

On openness and regularity of γ -paraconvex multifunctions¹

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Abstract: In this paper, openness and metric regularity results for multifunctions whose inverses are γ -paraconvex are derived from a general theorem by Borwein and Zhuang.

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1. Introduction

S. Rolewicz (1979;1981) introduced the notion of paraconvexity for multifunctions. A multifunction M defined between Banach spaces X and Y is said to be γ -paraconvex (with $\gamma > 0$) if there exists $c > 0$ such that for all $t \in]0, 1[$ and $x_1, x_2 \in X$

$$tM(x_1) + (1 - t)M(x_2) \subset M(tx_1 + (1 - t)x_2) + c\|x_1 - x_2\|B_Y \quad (1)$$

where B_Y is the closed unit ball. When $\gamma > 1$, Rolewicz proved that (1) is equivalent to

$$tM(x_1) + (1 - t)M(x_2) \subset M(tx_1 + (1 - t)x_2) + c \min(t, 1 - t) \|x_1 - x_2\|^\gamma B_Y. \quad (2)$$

Many important results have been proved by Rolewicz for this class of multifunctions. However an important question was left unsolved. Is a multifunction M (between Banach spaces) whose inverse is γ -paraconvex (with $\gamma > 1$) open at any point (x, fi) of its graph satisfying

$$R_+ [M(x) - fi] = Y?$$

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Note that one knows from Robinson (1976) that the result holds for convex multifunctions. Recently, Jourani (1996) has provided an affirmative answer to the above question. His method consisted in adapting in an elegant way the method and technics by Robinson (1976) to multifunctions whose inverses are γ -paraconvex. The aim of the present note is to show that the result can be derived from a general strong result by Borwein and Zhuang (1988) concerning the openness of general multifunctions.

2 Preliminaries

Throughout the paper X and Y will be real Banach spaces. Recall that a multifunction $M : X \rightarrow Y$ is *open at linear rate* around a point $(x, y) \in \text{Gr}M$ if there exist a real number $\delta > 0$ and two neighbourhoods V and W of x and y respectively such that for all $x \in V$, $y \in W \cap M(x)$ and $t \in [0, 1]$

$$y + t\delta B_Y \subset M(x + tB_X).$$

Here $\text{Gr}M$ denotes the *graph* of M , that is

$$\text{Gr}M := \{(x, y) \in X \times Y : y \in M(x)\}.$$

Recall also that M is *approximately open at linear rate* around $(x, y) \in \text{Gr}M$ if there exist two real numbers δ and p with $0 < p < \delta$ and neighbourhoods V and W of x and y respectively such that for all $x \in V$, $y \in W \cap M(x)$ and $t \in [0, 1]$

$$y + t\delta B_Y \subset M(x + tB_X) + tpB_Y.$$

The following general theorem about openness of general multifunctions was established by Borwein and Zhuang (1988). (In fact they proved something more general.) This theorem will be used in the next section in order to derive the openness result about paraconvex multifunctions.

Theorem 1 Borwein and Zhuang (1988) *Let $M : X \rightarrow Y$ be a multifunction with closed graph and let $(x, y) \in \text{Gr}M$. Then the following assertions are equivalent:*

- M is open at linear rate around (x, y)
- M is approximately open at linear rate around (x, y)
- M is metrically regular around (x, y) , that is, there exist a constant $k > 0$, neighbourhoods V and W of x and y such that for all $y \in W$ and $x \in V$ with $M(x) \cap W \neq \emptyset$

$$d(x, M^{-1}(y)) \leq kd(y, M(x)).$$

3. Regularity of paraconvex multifunctions

Let us prove first the following proposition.

Proposition 1 *Let $M : X \rightarrow Y$ be a multifunction such that M^{-1} is 1 -paraconvex and let $(x, f) \in \text{Gr}M$. Assume that $R_+[M(X) - f]$ is symmetric. Then*

$$R_+[M(X) - y] = \bigcap_{n \in \mathbb{N}, m \in \mathbb{N}} m[\text{By} \cap (M(x + nBx) - y) \cap (f - M(x + nBx))].$$

Proof Let $z \in R_+[M(X) - f]$. Then there exist $\lambda, \lambda' \in R_+$ and $(x, y), (x', y') \in \text{Gr}M$ such that $z = \lambda(y - f)$ and $-z = \lambda'(y' - f)$. Let m, n_1 and $n \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{0\}$ such that

$$m^{1/2} \geq \max(\lambda, \lambda', \|y - f\|, \|y' - f\|),$$

$$n_1 \geq 2(\|x - x'\|, \|x' - x\|)$$

and

$$n \geq \frac{1}{c} \max\left(\frac{1}{m}, \frac{1}{m'}\right) + c(m)t$$

where c is the constant of the paraconvexity of M^{-1} . One can easily verify that

$$x + \frac{(x - x')}{m} \in M^{-1} \left[\frac{1}{m}(y - f) \right] + c(m)tBx.$$

Therefore there exists $b \in Bx$ such that by (3)

$$f + \frac{(y - f)}{m} \in M \left[x + \frac{(x - x')}{m} + c(m)tb \right] \subset M(x + nBx)$$

and hence

$$\lambda(y - f) \in m[M(x + nBx) - f].$$

Similarly we get that $\lambda'(y' - f) \in m[M(x + nBx) - f]$. III

When a multifunction $M : X \rightarrow Y$ is 1 -paraconvex with $\lambda > 1$, it is easy to see (Jourani, 1996, proof of Theorem 2.2, step 2) that for all $p > 0, p \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{0\}, t_i \geq 0$ and $\sum_{i=1}^p t_i \in pBx, i = 1, \dots, p$ with $\sum_{i=1}^p t_i = 1$ one has

$$\sum_{i=1}^p t_i M(x_i) \subset M \left(\sum_{i=1}^p t_i x_i \right) + c(2p)YBy. \tag{3}$$

We will need the following lemma which is contained in the proof of Theorem 2.2. in Jourani (1996), step 3:

Lemma 1 *Let $M : X \rightarrow Y$ be a multifunction such that M^{-1} is 1 -paraconvex with $\lambda > 1$. Then for all $\lambda, p > 0$ there exists $r > 0$ such that*

$$\text{co}[(M(x + pBx) - f) \cap \lambda By] \subset M(x + rBx) - f,$$

where co denotes the convex hull. III

Recall that a point y is in the *core* of a subset S of Y (denoted by $\text{core } S$) if for any $z \in Y$ there exists some $r > 0$ such that $\{(1 - t)y + tz : t \in [0, r]\} \subset S$

Proposition 2 *Let $M : X \rightarrow Y$ be a multifunction whose inverse M^{-1} is 1-paraconvex with $\lambda > 1$ and $(x, t) \in \text{Gr}M$. Suppose that $y \in \text{core } M(X)$. Then there exist $r > 0$ and $\delta > 0$ such that for all $p > 0$ one has*

$$\delta + \delta B_y \subset M(x + rB_x) + pB_y.$$

Proof: Without loss of generality we may suppose $x = 0$ and $y = 0$. Since M^{-1} is 1-paraconvex, the set $M(X) = \text{dom } M^{-1}$ is convex, then $\text{OE core } M(X)$ is equivalent to $Y = R + M(X)$. Therefore by Proposition 1 we have (for $N^* = N \setminus \{0\}$)

$$Y = \bigcup_{n, m \in N^*} \text{cl}\{m[\text{co}M(nB_x) \cap \text{co}(-M(nB_x)) \cap B_y]\}$$

(where cl denotes the closure) and hence by Baire theorem there exist n and $m \in N^*$ such that

$$\text{int } \text{cl}\{m[\text{co}M(nB_x) \cap \text{co}(-M(nB_x)) \cap B_y]\} \neq \emptyset.$$

Thus there exists $\delta > 0$ such that

$$\delta B_y \subset \text{cl}\{\text{co}M(nB_x) \cap \text{co}(-M(nB_x)) \cap B_y\} \subset \text{clco}M(nB_x) \cap B_y,$$

that is for all $p > 0$

$$\delta B_y \subset B_y \cap \text{co}M(nB_x) + pB_y.$$

Hence by Lemma 1 we have for all $p > 0$

$$\delta B_y \subset M(rB_x) + pB_y$$

where $r := n + \delta^{-1}$.

II

Using some ideas of Borwein and Zhuang (1988) we can now prove the following result.

Theorem 2 *Let $M : X \rightarrow Y$ be a multifunction with closed graph and such that M^{-1} is 1-paraconvex with $\lambda > 1$. Let $(x, y) \in \text{Gr}M$ such that $y \in \text{core } M(X)$. Then M is open at linear rate around (x, y) and hence metrically regular at (x, y) .*

Proof. By translation, we may suppose that $x = 0$ and $y = 0$. By Proposition 2 there exist $\delta > 0, r > 0$ such that for all $p > 0$ with $p < \delta$ one has $\delta B_y \subset M(rB_x) + pB_y$, that is, for each $p \in B_y$, there exist $b \in B_x$ and $i \in B_y$ such that $rb \in M^{-1}(\delta p - pi)$. Now let $\epsilon > 0$ with $\epsilon < \delta - \beta$ $y \in \epsilon B_y, x \in \epsilon B_x \cap M^{-1}(y)$ and $s \in [0, 1]$. We have

$$\begin{aligned} (1 - s)x + srb &\in (1 - s)M^{-1}(y) + sM^{-1}(\delta p - pi) \\ &\subset M^{-1}((1 - s)y + s(\delta p - pi)) + \epsilon \|y - \delta p + pi\| B_x \end{aligned}$$

and hence

$$x + srb \ E M^{-1} [\gamma - sy + s(6p - pq)] + s(E + q(E + 6 + p)\gamma)B_x .$$

Putting $A := q(E + 6 + p)\gamma$ we get for all $t \in]0, 1[$

$$(1 - t)x + t(x + srb) \ E (1 - t) M^{-1} (\gamma) + t M^{-1} [\gamma - sy + s(6p - pq)] + ts(E + \gamma)B_x$$

which ensures that

$$x + tsrb \ E M^{-1} [\gamma - sty + st(6p - pq)] + [st(E + \gamma)\gamma]B_x .$$

Then there exists $v \in B_x$ such that

$$y - ts(y + pq) + ts6p \ E M[T + tsrb - (ts(E + \gamma)\gamma)s^v]u$$

and hence

$$y + ts\delta p \in M(x + s[tr + t(\epsilon + \lambda) + t\lambda s^{\gamma-1}]B_x) + ts(\epsilon + \rho)B_Y.$$

Hence choosing $t < \frac{1}{2} \min(\frac{\epsilon}{\delta}, \frac{\rho}{\delta}, \frac{1}{s})$ we get for all $s \in]0, 1[$

$$y + s6^l B_y \subset M(x + sB_x) + sp^l B_y$$

where $6^l := t0$, $p^l := t(E + p)$ and $p^l < 6^l$. So M is approximately open at linear rate around (x, y) and hence Theorem 1 completes the proof. II

Remark 1 *It is worth noting that the result can be obtained by using Dolecki's paper, Dolecki (1978), about 1-Hausdorff upper semi-continuous multifunction called later pseudo-Hausdorff upper semi-continuous. In fact Dolecki proved that a multifunction is uniformly pseudo-Hausdorff upper semi continuous if and only if it is uniformly lower semi-continuous. Moreover, it is easy to see that a multifunction is uniformly lower semi continuous in a neighbourhood of a point (x_0, Y_0) if and only if the inverse multifunction is q -regular around (x_0, Y_0) in the sense of Borwein and Zhuang (1988).*

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