

MINMAX THEOREMS AND LOCAL
OPTIMIZATION PROBLEMS

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In this paper, we prove the generalized minmax theorem and by using of topological degree we prove the local dotimization problem.

LEMMA 1. Let X be a compact subset of a topological vector space E , Y be a convex subset of a topological vectors space E and let F be a real valued function on $X \times Y$ satisfying:

- (1) For each $y \in Y$, the function $F(x, y)$ of x is upper semicontinuous;
- (2) for each $x \in X$, the function $F(x, y)$ of y is convex;
- (3) for any constant c , $\sup_{x \in X} \inf_{y \in Y} F(x, y) < c$.

Then there exists a continuous mapping p of X into Y such that $F(x, p(x)) < c$ for all $x \in X$.

PROOF. By (3), for every $x \in X$ there exists $y_c \in Y$ such that $F(x, y_c) < c$. Setting

$$A_{y_c} = \{x \in X : F(x, y_c) < c\}$$

for each $y_c \in Y$, thus we have $X = \bigcup_{y_c \in Y} A_{y_c}$. Since X is compact, there exists a finite family $\{y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n\}$ such that

$X = \sum_{i=1}^n A_{y_i}$. Let $\{\beta_1, \beta_2, \dots, \beta_n\}$ be a partition of unity corresponding to this covering, i. e., each β_i is a continuous mapping of X into $[0, 1]$ which vanishes outside of A_{y_i} , while $\sum_{i=1}^n \beta_i = 1$ for all $x \in X$. For each i such that $\beta_i(x) = 0$, x lies in A_{y_j} , so that $F(x, y_i) < c$. Hence, we have

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \beta_i(x) F(x, y_i) < c$$

for all $x \in X$. Define a continuous mapping p of X into Y by setting

$$p(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n \beta_i(x) y_i.$$

By convexity, we see that

$$\begin{aligned} F(x, p(x)) &= F\left(x, \sum_{i=1}^n \beta_i(x) y_i\right) \\ &\leq \sum_{i=1}^n \beta_i(x) F(x, y_i) < c \end{aligned}$$

for all $x \in X$. Thus, there exists a continuous mapping p of X into Y such that $F(x, p(x)) < c$ for all $x \in X$.

LEMMA 2. Let Y be a compact subset of a topological vector space E , X be a convex subset of a topological vector space E and let F be a real valued function on $X \times Y$ satisfying:

- (1) For each $y \in Y$ the function $F(x, y)$ of x is concave;
- (2) for each $x \in X$, the function $F(x, y)$ of y is lower

semicontinuous;

(3) for any constant c , $\inf_{y \in Y} \sup_{x \in X} F(x, y) > c$.

Then, there exists a continuous mapping q of Y into X such that $F(q(y), y) > c$ for all $y \in Y$.

PROOF. Since Y is compact, there exists a finite family $\{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$ such that $Y = \bigcap_{i=1}^n C_{x_i}$. Let $\{r_1, r_2, \dots, r_n\}$ be a partition of unity corresponding to this covering, i. e., each r_i is a continuous mapping of X into $[0, 1]$ which vanishes outside of C_{x_i} , while $\sum_{i=1}^n r_i = 1$ for all $y \in Y$. For each i , such that $r_i(y) = 0$, y lies in C_{x_i} . So that $F(x_i, y) > c$. Hence, we have

$$\sum_{i=1}^n r_i(y) F(x_i, y) > c$$

for all $y \in Y$.

Define a continuous mapping q of Y into X by setting

$$q(y) = \sum_{i=1}^n r_i(y) x_i.$$

By concavity, we see that

$$\begin{aligned} F(q(y), y) &= F\left(\sum_{i=1}^n r_i(y) x_i, y\right) \\ &\geq \sum_{i=1}^n r_i(y) F(x_i, y) > c \end{aligned}$$

for all $y \in Y$. Thus, there exists a continuous mapping q of Y into X such that $F(q(y), y) > c$ for all $y \in Y$.

THEOREM 1. Let X and Y be compact convex subsets each in a topological vector space and let $F : X \times Y \rightarrow R$ be a function satisfying :

- (1) For each $y \in Y$, $F(x, y)$ is upper semicontinuous and concave on X ;
- (2) for each $x \in X$, $F(x, y)$ is lower semicontinuous and convex on Y .

Then, we have

$$\sup_{x \in X} \inf_{y \in Y} F(x, y) = \inf_{y \in Y} \sup_{x \in X} F(x, y).$$

PROOF. Suppose that there exists a constant c such that

$$\sup_{y \in Y} \inf_{x \in X} F(x, y) < c < \inf_{y \in Y} \sup_{x \in X} F(x, y).$$

Then by Lemma 1, there exists a continuous mapping p of X in to Y such that $F(x, p(x)) < c$ for all $x \in X$ and by Lemma 2, there exists a continuous mapping q of Y into X such that $F(q(y), y) > c$ for all $y \in Y$.

Let $Z = X \times Y$ and define $h : Z \times Z \rightarrow R$ by

$$\begin{aligned} & h((x, y), (q(y), q(x))) \\ &= (F(q(y), y) - c) \cap (c - F(x, p(x))) \end{aligned}$$

for all $(x, y) \in X \times Y$. Then we see that

$$\begin{aligned} h((x, y), (x, y)) &= (F(x, y) - c) \cap (c - F(x, y)) \\ &= \{0\}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus we have

$$F(x, y) = c$$

for all $(x, y) \in X \times Y$. This is a contradiction. Consequently we have

$$\sup_{x \in X} \inf_{y \in Y} F(x, y) = \inf_{y \in Y} \sup_{x \in X} F(x, y).$$

LEMMA 3. Let X be a compact subset of a topological vector space E , Y be a convex subset of a topological vector space E and let F be a real valued function on $X \times Y$ satisfying:

- (1) For each $y \in Y$, the function $F(x, y)$ of x is upper semicontinuous ;
- (2) for each $x \in X$, the function $F(x, y)$ of y is quasi-convex ;
- (3) for any constant c , $\sup_{x \in X} \inf_{y \in Y} F(x, y) < c$.

Then, there exists a continuous mapping p of X into Y such that $F(x, p(x)) < c$ for all $x \in X$.

PROOF. The proof is similar of Lemma 1. But the property of (2) we see that

$$\begin{aligned} F(x, p(x)) &= F\left(x, \sum_{i=1}^n \beta_i(x) y_i\right) \\ &\leq \max \{F(x, y_i)\} < c \end{aligned}$$

for all $x \in X$. Thus, there exists a continuous mapping p of X into Y such that $F(x, p(x)) < c$ for all $x \in X$.

The proves of Lemma 4 and Theorem 2 are same method of Lemma 2 and Theorem 1 respectively.

LEMMA 4. Let Y be a compact subset of a topological vector space E , X be a convex subset of a topological

vector space E and let F be a real valued function on $X \times Y$ satisfying:

- (1) For each $y \in Y$, the function $F(x, y)$ of x is quasi-concave;
- (2) for each $x \in X$, the function $F(x, y)$ of y lower semicontinuous;
- (3) for any constant c , $\inf_{y \in Y} \sup_{x \in X} F(x, y) < c$.

Then, there exists a continuous mapping g of Y into X such that $F(g(y), y) > c$ for all $y \in Y$.

THEOREM 2. Let X and Y be compact convex subset each in a topological vector space and let $F: X \times Y \rightarrow R$ be a function satisfying:

- (1) For each $y \in Y$, $F(x, y)$ is upper semicontinuous and quasiconcave on X ;
- (2) for each $x \in X$, $F(x, y)$ is lower semicontinuous and quasiconvex on Y .

Then, we have

$$\sup_{x \in X} \inf_{y \in Y} F(x, y) = \inf_{y \in Y} \sup_{x \in X} F(x, y).$$

DEFINITION 1. Let D denote an open bounded set of R^n , ∂D its boundary, f a mapping from \bar{D} into R^n , and $a \in R^n - f(\partial D)$. If f is a $C^1(D)$ -mapping and $C^0(\bar{D})$ -mapping,

$$\deg(f, D, a) = \sum_{x \in f^{-1}(a)} \text{sign } J_f(x),$$

if

$$f^{-1}(a) \cap Z = \phi, \text{ with } Z = \{x \times J_f(x) = 0\},$$

Here, $J_f(x)$ is the Jacobian of f at the point x .

DEFINITION 2. Let $\{f_x\}$ denote a family of convex functions on R^n , depending on the parameter $x \in \bar{\Omega}$, where Ω is an open bounded subset of R^n . If there exists a continuous mapping

$$p: \partial\Omega \rightarrow R^n - \{0\}$$

and $\varepsilon \geq 0$, such that

$$f_x(p(x)) < f_x(0) - \varepsilon, \quad \forall x \in \partial\Omega,$$

then we define

$$\deg(f_x) = \deg(p, \Omega, 0),$$

where p is a continuous extension of p to Ω .

THEOREM 3. Let $\{f_x\}$ be a family of closed convex functions, depending continuously on the parameter $x \in \bar{\Omega}$, where Ω is an open bounded subset of R^n . If $0 \notin \partial f_x(0)$ for all $x \in \partial\Omega$ and $\deg(f_x) \neq 0$, then there exists a $x_0 \in \Omega$, such that

$$f_{x_0}(0) = \inf_{y \in R^n} f_{x_0}(y).$$

PROOF. Assume that

$$\deg(f_x) \neq 0 \text{ and } f_x(0) > \inf_y f_x(y),$$

for all $x \in \Omega$. Since $0 \notin \partial f_x(0)$ for every $x \in \partial\Omega$, we have $f_x(0) > \inf_y f_x(y)$ for all $x \in \bar{\Omega}$. We denote the lower semicontinuous function $g(x) = f_x(0) - \inf_y f_x(y) > 0$.

Since

$\bar{\Omega}$ is compact, there exists a $x_0 \in \bar{\Omega}$ such that $g(x_0) =$

$\inf_{x \in \bar{\Omega}} g(x) > 0$. We take $\varepsilon (0 < \varepsilon < g(x_0))$. Then we have

$$f_x(0) > \inf_y f_x(y) + \varepsilon$$

for all $x \in \bar{\Omega}$, which implies that

$$\sup_{x \in \bar{\Omega}} \inf_y (f_x(y) - f_x(0)) < -\varepsilon.$$

By Lemma 1, there exists a continuous mapping $p: \bar{\Omega} \rightarrow R^n - \{0\}$ such that

$$f_x(p(x)) < f_x(0) - \varepsilon.$$

By [2]

$$\deg(f_x) = \deg(p, \Omega, 0) = 0$$

because $0 \notin p(\bar{\Omega})$. This is a contraction. Thus theorem is complete.

DEFINITION 3. Let (E, F) be a dual system, and $f: E \rightarrow \bar{R}$ is a quasiconvex mapping. For any $x_0 \in E$, the quasisubgradient of f at x_0 is the set $\partial^* f(x_0) \subset F$, defined by

$$x^* \in \partial^* f(x_0) \text{ if } (x^*, x - x_0) \geq 0 \text{ then } f(x) \geq f(x_0).$$

THEOREM 4. Let $\{f_x\}$ be a family of closed quasiconvex functions, depending continuously on the parameter $x \in \bar{\Omega}$, where Ω is an open bounded subset of R^n . If $0 \notin \partial^* f_x(0)$ for all $x \in \partial \Omega$ and $\deg(f_x) \neq 0$, then there exists a $x_0 \in \Omega$, such that

$$f_{x_0}(0) = \inf_{y \in R^n} f_{x_0}(y).$$

PROOF. By using of Lemma 3, [the method is same as Theorem 3.

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