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Erratum for "Higher-Order Weakly Generalized Adjacent Epiderivatives and Applications to Duality of Set-Valued Optimization"

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An important property is established for higher-order weakly generalized adjacent epiderivatives. This corrects an earlier result by Wang and Li (2009).

1. Introduction

The concept of higher-order weakly generalized adjacent epiderivatives is introduced, and an important property is given for the derivatives in [1].

Proposition 1.1. Let *E* be a nonempty convex subset of *X*, *x*, $x_0 \in E$, $y_0 \in F(x_0)$. Let $F - y_0$ is *C*-convexlike on *E*, $u_i \in E$, $v_i \in F(u_i) + C$, i = 1, 2, ..., m - 1. If the set $q(x - x_0) := \{y \in Y \mid (x - x_0, y) \in G - T_{epi(F)}^{b(m)}(x_0, y_0, u_1 - x_0, v_1 - y_0, ..., u_{m-1} - x_0, v_{m-1} - y_0)\}$ fulfills the weak domination property for all $x \in E$, then

$$F(x) - y_0 \in d_w^{b(m)} F(x_0, y_0, u_1 - x_0, v_1 - y_0, \dots, u_{m-1} - x_0, v_{m-1} - y_0)(x - x_0) + C.$$
(1.1)

For other notations and definitions, one may refer to [1].

While proving Proposition 1.1 in [1], the authors used the assumption that the $F - y_0$ is *C*-convexlike (see [2, 3]) on a convex set *E* which implies cone(epi(F) – (x_0 , y_0)) is a convex cone. In fact, the assumption may not hold. The following example shows that the case and Proposition 1.1 may not hold, where one only takes m = 2.

Example 1.2. Let X = Y = R, $C = R_+$, $E = [-1, 2] \subset R$. Consider a set-valued map $F : E \to 2^Y$ defined by

$$F(x) = \begin{cases} \{y \in Y \mid y \ge 0\}, & \text{if } x \in (-1, 2], \\ \{-1\}, & \text{if } x = -1. \end{cases}$$
(1.2)

Take $(x_0, y_0) = (0, 0) \in \text{graph}(F)$, u = 1, $v = 0 \in F(1) + C$. Naturally, $F - y_0$ be C-convexlike on E, but cone(epi(F) – (x_0, y_0)) is not a convex cone.

On the other hand, for any $x \in E$, $q(x-x_0) := \{y \in Y \mid (x-x_0, y) \in G - T_{epi(F)}^{b(2)}(x_0, y_0, u - x_0, v - y_0)\} = C$ fulfills the weak domination property. Thus, the assumptions of Proposition 1.1 are satisfied. But, for $x = -1 \in E$,

$$F(-1) - y_0 = \{-1\},$$

$$d_w^{\flat(m)} F(x_0, y_0, u - x_0, v - y_0)(-1 - x_0) + C = C,$$
(1.3)

which shows that the inclusion of (1.1) does not hold here.

2. Properties of Higher-Order Weakly Generalized Adjacent Epiderivatives

In this section, one presents an important property of higher-order weakly generalized adjacent epiderivatives which is a correction of [1, Proposition 3.14]. Firstly, one gives a notation of generalized cone-convex set-valued maps.

Definition 2.1. Let $F : E \to 2^Y$ be a set-valued map, $x_0 \in E$, $(x_0, y_0) \in \text{graph}(F)$. F is said to be generalized *C*-convex at (x_0, y_0) on *E*, if cone(epi $F - (x_0, y_0)$) is convex.

Remark 2.2. If *F* is *C*-convex on convex set *E* (see [4]), then, *F* is generalized *C*-convex at $(x_0, y_0) \in \text{graph}(F)$ on *E*. But the converse may not hold. The following example shows the case.

Example 2.3. Let $E = [-1, 1] \subset R$, $C = R_+$. Consider a set-valued map $F : E \to 2^R$ defined by

$$F(x) = \left\{ y \in R \mid y \ge x^{2/3} \right\}, \quad \forall x \in E.$$

$$(2.1)$$

Take $(x_0, y_0) = (0, 0) \in \text{graph}(F)$. Then *F* is generalized *C*-convex at (x_0, y_0) on *E*, but *F* is not *C*-convex on *E*.

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Proposition 2.4. Let *E* be a nonempty convex subset of *X*, $x, x_0 \in E$, $y_0 \in F(x_0)$. Let *F* be generalized *C*-convex at (x_0, y_0) on *E*, $u_i \in E$, $v_i \in F(u_i) + C$, i = 1, 2, ..., m - 1. If the set $q(x - x_0) := \{y \in Y \mid (x - x_0, y) \in G - T_{epi(F)}^{b(m)}(x_0, y_0, u_1 - x_0, v_1 - y_0, ..., u_{m-1} - x_0, v_{m-1} - y_0)\}$ fulfills the weak domination property for all $x \in E$, then, for any $x \in E$, one obtains

$$F(x) - y_0 \in d_w^{\flat(m)} F(x_0, y_0, u_1 - x_0, v_1 - y_0, \dots, u_{m-1} - x_0, v_{m-1} - y_0)(x - x_0) + C.$$
(2.2)

Proof. The proof follows on the lines of [1, Proposition 3.14] by using generalized *C*-convex instead of *C*-convexlike.

Remark 2.5. In [1, Remark 3.15], one should use "generalized cone-convex" instead of "cone-convexlikeness". In [1, Theorems 4.5, 4.7, 5.2], one should use "(*F*, *G*) is generalized $C \times D$ -convex at (x_0, y_0, z_0) on a nonempty subset *E*" instead of "(*F*, *G*) is $C \times D$ -convexlike on a nonempty convex subset *E*".

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