

NONLINEAR PROGRAMMING WITH SEMILOCALLY B-PREINVEK AND RELATED FUNCTIONS

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A nonlinear programming problem is considered where the functions involved are η - semidifferentiable. Fritz John type and Karush-Kuhn-Tucker type necessary optimality conditions are obtained. Moreover, a result relative to sufficiency of optimality conditions is given. Wolfe type and Mond-Weir type duality results are formulated in terms of η - semidifferentials. The duality results are given using the concepts of generalized semilocally b-preinvex functions. Our results generalize the results obtained by Preda, Stancu-Minasian and Batatorescu [2], Suneja and Gupta [5], Suneja *et al.* [6].

1. PRELIMINARIES

In this section, we introduce the notation and definitions which are used throughout the paper.

Let \mathbf{R}^n be the n -dimensional Euclidean space and \mathbf{R}_+^n its positive orthant, i.e. $\mathbf{R}_+^n = \{x \in \mathbf{R}^n, x = (x_j), x_j \geq 0, j=1, \dots, n\}$.

For $x, y \in \mathbf{R}^n$, by $x \leq y$ we mean $x_i \leq y_i$ for all i , $x \leq y$ means $x_i \leq y_i$ for all i and $x_j < y_j$ for at least one j , $1 \leq j \leq n$. By $x < y$ we mean $x_i < y_i$ for all i , and by $x \not\leq y$ we mean the negation of $x \leq y$.

Throughout the paper all definitions, theorems, lemmas, corollaries, remarks are numbered consecutively in a single numeration system in each section.

Let $X^0 \subseteq \mathbf{R}^n$ be a set and $\eta : X^0 \times X^0 \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^n$ a vector function.

Definition 1.1. We say that X^0 is η -vex at $\bar{x} \in X^0$ if $\bar{x} + \lambda \eta(x, \bar{x}) \in X^0$ for all $x \in X^0$ and $\lambda \in [0, 1]$.

We say that X^0 is η -vex if X^0 is η -vex at any $x \in X^0$.

We remark that if $\eta(x, \bar{x}) = x - \bar{x}$ for any $x \in X^0$, then X^0 is η -vex at $\bar{x} \in X^0$ iff X^0 is a convex set at \bar{x} .

Definition 1.2. [7] Let $X^0 \subseteq \mathbf{R}^n$ be a nonempty set. A function $f : X^0 \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ is said to be *preinvex* on X^0 (with respect to η) (f is η -vex, for short) if there exists an n -dimensional vector function $\eta : X^0 \times X^0 \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^n$ such that for all $x, u \in X^0$ and $\lambda \in [0, 1]$ we have

$$f(u + \lambda \eta(x, u)) \leq \lambda f(x) + (1 - \lambda)f(u).$$

Definition 1.3. We say that $X^0 \subseteq \mathbf{R}^n$ is an η -locally starshaped set at \bar{x} ($\bar{x} \in X^0$) if for any $x \in X^0$ there exists $0 < a_\eta(x, \bar{x}) \leq 1$ such that $\bar{x} + \lambda \eta(x, \bar{x}) \in X^0$ for any $\lambda \in [0, a_\eta(x, \bar{x})]$.

We say that X^0 is η -locally starshaped if X^0 is η -locally starshaped at any $\bar{x} \in X^0$.

Definition 1.4. Let $f: X^0 \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ be a function, where $X^0 \subseteq \mathbf{R}^n$ is an η -locally starshaped set at $\bar{x} \in X^0$, with the corresponding maximum positive number $a_\eta(x, \bar{x})$ satisfying the required conditions. We say that f is:

(i₁) *semilocally b-preinvex (slb-preinvex)* at \bar{x} if for any $x \in X^0$, there exist a positive number $d_\eta(x, \bar{x}) \leq a_\eta(x, \bar{x})$ and a function $b: X^0 \times X^0 \times [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbf{R}_+$ such that $f(\bar{x} + \lambda\eta(x, \bar{x})) \leq \lambda b(x, \bar{x}, \lambda)f(x) + (1 - \lambda b(x, \bar{x}, \lambda))f(\bar{x})$ for $0 < \lambda < d_\eta(x, \bar{x})$, $\lambda b(x, \bar{x}, \lambda) \leq 1$.

If f is semilocally b-preinvex at each $\bar{x} \in X^0$ for the same b , then f is said to be semilocally b-preinvex on X^0 .

(i₂) *semilocally quasi b-preinvex (slqb-preinvex)* at \bar{x} if for any $x \in X^0$, there exist a positive number $d_\eta(x, \bar{x}) \leq a_\eta(x, \bar{x})$ and a function $b: X^0 \times X^0 \times [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbf{R}_+$ such that

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &\leq f(\bar{x}) & \} \\ 0 < \lambda < d_\eta(x, \bar{x}) &\} \Rightarrow b(x, \bar{x}, \lambda)f[\bar{x} + \lambda\eta(x, \bar{x})] \leq b(x, \bar{x}, \lambda)f(\bar{x}) \\ \lambda b(x, \bar{x}, \lambda) &\leq 1 & \} \end{aligned}$$

If f is semilocally quasi b-preinvex at each $\bar{x} \in X^0$ for the same b , then f is said to be semilocally quasi b-preinvex on X^0 .

Definition 1.5. [2],[3] Let $f: X^0 \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ be a function, where $X^0 \subseteq \mathbf{R}^n$ is an η -locally starshaped set at $\bar{x} \in X^0$. We say that f is η -semidifferentiable at \bar{x} if $(df)^+(\bar{x}, \eta(x, \bar{x}))$ exists for each $x \in X^0$, where

$$(df)^+(\bar{x}, \eta(x, \bar{x})) = \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{1}{\lambda} [f(\bar{x} + \lambda\eta(x, \bar{x})) - f(\bar{x})]$$

(the right derivative at \bar{x} along the direction $\eta(x, \bar{x})$).

If f is η -semidifferentiable at any $\bar{x} \in X^0$, then f is said to be η -semidifferentiable on X^0 .

Note that semidifferentiable functions correspond to $\eta(x, \bar{x}) = x - \bar{x}$.

Some properties possessed by the semidifferentiable functions are given by Kaul and Lyall [1].

Definition 1.6. Let $f: X^0 \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ be an η -semidifferentiable function on $X^0 \subseteq \mathbf{R}^n$. We say that f is *semilocally pseudo b-preinvex (slpb-preinvex)* at $\bar{x} \in X^0$ if

$$(df)^+(\bar{x}, \eta(x, \bar{x})) \geq 0 \Rightarrow b(x, \bar{x}, \lambda)f(x) \geq b(x, \bar{x}, \lambda)f(\bar{x}).$$

If f is semilocally pseudo b-preinvex at each $\bar{x} \in X^0$ for the same b , then f is said to be semilocally pseudo b-preinvex on X^0 .

Definition 1.7. Let $f: X^0 \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ be an η -semidifferentiable function on $X^0 \subseteq \mathbf{R}^n$. We say that f is *semilocally explicitly b-preinvex (sleb-preinvex)* at $\bar{x} \in X^0$ if for each $x \in X^0$, $x \neq \bar{x}$, we have

$$\bar{b}(x, \bar{x})[f(x) - f(\bar{x})] > (df)^+(\bar{x}, \eta(x, \bar{x}))$$

where

$$\bar{b}(x, \bar{x}) = \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0^+} b(x, \bar{x}, \lambda). \quad (1.1)$$

Definition 1.8. Let $f: X^0 \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ be an η -semidifferentiable function on $X^0 \subseteq \mathbf{R}^n$. We say that f is *semilocally strongly pseudo b-preinvex (slspb-preinvex)* at $\bar{x} \in X^0$ if

$$\bar{b}(x, \bar{x})(df)^+(\bar{x}, \eta(x, \bar{x})) \geq 0 \Rightarrow f(x) \geq f(\bar{x})$$

where $\bar{b}(x, \bar{x})$ is defined by (1.1).

If f is slspb-preinvex at each $\bar{x} \in X^0$ for the same b , then f is said to be slspb-preinvex on X^0 .

For $b(x, \bar{x}, \lambda) = 1$ these definitions reduce to those of semilocally preinvex, semilocally quasi-preinvex, semilocally pseudo-preinvex considered by Preda, Stancu-Minasian and Batatorescu [2].

Theorem 1.9. Let $f: X^0 \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ be an η -semidifferentiable function on an η -locally starshaped set X^0 .

a) The function f is slb-preinvex at $\bar{x} \in X^0$ if and only if $(df)^+(\bar{x}, \eta(x, \bar{x}))$ exists and

$$\bar{b}(x, \bar{x})[f(x) - f(\bar{x})] \geq (df)^+(\bar{x}, \eta(x, \bar{x}))$$

b) If f is slqb-preinvex, then

$$f(x) \leq f(\bar{x}) \Rightarrow \bar{b}(x, \bar{x})(df)^+(\bar{x}, \eta(x, \bar{x})) \leq 0,$$

where

$$\bar{b}(x, \bar{x}) = \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0^+} b(x, \bar{x}, \lambda) \text{ and } \lambda b(x, \bar{x}, \lambda) \leq 1.$$

2. SUFFICIENT OPTIMALITY CRITERIA

Consider the nonlinear programming problem

$$(NP) \begin{cases} \text{Minimize } f(x) \\ \text{subject to: } g(x) \leq 0, x \in X^0 \end{cases}$$

where $X^0 \subseteq \mathbf{R}^n$ is a nonempty η -locally starshaped set and $f: X^0 \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$, $g: X^0 \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^m$ are η -semidifferentiable functions.

Let $X = \{x \in X^0 \mid g(x) \leq 0\}$ be the set of all feasible solutions to (NP).

Let

$$N_\varepsilon(\bar{x}) = \{x \in \mathbf{R}^n \mid \|x - \bar{x}\| < \varepsilon\}$$

Definition 2.1. (a) \bar{x} is said to be a local minimum solution to problem (NP) if $\bar{x} \in X$ and there exists $\varepsilon > 0$ such that

$$x \in N_\varepsilon(\bar{x}) \cap X \Rightarrow f(x) \geq f(\bar{x}).$$

(b) \bar{x} is said to be the minimum solution to problem (NP) if $\bar{x} \in X$ and $f(\bar{x}) = \min_{x \in X} f(x)$.

The next theorem gives a sufficient optimality criterion.

Theorem 2.2. Let $\bar{x} \in X^0$ and let f be slb₁-preinvex at \bar{x} and g be slb₂-preinvex at \bar{x} . If there exists $\bar{u} \in \mathbf{R}^m$ such that (\bar{x}, \bar{u}) satisfies the conditions

$$(df)^+(\bar{x}, \eta(x, \bar{x})) + \bar{u}^T (dg)^+(\bar{x}, \eta(x, \bar{x})) \geq 0, \forall x \in X, \quad (2.1)$$

$$\bar{u}^T g(\bar{x}) = 0, \quad (2.2)$$

$$g(\bar{x}) \leq 0, \quad (2.3)$$

$$\bar{u} \geq 0, \quad (2.4)$$

with $\bar{b}_1(x, \bar{x}) = \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0^+} b_1(x, \bar{x}, \lambda) > 0$, then \bar{x} is an optimal solution to problem (NP).

Corollary 2.3. Let $\bar{x} \in X^0$ and let f be slb₁-preinvex at \bar{x} and g be slb₂-preinvex at \bar{x} . If there exists $\bar{u}_0 \in \mathbf{R}$ and $\bar{u} \in \mathbf{R}^m$ such that $(\bar{x}, \bar{u}_0, \bar{u})$ satisfy (2.2) and (2.3) of Theorem 2.2., and the conditions

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{u}_0 (df)^+ (\bar{x}, \eta(x, \bar{x})) + \bar{u}^T (dg)^+ (\bar{x}, \eta(x, \bar{x})) &\geq 0, \forall x \in X \\ (\bar{u}_0, \bar{u}) &\geq 0, (\bar{u}_0, \bar{u}) \neq 0 \\ \bar{u}_0 &> 0 \end{aligned}$$

with $\bar{b}_1(x, \bar{x}) = \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0^+} b_1(x, \bar{x}, \lambda)$, then \bar{x} is an optimal solution to problem (NP).

Remark 2.4. In the statement of Corollary 2.3, it suffices to assume only the slb_2 -preinvexity of

$$g_I (I = \{i \mid g_i(\bar{x}) = 0\}), \text{ instead of } g_i (i = 1, \dots, m) \text{ at } \bar{x}.$$

Theorem 2.5. Let $\bar{x} \in X^0$, f be slspb -preinvex and g_I be η -semidifferentiable and slqb -preinvex at \bar{x} . If there exists $\bar{u} \in \mathbf{R}^m$ such that (\bar{x}, \bar{u}) satisfy conditions (2.1) - (2.4) of Theorem 2.2, then \bar{x} is an optimal solution to Problem (NP).

Theorem 2.6. Let $\bar{x} \in X^0$. We assume that there exists $\bar{u} \in \mathbf{R}^m$ such that at \bar{x} , f is slspb -preinvex, the numerical function $\bar{u}_I g_I$ is η -semidifferentiable and slqb -preinvex and such that (\bar{x}, \bar{u}) satisfies conditions (2.1) - (2.4) of Theorem 2.2. Then \bar{x} is an optimal solution to Problem (NP).

Theorem 2.7. Let $\bar{x} \in X^0$. We assume that there exists $\bar{u} \in \mathbf{R}^m$ such that (\bar{x}, \bar{u}) satisfies conditions (2.1) - (2.4) of Theorem 2.2 and the numerical function $f + \bar{u}_I g_I$ is slspb -preinvex at \bar{x} . Then \bar{x} is an optimal solution to Problem (NP).

3. NECESSARY OPTIMALITY CRITERIA

Definition 3.1. We say that g satisfies the generalized Slater's constraint qualification (GSQ) at $\bar{x} \in X$, if g_I is slpb -preinvex at \bar{x} and there exists $\hat{x} \in X$ such that $g_I(\hat{x}) < 0$.

Lemma 3.2. Let $\bar{x} \in X$ be a local minimum solution to (NP). We assume that g_i is continuous at \bar{x} for any $i \in J$, and that f, g_I are η -semidifferentiable at \bar{x} . Then the system

$$\begin{cases} (df)^+ (\bar{x}, \eta(x, \bar{x})) < 0 \\ (dg_I)^+ (\bar{x}, \eta(x, \bar{x})) < 0 \end{cases}$$

has no solution $x \in X^0$.

Theorem 3.3. (Fritz John type necessary optimality criteria) Let us suppose that g_i is continuous at \bar{x} for $i \in J$. Assume also that $(df)^+ (\bar{x}, \eta(x, \bar{x}))$ and $(dg_I)^+ (\bar{x}, \eta(x, \bar{x}))$ are preinvex functions of x on X^0 , which is an η -locally starshaped set at \bar{x} . If \bar{x} is a local minimum solution to Problem (NP), then there exist $\bar{u}_0 \in \mathbf{R}$, $\bar{u} \in \mathbf{R}^m$ such that

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{u}_0 (df)^+ (\bar{x}, \eta(x, \bar{x})) + \bar{u}^T (dg)^+ (\bar{x}, \eta(x, \bar{x})) &\geq 0 \text{ for all } x \in X^0, \\ \bar{u}^T g(\bar{x}) &= 0, \\ (\bar{u}_0, \bar{u}) &\neq 0, (\bar{u}_0, \bar{u}) \geq 0. \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 3.4. (Kuhn-Tucker type necessary optimality criteria) Let $\bar{x} \in X$ be a local minimum solution to Problem (NP) and let g_i be continuous at \bar{x} for $i \in J$. Assume also that $(df)^+ (\bar{x}, \eta(x, \bar{x}))$ and $(dg_I)^+ (\bar{x}, \eta(x, \bar{x}))$ be preinvex functions of x on X^0 - an η -locally starshaped set at \bar{x} . If g satisfies GSQ at \bar{x} , then there exists $\bar{u} \in \mathbf{R}^m$ such that

$$\begin{aligned} (df)^+ (\bar{x}, \eta(x, \bar{x})) + \bar{u}^T (dg)^+ (\bar{x}, \eta(x, \bar{x})) &\geq 0, \text{ for all } x \in X^0, \\ \bar{u}^T g(\bar{x}) &= 0, g(\bar{x}) \leq 0, \bar{u} \geq 0. \end{aligned}$$

4. WOLFE DUALITY

Relative to the Problem (NP) we consider the Wolfe dual

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(WD)} \quad & \text{Maximize} \quad \Psi(u, y) = f(u) + y^T g(u) \\
 & \text{subject to} \quad (df)^+(u, \eta(x, u)) + y^T (dg)^+(u, \eta(x, u)) \geq 0, \text{ for all } x \in X, \\
 & \quad y \geq 0, u \in X^0, y \in \mathbf{R}^m,
 \end{aligned}$$

where X^0 is a nonempty η -locally starshaped set at any $x \in X^0$.

Let W denote the set of all feasible solutions to Problem (WD).

Theorem 4.1. (Weak Duality) *Let $\bar{x} \in X$ and $(\bar{u}, \bar{y}) \in W$. If f and g are slb-preinvex on X^0 , with $\bar{b}(\bar{x}, \bar{u}) = \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0^+} b(\bar{x}, \bar{u}, \lambda) > 0$, then $f(\bar{x}) \geq \Psi(\bar{u}, \bar{y})$.*

Corollary 4.2. *Let $\bar{x} \in X$ and $(\bar{u}, \bar{y}) \in W$ such that $f(\bar{x}) = \Psi(\bar{u}, \bar{y})$. If the hypotheses of Theorem 4.1 are satisfied, then \bar{x} and (\bar{u}, \bar{y}) are the optimal solutions to (NP) and (WD) respectively.*

Theorem 4.3. (Direct Duality) *Let $\bar{x} \in X$ be an optimal solution to (NP), f and g be η -semidifferentiable at \bar{x} and*

- i_1) $(df)^+(\bar{x}, \eta(x, \bar{x}))$ and $y^T (dg)^+(\bar{x}, \eta(x, \bar{x}))$ are preinvex functions of x on X^0 , an η -locally starshaped set at \bar{x} ;
- i_2) $g_i (i \in J)$ are continuous at \bar{x} ;
- i_3) g satisfies the generalized Slater's constraint qualification at \bar{x} .

Then there exists $\bar{y} \in \mathbf{R}^m$ such that $(\bar{x}, \bar{y}) \in W$ and $f(\bar{x}) = \Psi(\bar{x}, \bar{y})$.

Moreover, if the functions f and g are slb-preinvex on X^0 and $\bar{b}(x, u) > 0$ for all $(u, y) \in W$, then \bar{x} is an optimal solution to (NP) and (\bar{x}, \bar{y}) is an optimal solution to (WD).

Theorem 4.4. (Strict Converse Duality) *Let $\bar{x} \in X$ be an optimal solution to (NP), f and g be η -semidifferentiable at \bar{x} and:*

- i_1) $(df)^+(\bar{x}, \eta(x, \bar{x}))$ and $y^T (dg)^+(\bar{x}, \eta(x, \bar{x}))$ are preinvex functions of x on X^0 , an η -locally starshaped set at \bar{x} ;
- i_2) $g_i (i \in J)$ are continuous at \bar{x} ;
- i_3) g satisfies the generalized Slater's constraint qualification at \bar{x} ;
- i_4) g is slb-preinvex on X^0 .

If (x^, y^*) is an optimal solution of (WD), f is slb-preinvex on X^0 and $\bar{b}(\bar{x}, x^*) > 0$, then $x^* = \bar{x}$, i.e. x^* is an optimal solution to (NP) and $f(\bar{x}) = \Psi(x^*, y^*)$.*

Remark 4.5. If $\eta(x, u) = x - u$ we obtain the Wolfe dual considered by Suneja and Gupta [5].

5. MOND-WEIR DUALITY

For problem (NP) we consider a general Mond-Weir dual problem

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(MWD)} \quad & \text{Maximize} \quad f(u) \\
 & \text{subject to:} \quad (df)^+(u, \eta(x, u)) + y^T (dg)^+(u, \eta(x, u)) \geq 0, \quad \forall x \in X,
 \end{aligned}$$

$$y^T g(u) \geq 0, \\ y \geq 0, u \in X^0, y \in \mathbf{R}^m.$$

Let W_1 denote the set of all feasible solutions to Problem (MWD). We assume that X^0 is a nonempty η -locally starshaped set.

Theorem 5.1. (Weak Duality) *If $x \in X$, $(u, y) \in W_1$, f is slspb-preinvex and $y^T g$ is slqb-preinvex on X^0 , then $f(x) \geq f(u)$.*

Corollary 5.2. *Let $\bar{x} \in X$ and $(\bar{u}, \bar{y}) \in W_1$ such that $f(\bar{x}) = f(\bar{u})$. If the hypotheses of Theorem 5.1 hold, then \bar{x} and (\bar{u}, \bar{y}) are the optimal solutions to (NP) and (MWD) respectively.*

Theorem 5.3. (Direct Duality) *Let $\bar{x} \in X$ be an optimal solution to (NP), let f and g be η -semidifferentiable at \bar{x} , and assume that*

$i_1)$ $(df)^+(\bar{x}, \eta(x, \bar{x}))$ and $y^T (dg)^+(\bar{x}, \eta(x, \bar{x}))$ are preinvex functions of x on X^0 , an η -locally starshaped set at \bar{x} ;

$i_2)$ $g_i (i \in J)$ are continuous at \bar{x} ;

$i_3)$ g satisfies the generalized Slater's constraint qualification at \bar{x} .

Then there exists $\bar{y} \in \mathbf{R}^m$ such that $(\bar{x}, \bar{y}) \in W_1$ and $f(\bar{x}) = \Psi(\bar{x}, \bar{y})$.

Moreover, if the hypotheses of Theorem 5.1 are satisfied, then \bar{x} and (\bar{x}, \bar{y}) are respectively optimal solutions to (NP) and (MWD).

Theorem 5.4. (Converse Duality) *Let $(\bar{u}, \bar{y}) \in W_1$. If f is slspb-preinvex and $\bar{y}^T g$ is slqb-preinvex and there exists $\bar{x} \in X$ such that $f(\bar{x}) = f(\bar{u})$, then \bar{x} solves the primal problem.*

Remark 5.5. If $\eta(x, u) = x - u$ we obtain the Mond-Weir dual considered by Suneja and Gupta [5].

Remark 5.6. Since the class of semilocally b-preinvex functions includes the class of semilocally b-vex functions, the class of semilocally preinvex functions and the class of b-preinvex functions, our results generalize those of Preda, Stancu-Minasian and Batatorescu [2], Suneja and Gupta [5] and Suneja et al. [6].

The proofs of all theorems will appear in [4].

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