

## $(\alpha, \beta)$ -Monotone Variational Inequalities Over Arbitrary Product Sets

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**Abstract.** The purpose of this paper is to introduce some new concept and extend the usual ones are introduced for variational inequality problems over arbitrary product sets. Our result can be viewed as an extension of the results obtained by Igor V. Konnov [Relatively monotone variational inequalities over product sets, Operation research letters 28(2001), 21-26]. Moreover the results of this paper can be consider as a new version of the main results in [1].

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### 1. Introduction

It is advised to give each section and subsection a unique label. In recent years variational inequality have been generalized and extended in various different directions in abstract; see ref.[11, 12]. Moreover many authors have investigated vector variational inequalities in abstract spaces; see ref.[7, 8, 9, 14]. The development of efficient methods for proving existence of solution is one the most interesting and important in variational inequalities theory and equilibrium type problem arising in operation research, economics, mathematical, physics

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and other fields. It is well known that most of such problems arising game theory, transportation and network economics have a decomposable structure i.e. they can be formulated as variational inequalities over Cartesian product sets; see e.g. Nagurny [13] and Ferris and Pang [6]. The most existence results for such variational inequalities established under either compactness of the feasible set in the norm topology or monotonicity-type assumption regardless of the decomposable structure of the variational inequalities; see [2, 10]. In fact Bianchi [2] considered the corresponding extension of P-mapping and noticed that they are not sufficient to derive existence results with the help of Fans lemma.

In this paper we present  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -monoton concept, which is suitable for variational inequalities on arbitrary product set of locally convex spaces and our results extend theorems of Konnov [12]. Moreover our results is a new version of the result obtained in [1].

Throughout this paper, let  $I$  be any set indexes,  $\langle I \rangle$  denote the set of all nonempty finite subsets of  $I$  and let  $P$  denotes the set of all positive vector in  $l^\infty(I)$  i.e.  $P = \{(u_i)_{i \in I} \in l^\infty(I) : u_i > 0 \forall i \in I\}$ ,  $l^\infty(I) = \{(u_i)_{i \in I} : \exists c > 0, |u_i| < c \forall i \in I\}$ . Note that if in the set  $P$ , we have  $u_i \geq 0$  then  $P$  is a cone; see [15].

## 2. Basic Definition

At first, we define some notations that will be used in the following.

For each  $i \in I$ , let  $X_i$  be a locally convex spaces and  $X_i^*$  its dual. Set  $X = \prod_{i \in I} X_i$ , so that for each  $x \in X$ , we have  $x = (x_i)_{i \in I}$  where  $x_i \in X_i$ . We define the map  $\langle, \rangle : X^* \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  by  $\langle f, x \rangle = f(x)$  and

$$\ll, \gg : \prod_{i \in I} X_i^* \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \cup \{+\infty\}$$

by

$$\ll g, x \gg = \langle g, x \rangle^+ - \langle g, x \rangle^-$$

where  $x \in X$ ,  $g \in \prod_{i \in I} X_i^*$  and  
 $\langle g, x \rangle^+ = \sup_{J \in \langle I \rangle} \{ \sum_{j \in J} \langle g_j, x_j \rangle : \langle g_j, x_j \rangle \geq 0 \forall j \in J \}$ ,  
 $\langle g, x \rangle^- = \langle -g, x \rangle^+$ .

We define the vector space  $X_w^*$  as follows :

$$X_w^* = \{g \in \prod_{i \in I} X_i^* : (g, x) \in D_{\ll, \gg}^{e'} : \forall x \in \prod_{i \in I} X_i\},$$

where  $D_{\ll, \gg}^e = \{(g, x) \in (\prod_{i \in I} X_i^*) \times X : \ll g, x \gg < \infty\}$ .

It is clear that  $D_{\ll, \gg}^e \neq \emptyset$ ,  $X_w^* \neq \emptyset$ .

Let  $K_i$  be nonempty subset of  $X$  and let  $K = \prod_{i \in I} K_i$ , next for each  $i \in I$ , let  $G : K \rightarrow X_w^*$  be a mapping, now we define  $G_i : K \rightarrow X_i^*$  by  $G_i = P_i \circ G$ , where  $P_i : X_w^* \rightarrow X_i^*$  is defined to be  $P_i((g_j)_{j \in J}) = g_i$ .

We note that  $G(x) = (G_i(x))_{i \in I}$  and

$$\ll G(x), y - x \gg = \sum_{i \in I} \langle G_i(x), y_i - x_i \rangle < \infty.$$

In this paper we study variational inequality problem as following:

a) The SyVIP(G,K) consist of finding  $x^* \in K$  such that

$$\langle G_i(x^*), y_i - x_i^* \rangle \geq 0, \quad \forall y_i \in K_i, i \in I.$$

We denote the solution set of the SyVIP(G,K) by  $S_{SyVIP}(G, K)$ .

b) For every given  $u = (u_i)_{i \in I} \in P$ , the VIP(G, K, u) consist of finding  $x^* \in K$  such that

$$\ll (u_i G_i(x^*))_{i \in I}, y - x^* \gg = \sum_{i \in I} u_i \langle G_i(x^*), y_i - x_i^* \rangle \geq 0, \quad \forall y_i \in K_i, i \in I.$$

We denote the solution set of the VIP(G,K,u) by  $S_{VIP}(G, K, u)$ .

c) The dual VIP(G,K,u) (abbreviated DVIP(G,K,u)) consist of finding  $x^* \in K$  such that

$$\ll (u_i G_i(y))_{i \in I}, y - x^* \gg = \sum_{i \in I} \langle u_i G_i(y), y_i - x_i^* \rangle \geq 0, \quad \forall y_i \in K_i, i \in I.$$

We denote by  $S_{DVIP}(G, K, u)$  the solution set of the DVIP(G,K,u).

**Definition 2.1.** For each  $u = (u_i)_{i \in I} \in l^\infty$ , the mapping  $G : K \rightarrow X_w^*$  is said to be  $u$ -hemicontinuous, if for any  $x, y \in K$ , the mapping  $g : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  by  $g(\lambda) = \sum_{i \in I} u_i \langle G_i(x + \lambda(x - y)), y_i - x_i \rangle$  is continuous.

We note that for each  $\lambda \in [0, 1]$ ,  $g(\lambda) < \infty$ .

**Definition 2.2.** (See [6]) Let  $\alpha, \beta \in l^\infty(I)$ , the mapping  $G : K \rightarrow X_w^*$  is said to be

a)  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -monotone, if for all  $x, y \in K$ , we have

$$\ll \beta G(x) - \alpha G(y), x - y \gg \geq 0,$$

and strictly  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -monotone, if the inequality is strict for all  $x \neq y$ .

b)  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -psedumotone, if for all  $x, y \in K$ , we have

$$\ll \alpha G(x), y - x \gg \geq 0 \implies \ll \beta G(y), y - x \gg \geq 0,$$

and strictly  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -psedumotone, if the second inequality is strict for all  $x \neq y$ .

c)  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -psedumotone-like, if for all  $x, y \in K$ , we have

$$\ll \alpha G(x), y - x \gg > 0 \implies \ll \beta G(y), y - x \gg \geq 0,$$

and strictly  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -psedumotone-like, if the second inequality is strict for all  $x \neq y$

**Lemma 2.3.** Let  $\alpha, \beta \in P$  and  $G : K \rightarrow X_w^*$  then

- a)  $S_{S_{yVIP}}(G, K) = S_{VIP}(G, K, \alpha)$ ;
- b)  $S_{D_{VIP}}(G, K, \alpha) = S_{D_{VIP}}(G, K, \beta)$ ;
- c)  $S_{VIP}(G, K, \alpha) = S_{VIP}(G, K, \beta)$ .

**Proof.** by Definition 2.2 the desired result is obtained.  $\square$

**Lemma 2.4.** Let  $\alpha \in P$  and the mapping  $G : K \rightarrow X_w^*$  be  $\alpha$ -hemicontinuous, then

$$S_{D_{VIP}}(G, K, \alpha) \subseteq S_{VIP}(G, K, \alpha).$$

**Proof.** let  $x^* \in S_{D_{VIP}}(G, K, \alpha)$ , thus

$$\sum_{i \in I} \langle \alpha_i G_i(y), y_i - x_i^* \rangle \geq 0, \quad \forall y \in K.$$

Set  $y = x^* + \lambda(y - x^*)$ , therefore from  $\alpha$ -hemicontinuous of  $G$ , we have  $x^* \in S_{VIP}(G, K, \alpha)$ .  $\square$

The proof of following lemma is parallel to the proof of lemma 2.4 and so is omitted.

**Lemma 2.5.** *Let  $\alpha, \beta \in P$  and the mapping  $G : K \rightarrow X_w^*$  be  $\beta$ -hemicontinuous and  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -psedumotone then*

$$S_{DVIP}(G, K, \beta) = S_{VIP}(G, K, \alpha).$$

**Corollary 2.6.** *Let the conditions of lemma 2.5 hold, then*

$$S_{DVIP}(G, K, \alpha) = S_{VIP}(G, K, \alpha) = S_{SyVIP}(G, K).$$

**Definition 2.7.** (See [5]) *A set-valued  $F : E \rightarrow 2^E$  is called a KKM-mapping if, for every finite subset  $\{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$  of  $E$ ,  $co\{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\} \subseteq \bigcup_{i=1}^n F(x_i)$ , where “co” denotes the convexhull.*

**Lemma 2.8.** (See [4]) *Let  $E$  be a Hausdorff topological vector space and  $F : E \rightarrow 2^E$  be a KKM-mapping such that for any  $x \in E$ ,  $F(x)$  is closed and  $F(x_0)$  contained in a compact set  $D \subseteq E$  for some  $x_0 \in E$ . Then  $\bigcap_{x \in E} F(x) \neq \emptyset$ .*

### 3. Main Results

In this section we obtain a new version of Konnov’s results in [12] without assuming the finiteness on  $I$ . Hence it is the extension of [12].

**Theorem 3.1.** *suppose that  $\alpha, \beta \in P, X$  locally convex space,  $K \subseteq X$  is nonempty weakly compact and let the mapping  $G : K \rightarrow X_w^*$  be  $\beta$ -hemicontinuous and  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -psedumotone then  $S_{VIP}(G, K, \alpha) \neq \emptyset$ .*

**Proof.** Define set-valued mapping  $H, T : K \rightarrow 2^K$  by

$$T(y) = \{x \in K : \sum_{i \in I} \langle \alpha_i G_i(x), y_i - x_i \rangle \geq 0\}$$

$$H(y) = \{x \in K : \sum_{i \in I} \langle \beta_i G_i(y), y_i - x_i \rangle \geq 0\}.$$

We denote  $T$  is KKM-mapping. Let  $\{y^1, y^2, \dots, y^n\}$  be any finite subset of  $K$  and  $z \in co\{y^1, y^2, \dots, y^n\}$  then  $z = \sum_{j=1}^n \lambda_j y^j$ , for some  $\lambda_j \geq 0, j = 1, 2, \dots, n$  and  $\sum_{j=1}^n \lambda_j = 1$ . On the contrary, if  $z \notin \bigcup_{j=1}^n T(y^j)$ , then

$$\sum_{i \in I} \alpha_i \langle G_i(z), y_i^j - z_i \rangle < 0 \quad \forall j = 1, 2, \dots, n.$$

Therefore,  $0 = \sum_{i \in I} \alpha_i \langle G_i(z), z_i - z_i \rangle < 0$ , is a contradiction, hence  $T$  is a KKM-mapping. Since  $\overline{T(y)}^w \subseteq K$ , by lemma 2.8  $\bigcap_{y \in K} \overline{T(y)}^w \neq \emptyset$ . Since  $G$  is  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -psedumotone we have  $T(y) \subseteq H(y)$ , that is clear  $H(y)$  is weakly closed, therefore  $\bigcap_{y \in K} H(y) \neq \emptyset$ , that is

$$S_{DVIP}(G, K, \alpha) \neq \emptyset$$

But Lemma 2.5. implies that  $S_{VIP}(G, K, \alpha) \neq \emptyset$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 3.2.** *Suppose that  $\alpha, \beta \in P, X$  locally convex space,  $K \subseteq X$  is nonempty weakly compact and let the mapping  $G : K \rightarrow X_w^*$  be  $\beta$ -hemicontinuous, and stictly  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -psedumotone then  $VIP(G, K, \alpha)$  has a unigue solution.*

**Proof.** Theorem 3.1 implies that  $S_{VIP}(G, K, \alpha) \neq \emptyset$ . Assume that, for contradiction, there exist  $x^1 \neq x^2$  such that  $x^1, x^2 \in S_{VIP}(G, K, \alpha)$ . For any  $y \in K$ , we have  $\sum_{i \in I} \alpha_i \langle G_i(x^1), x_i^2 - x_i^1 \rangle \geq 0$ , since  $G$  is strictly  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -psedumotone, so  $\sum_{i \in I} \beta_i \langle G_i(x^2), x_i^1 - x_i^2 \rangle < 0$  thus  $x^2 \notin S_{VIP}(G, K, \beta) = S_{VIP}(G, K, \alpha)$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 3.3.** *Suppose that  $\alpha, \beta \in P, X$  locally convex space and the mapping  $G : K \rightarrow X_w^*$  be  $\beta$ -hemicontinuous and stictly  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -psedumotone and let there exist a weakly compact subset  $E$  of  $X$ , and a piont  $e \in E \cap K$  such that  $\sum_{i \in I} \alpha_i \langle G_i(x), e_i - x_i \rangle < 0 \quad \forall x \in K \setminus E$  then  $S_{VIP}(G, K, \alpha) \neq \emptyset$ .*

**Proof.** From the proof of theorem 3.1 and under the above assumption we have  $T(e) \subseteq E$ , thus  $\overline{T(e)}^w$  is weakly compact, so by review of the proof of theorem 3.1 and lemma 2.8 we have  $S_{VIP}(G, K, \alpha) \neq \emptyset$ .  $\square$

Next theorem shows that our results generalized the main result of V. Konnov [12]. Of course our results obtained by this new method is a new version of results obtained in [1].

**Theorem 3.4.** *Suppose that  $|I| = n < \infty$  (i.e.  $n$  be the number of elements  $I$ ) and  $\{X_i\}_{i \in I}$  be finite family of locally convex spaces. Then*

$$\prod_{i \in I} X_i^* = X^* = X_w^*$$

and

$$\ll (f_i)_{i \in I}, (x_i)_{i \in I} \gg = \sum_{i=1}^n \langle f_i, x_i \rangle = \langle f, x \rangle,$$

where  $x \in X = \prod_{i=1}^n X_i$ ,  $f \in X^*$ .

**Proof.** For each  $f \in X^*$ , we define  $\langle f, \overline{x_i} \rangle = \langle f_i, x_i \rangle$  where  $\overline{x_i} = (0, \dots, x_i, 0, \dots)$ ,  $f_i \in X_i^*$ . Now we define  $\Gamma : X^* \rightarrow X_w^*$  by  $\Gamma(f) =$

$(f_i)_{i \in I}$ .

It is easy to see that  $\Gamma$  is homeomorphism (i.e.  $\Gamma$  is linear, onto, one to one, continuous and inverse of  $\Gamma$  exists).  $\square$

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