

## A NOTE ON COINCIDENCE THEOREMS AND KKM MAPS

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In this note the concepts of  $Q$  and  $Q^*$  applications are formulated. Using Lassonde's version of the KKM theorem some coincidence Theorems are unified and an existence theorem for a class of inequalities has also been obtained.

Browder<sup>2</sup> proved a fixed point theorem for a multi-map defined on a compact convex subset of a Hausdorff topological vector space and deduced a number of interesting results including Ky Fan's fixed point theorem<sup>3</sup>. Fan<sup>4</sup> obtained an infinite dimensional version of the KKM theorem from which Browder's theorem could be deduced. Tarafdar<sup>7</sup> extended Browder's fixed point theorem and using this extension he also obtained an existence theorem for a class of variational inequalities. Using the concepts of  $\phi$  and  $\phi^*$  applications Ben-El-Mechaiekh *et al.*<sup>1</sup> further extended these results of Browder and Tarafdar. In another direction Lassonde<sup>5</sup> generalized the KKM theorem in the setting of convex spaces more general than topological vector spaces and deduced some coincidence theorems extending Browder's theorem. Browder<sup>2</sup> obtained a coincidence theorem using Ky Fan's fixed point theorem. A recent result due to Sehgal *et al.*<sup>6</sup> supplements Browder's coincidence theorem and indeed it leads to Browder's fixed point theorem. In this note we formulate the notions of  $Q$  and  $Q^*$  applications and using Lassonde's KKM theorem prove coincidence theorems unifying those of Ben-El-Mechaiekh *et al.*<sup>1</sup>, Browder<sup>2</sup>, Lassonde<sup>5</sup>, Sehgal *et al.*<sup>6</sup> and Tarafdar<sup>7</sup>. An existence theorem for a class of inequalities has also been obtained.

We refer to Lassonde<sup>5</sup> for the following concepts of a convex space, a  $c$ -compact set, and a compactly closed (open) set and state below his generalization of the KKM theorem.

*Definition 1.1*—Let  $X$  be a convex set in a vector space and  $D \subset X$  an arbitrary subset. A multifunction

$G: D \rightarrow 2^X$  is called KKM if  $\text{conv} \{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$

$\subset \bigcup_{i=1}^n G(x_i)$  for each finite subset  $\{x_1, \dots, x_n\} \subset D$ .

*Definition 1.2*—A convex space is a convex set (in a vector space) with any topology that induces the Euclidean topology on the convex hulls of its finite subsets.

*Definition 1.3* —Let  $X$  be a convex space. A nonempty set  $K \subset X$  is called a  $c$ -compact set if for each finite subset  $\mathfrak{h} \subset X$  there is a compact convex set  $K_{\mathfrak{h}} \subset X$  such that  $K \cup \mathfrak{h} \subset K_{\mathfrak{h}}$ . Let  $X$  be any quasi-complete convex set in a Hausdorff locally convex topological vector space (abbreviated as l.c.s). Every nonempty pre-compact set in  $X$  is  $c$ -compact.

*Definition 1.4*—Let  $Y$  be a topological space. A set  $B \subset Y$  is said to be compactly closed (open respectively) in  $Y$  if for every compact set  $L \subset Y$  the set  $B \cap L$  is closed (open, respectively) in  $L$ .

For examples Lassonde<sup>5</sup> may be referred.

*Theorem 1.1<sup>5</sup>*—Let  $D$  be an arbitrary set in a convex space  $X$ ,  $Y$  any topological space and  $F: D \rightarrow 2^Y$  a multifunction having the following properties :

(i) for each  $x \in D$ ,  $F(x)$  is compactly closed in  $Y$ ,

(ii) for some continuous map  $s: X \rightarrow Y$ , the multimap  $G: D \rightarrow 2^Y$  given by  $G(x) = s^{-1}(F(x))$  is KKM (i.e. for every finite subset  $\{x_1, \dots, x_n\} \subset D$ ,  $\text{conv}\{x_1, \dots, x_n\} \subset \bigcup_{i=1}^n G(x_i)$ )

(iii) for some  $c$ -compact set  $K \subset X$ ,  $\bigcap \{F(x) : x \in K \cap D\}$  is compact. Then

$$\bigcap \{F(x) : x \in D\} \neq \phi.$$

## 2. COINCIDENCE THEOREMS

First we formulate concepts of  $Q$  and  $Q^*$  applications.

*Definition 2.1*—Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be topological spaces,  $A: X \rightarrow 2^Y$ .  $A$  is a  $Q$  application if and only if (i)  $X$  is convex, (ii)  $A^{-1}(y)$  is convex for each  $y \in Y$ , (iii) there exists a selection  $\hat{A}$  of  $A$  i.e.  $\hat{A}: X \rightarrow 2^Y$  such that  $\hat{A}(x) \subset A(x)$  for every  $x \in X$  such that  $\hat{A}$  is surjective and  $\hat{A}(U)$  is compactly open in  $Y$  for each  $U \subset X$ .

$A$  is a  $Q^*$  application if and only if (i)  $Y$  is convex, (ii)  $Ax$  is convex for each  $x \in X$ , (iii) there exists a selection  $\hat{A}: X \rightarrow 2^Y$  such that  $\hat{A}(x) \neq \phi$  for each  $x \in X$  and  $\hat{A}^{-1}(U)$  is compactly open in  $X$  for each  $U \subset Y$ .

The following coincidence theorem based on Theorem 1.1 is a generalization of a theorem of Lassonde's.

*Theorem 2.1*—Let  $X$  be a convex space and  $Y$  any topological space,  $S: X \rightarrow 2^Y$  is a  $Q$  application. If there exists a  $c$ -compact set  $K \subset X$  such that  $Y \cup \bigcup_{x \in K} \hat{S}(x)$

compact where  $\hat{S}$  is the selection of  $S$ . Then for every continuous map  $s: X \rightarrow Y$  there exists an  $x_0$  with  $sx_0 \in Sx_0$ .

PROOF: We apply Theorem 1.1 to the function  $F: X \rightarrow 2^Y$  defined by  $Fx = Y/\hat{S}(x)$ ,  $x \in X$ . As  $\hat{S}(x)$  is compactly open in  $Y$ ,  $Fx$  is compactly closed in  $Y$  for each  $x \in X$ . Now, define  $G: X \rightarrow 2^X$  by  $G(x) = s^{-1}F(x)$ . Since for the  $c$ -compact set  $K$ ,  $\bigcap_{x \in K} F(x)$  is compact if  $G$  were a KKM map by Theorem 1.1 it will follow that  $\bigcap_{x \in K} F(x) \neq \phi$  contradicting the surjectivity of  $S$ . So  $G$  is not a KKM map.

There exists  $\{x_1, \dots, x_n\} \subseteq X$  and  $x_0 \in \text{Conv} \{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$  such that  $x_0 \notin \bigcup_{i=1}^n G(x_i)$  and so  $sx_0 \notin \bigcup_{i=1}^n F(x_i)$  or equivalently  $sx_0 \in \bigcup_{i=1}^n \hat{S}(x_i)$ . This means  $x_i \in \hat{S}^{-1}(sx_0) \subset S^{-1}(sx_0)$  for each  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$  and as  $S^{-1}(sx_0)$  is convex  $x_0 \in S^{-1}(sx_0)$  or  $sx_0 \in Sx_0$ .

Remark 2.1—Upon setting  $\hat{S} = S$  the above theorem reduces to a coincidence Theorem 1.1 of Lassonde<sup>5</sup>.

The following fixed point theorem generalizes that of Ben-El-Mechaieck *et al.*<sup>1</sup> (Theorem 3.3) hence those of Browder<sup>2</sup> and Tarafdar<sup>7</sup>.

Theorem 2.2—Let  $X$  be a convex space,  $T: X \rightarrow 2^X$ . Assume that

(i)  $T$  is a  $Q^*$  application and for some  $c$ -compact set  $K \subset X$ ,  $X/\bigcup_{x \in K} T^{-1}(x)$  is compact

or

(ii)  $T$  is a  $Q$  application and for some  $c$ -compact set  $K \subseteq X$ ,  $X/\bigcup_{x \in K} \hat{T}(x)$  is compact.

Then there exists  $x_0 \in X$  such that  $x_0 \in Tx_0$ .

PROOF: Define  $Sx = T^{-1}(x)$  ( $T(x)$ ) in case (i) and (ii) holds. It is readily verified that all the conditions of Theorem 2.1 are satisfied for  $X = Y$  and  $s = \text{identity}$  in both the cases (i) and (ii). Thus in either case there exists  $x_0 \in Tx_0$ .

The next theorem generalizes the coincidence theorem due to Sehgal *et al.*<sup>6</sup> in the setting of compact convex spaces.

Theorem 2.3—Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be convex spaces and  $S, T: X \rightarrow 2^Y$  two multifunctions satisfying the following conditions:

(i)  $S$  is a  $Q$  application with  $S^{-1}(Tx)$  convex for every  $x \in X$ ,

(ii) there exists a selection  $\hat{T}: X \rightarrow 2^Y$  of  $T$  with  $\hat{T}(x) \neq \phi$  for each  $x \in X$  and  $\hat{T}^{-1}(U)$  is compactly open in  $X$  for each compactly open  $U \subset Y$ ,

(iii) there exists a  $c$ -compact set  $K \subset X$  with  $X / \bigcup_{x \in K} \hat{T}^{-1}(\hat{S}(x))$  compact.

Then there exists  $x_0 \in X$  with  $Sx_0 \cap Tx_0 \neq \phi$ .

PROOF: Suppose that  $Tu \cap Su = \phi$  for every  $u \in X$ , then  $u \notin T^{-1}(Su)$ . Consequently  $u \notin \hat{T}^{-1}(\hat{S}(u))$ . Define  $F: X \rightarrow 2^X$  by  $Fu = X / \hat{T}^{-1}(\hat{S}(u))$ . Since  $\hat{S}(u)$  is compactly open in  $Y$  and  $\hat{T}^{-1}(U)$  is compactly open in  $X$  for every compactly open  $U$  in  $Y$ ,  $Fu$  is compactly closed in  $X$  and  $F$  is a KKM map. For  $x_0 \in \text{conv}(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ ,  $x_0 \notin \bigcap_{i=1}^n F(x_i)$  implies  $x_0 \in \hat{T}^{-1}(\hat{S}(x_i)) \subset T^{-1}(Sx_i)$  and  $x_i \in S^{-1}(Tx_0)$  for  $1 \leq i \leq n$ . As  $S^{-1}(Tx_0)$  is convex  $x_0 \in S^{-1}(Tx_0)$  i.e.  $Sx_0 \cap Tx_0 \neq \phi$  a contradiction to our assumption. By (iii) for the  $c$ -compact set  $K \subset X$ ,  $\bigcap_{x \in K} F(x)$  is compact. Thus all the conditions of Theorem 1.1 are satisfied with  $s = \text{identity on } X$ . So there exists  $x_0 \in X$  with  $x_0 \in \bigcap_{u \in X} Fu$  or  $x_0 \notin \hat{T}^{-1}(\hat{S}(u))$  for any  $u \in X$ . As  $\hat{T}(x_0) \neq \phi$  and  $\hat{S}$  is surjective we have arrived at a contradiction. Thus there exists  $x_0 \in X$  with  $Sx_0 \cap Tx_0 \neq \phi$ .

The following concept of a function subordinate to a projectionally concave function leads to a generalization of an existence theorem due to Lassonde<sup>5</sup> (Proposition 1.4).

*Definition 2.2*—Let  $X$  be a convex space. A map  $g: X \times X \rightarrow R \cup \{+\infty\}$  is said to be subordinate to a projectionally concave function if there exists  $f: X \times X \rightarrow R \cup \{+\infty\}$  such that  $g(x, y) \leq f(x, y)$  for every  $(x, y) \in X \times X$ ,  $f(x, x) \leq 0$  and for every  $y \in X$ ,  $x \rightarrow f(x, y)$  is concave on  $X$ .

For example the function  $g(x, y) = \frac{-\chi_Q(x)}{2}y$  is subordinate to the projectionally concave function  $f(x, y) = -\chi_Q(x)Y^2$  where  $X = [0, 1]$  and  $\chi_Q$  is the characteristic function of the rationals in  $[0, 1]$ .

*Theorem 2.4*—Let  $X$  be a convex space and  $\phi: X \rightarrow R \cup \{+\infty\}$  a convex lower semicontinuous function. Suppose  $g: X \times X \rightarrow R \cup \{+\infty\}$  is subordinate to a projectionally concave function and that there exists a  $c$ -compact set  $K \subseteq X$  and a compact set  $L \subseteq X$  such that for every  $y \in X/L$  there exists  $x \in K$  such that  $g(x, y) + \phi(y) > \phi(x)$  (coercivity condition). Suppose for  $x \in X$ ,  $y \rightarrow g(x, y)$  is lower semi-continuous on compact subsets of  $X$ , then there exists  $y_0 \in X$  such that  $g(x, y_0) + \phi(y_0) \leq \phi(x)$  for every  $x \in X$ .

PROOF: Define  $Tx = \{y \in X: f(x, y) + \phi(y) > \phi(x)\}$  and  $\hat{T}(x) = \{y \in X: g(x, y) + \phi(y) > \phi(x)\}$  where  $g$  is subordinate to  $f$ . Since  $g(x, y) \leq f(x, y)$

$\hat{T}(x) \subseteq T(x)$  for every  $x \in X$ , by the concavity of the function  $x \rightarrow f(x, y) T^{-1}(y)$  is convex for every  $y \in X$ . As  $y \rightarrow g(x, y)$  is lower semicontinuous on compact subsets of  $X$   $T(X)$  is compactly open for each  $x \in X$ . From the coercivity condition it can be verified that for the  $c$ -compact set  $K, X \setminus \bigcup_{x \in K} \hat{T}(x)$  is compact. If  $T$  were surjective by Theorem 2.2 there would be an  $x_0 \in X$  with  $x_0 \in T(x_0)$  contradicting that  $f(x_0, x_0) \leq 0$ . So  $T$  is not surjective and there exists  $y_0 \in X$  such that  $y_0 \notin \hat{S}(x)$  for any  $x \in X$ . Thus  $g(x, y_0) + \varphi(y_0) \leq \varphi(x)$  for every  $x \in X$ .

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