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## MULTIFUNCTIONS WITH CONVEX CLOSED GRAPH

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In this paper we shall establish some properties of multifunctions with convex closed graph which are in connection with "open mapping theorem" and "closed graph theorem".

Let  $X, Y$  be real linear topological spaces, and let  $\mathcal{U}, \mathcal{V}$  be the families of all neighbourhoods of the origins in  $X, Y$ , respectively.

Let  $C$  be a non-empty subset of  $X$ , and let  $F : C \rightarrow Y$  be a multifunction with non-empty values.

Throughout the paper: core, lin, int, cl denote algebraic interior, algebraic closure, topological interior, topological closure (see [4]); gr denotes graph.

The main result of the paper is the following

**Theorem** (see [5]). *Let  $X$  be a locally convex, complete, semi-metrizable space, and let  $Y$  be a barrelled space. Let gr  $F$  be a convex, closed set, and let  $\text{core } F(C) \neq \emptyset$ . Then*

$$F(x) \cap \text{core } F(C) \subseteq \text{int } F(C \cap (x + U)),$$

$$F(x) \subseteq \text{lin int } F(C \cap (x + U))$$

for all  $x \in C$  and  $U \in \mathcal{U}$ .

Before to make good the theorem, let us prove some lemmas.

**Lemma 1.** *The set gr  $F$  is convex if and only if the set  $C$  is convex and  $t_1 F(x_1) + t_2 F(x_2) \subseteq F(t_1 x_1 + t_2 x_2)$  for all  $x_1 \in C, x_2 \in C, t_1 \geq 0, t_2 \geq 0$ , and  $t_1 + t_2 = 1$ .*

*Proof.* The demonstration is not difficult.

**Lemma 2.** *Let  $X$  be a locally convex space, and let  $Y$  be a barrelled space. Let  $\text{core } F(C) \neq \emptyset$ . Then*

$$F(x) \cap \text{core } F(C) \subseteq \text{int cl } F(C \cap (x + U))$$

for all  $x \in C$  and  $U \in \mathcal{U}$ .

Proof. Let  $U \in \mathcal{U}$ . There exists  $\tilde{U} \in \mathcal{U}$  convex such that  $\tilde{U} \subseteq U$ . Let  $x \in C$ . Denote  $C_n = C \cap (x + n\tilde{U})$ . Then  $C = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} C_n$  and  $((n-1)/n)x + (1/n)C_n \subseteq C_1$ , hence  $F(C) = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} F(C_n)$  and  $((n-1)/n)F(x) + (1/n)F(C_n) \subseteq F(C_1)$ .

Let  $y \in F(x) \cap \text{core } F(C)$ . Then  $F(C_n) - y \subseteq n(F(C_1) - y)$  and  $0 \in \text{core } (F(C) - y)$ . But  $F(C) - y = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} (F(C_n) - y) \subseteq \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} n(F(C_1) - y)$ , hence  $\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} n(F(C_1) - y) = Y$  and  $V = \text{cl } (F(C_1) - y) \in \mathcal{V}$  (recall that  $F(C_1)$  is a convex set) (see [2], p. 3). Consequently  $y + V = \text{cl } F(C_1)$  and  $y \in \text{int cl } F(C_1) \subseteq \text{int cl } F(C \cap (x + U))$ .

**Lemma 3.** (see [3], p. 202). *Let  $X$  be a complete, semi-metrizable space. Let  $\text{gr } F$  be a convex, closed set. Let  $x \in C$ , let  $y \in Y$ , and suppose that*

$$y \in \text{int cl } F(C \cap (x + U))$$

for all  $U \in \mathcal{U}$ . Then

$$y \in \text{int } F(C \cap (x + U))$$

for all  $U \in \mathcal{U}$ .

Proof. First, let us prove that

$$t \text{ cl } F(C \cap (x + U)) + (1-t)y \subseteq F(C \cap (x + t(U + \tilde{U})))$$

for all  $t \in (0, 1)$ ,  $U \in \mathcal{U}$ , and  $\tilde{U} \in \mathcal{U}$ .

Let  $t \in (0, 1)$ . Denote  $t_n = t^{(1/2^n)}$ . Then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} t_n \dots t_1 = t$ .

Let  $\tilde{U} \in \mathcal{U}$ . There exists a fundamental sequence  $U_n \in \mathcal{U}$  of closed neighbourhoods such that  $U_1 + U_1 \subseteq \tilde{U}$  and  $U_{n+1} + U_{n+1} \subseteq U_n$  (see [1], p. 23). Denote  $\tilde{U}_n = (t_n \dots t_1 / (1 - t_n)) U_n$ . There exists  $\tilde{V}_n \in \mathcal{V}$  such that  $y + \tilde{V}_n \subseteq \text{cl } F(C \cap (x + \tilde{U}_n))$ . Denote  $V_n = ((1 - t_n) / t_n) \tilde{V}_n$ .

Let  $U \in \mathcal{U}$ , let  $\tilde{y} \in \text{cl } F(C \cap (x + U))$ , and let us show that

$$t\tilde{y} + (1-t)y \in F(C \cap (x + t(U + \tilde{U}))).$$

We shall construct, step by step, a sequence  $u \in U$ ,  $u_1 \in U_1, \dots, u_n \in U_n, \dots$  with the following property:

$$t_n \dots t_1 \tilde{y} + (1 - t_n \dots t_1) y \in \text{cl } F(C \cap (x + t_n \dots t_1 (u + \dots + u_{n-1} + U_n))).$$

Since  $(\tilde{y} - V_1) \cap F(C \cap (x + U)) \neq \emptyset$ , there exist  $v_1 \in V_1$  and  $u \in U$  such that  $x + u \in C$  and  $\tilde{y} - v_1 \in F(x + u)$ , hence  $t_1 \tilde{y} + (1 - t_1)y = t_1(\tilde{y} - v_1) + (1 - t_1)y + (t_1/(1 - t_1))v_1 \in t_1 F(x + u) + (1 - t_1)(y + (t_1/(1 - t_1))V_1)$ . But  $y + (t_1/(1 - t_1))V_1 = y + \tilde{V}_1 \subseteq \text{cl } F(C \cap (x + \tilde{U}_1)) = \text{cl } F(C \cap (x + (t_1/(1 - t_1))U_1))$  which means that  $t_1 \tilde{y} + (1 - t_1)y \in \text{cl } F(C \cap (x + t_1(u + U_1)))$ .

Suppose that we have  $u \in U, \dots, u_{n-1} \in U_{n-1}$  with the desired property. Since

$$(t_n \dots t_1 \tilde{y} + (1 - t_n \dots t_1) y - V_{n+1}) \cap \\ \cap F(C \cap (x + t_n \dots t_1(u + \dots + u_{n-1} + U_n))) \neq \emptyset,$$

there exist  $v_{n+1} \in V_{n+1}$  and  $u_n \in U_n$  such that

$$x + t_n \dots t_1(u + \dots + u_n) \in C$$

and

$$t_n \dots t_1 \tilde{y} + (1 - t_n \dots t_1) y - v_{n+1} \in F(x + t_n \dots t_1(u + \dots + u_n)),$$

hence  $t_{n+1} \dots t_1 \tilde{y} + (1 - t_{n+1} \dots t_1) y = t_{n+1}(t_n \dots t_1 \tilde{y} + (1 - t_n \dots t_1) y - v_{n+1}) + (1 - t_{n+1})(y + (t_{n+1}/(1 - t_{n+1})) v_{n+1}) \in t_{n+1}F(x + t_n \dots t_1(u + \dots + u_n)) + (1 - t_{n+1})(y + (t_{n+1}/(1 - t_{n+1})) v_{n+1})$ . But  $y + (t_{n+1}/(1 - t_{n+1})) v_{n+1} = y + \tilde{V}_{n+1} \subseteq \text{cl } F(C \cap (x + \tilde{U}_{n+1})) = \text{cl } F(C \cap (x + (t_{n+1} \dots t_1/(1 - t_{n+1})) U_{n+1}))$  which means that  $t_{n+1} \dots t_1 \tilde{y} + (1 - t_{n+1} \dots t_1) y \in \text{cl } F(C \cap (x + t_{n+1} \dots t_1(u + \dots + u_n + U_{n+1})))$  and the desired sequence is obtained.

Since  $u_{p+1} + \dots + u_q \in U_{p+1} + \dots + U_q \subseteq U_p$ , the series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} u_n$  is convergent.

Denote by  $\tilde{u}$  its limit. Since  $u_1 + \dots + u_n \in u_1 + U_1, \tilde{u} \in u_1 + U_1 \subseteq \tilde{U}$ .

Let now  $U' \in \mathcal{U}, V' \in \mathcal{V}$  be arbitrary open neighbourhoods. There exists  $n$  such that

$$x + t_n \dots t_1(u + \dots + u_{n-1} + U_n) \subseteq x + t(u + \tilde{u}) + U'$$

and

$$t_n \dots t_1 \tilde{y} + (1 - t_n \dots t_1) y \in t\tilde{y} + (1 - t)y + V'.$$

Since  $t_n \dots t_1 \tilde{y} + (1 - t_n \dots t_1) y \in \text{cl } F(C \cap (x + t(u + \tilde{u}) + U'))$ , it follows that  $(t\tilde{y} + (1 - t)y + V') \cap F(C \cap (x + t(u + \tilde{u}) + U')) \neq \emptyset$  hence there exist  $u' \in U'$  and  $v' \in V'$  such that  $x + t(u + \tilde{u}) + u' \in C$  and  $t\tilde{y} + (1 - t)y + v' \in F(x + t(u + \tilde{u}) + u')$  that is  $(x + t(u + \tilde{u}), t\tilde{y} + (1 - t)y) + (u', v') \in \text{gr } F$ . Consequently  $(x + t(u + \tilde{u}), t\tilde{y} + (1 - t)y) \in \text{gr } F$ , i.e.,  $x + t(u + \tilde{u}) \in C$  and  $t\tilde{y} + (1 - t)y \in F(x + t(u + \tilde{u})) \subseteq F(C \cap (x + t(U + \tilde{U})))$ .

Finally, let us prove the lemma. Let  $U \in \mathcal{U}$ . There exists  $\tilde{U} \in \mathcal{U}$  such that  $\tilde{U} + \tilde{U} \subseteq 2U$ . There exists  $\tilde{V} \in \mathcal{V}$  such that  $y + \tilde{V} \subseteq \text{cl } F(C \cap (x + \tilde{U}))$ . Denote  $V = (\frac{1}{2})\tilde{V}$ . Then  $y + V \subseteq (\frac{1}{2})(y + \tilde{V}) + (\frac{1}{2})y \subseteq (\frac{1}{2})\text{cl } F(C \cap (x + \tilde{U})) + (\frac{1}{2})y \subseteq F(C \cap (x + (\frac{1}{2})(\tilde{U} + \tilde{U}))) \subseteq F(C \cap (x + U))$  and  $y \in \text{int } F(C \cap (x + U))$ .

Let now return to the theorem.

**Proof of the theorem.** Let  $x \in C$  and  $U \in \mathcal{U}$ . The first inclusion follows by lemmas 2 and 3. Let us prove the second inclusion. Let  $y \in F(x)$ . Since  $F(C) \subseteq \text{lin core } F(C)$  (recall that  $F(C)$  is a convex set) there exist  $\tilde{y} \in Y$  and  $r_1 > 0$  such that  $y + s\tilde{y} \in \text{core } F(C)$  for all  $s \in (0, r_1]$ . Moreover there exists  $\tilde{x} \in X$  such that  $x + r_1\tilde{x} \in C$

and  $y + r_1\tilde{y} \in F(x + r_1\tilde{x})$ . Then  $y + s\tilde{y} = ((r_1 - s)/r_1)y + (s/r_1)(y + r_1\tilde{y}) \in ((r_1 - s)/r_1)F(x) + (s/r_1)F(x + r_1\tilde{x}) \subseteq F(x + s\tilde{x})$  for all  $s \in (0, r_1]$ . Let  $\tilde{U} \in \mathcal{U}$  such that  $\tilde{U} + \tilde{U} \subseteq U$ , let  $r_2 > 0$  such that  $s\tilde{x} \in \tilde{U}$  for all  $s \in (0, r_2]$ , and denote  $r = \min(r_1, r_2)$ . Let  $s \in (0, r]$ . Then  $y + s\tilde{y} \in F(x + s\tilde{x}) \cap \text{core } F(C) \subseteq \text{int } F(C \cap (x + s\tilde{x} + \tilde{U})) \subseteq \text{int } F(C \cap (x + U))$  and  $y \in \text{lin int } F(C \cap (x + U))$ .

**Remark 1.** The first inclusion of the theorem contains an “open mapping theorem” (i.e., the multifunction  $F$  is open at every  $x \in C$  with  $F(x) \subseteq \text{core } F(C)$ ), and a “closed graph theorem” (i.e., the multifunction  $y \in F(C) \rightarrow F^-(y) = \{x \in C; y \in F(x)\}$  is lower semi-continuous at every  $y \in \text{core } F(C)$ ).

**Remark 2.** The first inclusion of the theorem becomes uninteresting if, accidentally,  $F(x) \cap \text{core } F(C) = \emptyset$  (accidentally, since, denoting  $\tilde{C} = \{x \in C; F(x) \cap \text{core } F(C) \neq \emptyset\}$ , we have  $C \subseteq \text{lin } \tilde{C}$ ). The second inclusion of the theorem removes this trouble.

**Remark 3.** From the second inclusion of the theorem it follows  $\text{int } F(C \cap (x + U)) \neq \emptyset$  for all  $x \in C$  and  $U \in \mathcal{U}$ , hence  $\text{int } F(C) \neq \emptyset$ .

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