On the Existence of Optimal Worst-Case Robust Controls

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Worst-case Robust Problem

$$\min_{u \in \mathbb{R}^n} \max_{p \in [-1, 1]} \| (A_0 + p A_1) u - b \|_2^2$$

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Lemma

The Optimal Value Function

$$v(u) := \sup_{p \in P_{\mathrm{ad}}} f(u,p)$$

is weakly lower semicontinuous if $u \mapsto f(u, p)$ is weakly lower semicontinuous for all $p \in P_{ad}$.

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Lemma

The intersection of weakly closed sets is weakly closed.

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Theorem

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