

## A NOTE ON COMPLEMENTARITY PROBLEMS FOR MULTIVALUED MONOTONE OPERATORS IN BANACH SPACES

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**Abstract.** In this paper, the existence theorems of solutions of the complementarity problems for multivalued monotone operators are proved in Banach spaces.

### 1. INTRODUCTION AND PRELIMINARIES

Let  $E$  be a real Banach space,  $E^*$  denotes the dual space of  $E$ ,  $2^{E^*}$  denotes the family of all nonempty subsets of  $E^*$  and  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  denotes the pairing between  $E^*$  and  $E$ . Let  $K \subset E$  be a convex cone,  $K^*$  denotes the conjugate cone of  $K$ , i.e.,

$$K^* = \{u \in E^* : \langle u, x \rangle \geq 0, \forall x \in K\}.$$

Let  $T : K \rightarrow 2^{E^*}$  be a multivalued operator, the so-called the complementarity problem of  $T$  is to find points  $\bar{x} \in K$  and  $\bar{u} \in T\bar{x}$  such that

$$T\bar{x} \subset K^* \text{ and } \langle \bar{u}, \bar{x} \rangle = 0.$$

The complementarity problems for multivalued non-monotone operators were discussed in [2] and the following result was proved.

**Theorem A.** *Let  $E$  be a real Banach space and  $K \subset E$  be a closed convex cone. Suppose that  $T : K \rightarrow 2^{E^*}$  is upper semicontinuous from the norm*

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topology in  $K$  to the norm topology in  $E^*$  and each  $Tx$  is norm compact; If there exist two nonempty compact subsets  $Q$  and  $\Omega$  in  $K$ , for each  $x \in K \setminus Q$  there exists  $y \in \Omega$  such that  $\inf_{u \in Tx} \langle u, x - y \rangle > 0$  and for each fixed  $x \in Q$  we have

$$\inf_{u \in Tx} \langle u, y - x \rangle \geq 0 \text{ for all } y \in K.$$

Then there exist  $\bar{x} \in Q \subset K$  and  $\bar{u} \in T\bar{x}$  such that

$$T\bar{x} \subset K^* \text{ and } \langle \bar{u}, \bar{x} \rangle = 0.$$

The purpose of this paper is to prove the existence theorems of solutions of the complementarity problems for multivalued monotone operators in Banach spaces and to give a new method of proof different from that of [2].

We need the following lemma for the main theorems.

**Lemma 1.1.**[6] *Let  $E$  be a locally convex Hausdorff topological vector space and  $X$  be a nonempty compact convex subset of  $E$ . Let  $T : X \rightarrow 2^{E^*}$  be monotone such that for each  $x \in X$ ,  $Tx$  is a nonempty subset of  $E^*$  and  $T$  is lower semicontinuous from the relative topology of  $X$  to the strong topology of  $E^*$ . Then there exists a point  $\hat{y} \in X$  such that*

$$\sup_{w \in T\hat{y}} \operatorname{Re} \langle w, \hat{y} - x \rangle \leq 0 \text{ for all } x \in X.$$

We note that every Banach space is a locally convex Hausdorff topological vector space with respect to the weak topology. Therefore we have the following.

**Corollary 1.2.** *Let  $E$  be a Banach space and  $X$  be a nonempty weakly compact convex subset of  $E$ . Let  $T : X \rightarrow 2^{E^*}$  be monotone such that for each  $x \in X$ ,  $Tx$  is nonempty subset of  $E^*$  and  $T$  is lower semicontinuous from the weak topology of  $X$  to the norm topology of  $E^*$ . Then there exists a point  $\hat{y} \in X$  such that*

$$\sup_{w \in T\hat{y}} \operatorname{Re} \langle w, \hat{y} - x \rangle \leq 0 \text{ for all } x \in X.$$

## 2. COMPLEMENTARITY PROBLEMS FOR MONOTONE OPERATORS

Let  $E$  be a real Banach space, we denote by  $\|\cdot\|$  the norm, by  $\Omega^\circ$  and  $\partial\Omega$  the interior and the boundary of a subset  $\Omega$  of  $E$ , respectively.

**Theorem 2.1.** *Let  $E$  be a real Banach space and  $K \subset E$  be a closed convex cone. Suppose that  $T : K \rightarrow 2^{E^*}$  is monotone such that for each  $x \in K$ ,  $Tx$  is a nonempty subset of  $E^*$  and  $T$  is lower semicontinuous from the weak*

topology of  $K$  to the norm topology of  $E^*$ . If there exists a weakly compact convex subset  $\Omega$  of  $K$  with  $\Omega^\circ \neq \emptyset$  such that for each  $x \in \Omega$ ,  $Tx$  is weakly\* compact subset of  $E^*$  and for each  $z \in \partial\Omega$ , there exists  $y_0 \in \Omega^\circ$  such that  $\inf_{w \in Tz} \langle w, z - y_0 \rangle \geq 0$ . Then there exist  $\bar{x} \in \Omega \subset K$  and  $\bar{w} \in T\bar{x}$  such that

$$T\bar{x} \subset K^* \text{ and } \langle \bar{w}, \bar{x} \rangle = 0.$$

*Proof.* First we prove that there exists  $\bar{x} \in \Omega \subset K$  such that

$$\sup_{w \in T\bar{x}} \langle w, \bar{x} - y \rangle \leq 0 \text{ for all } y \in K. \quad (2.1)$$

In fact, by Corollary 1.2 there exists  $\bar{x} \in \Omega$  such that

$$\sup_{w \in T\bar{x}} \langle w, \bar{x} - x \rangle \leq 0 \text{ for all } x \in \Omega. \quad (2.2)$$

If  $\bar{x} \in \Omega^\circ$ , then for each  $y \in K$ , we can choose  $\lambda : 0 < \lambda < 1$  small enough so that  $x = \lambda y + (1 - \lambda)\bar{x} \in \Omega$ . It follows from (2.2) that

$$\lambda \cdot \sup_{w \in T\bar{x}} \langle w, \bar{x} - y \rangle = \sup_{w \in T\bar{x}} \langle w, \bar{x} - x \rangle \leq 0.$$

Consequently, we have

$$\sup_{w \in T\bar{x}} \langle w, \bar{x} - y \rangle \leq 0 \text{ for all } y \in K.$$

If  $\bar{x} \in \partial\Omega$ , by the condition of Theorem 2.1, there exists  $y_0 \in \Omega^\circ$  such that  $\inf_{w \in T\bar{x}} \langle w, \bar{x} - y_0 \rangle \geq 0$ . By (2.2), for each  $x \in \Omega$  we have

$$\langle w, \bar{x} - x \rangle \leq \langle w, \bar{x} - y_0 \rangle \text{ for all } w \in T\bar{x}.$$

This implies that

$$\sup_{w \in T\bar{x}} \langle w, y_0 - x \rangle \leq 0 \text{ for all } x \in \Omega. \quad (2.3)$$

Since  $y_0 \in \Omega^\circ$ , for each  $y \in K$ , we can choose  $\lambda : 0 < \lambda < 1$  small enough so that  $\hat{x} = \lambda y + (1 - \lambda)y_0 \in \Omega$ . It follows from (2.3) that

$$\lambda \cdot \sup_{w \in T\bar{x}} \langle w, y_0 - y \rangle = \sup_{w \in T\bar{x}} \langle w, y_0 - \hat{x} \rangle \leq 0.$$

This shows that

$$\sup_{w \in T\bar{x}} \langle w, y_0 - y \rangle \leq 0 \text{ for all } y \in K. \quad (2.4)$$

Note that  $y_0 \in \Omega$ , by (2.2) we obtain

$$\sup_{w \in T\bar{x}} \langle w, \bar{x} - y_0 \rangle \leq 0. \quad (2.5)$$

Combining (2.4) and (2.5), for all  $y \in K$  we have

$$\sup_{w \in T\bar{x}} \langle w, \bar{x} - y \rangle \leq \sup_{w \in T\bar{x}} \langle w, \bar{x} - y_0 \rangle + \sup_{w \in T\bar{x}} \langle w, y_0 - y \rangle \leq 0.$$

This shows that (2.1) holds.

Next we prove that the conclusion of Theorem 2.1 holds. By (2.1) we have

$$\inf_{w \in T\bar{x}} \langle w, \bar{x} - y \rangle \leq 0 \text{ for all } y \in K. \quad (2.6)$$

and

$$\inf_{w \in T\bar{x}} \langle w, y - \bar{x} \rangle \geq 0 \text{ for all } y \in K. \quad (2.7)$$

We denote by  $\theta$  the zero vector of  $E$ , then  $\theta \in K$ , it follows from (2.6) that

$$\inf_{w \in T\bar{x}} \langle w, \bar{x} \rangle = \inf_{w \in T\bar{x}} \langle w, \bar{x} - \theta \rangle \leq 0. \quad (2.8)$$

On the other hand, since  $K$  is convex cone and  $\bar{x} \in K$ , so  $2\bar{x} \in K$  and, by (2.7) we have

$$\inf_{w \in T\bar{x}} \langle w, \bar{x} \rangle = \inf_{w \in T\bar{x}} \langle w, 2\bar{x} - \bar{x} \rangle \geq 0. \quad (2.9)$$

Combining (2.8) and (2.9), we have  $\inf_{w \in T\bar{x}} \langle w, \bar{x} \rangle = 0$ . Note that the real valued function  $w \mapsto \langle w, \bar{x} \rangle$  is weakly\* continuous on the weakly\* compact set  $T\bar{x}$ , so there exists  $\bar{w} \in T\bar{x}$  such that

$$\langle \bar{w}, \bar{x} \rangle = \inf_{w \in T\bar{x}} \langle w, \bar{x} \rangle = 0.$$

Finally we prove that  $T\bar{x} \subset P^*$ . In fact, for any  $w \in T\bar{x}$  and  $y \in K$ , by (2.7) we have

$$\langle w, y \rangle \geq \inf_{w \in T\bar{x}} \langle w, y \rangle = \inf_{w \in T\bar{x}} \langle w, y \rangle - \inf_{w \in T\bar{x}} \langle w, \bar{x} \rangle \geq \inf_{w \in T\bar{x}} \langle w, y - \bar{x} \rangle \geq 0.$$

This completes the proof.  $\square$

**Remark 2.2.** Theorem 2.1 generalizes Theorem 1 of Guo and Qu [5] and Theorem 2 and Theorem 3 of Zhang and Li [9] to multivalued operators, and improves Theorem 1 of Guo [1].

**Remark 2.3.** By the monotonicity of  $T$ , we know that the condition  $\inf_{w \in Tz} \langle w, z - y_0 \rangle \geq 0$  in Theorem 2.1 is replaced by  $\sup_{u \in Ty_0} \langle u, z - y_0 \rangle \geq 0$  and the conclusion follows.

**Remark 2.4.** If  $E$  is a real reflexive Banach space in Theorem 2.1, then the weakly compact convex subset  $\Omega$  of  $E$  can be replaced by a relatively weak condition.

**Theorem 2.5.** Let  $E$  be a real reflexive Banach space and  $K \subset E$  be a closed convex cone. Suppose that  $T : K \rightarrow 2^{E^*}$  is monotone such that for each  $x \in K$ ,  $Tx$  is a nonempty subset of  $E^*$  and  $T$  is lower semicontinuous from the weak topology of  $K$  to the norm topology of  $E^*$ . If there exist a point  $x_0 \in K$  and a constant  $\beta > 0$  such that for each  $x \in K$ , as  $\|x - x_0\| \leq \beta$ ,  $Tx$  is weakly

compact and as  $\|x - x_0\| = \beta$ ,  $\inf_{w \in Tx} \langle w, x - x_0 \rangle \geq 0$ . Then there exist  $\bar{x} \in K$  with  $\|\bar{x} - x_0\| \leq \beta$  and  $\bar{w} \in T\bar{x}$  such that

$$T\bar{x} \subset K^* \text{ and } \langle \bar{w}, \bar{x} \rangle = 0.$$

*Proof.* Setting  $\Omega = \{x \in K : \|x - x_0\| \leq \beta\}$ , it is easy to prove that  $\Omega$  is a bounded closed convex subset in reflexive Banach space, so  $\Omega$  is a weakly compact convex in  $K$  and  $\Omega^\circ = \{x \in K : \|x - x_0\| < \beta\} \neq \emptyset$ . For each  $x \in \partial\Omega = \{x \in K : \|x - x_0\| = \beta\}$ , we take  $y_0 = x_0 \in \Omega^\circ$  and

$$\inf_{w \in Tx} \langle w, x - y_0 \rangle = \inf_{w \in Tx} \langle w, x - x_0 \rangle \geq 0.$$

By Theorem 2.1 and the conclusion follows.  $\square$

Especially, as  $x_0$  is zero vector of  $E$  in Theorem 2.5 we have

**Corollary 2.6.** *Let  $E$  be a real reflexive Banach space and  $K \subset E$  be a closed convex cone. Suppose that  $T : K \rightarrow 2^{E^*}$  is monotone such that for each  $x \in K$ ,  $Tx$  is a nonempty subset of  $E^*$  and  $T$  is lower semicontinuous from the weak topology of  $K$  to the norm topology of  $E^*$ . If there exists a constant  $\beta > 0$  and for each  $x \in K$ , as  $\|x\| \leq \beta$ ,  $Tx$  is weakly compact and as  $\|x\| = \beta$ ,  $\inf_{w \in Tx} \langle w, x \rangle \geq 0$ . Then there exist  $\bar{x} \in K$  with  $\|\bar{x}\| \leq \beta$  and  $\bar{w} \in T\bar{x}$  such that*

$$T\bar{x} \subset K^* \text{ and } \langle \bar{w}, \bar{x} \rangle = 0.$$

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