin{cases} +\infty & \text{if } v_i > u_i^+ \text{ or } v_i < u_i^- & \text{for some } 1 \le i \le j, \\ -A & \text{if } u_i^- \le v_i \le u_i^+ & \text{for all } i = 1, \cdots, j \end{cases}$$

$$= \begin{cases} +\infty & \text{if } v_A \notin \Omega_A, \\ -A & \text{if } v_A \in \Omega_A; \end{cases}$$

$$\varphi_2^*(-v_B) = \begin{cases} -\infty & \text{if } v_B \notin \Omega_B, \\ 0 & \text{if } v_B \in \Omega_B; \end{cases}$$

which substituted in (1.3) give immediately (1.6).

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