

## NONLINEAR VARIATIONAL INEQUALITIES AND FIXED POINT THEOREMS

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### 1. Introduction

P. Hartman and G. Stampacchia [6] proved the following theorem in 1966: If  $f: X \rightarrow R^n$  is a continuous map on a compact convex subset  $X$  of  $R^n$ , then there exists  $x_0 \in X$  such that  $\langle fx_0, x_0 - x \rangle \geq 0$  for all  $x \in X$ . This remarkable result has been investigated and generalized by F.E. Browder [1], [2], W. Takahashi [9], S. Park [8] and others. For example, Browder extended this theorem to a map  $f$  defined on a compact convex subset  $X$  of a topological vector space  $E$  into the dual space  $E^*$ ; see [2, Theorem 2]. And Takahashi extended Browder's theorem to closed convex sets in topological vector space; see [9, Theorem 3].

In Section 2, we obtain some variational inequalities, especially, generalizations of Browder's and Takahashi's theorems. The generalization of Browder's is an earlier result of the first author [8].

In Section 3, using Theorem 1, we improve and extend some known fixed point theorems. Theorems 4 and 8 improve Takahashi's results [9, Theorems 5 and 9], respectively. Theorem 4 extends the first author's fixed point theorem [8, Theorem 8] (Theorem 5 in this paper) which is a generalization of Browder [1, Theorem 1]. Theorem 8 extends Theorem 9 which is a generalization of Browder [2, Theorem 3].

Finally, in Section 4, we obtain variational inequalities for multi-valued maps by using Theorem 1. We improve Takahashi's results [9, Theorems 21 and 22] which are generalizations of Browder [2, Theorem 6] and the Kakutani fixed point theorem [7], respectively.

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## 2. Variational inequalities

Throughout this paper, we assume that a topological space is Hausdorff and a topological vector space is real. Let us start with the following useful theorem. We deduce this from the Brouwer fixed point theorem.

**THEOREM 1.** *Let  $X$  be a nonempty compact convex subset of a topological vector space  $E$  and  $f$  a real valued function on  $X \times X$  satisfying:*

- (i) *For each  $y \in X$ , the function  $f(x, y)$  of  $x$  is lower semicontinuous;*
- (ii) *for each  $x \in X$ , the function  $f(x, y)$  of  $y$  is quasi-concave; and*
- (iii)  *$f(x, x) \leq c$  for all  $x \in X$  with some real number  $c$ .*

*Then there exists an  $x_0 \in X$  such that  $f(x_0, y) \leq c$  for all  $y \in X$ .*

*Proof.* Suppose that for each  $x \in X$ , there exists  $y \in X$  such that  $f(x, y) > c$ . Then for each  $y \in X$ , the set  $U_y = \{x \in X : f(x, y) > c\}$  is open by (i), and  $\{U_y\}_{y \in X}$  is a cover of  $X$ . Since  $X$  is compact, there exists a finite family  $\{y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n\}$  such that  $\{U_{y_i}\}_{i=1}^n$  covers  $X$ . Let  $\{\beta_1, \beta_2, \dots, \beta_n\}$  be a partition of unity subordinated to this subcover. Then each  $\beta_i$  is a continuous map of  $X$  into  $[0, 1]$  which vanishes outside  $U_{y_i}$ , while  $\sum_{i=1}^n \beta_i(x) = 1$  for all  $x \in X$ . For each  $i$  satisfying  $\beta_i(x) \neq 0$ ,  $x$  lies in  $U_{y_i}$ , so that  $f(x, y_i) > c$ . By (ii) we have

$$f(x, \sum_{i=1}^n \beta_i(x) y_i) > c$$

for all  $x \in X$ . Define a continuous map  $p$  of  $X$  into the convex hull of  $\{y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n\}$  by

$$p(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n \beta_i(x) y_i.$$

Since the convex hull of  $\{y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n\}$  is a compact convex subset of  $X$  which lies in a finite dimensional subspace of  $E$ , by the Brouwer fixed point theorem, we have  $x_1 \in X$  such that  $x_1 = p(x_1) = \sum_{i=1}^n \beta_i(x_1) y_i$ . Hence we have

$$c \geq f(x_1, x_1) = f(x_1, \sum_{i=1}^n \beta_i(x_1) y_i) > c,$$

which is a contradiction.

Theorem 1 improves Takahashi [9, Lemma 1]. From Theorem 1, we obtain the following due to Fan [5] by setting  $g(x, y) = f(x, x) - f(x, y)$  on  $X \times X$ .

**COROLLARY 1.** *Let  $X$  be a nonempty compact convex subset of a topological vector space  $E$  and  $f$  a real valued continuous function on  $X \times X$  such that for each  $x \in X$ , the function  $f(x, y)$  of  $y$  is quasi-convex. Then there exists  $x_0 \in X$  such that  $f(x_0, x_0) \leq f(x_0, y)$  for all  $y \in X$ .*

Let  $X$  be a convex subset of a vector space  $E$  over  $R$ . For each  $x \in X$ , the inward and outward sets of  $X$  at  $x$ ,  $I_X(x)$  and  $O_X(x)$ , are defined as follows:

$$I_X(x) := \{x + r(u - x) \in E : u \in X, r > 0\},$$

$$O_X(x) := \{x - r(u - x) \in E : u \in X, r > 0\}.$$

If  $E$  is a topological vector space, the closures of  $I_X(x)$  and  $O_X(x)$  are denoted by  $\bar{I}_X(x)$  and  $\bar{O}_X(x)$ , respectively. In the sequel,  $W(x)$  denotes either  $\bar{I}_X(x)$  or  $\bar{O}_X(x)$ .

In [8], the first author obtained the following result by using Corollary 1.

**COROLLARY 2.** [8] *Let  $X$  be a nonempty compact convex subset of a topological vector space  $E$  and  $f$  a real valued continuous function on  $X \times E$  such that for each  $x \in X$ , the function  $f(x, y)$  of  $y$  is convex. Then there exists an  $x_0 \in X$  such that  $f(x_0, x_0) \leq f(x_0, y)$  for all  $y \in \bar{I}_X(x_0)$ .*

By using this, the first author proved the following:

**THEOREM 2.** [8] *Let  $X$  be a nonempty compact convex subset of a topological vector space  $E$  and  $f$  a continuous map of  $X$  into  $E^*$ . Then there exists an  $x_0 \in X$  such that  $\langle fx_0, x_0 - y \rangle \geq 0$  for all  $y \in W(x_0)$ .*

In particular, if  $E$  is locally convex and  $W(x_0)$  is replaced by  $X$ , then Theorem 2 reduces to Browder [2, Theorem 2]. In [9, Theorem 3], Takahashi generalized Browder [2, Theorem 2] to closed convex sets in topological vector spaces. In the following theorem, we improve Takahashi's result. Let  $H, X$  be nonempty subsets of a topological vector space  $E$ . We put  $B_H X = \bar{X} \cap \overline{H - X}$  and  $I_H X = X \cap (B_H X)^c$  where  $\bar{A}$  is the closure of  $A \subset E$  and  $A^c$  is the complement of  $A$ .

**THEOREM 3.** *Let  $H$  be a closed convex subset of a topological vector space  $E$  and  $f$  a continuous map of  $H$  into  $E^*$ . If there exists a compact convex subset  $X$  of  $H$  such that  $I_H X \neq \emptyset$  and for each  $z \in B_H X$ , there is  $u_0 \in I_H X$  with  $\langle fz, z - u_0 \rangle \geq 0$ , then there exists  $x^* \in H$  such that  $\langle fx^*, y - x^* \rangle \geq 0$  for all  $y \in \bar{I}_H(x^*)$ .*

*Proof.* By Theorem 2, there exists  $x^* \in X$  such that  $\langle fx^*, y-x^* \rangle \geq 0$  for all  $y \in I_X(x^*)$ . If  $x^* \in I_H X$ , for each  $y \in H$ , we can choose  $\lambda$  ( $0 < \lambda < 1$ ) so that  $x = x^* + \lambda(y-x^*)$  lies in  $X$  since the map  $p(\lambda) = x^* + \lambda(y-x^*)$  is continuous. Then  $y = x^* + (x-x^*)/\lambda$  lies in  $I_X(x^*)$ . Hence we obtain  $\langle fx^*, y-x^* \rangle \geq 0$  for all  $y \in H$ . If  $x^* \in B_H X$ , by the hypothesis, there exists  $u_0 \in I_H X$  with  $\langle fx^*, x^*-u_0 \rangle \geq 0$ . Since  $\langle fx^*, x-x^* \rangle \geq 0$  for all  $x \in X$ , it follows that

$$\langle fx^*, x-u_0 \rangle \geq 0$$

for all  $x \in X$ . Since  $u_0 \in I_H X$ , for each  $y \in H$  there exists  $\lambda$  ( $0 < \lambda < 1$ ) such that  $x = u_0 + \lambda(y-u_0) \in X$ . Hence

$$0 \leq \langle fx^*, x-u_0 \rangle = \lambda \langle fx^*, y-u_0 \rangle$$

and consequently  $\langle fx^*, y-u_0 \rangle \geq 0$  for all  $y \in H$ . Since  $u_0 \in X$  implies  $\langle fx^*, u_0-x^* \rangle \geq 0$ , we obtain  $\langle fx^*, y-x^* \rangle \geq 0$  for all  $y \in H$ . For  $y \in I_H(x^*) \setminus H$ ,  $y = x^* + r(u-x^*)$  for some  $u \in H$ ,  $r > 1$ . So  $\langle fx^*, y-x^* \rangle = r \langle fx^*, u-x^* \rangle \geq 0$ . Hence  $\langle fx^*, y-x^* \rangle \geq 0$  for all  $y \in \bar{I}_H(x^*)$ .

### 3. Fixed point theorems

In this section, using Theorem 1, we improve and extend some known fixed point theorems.

**THEOREM 4.** *Let  $X$  be a nonempty compact convex subset of a topological vector space  $E$  and  $f$  a continuous map of  $X$  into  $E$ . Then, either there exists  $y_0 \in X$  such that  $y_0$  and  $fy_0$  cannot be separated by a continuous linear functional, or there exist  $x_0 \in X$  and  $g \in E^*$  such that*

$$g(x_0 - fx_0) < 0 \leq \inf_{y \in W(x_0)} g(x_0 - y).$$

*Proof.* Suppose that for each  $x \in X$ , there exists  $h \in E^*$  such that  $h(x - fx) < 0$ . Setting  $U_h = \{x \in X : h(x - fx) < 0\}$  for each  $h \in E^*$ , we have a cover  $\{U_h\}_{h \in E^*}$  of  $X$ . Since  $X$  is compact, there exists a finite family  $\{h_1, h_2, \dots, h_n\}$  such that  $\{U_{h_i}\}_{i=1}^n$  covers  $X$ . Let  $\{\beta_1, \beta_2, \dots, \beta_n\}$  be a partition of unity subordinated to this subcover. Define a real valued function  $p$  on  $X \times E$  by

$$p(x, y) = \sum_{i=1}^n \beta_i(x) h_i(x - y).$$

Then, by Corollary 2, there exists  $x_0 \in X$  such that

$$p(x_0, y) = \sum_{i=1}^n \beta_i(x_0) h_i(x_0 - y) \geq p(x_0, x_0) = 0$$

for all  $y \in \bar{I}_X(x_0)$ . On the other hand, we have

$$p(x_0, fx_0) = \sum_{i=1}^n \beta_i(x_0) h_i(x_0 - fx_0) < 0.$$

By putting  $g = \sum_{i=1}^2 \beta_i(x_0)h_i$ , we obtain the desired result for inward case.

For outward case, define a continuous map  $f' : X \rightarrow E$  by  $f'x = 2x - fx$ . Then, by the preceding inward case, either there exists  $y_0 \in X$  such that  $y_0$  and  $f'y_0$  cannot be separated by a continuous linear functional, or there exist  $x_0 \in X$  and  $g' \in E^*$  such that  $g'(x_0 - f'x_0) < 0 \leq \inf_{z \in I_X(x_0)} g'(x_0 - z)$ . The first alternative implies that  $y_0$  and  $fy_0$  cannot be separated by a continuous linear functional. Suppose that the second one holds. For any  $y \in O_X(x_0)$ ,  $z = 2x_0 - y$  lies in  $I_X(x_0)$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} (-g')(x_0 - fx_0) &= (-g')(f'x_0 - x_0) = g'(x_0 - f'x_0) < 0 \\ &\leq g'(x_0 - z) = g'(y - x_0) = (-g')(x_0 - y) \end{aligned}$$

for any  $y \in O_X(x_0)$ , and hence for any  $y \in \bar{O}_X(x_0)$ . By putting  $g = -g'$ , we obtain the desired result for outward case.

Theorem 4 improves Takahashi [9, Theorem 5]. As a consequence of Theorem 4, we have the following:

**THEOREM 5.** [8] *Let  $X$  be a nonempty compact convex subset of a topological vector space  $E$  having sufficiently many linear functionals and  $f$  a continuous map of  $X$  into  $E$ . If for each  $x \in X$ , there exists  $\lambda < 1$  with  $\lambda x + (1 - \lambda)fx \in W(x)$ , then  $f$  has a fixed point.*

*Proof.* Suppose  $f$  has no fixed point. By Theorem 4 there exist  $x_0 \in X$  and  $g \in E^*$  such that

$$g(x_0 - fx_0) < 0 \leq \inf_{y \in W(x_0)} g(x_0 - y).$$

For this  $x_0$ , we can choose  $\lambda < 1$  with  $y_0 := \lambda x_0 + (1 - \lambda)fx_0 \in W(x_0)$ . Hence we have

$$g(x_0 - fx_0) < 0 \leq g(x_0 - y_0) = (1 - \lambda)g(x_0 - fx_0).$$

This is a contradiction. Therefore  $f$  has a fixed point.

In particular, if  $E$  is locally convex and  $W(x)$  is replaced by  $X$ , then Theorem 5 reduces to Browder [1, Theorem 1]. On the other hand, if  $f$  maps  $X$  into itself, we obtain the following:

**COROLLARY 3.** [3] *Let  $X$  be a nonempty compact convex subset of a topological vector space  $E$  having sufficiently many linear functionals and  $f$  a continuous map of  $X$  into itself. Then  $f$  has a fixed point.*

As another consequence of Theorem 4, we have the following:

**THEOREM 6.** *Let  $H$  be a closed convex subset of a topological vector space  $E$  having sufficiently many linear functionals and  $f$  a continuous map of  $H$  into  $H$ . If there exists a compact convex subset  $X$  of  $H$  such that for each  $x \in B_H X$ , there is  $\lambda < 1$  with  $\lambda x + (1-\lambda)f x \in \bar{I}_X(x)$ , then  $f$  has a fixed point in  $H$ .*

*Proof.* Consider the restriction of  $f$  to  $X$ . If  $f$  has no fixed point in  $X$ , by Theorem 4 there exist  $x_0 \in X$  and  $g \in E^*$  such that

$$g(x_0 - f x_0) < 0 \leq \inf_{y \in W(x_0)} g(x_0 - y).$$

If  $x_0 \in I_H X$ , since  $f x_0 \in H$ , we can choose  $\lambda$  ( $0 < \lambda < 1$ ) so that  $y_0 = \lambda x_0 + (1-\lambda)f x_0$  lies in  $X$ . Hence we have

$$g(x_0 - f x_0) < 0 \leq g(x_0 - y_0) = (1-\lambda)g(x_0 - f x_0).$$

This is a contradiction. If  $x_0 \in B_H X$ , by the hypothesis, there exists  $\lambda < 1$  with  $y_0 = \lambda x_0 + (1-\lambda)f x_0 \in \bar{I}_X(x_0)$ . Also we have

$$g(x_0 - f x_0) < 0 \leq g(x_0 - y_0) = (1-\lambda)g(x_0 - f x_0),$$

which is a contradiction. Therefore  $f$  has a fixed point.

In particular, if  $E$  is locally convex and  $W(x) = \bar{I}_X(x)$  is replaced by  $X$ , then Theorem 6 reduces to Takahashi [9, Theorem 7].

We now generalize Theorem 4 to multi-valued maps. The following definition is due to Fan [4]. Let  $X$  be a subset of a topological vector space  $E$ . A map  $T$  of  $X$  into  $2^E$  is said to be upper demicontinuous if for each open half-space  $H$  in  $E$ , the set  $\{x \in X : Tx \subset H\}$  is open in  $X$ . An open half-space  $H$  in  $E$  is a set of the form  $\{x \in E : hx > r\}$  where  $h$  is a continuous linear functional, not identically zero, and  $r$  is a real number. It is obvious that if a map  $T$  of  $X$  into  $2^E$  is upper semicontinuous, then  $T$  is upper demicontinuous. We say that two sets  $A, B$  in  $E$  can be strictly separated by a closed hyperplane, if there exist  $h \in E^*$  and  $r \in R$  such that  $hx < r$  for all  $x \in A$  and  $hy > r$  for all  $y \in B$ . For two sets  $C, D$  in  $R$ ,  $C < D$  means that  $x < y$  for any  $x \in C$  and  $y \in D$ .

**THEOREM 7.** *Let  $X$  be a nonempty compact convex subset of a topological vector space  $E$ . Let  $S, T$  be two upper demicontinuous maps of  $X$  into  $2^E$  such that for each  $x \in X$ ,  $Sx$  and  $Tx$  are nonempty. Then, either there exists  $y_0 \in X$  for which  $Sy_0$  and  $Ty_0$  cannot be strictly separated by a closed hyperplane, or there exist  $x_0 \in X$  and  $g \in E^*$  such that  $g(x_0 - Tx_0) < g(x_0 - Sx_0)$  and  $0 \leq \inf_{y \in W(x_0)} g(x_0 - y)$ .*

*Proof.* Suppose that for each  $x \in X$ ,  $Sx$  and  $Tx$  can be strictly separated by a closed hyperplane. Then for each  $x \in X$ , we can find  $g_x \in E^*$  and  $r_x \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $g_x(Sx) < r_x < g_x(Tx)$ . Since  $S, T$  are upper demicontinuous on  $X$ , there exists a neighborhood  $U_x$  of  $x$  in  $X$  such that  $g_x(Sy) < r_x < g_x(Ty)$  for all  $y \in U_x$ . Hence  $x$  is in the interior  $N(g_x)$  of  $\{z \in X : g_x(Sz) < g_x(Tz)\}$ . Thus  $X = \bigcup_{x \in X} N(g_x)$ . By compactness of  $X$ , there exists a finite set  $\{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\} \subset X$  such that  $X = \bigcup_{i=1}^n N(g_{x_i})$ . Let  $\{\beta_i\}_{i=1}^n$  be a partition of unity subordinated to the cover  $\{N(g_{x_i})\}$ . Define a real valued function  $p$  on  $X \in E$  by

$$p(x, y) = \sum_{i=1}^n \beta_i(x) g_{x_i}(x - y).$$

By Corollary 2, there exists  $x_0 \in X$  such that

$$p(x_0, y) = \sum_{i=1}^n \beta_i(x_0) g_{x_i}(x_0 - y) \geq p(x_0, x_0) = 0$$

for all  $y \in \bar{I}_X(x_0)$ . We also know that

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \beta_i(x_0) g_{x_i}(Sx_0) < \sum_{i=1}^n \beta_i(x_0) g_{x_i}(Tx_0).$$

By putting  $g = \sum \beta_i(x_0) g_{x_i}$ , we obtain the desired result for inward case.

For outward case, define upper demicontinuous maps  $S', T' : X \rightarrow 2^E$  by  $S'x = 2x - Sx$ ,  $T'x = 2x - Tx$ , respectively. By the preceding inward case, either there exists  $y_0 \in X$  for which  $S'y_0$  and  $T'y_0$  cannot be strictly separated by a closed hyperplane, or there exist  $x_0 \in X$  and  $g' \in E^*$  such that  $g'(x_0 - T'x_0) < g'(x_0 - S'x_0)$  and  $0 \leq \inf_{z \in W(x_0)} g'(x_0 - z)$ .

The first alternative implies that  $Sy_0$  and  $Ty_0$  cannot be strictly separated by a closed hyperplane. Suppose that the second one holds. For any  $y \in O_X(x_0)$ ,  $z = 2x_0 - y$  lies in  $I_X(x_0)$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} (-g')(x_0 - Tx_0) &= (-g')(T'x_0 - x_0) = g'(x_0 - T'x_0) \\ &< g'(x_0 - S'x_0) = (-g')(S'x_0 - x_0) = (-g')(x_0 - Sx_0), \end{aligned}$$

and

$$0 \leq g'(x_0 - z) = g'(y - x_0) = (-g')(x_0 - y)$$

for any  $y \in O_X(x_0)$ , and hence for any  $y \in \bar{O}_X(x_0)$ . By putting  $g = -g'$ , we obtain the desired result for outward case.

Theorem 7 improves Takahashi [9, Theorem 8]. If  $S$  is the identity map of  $X$ , then Theorem 7 reduces to the following generalization of Theorem 4.

**THEOREM 8.** *Let  $X$  be a nonempty compact convex subset of a topological vector space  $E$  and  $T$  an upper demicontinuous map of  $X$  into  $2^E$  such that for each  $x \in X$ ,  $Tx$  is nonempty. Then, either there exists  $y_0 \in X$  such that  $y_0$  and  $Ty_0$  cannot be strictly separated by a closed hyperplane, or there exist  $x_0 \in X$  and  $g \in E^*$  such that*

$$g(x_0 - Tx_0) < 0 < \inf_{y \in W(x_0)} g(x_0 - y).$$

Theorem 8 improves Takahashi [9, Theorem 9]. As a consequence of Theorem 8, we have the following theorem.

**THEOREM 9.** *Let  $X$  be a nonempty compact convex subset of a locally convex topological vector space  $E$  and  $T$  an upper demicontinuous map  $X$  into  $2^E$  such that for each  $x \in X$ ,  $Tx$  is nonempty, closed and convex. If for each  $x \in X$ , there exists  $\lambda < 1$  such that  $(\lambda x + (1-\lambda)Tx) \cap W(x) \neq \emptyset$ , then  $T$  has a fixed point.*

*Proof.* Suppose  $T$  has no fixed point. By Theorem 8 there exist  $x_0 \in X$  and  $g \in E^*$  such that

$$g(x_0 - Tx_0) < 0 \leq \inf_{y \in W(x_0)} g(x_0 - y).$$

For this  $x_0$ , we can choose  $\lambda < 1$  and  $z_0 \in Tx_0$  such that  $y_0 := \lambda x_0 + (1-\lambda)z_0 \in W(x_0)$ . Hence we have

$$g(x_0 - z_0) < 0 \leq g(x_0 - y_0) = (1-\lambda)g(x_0 - z_0).$$

This is a contradiction. Therefore  $T$  has a fixed point.

In particular, if  $T$  is upper semicontinuous and  $W(x)$  is replaced by  $X$ , then Theorem 9 reduces to Browder [2, Theorem 3].

From Corollary 2 for a normed vector space, we obtain the following generalization of Ky Fan [4, Theorem 2].

**THEOREM 10.** *Let  $X$  be a nonempty compact convex subset of a normed vector space  $E$  and  $f$  a continuous map of  $X$  into  $E$ . Then there exists  $x_0 \in X$  such that*

$$\|fx_0 - x_0\| = \min_{y \in W(x_0)} \|fx_0 - y\|.$$

*Proof.* Define a real valued function  $g$  on  $X \times E$  by  $g(x, y) = \|fx - y\|$ . Then  $g$  is continuous and for each  $x \in X$ , the function  $g(x, y)$  of  $y$  is convex. Thus the desired result is obvious by Corollary 2.

#### 4. Variational inequalities for multi-valued maps

By using Theorem 1, we generalize Theorem 2 to multi-valued

maps for inward case.

**THEOREM 11.** *Let  $X$  be a nonempty compact convex subset of a topological vector space  $E$  and  $T$  an upper semicontinuous map of  $X$  into  $2^{E^*}$  such that for each  $x \in X$ ,  $Tx$  is nonempty and compact. If for each  $x \in X$ ,*

$$\min_{y \in X} \max_{g \in Tx} \langle g, x-y \rangle = \max_{g \in Tx} \min_{y \in X} \langle g, x-y \rangle,$$

*then there exist  $x_0 \in X$  and  $g_0 \in Tx_0$  such that  $\langle g_0, x_0-y \rangle \geq 0$  for all  $y \in \bar{I}_X(x_0)$ .*

*Proof.* Define a real valued function  $f$  on  $X \times X$  by

$$f(x, y) = \max_{g \in Tx} \langle g, x-y \rangle.$$

For any  $y \in X$  and  $c \in \mathbb{R}$ , put  $A = \{x \in X : f(x, y) \geq c\}$ . We show that if  $\{x_\alpha : \alpha \in I\}$  is a net in  $A$  converging to  $x_0$ , then  $x_0 \in A$ . For each  $x_\alpha$  there exists  $g_\alpha \in Tx_\alpha$  such that  $\langle g_\alpha, x_\alpha - y \rangle \geq c$ . Since  $\cup\{Tx : x \in X\}$  is compact,  $\{g_\alpha\}$  has a subnet  $\{g_{\alpha'}\}$  converging to  $g_0$ . Since  $T$  is upper semicontinuous,  $g_0 \in Tx_0$ . Also we have  $c \leq \liminf_{\alpha'} \langle g_{\alpha'}, x_{\alpha'} - y \rangle = \langle g_0, x_0 - y \rangle$ . Hence  $x_0 \in A$ . That is, the function  $f(x, y)$  of  $x$  is upper semicontinuous. It is obvious that the function  $f(x, y)$  of  $y$  is convex and  $f(x, x) = 0$  for all  $x \in X$ . By Theorem 1 for  $-f$ , there exists  $x_0 \in X$  such that  $\max_{g \in Tx_0} \langle g, x_0 - y \rangle \geq 0$  for all  $y \in X$ . Since

$$\min_{y \in X} \max_{g \in Tx_0} \langle g, x_0 - y \rangle = \max_{g \in Tx_0} \min_{y \in X} \langle g, x_0 - y \rangle,$$

we have  $g_0 \in Tx_0$  such that  $\langle g_0, x_0 - y \rangle \geq 0$  for all  $y \in X$ . For  $y \in I_X(x_0) \setminus X$ ,  $y = x_0 + r(u - x_0)$  for some  $u \in X$  and  $r > 1$ . So  $\langle g_0, x_0 - y \rangle = r \langle g_0, x_0 - u \rangle \geq 0$ . Hence  $\langle g_0, x_0 - y \rangle \geq 0$  for all  $y \in \bar{I}_X(x_0)$ .

Theorem 11 improves Takahashi [9, Theorem 21]. In particular, if  $Tx$  is convex, the minimax equality in Theorem 11 holds. So we have the following corollary which is an extension of Browder [2, Theorem 6].

**COROLLARY 4.** *Let  $X$  be a nonempty compact convex subset of a topological vector space  $E$  and  $T$  an upper semicontinuous map of  $X$  into  $2^{E^*}$  such that for each  $x \in X$ ,  $Tx$  is nonempty, compact and convex. Then there exist  $x_0 \in X$  and  $g_0 \in Tx_0$  such that  $\langle g_0, x_0 - y \rangle \geq 0$  for all  $y \in \bar{I}_X(x_0)$ .*

*Proof.* We need only show that for each  $x \in X$ ,

$$\min_{y \in X} \max_{g \in Tx} \langle g, x-y \rangle = \max_{g \in Tx} \min_{y \in X} \langle g, x-y \rangle.$$

Let  $x \in X$  and  $c = \max_{g \in Tx} \min_{y \in X} \langle g, x - y \rangle$ . For each  $g \in Tx$ , put  $A(g) = \{y \in X : \langle g, x - y \rangle \leq c\}$ . Let  $\{g_1, g_2, \dots, g_n\}$  be a finite subset of  $Tx$  and  $\{r_1, r_2, \dots, r_n\}$  be nonnegative numbers with  $\sum_{i=1}^n r_i = 1$ . For  $\sum_{i=1}^n r_i g_i \in Tx$ , there is  $y_0 \in X$  such that  $\sum_{i=1}^n r_i \langle g_i, x - y_0 \rangle = \langle \sum_{i=1}^n r_i g_i, x - y_0 \rangle \leq c$ . Thus there exists  $z \in X$  such that  $\langle g_i, x - z \rangle \leq c$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ . Since the family  $\{A(g) : g \in Tx\}$  has the finite intersection property and  $X$  is compact, we have  $\bigcap \{A(g) : g \in Tx\} \neq \emptyset$ . Let  $y_0 \in \bigcap \{A(g) : g \in Tx\}$ . Then  $\max_g \langle g, x - y_0 \rangle \leq c$ . Hence we have

$$\min_y \max_g \langle g, x - y \rangle \leq \max_g \langle g, x - y_0 \rangle \leq \max_g \min_y \langle g, x - y \rangle.$$

On the other hand it is obvious that

$$\max_g \min_y \langle g, x - y \rangle \leq \min_y \max_g \langle g, x - y \rangle.$$

**THEOREM 12.** *Let  $X$  be a nonempty compact convex subset of Euclidean space  $R^n$  and  $T$  an upper semicontinuous map of  $X$  into  $2^{R^n}$  such that for each  $x \in X$ ,  $Tx$  is nonempty and compact. If for each  $x \in X$ ,*

$$\min_{y \in X} \max_{z \in Tx} \langle z - x, x - y \rangle = \max_{z \in Tx} \min_{y \in X} \langle z - x, x - y \rangle,$$

*then there exist  $x_0 \in X$  and  $z_0 \in Tx_0$  such that  $\langle z_0 - x_0, x_0 - y \rangle \geq 0$  for all  $y \in \bar{I}_X(x_0)$ .*

*Proof.* Setting  $f(x, y) = \max_{z \in Tx} \langle z - x, x - y \rangle$  for  $x, y \in X$  and applying the argument in Theorem 11, we obtain the desired result.

Theorem 12 improves Takahashi [9, Theorem 22].

**COROLLARY 5.** *Let  $X$  be a nonempty compact convex subset of Euclidean space  $R^n$  and  $T$  an upper semicontinuous map of  $X$  into  $2^{R^n}$  such that for each  $x \in X$ ,  $Tx$  is nonempty, compact and convex. Then there exist  $x_0 \in X$  and  $z_0 \in Tx_0$  such that  $\langle z_0 - x_0, x_0 - y \rangle \geq 0$  for all  $y \in \bar{I}_X(x_0)$ .*

*Proof.* We need only show that for each  $x \in X$ ,

$$\min_{y \in X} \max_{z \in Tx} \langle z - x, x - y \rangle = \max_{z \in Tx} \min_{y \in X} \langle z - x, x - y \rangle.$$

This follows from the argument in Corollary 4.

In Theorem 12, if  $T$  is a map of  $X$  into  $2^X$ , by putting  $y = z_0$ , we obtain  $z_0 = x_0$ , that is,  $x_0 \in Tx_0$ . In particular, the Kakutani fixed point theorem is obtained.

COROLLARY 6. [7] *Let  $X$  be a nonempty compact convex subset of Euclidean space  $R^n$  and  $T$  an upper semicontinuous map of  $X$  into  $2^X$  such that for each  $x \in X$ ,  $Tx$  is nonempty, compact and convex. Then  $T$  has a fixed point.*

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