

APPLICATIONS OF KKM-MAP PRINCIPLE

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An extension of a result due to Prolla⁵ is given and a few results are derived as corollaries

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The following important result due to Ky Fan¹ has applications in Fixed Point Theory, Approximation Theory, Minimax Theory and Variational Inequalities.

Theorem 1 — *Let K be a nonempty subset of a Hausdorff topological vector space E . For each $x \in K$ let $F(x)$ be a closed subset of K such that*

1) *the convex hull of any finite subset $\{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$ of K is contained in $\bigcup_{i=1}^n Fx_i$*

2) *$F(x)$ is compact for some $x \in K$*

Then $\bigcap_{x \in K} F(x) \neq \emptyset$.

Prolla⁵ proved the following theorem using tools from approximation theory and the generalized form of the Kakutani fixed point theorem.

Theorem 2 — *Let $X \subset E$ be a non-empty, compact, convex subset of a normed linear space E and let g be a continuous almost affine self map of X onto X . Then for each continuous map $f: X \rightarrow E$ there is some $x \in X$ such that*

$$\|g(x) - f(x)\| = d(f(x), X).$$

The aim of this paper is to extend the result of Prolla and derive corollaries.

Our proof depend on Ky Fan's Theorem 1.

We need the following definitions.

A function f is said to be *strongly continuous* if $x_n \rightarrow x$ weakly implies that $fx_n \rightarrow fx$ strongly. A function $g: X \rightarrow E$, where X is non-empty convex set, is said to be *almost affine* if

$$\|g(t) - y\| \leq \lambda \|g(t_1) - y\| + (1 - \lambda) \|g(t_2) - y\|$$

for all $t_1, t_2 \in X, 0 < \lambda < 1, t = \lambda t_1 + (1 - \lambda) t_2$ and $y \in E$.

A function $F: X \rightarrow 2^X$ is called a *KKM-map* if $\text{co} \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\} \subseteq \bigcup_{i=1}^n Fx_i$ for each finite subset $\{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$ of X .

For details on KKM-maps, see Granas³.

We state our main result.

Theorem 3 — *Let X be a non-empty, convex, weakly compact subset of a normed linear space E and let $g: X \rightarrow X$ be a strongly continuous, almost affine, onto map.*

Then for each strongly continuous map $f: X \rightarrow E$, there exists a $y_0 \in X$ such that

$$\|g(y_0) \cdot f(y_0)\| = d(f(y_0), X).$$

PROOF : Define $G: X \rightarrow 2^E$ by

$$G(x) = \{y: y \in X, \|g(y) - f(y)\| < \|g(x) - f(y)\|\}.$$

Since f and g are strongly continuous functions $G(x)$ is weakly-closed in X and since X is weakly compact $G(x)$ is weakly-compact. Since g is an almost affine map so G is a KKM-map.

Therefore $\bigcap_{x \in X} G(x) \neq \emptyset$ by Theorem 1 using the weak topology.

Hence, there is a $y_0 \in X$ such that

$$\|g(y_0) - f(y_0)\| = \inf_{x \in X} \|g(x) - f(y_0)\|.$$

It is given that $g: X \rightarrow X$ is onto so

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Note: In case $f(y_0) \in X$ then we get $f(y_0) = g(y_0)$, a coincidence theorem.

We give the following

Theorem 4 — *Suppose X is a non-empty, convex, weakly-compact subset of a normed space E and let $f: X \rightarrow E$ be a strongly continuous, almost affine onto map. Let $g: X \rightarrow E$ be a strongly continuous map such that for each $x \in X$ with $g(x) \neq f(x)$, the line segment*

$$[g(x), f(x)] = \{\lambda g(x) + (1 - \lambda)f(x), 0 < \lambda < 1\}$$

contains at least two points of X .

Then there is a $y_0 \in X$ such that $g(y_0) = f(y_0)$.

PROOF : By Theorem 3, we have

$$\|f(y_0) - g(y_0)\| = d(f(y_0), X).$$

If $f(y_0) \neq g(y_0)$ then we get a contradiction. For example, let $x = \lambda g(y_0) + (1 + \lambda)f(y_0)$ for some $\lambda \in (0, 1)$.

Then

$$\|g(y_0) - f(y_0)\| \leq \| \lambda g(y_0) + (1 - \lambda)f(y_0) \| = \lambda \|g(y_0) - f(y_0)\| < \|g(y_0) - f(y_0)\|,$$

a contradiction.

This implies that $g(y_0) = f(y_0)$.

Remarks : In case $g = I$ an identity function, f is continuous and X is a compact, convex subset of E , then we get the result due to Ky Fan² stated below.

Theorem 5 — *Let X be a non-empty compact, convex subset of a normed linear space E and let $f : X \rightarrow E$ be a continuous function.*

Then there exists a $y_0 \in X$ such that $\|y_0 - f(y_0)\| = d(f(y_0), X)$.

PROOF : It suffices to show that f is strongly continuous. Let A be a closed subset of E . Since f is continuous $f^{-1}(A)$ is closed in X . As X is a compact set so $f^{-1}(A)$ is compact implies that it is weakly compact and therefore $f^{-1}(A)$ is weakly closed.

If X is compact, convex and f and g are continuous functions as in Theorem 2 then we get the result due to Prolla⁵.

In case $g = I$, an identity function, then we get the result due to Kapoor⁴ given below.

Theorem 6 — *Let X be a non-empty, convex, weakly-compact subset of a normed linear space E and let $f : X \rightarrow E$ be a strongly continuous map.*

Then there is a $y_0 \in X$ such that

$$\|y_0 - f(y_0)\| = \min_{x \in X} \|x - f(y_0)\|.$$

The following result in approximation theory follows easily from Theorem 6.

Let X be a weakly-compact, convex subset of a normed linear space E .

Then for each point $x \in E$ there exists a $y_0 \in X$ such that

$$\|x - y_0\| = d(x, X).$$

For a further extension of Theorem 6, see [6].

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