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Clarke coderivatives of efficient point multifunctions in parametric vector optimization*

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1. Introduction

This paper is motivated by sensitivity analysis in parametric vector optimization problems. We first give some notation and definitions.

Let $f : P \times X \to Y$ be a vector function, $C : P \Rightarrow X$ be a multifunction where P, X and Y are Banach spaces. Given a pointed (i.e., $K \cap (-K) = \{0\}$) closed convex cone $K \subset Y$, we consider the following *parametric vector optimization problem*

$$\min_{x} \{ f(p,x) \mid x \in C(p) \}$$

depending on the *parameter* $p \in P$. Here, x is a *decision variable* and the cone K induces a partial order \leq_K on Y, i.e.,

$$y \leq_{K} y' \Leftrightarrow y' - y \in K, \quad y, y' \in Y$$

(1.2)

(1.4)

(1.1)

The "min_{*K*}" in (1.1) is understood with respect to the ordering relation \leq_K from (1.2).

We say that $y \in A$ is an *efficient point* of a subset $A \subset Y$ with respect to K and write $y \in Min A$, if and only if $(y - K) \cap A = \{y\}$. If $A = \emptyset$, then we stipulate that $Min A = \emptyset$.

Let $F : P \Rightarrow Y$ be a multifunction given by

$$F(p) = (f \circ C)(p) := f(p, C(p)) = \{f(p, x) \mid x \in C(p)\}.$$
(1.3)

We put

 $\mathcal{F}(p) = \operatorname{Min} F(p), \quad p \in P$

and call $\mathcal{F} : P \Rightarrow Y$ the *efficient point multifunction* of (1.1).

ABSTRACT

The paper is devoted to the study of the Clarke/circatangent coderivatives of the efficient point multifunction of parametric vector optimization problems in Banach spaces. We provide inner/outer estimates for evaluating the Clarke/circatangent coderivative of this multifunction in a broad class of conventional vector optimization problems in the presence of geometrical, operator and (finite and infinite) functional constraints. Examples are given for analyzing and illustrating the obtained results.

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