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# Sufficiency and Duality in Nonsmooth Multiobjective Optimization Involving Generalized $(F, \alpha, \rho, d)$ -Type I Functions

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**Abstract**—In this paper, new classes of generalized  $(F, \alpha, \rho, d)$ -Type I functions are introduced for a nonsmooth multiobjective programming problem. Based upon these generalized functions, sufficient optimality conditions are established. Weak, strong, and strict converse duality theorems are also derived for Wolfe and Mond-Weir type multiobjective dual programs in order to relate the efficient and weak efficient solutions of primal and dual problems. © 2006 Elsevier Ltd. All rights reserved.

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# 1. INTRODUCTION

Hanson [1] introduced a class of functions by generalizing the difference vector  $x - \bar{x}$  in the definition of a convex function to any vector function  $\eta(x, \bar{x})$ . These functions were named invex by Craven [2] and  $\eta$ -convex by Kaul and Kaur [3]. Hanson and Mond [4] defined two new classes of functions called Type I and Type II functions, which were further generalized to pseudo Type I and quasi Type I functions by Rueda and Hanson [5]. Zhao [6] established optimality conditions and duality in nonsmooth scalar programming problems assuming Clarke [7] generalized subgradients under Type I functions.

Kaul *et al.* [8] extended the concept of Type I functions from a single objective to a multiobjective programming problem by defining the Type I and its various generalizations. They investigated necessary and sufficient optimality conditions and derived Wolfe type and Mond-Weir type duality results. Suneja and Srivastava [9] introduced generalized d-Type I functions in terms of directional derivative for a multiobjective programming problem and discussed Wolfe type and Mond-Weir type duality results. In [10], Aghezzaf and Hachimi introduced classes of generalized Type I vector valued functions for a differentiable multiobjective programming problem and established duality results. Recently, Kuk and Tanino [11] derived optimality conditions

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and duality theorems for nonsmooth multiobjective programming problems involving generalized Type I vector valued functions.

Motivated by various concepts of generalized convexity, Liang *et al.* [12] introduced a unified formulation of generalized convexity called  $(F, \alpha, \rho, d)$ -convexity and obtained some optimality conditions and duality results for nonlinear fractional programming problems. In [13], Hachimi and Aghezzaf extended the concept to  $(F, \alpha, \rho, d)$ -Type I functions and obtained several sufficiency optimality conditions and established weak and strong duality theorems for mixed type duality. Chen [14] gave definitions for the generalized  $(F, \rho)$ -convex class about the Clark subgradient and obtained optimality and duality results for multiobjective fractional programming problems.

In this paper, we define new classes of functions called generalized  $(F, \alpha, \rho, d)$ -Type I functions for a nonsmooth multiobjective programming problem and derive sufficient optimality conditions. We also obtain Wolfe type and Mond-Weir type duality results.

#### 2. NOTATIONS AND PRELIMINARIES

The following convention of vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  will be followed throughout this paper:  $x \ge y \Leftrightarrow x_i \ge y_i, i = 1, 2, \ldots, n; x \ge y \Leftrightarrow x \ge y, x \ne y; x > y \Leftrightarrow x_i > y_i, i = 1, 2, \ldots, n.$ 

A function  $f: \mathbb{R}^n \mapsto \mathbb{R}$  is said to be locally Lipschitz at a point  $\bar{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  if there exist scalar K > 0 and  $\epsilon > 0$  such that

$$|f(x^{1}) - f(x^{2})| \leq K ||x^{1} - x^{2}||,$$

for all  $x^1, x^2 \in \bar{x} + \epsilon B$ , where  $\bar{x} + \epsilon B$  is the open ball of radius  $\epsilon$  about  $\bar{x}$ .

The Clarke generalized directional derivative [7] of a locally Lipschitz function f at  $\bar{x}$  in the direction v, denoted by  $f^{\circ}(\bar{x}; v)$ , is defined as follows:

$$f^{\circ}\left(ar{x};v
ight)=\limsup_{y
ightarrowar{x},\,t
ightarrow0}rac{f(y+tv)-f(y)}{t}.$$

The Clarke generalized gradient [7] of f at  $\bar{x}$ , denoted by  $\partial^c f(\bar{x})$ , is defined as

$$\partial^c f(\bar{x}) = \{\xi \mid f^{\circ}(\bar{x}; v) \geqq \xi v, \text{ for all } v \in \mathbb{R}^n\}.$$

We consider the following nonlinear multiobjective programming problem:

Minimize 
$$f(x) = (f_1(x), f_2(x), \dots, f_k(x)),$$
  
subject to  $x \in X_\circ = \{x \in X : g(x) \leq 0\},$  (MOP)

where  $X \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  is an open set and the functions  $f = (f_1, f_2, \ldots, f_k) : X \mapsto \mathbb{R}^k$  and  $g = (g_1, g_2, \ldots, g_m) : X \mapsto \mathbb{R}^m$  are locally Lipschitz on X.

Since the objectives in multiobjective problems generally conflict with one another, an optimal solution is chosen from the set of efficient/weak efficient solutions. Geoffrion [15] defined a restricted concept of efficiency, called proper efficiency.

DEFINITION 2.1. A point  $\bar{x} \in X_{\circ}$  is said to be a weak efficient (weak Pareto) solution of (MOP), if there exists no  $x \in X_{\circ}$  such that

$$f(x) < f(\bar{x}).$$

DEFINITION 2.2. A point  $\bar{x} \in X_{\circ}$  is said to be an efficient solution of (MOP), if there exists no  $x \in X_{\circ}$  such that

$$f(x) \le f(\bar{x}).$$

DEFINITION 2.3. An efficient solution  $\bar{x}$  of (MOP) is said to be properly efficient if there exists a scalar M > 0 such that for each  $r \in K$  and  $x \in X_{\circ}$  satisfying  $f_r(x) < f_r(\bar{x})$ , we have

$$f_r(\bar{x}) - f_r(x) \leq M[f_j(x) - f_j(\bar{x})]$$

for at least one j satisfying  $f_j(\bar{x}) < f_j(x)$ .

Let  $F: X \times X \times R^n \mapsto R$  be a sublinear functional in the third variable. Let  $K = \{1, 2, \ldots, k\}$ ,  $M = \{1, 2, \ldots, m\}$ , and  $d: X \times X \mapsto R$ . Let  $\alpha = (\alpha^1, \alpha^2): X \times X \mapsto R_+ \setminus \{0\}$  and  $\rho = (\rho^1, \rho^2)$ such that  $\rho^1 = (\rho_1, \rho_2, \ldots, \rho_k) \in R^k$ ,  $\rho^2 = (\rho_{k+1}, \rho_{k+2}, \ldots, \rho_{k+m}) \in R^m$ , i.e.,  $\rho^1$  has k components corresponding to k components of f and  $\rho^2$  has m components corresponding to m components of g. The number of components in  $\rho^1$  and  $\rho^2$  may vary depending upon the way the objective and constraint functions are involved in various hypotheses, e.g., the hypothesis may be on f, g,  $\lambda f$ , or  $\mu g$ , etc. Also for  $\bar{x} \in X_{\circ}$ ,  $J(\bar{x}) = \{j: g_j(\bar{x}) = 0\}$  and  $g_J$  will denote the vector of active constraints at  $\bar{x}$ . For a vector function  $f: X \mapsto R^k$ ,  $\xi \in \partial^c f(\bar{x})$  means  $\xi_i \in \partial^c f_i(\bar{x})$  for  $i \in K$  and the symbol  $F(x, \bar{x}; \xi)$  denotes the vector of components  $F(x, \bar{x}; \xi_1), \ldots, F(x, \bar{x}; \xi_k)$ .

DEFINITION 2.4. (f,g) is said to be  $(F,\alpha,\rho,d)$ -Type I at  $\bar{x}$  if for each  $x \in X_{\circ}$ 

$$\begin{split} f(x) - f(\bar{x}) &\geqq F\left(x, \bar{x}; \alpha^1(x, \bar{x})\xi\right) + \rho^1 d^2(x, \bar{x}), \qquad \text{for all } \xi \in \partial^c f(\bar{x}), \\ -g(\bar{x}) &\geqq F\left(x, \bar{x}; \alpha^2(x, \bar{x})\eta\right) + \rho^2 d^2(x, \bar{x}), \qquad \text{for all } \eta \in \partial^c g(\bar{x}). \end{split}$$

If the first inequality is satisfied as

$$f(x) - f(\bar{x}) > F\left(x, \bar{x}; \alpha^1(x, \bar{x})\xi\right) + \rho^1 d^2(x, \bar{x}), \qquad \text{for all } \xi \in \partial^c f(\bar{x}),$$

then (f,g) is said to be semistrictly  $(F,\alpha,\rho,d)$ -Type I at  $\bar{x}$ .

DEFINITION 2.5. (f,g) is said to be pseudoquasi  $(F,\alpha,\rho,d)$ -Type I at  $\bar{x}$  if for each  $x \in X_{\circ}$ 

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) < f(\bar{x}) \Rightarrow F\left(x, \bar{x}; \alpha^{1}(x, \bar{x})\xi\right) + \rho^{1}d^{2}(x, \bar{x}) < 0, \qquad \text{for all } \xi \in \partial^{c}f(\bar{x}), \\ -g(\bar{x}) &\leq 0 \Rightarrow F\left(x, \bar{x}; \alpha^{2}(x, \bar{x})\eta\right) + \rho^{2}d^{2}(x, \bar{x}) \leq 0, \qquad \text{for all } \eta \in \partial^{c}g(\bar{x}). \end{aligned}$$

DEFINITION 2.6. (f,g) is said to be strictly pseudoquasi  $(F, \alpha, \rho, d)$ -Type I at  $\bar{x}$  if for each  $x \in X_{\circ}$ 

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &\leq f(\bar{x}) \Rightarrow F\left(x, \bar{x}; \alpha^1(x, \bar{x})\xi\right) + \rho^1 d^2(x, \bar{x}) < 0, \qquad \text{for all } \xi \in \partial^c f(\bar{x}), \\ -g(\bar{x}) &\leq 0 \Rightarrow F\left(x, \bar{x}; \alpha^2(x, \bar{x})\eta\right) + \rho^2 d^2(x, \bar{x}) \leq 0, \qquad \text{for all } \eta \in \partial^c g(\bar{x}). \end{aligned}$$

DEFINITION 2.7. (f,g) is said to be weak strictly pseudoquasi  $(F, \alpha, \rho, d)$ -Type I at  $\bar{x}$  if for each  $x \in X_{o}$ 

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &\leq f(\bar{x}) \Rightarrow F\left(x, \bar{x}; \alpha^1(x, \bar{x})\xi\right) + \rho^1 d^2(x, \bar{x}) < 0, \qquad \text{for all } \xi \in \partial^c f(\bar{x}), \\ -g(\bar{x}) &\leq 0 \Rightarrow F\left(x, \bar{x}; \alpha^2(x, \bar{x})\eta\right) + \rho^2 d^2(x, \bar{x}) \leq 0, \qquad \text{for all } \eta \in \partial^c g(\bar{x}). \end{aligned}$$

DEFINITION 2.8. (f,g) is said to be strong pseudoquasi  $(F, \alpha, \rho, d)$ -Type I at  $\bar{x}$  if for each  $x \in X_{\circ}$ 

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &\leq f(\bar{x}) \Rightarrow F\left(x, \bar{x}; \alpha^1(x, \bar{x})\xi\right) + \rho^1 d^2(x, \bar{x}) \leq 0, \qquad \text{for all } \xi \in \partial^c f(\bar{x}), \\ -g(\bar{x}) &\leq 0 \Rightarrow F\left(x, \bar{x}; \alpha^2(x, \bar{x})\eta\right) + \rho^2 d^2(x, \bar{x}) \leq 0, \qquad \text{for all } \eta \in \partial^c g(\bar{x}). \end{aligned}$$

If the first inequality is satisfied as

$$f(x) < f(\bar{x}) \Rightarrow F\left(x, \bar{x}; \alpha^{1}(x, \bar{x})\xi\right) + \rho^{1} d^{2}(x, \bar{x}) \leq 0, \qquad \text{for all } \xi \in \partial^{c} f(\bar{x})$$

then (f,g) is said to be weak pseudoquasi  $(F, \alpha, \rho, d)$ -Type I at  $\bar{x}$ .

DEFINITION 2.9. (f,g) is said to be quasi strictly pseudo  $(F, \alpha, \rho, d)$ -Type I at  $\bar{x}$  if for each  $x \in X_{o}$ 

$$\begin{split} f(x) &\leq f(\bar{x}) \Rightarrow F\left(x, \bar{x}; \alpha^1(x, \bar{x})\xi\right) + \rho^1 d^2(x, \bar{x}) \leq 0, \qquad \text{for all } \xi \in \partial^c f(\bar{x}), \\ -g(\bar{x}) &\leq 0 \Rightarrow F\left(x, \bar{x}; \alpha^2(x, \bar{x})\eta\right) + \rho^2 d^2(x, \bar{x}) < 0, \qquad \text{for all } \eta \in \partial^c g(\bar{x}). \end{split}$$

DEFINITION 2.10. (f,g) is said to be weak quasi strictly pseudo  $(F, \alpha, \rho, d)$ -Type I at  $\bar{x}$  if for each  $x \in X_{\circ}$ 

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &\leq f(\bar{x}) \Rightarrow F\left(x, \bar{x}; \alpha^{1}(x, \bar{x})\xi\right) + \rho^{1}d^{2}(x, \bar{x}) \leq 0, \qquad \text{for all } \xi \in \partial^{c}f(\bar{x}), \\ -g(\bar{x}) &\leq 0 \Rightarrow F\left(x, \bar{x}; \alpha^{2}(x, \bar{x})\eta\right) + \rho^{2}d^{2}(x, \bar{x}) < 0, \qquad \text{for all } \eta \in \partial^{c}g(\bar{x}). \end{aligned}$$

#### 3. SUFFICIENT OPTIMALITY CONDITIONS

In this section we establish some sufficient optimality conditions for the problem (MOP). The first theorem gives a properly efficient solution of (MOP). As we go on weakening the assumptions, we get a weaker conclusion of the efficient/weak efficient solution of (MOP).

THEOREM 3.1. Suppose that there exists a feasible solution  $\bar{x}$  for (MOP) and scalars  $\bar{\lambda} > 0 \in \mathbb{R}^k$ ,  $\bar{\mu}_J \geq 0$  such that

- (i)  $0 \in \bar{\lambda} \partial^c f(\bar{x}) + \bar{\mu}_J \partial^c g_J(\bar{x}),$
- (ii)  $(f, g_J)$  is  $(F, \alpha, \rho, d)$ -Type I at  $\bar{x}$ ,
- (iii)  $\bar{\lambda}\rho^1/\alpha^1(x,\bar{x}) + \bar{\mu}_J\rho^2/\alpha^2(x,\bar{x}) \ge 0.$

Then  $\bar{x}$  is a properly efficient solution for (MOP).

**PROOF.** Since Hypothesis (ii) holds, we have for all  $x \in X_{\circ}$ 

$$\begin{split} f(x) - f(\bar{x}) &\geqq F\left(x, \bar{x}; \alpha^1(x, \bar{x})\xi\right) + \rho^1 d^2(x, \bar{x}), & \text{for all } \xi \in \partial^c f(\bar{x}), \\ 0 &= -g_J(\bar{x}) \geqq F\left(x, \bar{x}; \alpha^2(x, \bar{x})\eta\right) + \rho^2 d^2(x, \bar{x}), & \text{for all } \eta \in \partial^c g_J(\bar{x}). \end{split}$$

Using  $\bar{\lambda} > 0$ ,  $\bar{\mu}_J \geq 0$  and  $\alpha^1(x, \bar{x}) > 0$ ,  $\alpha^2(x, \bar{x}) > 0$ , we get

$$\frac{\bar{\lambda}f(x)}{\alpha^1(x,\bar{x})} - \frac{\bar{\lambda}f(\bar{x})}{\alpha^1(x,\bar{x})} \geqq F\left(x,\bar{x};\bar{\lambda}\xi\right) + \frac{\bar{\lambda}\rho^1 d^2(x,\bar{x})}{\alpha^1(x,\bar{x})},\\ 0 \geqq F(x,\bar{x};\bar{\mu}_J\eta) + \frac{\bar{\mu}_J\rho^2 d^2(x,\bar{x})}{\alpha^2(x,\bar{x})}.$$

By sublinearity of F, we have for all  $\xi \in \partial^c f(\bar{x})$  and  $\eta \in \partial^c g_J(\bar{x})$ 

$$\begin{split} F\left(x,\bar{x};\bar{\lambda}\xi+\bar{\mu}_{J}\eta\right) &\leq F\left(x,\bar{x};\bar{\lambda}\xi\right)+F\left(x,\bar{x};\bar{\mu}_{J}\eta\right) \\ &\leq \frac{\bar{\lambda}f(x)}{\alpha^{1}(x,\bar{x})}-\frac{\bar{\lambda}f(\bar{x})}{\alpha^{1}(x,\bar{x})}-\left(\frac{\bar{\lambda}\rho^{1}}{\alpha^{1}(x,\bar{x})}+\frac{\bar{\mu}_{J}\rho^{2}}{\alpha^{2}(x,\bar{x})}\right)d^{2}(x,\bar{x}) \\ &\leq \frac{\bar{\lambda}f(x)}{\alpha^{1}(x,\bar{x})}-\frac{\bar{\lambda}f(\bar{x})}{\alpha^{1}(x,\bar{x})} \qquad (\text{using Hypothesis (iii)}). \end{split}$$

By Hypothesis (i), there exists some  $\bar{\xi} \in \partial^c f(\bar{x})$  and  $\bar{\eta} \in \partial^c g_J(\bar{x})$  such that

$$ar\lambdaar\xi+ar\mu_Jar\eta=0,\qquad ext{which implies }F\left(x,ar x;ar\lambdaar\xi+ar\mu_Jar\eta
ight)=F(x,ar x;0)=0.$$

So, the above inequality yields

$$\frac{\bar{\lambda}f(\bar{x})}{\alpha^1(x,\bar{x})} \leq \frac{\bar{\lambda}f(x)}{\alpha^1(x,\bar{x})}$$

As  $\alpha^1(x, \bar{x}) > 0$ , we get

$$\bar{\lambda}f(\bar{x}) \leq \bar{\lambda}f(x).$$

Hence, by Theorem 1 in [15],  $\bar{x}$  is a properly efficient solution for (MOP).

THEOREM 3.2. Suppose that there exists a feasible solution  $\bar{x}$  for (MOP) and vectors  $\bar{\lambda} > 0 \in \mathbb{R}^k$ ,  $\bar{\mu}_J \geq 0$  such that

- (i)  $0 \in \bar{\lambda} \partial^c f(\bar{x}) + \bar{\mu}_J \partial^c g_J(\bar{x}),$
- (ii)  $(f, g_J)$  is strong pseudoquasi  $(F, \alpha, \rho, d)$ -Type I at  $\bar{x}$ ,
- (iii)  $\bar{\lambda}\rho^1/\alpha^1(x,\bar{x}) + \bar{\mu}_J\rho^2/\alpha^2(x,\bar{x}) \ge 0.$

Then  $\bar{x}$  is an efficient solution for (MOP).

**PROOF.** Suppose that  $\bar{x}$  is not an efficient solution for (MOP). Then there exists  $x \in X_{\circ}$  such that

$$f(x) \le f(\bar{x})$$

Also, since  $g_J(\bar{x}) = 0$ , Hypothesis (ii) gives

$$\begin{split} F\left(x,\bar{x};\alpha^{1}(x,\bar{x})\xi\right) + \rho^{1}d^{2}(x,\bar{x}) &\leq 0, \qquad \text{for all } \xi \in \partial^{c}f(\bar{x}), \\ F\left(x,\bar{x};\alpha^{2}(x,\bar{x})\eta\right) + \rho^{2}d^{2}(x,\bar{x}) &\leq 0, \qquad \text{for all } \eta \in \partial^{c}g_{J}(\bar{x}). \end{split}$$

Multiplying the above inequalities by  $\bar{\lambda}/\alpha^1(x,\bar{x})$  and  $\bar{\mu}_J/\alpha^2(x,\bar{x})$ , respectively, we have

$$ar{\lambda}F(x,ar{x};\xi)<-rac{ar{\lambda}
ho^1d^2(x,ar{x})}{lpha^1(x,ar{x})}, \qquad ext{and}\qquad ar{\mu}_JF(x,ar{x};\eta)\leqq-rac{ar{\mu}_J
ho^2d^2(x,ar{x})}{lpha^2(x,ar{x})}.$$

For all  $\xi \in \partial^c f(\bar{x})$  and  $\eta \in \partial^c g_J(\bar{x})$ , sublinearity of F yields

$$\begin{split} F\left(x,\bar{x};\bar{\lambda}\xi+\bar{\mu}_{J}\eta\right) &\leq F\left(x,\bar{x};\bar{\lambda}\xi\right)+F\left(x,\bar{x};\bar{\mu}_{J}\eta\right)\\ &< -\left(\frac{\bar{\lambda}\rho^{1}}{\alpha^{1}(x,\bar{x})}+\frac{\bar{\mu}_{J}\rho^{2}}{\alpha^{2}(x,\bar{x})}\right)d^{2}(x,\bar{x})\\ &\leq 0 \qquad (\text{using Hypothesis (iii)}), \end{split}$$

which contradicts  $F(x, \bar{x}; 0) = 0$  as by Hypothesis (i) there exists some  $\bar{\xi} \in \partial^c f(\bar{x}), \ \bar{\eta} \in \partial^c g_J(\bar{x})$  such that

$$\bar{\lambda}\bar{\xi} + \bar{\mu}_J\bar{\eta} = 0.$$

Hence,  $\bar{x}$  is an efficient solution for (MOP).

THEOREM 3.3. Suppose that there exists a feasible solution  $\bar{x}$  for (MOP) and vectors  $\bar{\lambda} \geq 0 \in \mathbb{R}^k$ ,  $\bar{\mu}_J \geq 0$  such that

- (i)  $0 \in \overline{\lambda} \partial^c f(\overline{x}) + \overline{\mu}_J \partial^c g_J(\overline{x}),$
- (ii)  $(f, g_J)$  is weak strictly pseudoquasi  $(F, \alpha, \rho, d)$ -Type I at  $\bar{x}$ ,
- (iii)  $\overline{\lambda}\rho^1/\alpha^1(x,\overline{x}) + \overline{\mu}_J\rho^2/\alpha^2(x,\overline{x}) \ge 0.$

Then  $\bar{x}$  is an efficient solution for (MOP).

PROOF. Suppose that  $\bar{x}$  is not an efficient solution for (MOP). Then there exists  $x \in X_{o}$  such that

$$f(x) \le f(\bar{x}).$$

Also, since  $g_J(\bar{x}) = 0$ , Hypothesis (ii) gives

$$\begin{aligned} F\left(x,\bar{x};\alpha^{1}(x,\bar{x})\xi\right) + \rho^{1}d^{2}(x,\bar{x}) < 0, \qquad \text{for all } \xi \in \partial^{c}f(\bar{x}), \\ F\left(x,\bar{x};\alpha^{2}(x,\bar{x})\eta\right) + \rho^{2}d^{2}(x,\bar{x}) \leq 0, \qquad \text{for all } \eta \in \partial^{c}g_{J}(\bar{x}). \end{aligned}$$

The rest of the proof is similar to that of the previous theorem.

THEOREM 3.4. Suppose that there exists a feasible solution  $\bar{x}$  for (MOP) and vectors  $\bar{\lambda} \geq 0 \in \mathbb{R}^k$ ,  $\bar{\mu}_J \geq 0$  such that

- (i)  $0 \in \overline{\lambda} \partial^c f(\overline{x}) + \overline{\mu}_J \partial^c g_J(\overline{x}),$
- (ii)  $(f, g_J)$  is weak quasi strictly pseudo  $(F, \alpha, \rho, d)$ -Type I at  $\bar{x}$ ,
- (iii)  $\bar{\lambda}\rho^1/\alpha^1(x,\bar{x}) + \bar{\mu}_J\rho^2/\alpha^2(x,\bar{x}) \ge 0.$

Then  $\bar{x}$  is an efficient solution for (MOP).

PROOF. Suppose that  $\bar{x}$  is not an efficient solution for (MOP). Then there exists  $x \in X_o$  such that

$$f(x) \le f(\bar{x}).$$

Also, since  $g_J(\bar{x}) = 0$ , Hypothesis (ii) gives

$$\begin{split} F\left(x,\bar{x};\alpha^{1}(x,\bar{x})\xi\right) + \rho^{1}d^{2}(x,\bar{x}) &\leq 0, \qquad \text{for all } \xi \in \partial^{c}f(\bar{x}), \\ F\left(x,\bar{x};\alpha^{2}(x,\bar{x})\eta\right) + \rho^{2}d^{2}(x,\bar{x}) < 0, \qquad \text{for all } \eta \in \partial^{c}g_{J}(\bar{x}). \end{split}$$

The rest of the proof is similar to that of Theorem 3.2.

THEOREM 3.5. Suppose that there exists a feasible solution  $\bar{x}$  for (MOP) and vectors  $\bar{\lambda} > 0 \in \mathbb{R}^k$ ,  $\bar{\mu}_J \geq 0$  such that

- (i)  $0 \in \bar{\lambda} \partial^c f(\bar{x}) + \bar{\mu}_J \partial^c g_J(\bar{x}),$
- (ii)  $(f, g_J)$  is weak pseudoquasi  $(F, \alpha, \rho, d)$ -Type I at  $\bar{x}$ ,
- (iii)  $\bar{\lambda}\rho^1/\alpha^1(x,\bar{x}) + \bar{\mu}_J\rho^2/\alpha^2(x,\bar{x}) \ge 0.$

Then  $\bar{x}$  is a weak efficient solution for (MOP).

PROOF. Suppose that  $\bar{x}$  is not a weak efficient solution for (MOP). Then there exists  $x \in X_{\circ}$  such that

$$f(x) < f(\bar{x})$$

Also, we have

$$g_J(\bar{x})=0.$$

Hence, Hypothesis (ii) gives

$$\begin{aligned} F\left(x,\bar{x};\alpha^{1}(x,\bar{x})\xi\right) + \rho^{1}d^{2}(x,\bar{x}) &\leq 0, \qquad \text{for all } \xi \in \partial^{c}f(\bar{x}), \\ F\left(x,\bar{x};\alpha^{2}(x,\bar{x})\eta\right) + \rho^{2}d^{2}(x,\bar{x}) &\leq 0, \qquad \text{for all } \eta \in \partial^{c}g_{J}(\bar{x}). \end{aligned}$$

The rest of the proof is similar to that of Theorem 3.2.

THEOREM 3.6. Suppose that there exists a feasible solution  $\bar{x}$  for (MOP) and vectors  $\bar{\lambda} \geq 0 \in \mathbb{R}^k$ ,  $\bar{\mu}_J \geq 0$  such that

- (i) 0 ∈ λ∂<sup>c</sup>f(x̄) + μ<sub>J</sub>∂<sup>c</sup>g<sub>J</sub>(x̄),
  (ii) (f,g<sub>J</sub>) is pseudoquasi (F, α, ρ, d)-Type I at x̄,
- (iii)  $\overline{\lambda}\rho^1/\alpha^1(x,\overline{x}) + \overline{\mu}_J\rho^2/\alpha^2(x,\overline{x}) \ge 0.$

Then  $\bar{x}$  is a weak efficient solution for (MOP).

PROOF. Suppose that  $\bar{x}$  is not an weak efficient solution for (MOP). Then there exists  $x \in X_{\circ}$  such that

$$f(x) < f(\bar{x}).$$

Also, we have

$$g_J(\bar{x})=0.$$

Hence, Hypothesis (ii) gives

$$\begin{aligned} F\left(x,\bar{x};\alpha^{1}(x,\bar{x})\xi\right) + \rho^{1}d^{2}(x,\bar{x}) < 0, & \text{ for all } \xi \in \partial^{c}f(\bar{x}), \\ F\left(x,\bar{x};\alpha^{2}(x,\bar{x})\eta\right) + \rho^{2}d^{2}(x,\bar{x}) \leq 0, & \text{ for all } \eta \in \partial^{c}g_{J}(\bar{x}). \end{aligned}$$

The rest of the proof is similar to that of Theorem 3.2.

### 4. WOLFE TYPE DUALITY

In this section, we consider the following Wolfe type dual for (MOP) and establish weak, strong, and strict converse duality theorems.

Maximize 
$$f(y) + \mu g(y)e$$
, (WD)

subject to  $y \in X$ ,

 $0 \in \lambda \partial^c f(y) + \mu \partial^c g(y), \tag{1}$ 

$$\lambda_i \ge 0, \qquad i = 1, 2, \dots, k, \tag{2}$$

$$\mu_j \ge 0, \qquad j = 1, 2, \dots, m,$$
 (3)

 $\lambda e = 1, \tag{4}$ 

where e is a k-dimensional vector whose all components are ones.

THEOREM 4.1. WEAK DUALITY. Let x and  $(y, \lambda, \mu)$  be feasible solutions of (MOP) and (WD), respectively, such that

(i) (f,g) is (F, α, ρ, d)-Type I at y with α<sup>1</sup>(x, y) = α<sup>2</sup>(x, y). Also, if either
(a) λ > 0 and λρ<sup>1</sup> + μρ<sup>2</sup> ≥ 0, or
(b) λρ<sup>1</sup> + μρ<sup>2</sup> > 0 holds,

then the following cannot hold:

$$f(x) \le f(y) + \mu g(y)e. \tag{5}$$

PROOF. Under Hypothesis (a): by Hypothesis (i), we have

$$\begin{split} f(x) - f(y) &\geqq F\left(x, y; \alpha^{1}(x, y)\xi\right) + \rho^{1}d^{2}(x, y), \qquad \text{for all } \xi \in \partial^{c}f(y), \\ -g(y) &\geqq F\left(x, y; \alpha^{1}(x, y)\eta\right) + \rho^{2}d^{2}(x, y), \qquad \text{for all } \eta \in \partial^{c}g(y). \end{split}$$

Since  $\lambda > 0$ , we get

$$\begin{split} \frac{\lambda f(x)}{\alpha^1(x,y)} - \frac{\lambda f(y)}{\alpha^1(x,y)} &\geqq F(x,y;\lambda\xi) + \frac{\lambda \rho^1 d^2(x,y)}{\alpha^1(x,y)}, \\ \frac{-\mu g(y)}{\alpha^1(x,y)} &\geqq F(x,y;\mu\eta) + \frac{\mu \rho^2 d^2(x,y)}{\alpha^1(x,y)}. \end{split}$$

Hence, the above inequalities with sublinearity of F give

$$F(x,y;\lambda\xi+\mu\eta) \leq F(x,y;\lambda\xi) + F(x,y;\mu\eta)$$

$$\leq \frac{\lambda f(x)}{\alpha^1(x,y)} - \frac{\lambda f(y)}{\alpha^1(x,y)} - \frac{\mu g(y)}{\alpha^1(x,y)} - \left(\frac{\lambda\rho^1}{\alpha^1(x,y)} + \frac{\mu\rho^2}{\alpha^1(x,y)}\right) d^2(x,y).$$
(6)

Since  $\alpha^1(x, y) > 0$ , Hypothesis (a) reduces (6) to

$$F(x,y;\lambda\xi+\mu\eta) \leq \frac{\lambda f(x)}{\alpha^1(x,y)} - \frac{\lambda f(y)}{\alpha^1(x,y)} - \frac{\mu g(y)}{\alpha^1(x,y)}.$$
(7)

Now suppose, to the contrary, that (5) holds, that is

$$f(x) \le f(y) + \mu g(y)e.$$

Since,  $\lambda > 0$ ,  $\lambda e = 1$ , and  $\alpha^1(x, y) > 0$ , the above inequality implies

$$rac{\lambda f(x)}{lpha^1(x,y)} < rac{\lambda f(y)}{lpha^1(x,y)} + rac{\mu g(y)}{lpha^1(x,y)}.$$

Hence, (7) yields

$$F(x,y;\lambda\xi+\mu\eta)<0, \qquad ext{for all } \xi\in\partial^cf(y) \quad ext{and} \quad \eta\in\partial^cg(y),$$

which contradicts the dual constraint (1) as, for some  $\xi \in \partial^c f(y)$  and  $\bar{\eta} \in \partial^c g(y)$ ,

$$\lambda ar{\xi} + \mu ar{\eta} = 0, \qquad ext{which implies } F\left(x,y;\lambda ar{\xi} + \mu ar{\eta}
ight) = 0.$$

Hence, (5) cannot hold.

Under Hypothesis (b): using (2) and (4), inequality (5) yields

$$rac{\lambda f(x)}{lpha^1(x,y)} \leq rac{\lambda f(y)}{lpha^1(x,y)} + rac{\mu g(y)}{lpha^1(x,y)}.$$

The above inequality along with Hypothesis (b) reduces (6) to

$$F(x,y;\lambda\xi+\mu\eta)<0,$$

which contradicts F(x, y; 0) = 0. Hence the result of the theorem holds.

The proofs of the following weak duality theorems are similar to Theorem 4.1 and hence are omitted.

THEOREM 4.2. WEAK DUALITY. Let x and  $(y, \lambda, \mu)$  be feasible solutions of (MOP) and (WD), respectively, such that

- (i) (f,g) is semistrictly  $(F, \alpha, \rho, d)$ -Type I at y,
- (ii)  $\alpha^1(x,y) = \alpha^2(x,y),$ (iii)  $\lambda \rho^1 + \mu \rho^2 \ge 0.$

Then the following cannot hold:

$$f(x) \le f(y) + \mu g(y)e.$$

THEOREM 4.3. WEAK DUALITY. Let x and  $(y, \lambda, \mu)$  be feasible solutions of (MOP) and (WD), respectively, such that

- (i) (f,g) is  $(F,\alpha,\rho,d)$ -Type I at y,
- (ii)  $\alpha^{1}(x,y) = \alpha^{2}(x,y),$
- (iii)  $\lambda \rho^1 + \mu \rho^2 \ge 0$ .

Then the following cannot hold:

$$f(x) < f(y) + \mu g(y)e.$$

COROLLARY 4.4. Let  $x^{\circ}$  and  $(y^{\circ}, \lambda^{\circ}, \mu^{\circ})$  be feasible solutions for (MOP) and (WD), respectively, such that  $f(x^{\circ}) = f(y^{\circ}) + \mu^{\circ}g(y^{\circ})e$ . If the weak duality holds between (MOP) and (WD) for all feasible solutions of the two problems, then  $x^{\circ}$  is efficient for (MOP) and  $(y^{\circ}, \lambda^{\circ}, \mu^{\circ})$  is efficient for (WD).

**PROOF.** Suppose that  $x^{\circ}$  is not efficient for (MOP) then for some  $x \in X_{\circ}$ 

$$f(x) \le f(x^{\circ}) \, .$$

Since  $f(x^{\circ}) = f(y^{\circ}) + \mu^{\circ}g(y^{\circ})e$ , the above inequality can be written as

$$f(x) \le f(y^{\circ}) + \mu^{\circ}g(y^{\circ}) e,$$

which contradicts the result of Theorem 4.1 as  $(y^{\circ}, \lambda^{\circ}, \mu^{\circ})$  is feasible for (WD) and x is feasible for (MOP). So,  $x^{\circ}$  is efficient for (MOP). Similarly  $(y^{\circ}, \lambda^{\circ}, \mu^{\circ})$  is efficient for (WD).

DEFINITION 4.1. COTTLE CONSTRAINT QUALIFICATION. Let  $f_i$ ,  $i \in K$ ,  $g_j$ ,  $j \in M$  be locally Lipschitz functions at a point  $u \in X$ . The problem (MOP) satisfies the Cottle constraint qualification at u, if either  $g_j(u) < 0$  for all  $j \in M$  or  $0 \notin \operatorname{conv} \{\partial^c g_j(u) : g_j(u) = 0\}$ , where conv Sdenotes the convex hull of the set S.

THEOREM 4.5. KARUSH-KUHN-TUCKER NECESSARY CONDITIONS [16, p. 49]. Assume that  $\bar{u}$  is an efficient solution for (MOP) at which the Cottle constraint qualification is satisfied. Then, there exist multipliers  $\bar{\lambda}_i \geq 0$ ,  $i \in K$ ,  $\bar{\lambda}e = 1$ , and  $\bar{\mu} \in \mathbb{R}^m$ , such that

$$0 \in \bar{\lambda} \partial^c f(\bar{u}) + \bar{\mu} \partial^c g(\bar{u}),$$
  
 $\bar{\mu} g(\bar{u}) = 0.$ 

THEOREM 4.6. STRONG DUALITY. Let  $\bar{x}$  be an efficient solution for (MOP) at which the Cottle constraint qualification is satisfied. Then, there exist  $\bar{\lambda} \in \mathbb{R}^k$ ,  $\bar{\mu} \in \mathbb{R}^m$  such that  $(\bar{x}, \bar{\lambda}, \bar{\mu})$  is feasible for (WD) and the two objectives are equal. Furthermore, if weak duality holds between (MOP) and (WD) for all feasible solutions of the primal and dual problems, then  $(\bar{x}, \bar{\lambda}, \bar{\mu})$  is efficient for (WD).

PROOF. Since  $\bar{x}$  is an efficient solution for (MOP) and the Cottle constraint qualification is satisfied at  $\bar{x}$ , from Theorem 4.5, there exist  $\bar{\lambda} \ge 0 \in \mathbb{R}^k$ ,  $\bar{\lambda}e = 1$ ,  $\bar{\mu} \ge 0 \in \mathbb{R}^m$  such that

$$0 \in \bar{\lambda} \partial^c f(\bar{x}) + \bar{\mu} \partial^c g(\bar{x}),$$
$$\bar{\mu} g(\bar{x}) = 0,$$

which gives that  $(\bar{x}, \bar{\lambda}, \bar{\mu})$  is feasible for (WD) and the objectives are equal. Efficiency of  $(\bar{x}, \bar{\lambda}, \bar{\mu})$  for (WD) follows from Corollary 4.4.

THEOREM 4.7. STRICT CONVERSE DUALITY. Let  $\bar{x}$  and  $(\bar{y}, \bar{\lambda}, \bar{\mu})$  be feasible for (MOP) and (WD), respectively, such that

- (i)  $\bar{\lambda}f(\bar{x}) \leq \bar{\lambda}f(\bar{y}) + \bar{\mu}g(\bar{y}),$
- (ii) (f,g) is semistrictly  $(F,\alpha,\rho,d)$ -Type I at  $\bar{y}$  with  $\alpha^1(\bar{x},\bar{y}) = \alpha^2(\bar{x},\bar{y})$ ,
- (iii)  $\bar{\lambda}\rho^1 + \bar{\mu}\rho^2 \ge 0.$

Then  $\bar{x} = \bar{y}$ .

PROOF. We suppose that  $\bar{x} \neq \bar{y}$  and exhibit a contradiction. Since  $(\bar{y}, \bar{\lambda}, \bar{\mu})$  is feasible for (WD), by the dual constraint (1), for some  $\bar{\xi} \in \partial^c f(\bar{y})$  and  $\bar{\eta} \in \partial^c g(\bar{y})$ ,

$$\bar{\lambda}\bar{\xi}+\bar{\mu}\bar{\eta}=0,$$

which implies

$$F\left(\bar{x}, \bar{y}; \bar{\lambda}\bar{\xi} + \bar{\mu}\bar{\eta}\right) = 0.$$
(8)

Also, using Hypothesis (ii), we have

$$\begin{split} f(\bar{x}) - f(\bar{y}) &> F\left(\bar{x}, \bar{y}; \alpha^1(\bar{x}, \bar{y})\xi\right) + \rho^1 d^2(\bar{x}, \bar{y}), \qquad \text{for all } \xi \in \partial^c f(\bar{y}), \\ -g(\bar{y}) &\geq F\left(\bar{x}, \bar{y}; \alpha^1(\bar{x}, \bar{y})\eta\right) + \rho^2 d^2(\bar{x}, \bar{y}), \qquad \text{for all } \eta \in \partial^c g(\bar{y}). \end{split}$$

By the dual constraints (2)–(4) and  $\alpha^1(\bar{x}, \bar{y}) > 0$ , we obtain

$$\begin{split} \frac{\bar{\lambda}f(\bar{x})}{\alpha^1(\bar{x},\bar{y})} &- \frac{\bar{\lambda}f(\bar{y})}{\alpha^1(\bar{x},\bar{y})} > \bar{\lambda}F(\bar{x},\bar{y};\xi) + \frac{\bar{\lambda}\rho^1 d^2(\bar{x},\bar{y})}{\alpha^1(\bar{x},\bar{y})},\\ &\frac{-\bar{\mu}g(\bar{y})}{\alpha^1(\bar{x},\bar{y})} \geqq \bar{\mu}F(\bar{x},\bar{y};\eta) + \frac{\bar{\mu}\rho^2 d^2(\bar{x},\bar{y})}{\alpha^1(\bar{x},\bar{y})}. \end{split}$$

Adding the above inequalities, we get

$$\begin{split} \bar{\lambda}F(\bar{x},\bar{y};\xi) + \bar{\mu}F(\bar{x},\bar{y};\eta) &< \frac{1}{\alpha^1(\bar{x},\bar{y})} \left(\bar{\lambda}f(\bar{x}) - \bar{\lambda}f(\bar{y}) - \bar{\mu}g(\bar{y}) - \left\{\bar{\lambda}\rho^1 + \bar{\mu}\rho^2\right\} d^2(\bar{x},\bar{y})\right) \\ &\leq \frac{1}{\alpha^1(\bar{x},\bar{y})} \left(\bar{\lambda}f(\bar{x}) - \bar{\lambda}f(\bar{y}) - \bar{\mu}g(\bar{y})\right) \qquad \text{(using Hypothesis (iii))} \end{split}$$

By sublinearity of F, we have for all  $\xi \in \partial^c f(\bar{y})$  and  $\eta \in \partial^c g(\bar{y})$ 

$$F\left(\bar{x}, \bar{y}; \bar{\lambda}\xi + \bar{\mu}\eta\right) \leq \bar{\lambda}F(\bar{x}, \bar{y}; \xi) + \bar{\mu}F(\bar{x}, \bar{y}; \eta)$$
  
$$< \frac{1}{\alpha^{1}(\bar{x}, \bar{y})} \left(\bar{\lambda}f(\bar{x}) - \bar{\lambda}f(\bar{y}) - \bar{\mu}g(\bar{y})\right).$$

Since  $\alpha^1(\bar{x}, \bar{y}) > 0$ , (8) reduces the above inequality to

$$\bar{\lambda}f(\bar{x}) > \bar{\lambda}f(\bar{y}) + \bar{\mu}g(\bar{y}),$$

which contradicts Hypothesis (i). Hence  $\bar{x} = \bar{y}$ .

## 5. MOND-WEIR TYPE DUALITY

In this section, we consider the following Mond-Weir type dual for (MOP) and establish weak, strong, and strict converse duality theorems. In this section f and g are assumed to be regular locally Lipschitz functions on X.

Maximize 
$$f(y)$$
, (MOD)

subject to 
$$y \in X$$
,

$$0 \in \lambda \partial^c f(y) + \mu \partial^c g(y), \tag{9}$$

$$\mu g(y) \ge 0, \tag{10}$$

$$\lambda_i \ge 0, \qquad i = 1, 2, \dots, k, \quad \lambda e = 1, \tag{11}$$

 $\mu_j \ge 0, \qquad j = 1, 2, \dots, m.$  (12)

To prove the weak duality theorem, we shall need the following result.

LEMMA 5.1. (See [17, pp. 144–147].) Let the functions  $f_i : \mathbb{R}^n \mapsto \mathbb{R}$ ,  $i = 1, \ldots, k$ , be regular locally Lipschitz at a point  $x^* \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . Then, for weights  $w_i \geq 0 \in \mathbb{R}$  we have

$$\partial^c \left(\sum_{i=1}^k w_i f_i\right)(x^*) = \sum_{i=1}^k w_i \partial^c f_i(x^*).$$

THEOREM 5.1. WEAK DUALITY. Let x and  $(y, \lambda, \mu)$  be feasible solutions of (MOP) and (MOD), respectively, such that

- (i)  $(f, \mu g)$  is weak strictly pseudoquasi  $(F, \alpha, \rho, d)$ -Type I at y,
- (ii)  $\lambda \rho^1 / \alpha^1(x, y) + \rho^2 / \alpha^2(x, y) \ge 0.$

Then the following cannot hold:

$$f(x) \le f(y). \tag{13}$$

PROOF. Suppose (13) holds. Then using the inequalities (13) and (10), Hypothesis (i) yields

$$\begin{split} F\left(x,y;\alpha^{1}(x,y)\xi\right) + \rho^{1}d^{2}(x,y) < 0, & \text{ for all } \xi \in \partial^{c}f(y), \\ F\left(x,y;\alpha^{2}(x,y)\eta'\right) + \rho^{2}d^{2}(x,y) \leq 0, & \text{ for all } \eta' \in \partial^{c}(\mu g)(y), \end{split}$$

which imply

$$egin{aligned} F(x,y;\lambda\xi) &< -rac{\lambda
ho^1d^2(x,y)}{lpha^1(x,y)}, \ F(x,y;\eta') &\leq -rac{
ho^2d^2(x,y)}{lpha^2(x,y)}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, by sublinearity of F, we get

$$egin{aligned} F\left(x,y;\lambda\xi+\eta'
ight)&\leq F(x,y;\lambda\xi)+F\left(x,y;\eta'
ight)\ &<-\left(rac{\lambda
ho^1}{lpha^1(x,y)}+rac{
ho^2}{lpha^2(x,y)}
ight)d^2(x,y). \end{aligned}$$

Or, using Hypothesis (ii),

$$F\left(x,y;\lambda\xi+\eta'
ight)<0,\qquad ext{for all }\xi\in\partial^{c}f(y),\quad\eta'\in\partial^{c}(\mu g)(y).$$

But by Lemma 5.1, for some  $\eta' \in \partial^c(\mu g)(y)$  there exists  $\eta \in \partial^c g(y)$  such that  $\eta' = \mu \eta$ . Hence, the above inequality reduces to

$$F(x, y; \lambda \xi + \mu \eta) < 0,$$
 for all  $\xi \in \partial^c f(y), \quad \eta \in \partial^c g(y),$ 

which contradicts F(x, y; 0) = 0 as by the dual constraint (9), for some  $\bar{\xi} \in \partial^c f(y)$  and  $\bar{\eta} \in \partial^c g(y)$ ,  $\lambda \bar{\xi} + \mu \bar{\eta} = 0$ . Hence, the result.

The proofs of the following weak and strong duality theorems are similar to Theorems 5.1 and 4.6, respectively, and hence are omitted.

THEOREM 5.2. WEAK DUALITY. Let x and  $(y, \lambda, \mu)$  be feasible solutions of (MOP) and (MOD), respectively, such that

(i)  $(f, \mu g)$  is pseudoquasi  $(F, \alpha, \rho, d)$ -Type I at y,

(ii)  $\lambda \rho^1 / \alpha^1(x, y) + \rho^2 / \alpha^2(x, y) \ge 0.$ 

Then the following cannot hold:

f(x) < f(y).

THEOREM 5.3. STRONG DUALITY. Let  $\bar{x}$  be an efficient solution for (MOP) at which the Cottle constraint qualification is satisfied. Then, there exist  $\bar{\lambda} \in \mathbb{R}^k$ ,  $\bar{\mu} \in \mathbb{R}^m$  such that  $(\bar{x}, \bar{\lambda}, \bar{\mu})$  is feasible for (MOD) and the two objectives are equal. Furthermore, if weak duality holds between (MOP) and (MOD) for all feasible solutions of the primal and dual problems, then  $(\bar{x}, \bar{\lambda}, \bar{\mu})$  is efficient for (MOD).

THEOREM 5.4. STRICT CONVERSE DUALITY. Let  $\bar{x}$  and  $(\bar{y}, \bar{\lambda}, \bar{\mu})$  be feasible for (MOP) and (MOD), respectively, such that

- (i)  $\bar{\lambda}f(\bar{x}) \leq \bar{\lambda}f(\bar{y})$ ,
- (ii)  $\rho^1/\alpha^1(\bar{x},\bar{y}) + \rho^2/\alpha^2(\bar{x},\bar{y}) \ge 0.$ Also, if either

(a)  $(\bar{\lambda}f, \bar{\mu}g)$  is strictly pseudoquasi  $(F, \alpha, \rho, d)$ -Type I at  $\bar{y}$ , or

(b)  $(\bar{\lambda}f, \bar{\mu}g)$  is quasi strictly pseudo  $(F, \alpha, \rho, d)$ -Type I at  $\bar{y}$ ,

then,  $\bar{x} = \bar{y}$ .

**PROOF.** Since  $\mu \geq 0$ , the dual constraint (10) and Hypothesis (a) yield

$$F\left(\bar{x}, \bar{y}; \alpha^2(\bar{x}, \bar{y})\eta'\right) \leq -\rho^2 d^2(\bar{x}, \bar{y}), \quad \text{for all } \eta' \in \partial^c(\bar{\mu}g)(\bar{y}). \tag{14}$$

By the dual constraint (9), there exist some  $\bar{\xi} \in \partial^c f(\bar{y})$  and  $\bar{\mu} \in \partial^c g(\bar{y})$  such that  $\bar{\lambda}\bar{\xi} + \bar{\mu}\bar{\eta} = 0$  which implies

$$F\left(\bar{x},\bar{y};\bar{\lambda}\bar{\xi}+\bar{\mu}\bar{\eta}\right)=0.$$
(15)

Also by Lemma 5.1, for  $\bar{\xi} \in \partial^c f(\bar{y})$  and  $\bar{\eta} \in \partial^c g(\bar{y})$  there exist  $\bar{\xi}' \in \partial^c (\bar{\lambda}f)(\bar{y})$  and  $\bar{\eta}' \in \partial^c (\bar{\mu}g)(\bar{y})$  such that  $\bar{\xi}' = \bar{\lambda}\bar{\xi}$  and  $\bar{\eta}' = \bar{\mu}\bar{\eta}$ .

Hence (15) gives

 $F\left(\bar{x}, \bar{y}; \bar{\xi}' + \bar{\eta}'\right) = 0,$ 

which by sublinearity of F along with (14) and Hypothesis (ii) gives

$$F\left(\bar{x}, \bar{y}; \bar{\xi}'\right) \ge -F\left(\bar{x}, \bar{y}; \bar{\eta}'\right)$$
$$\ge \frac{\rho^2 d^2(\bar{x}, \bar{y})}{\alpha^2(\bar{x}, \bar{y})}$$
$$\ge \frac{-\rho^1 d^2(\bar{x}, \bar{y})}{\alpha^1(\bar{x}, \bar{y})}.$$

Or,

$$F\left(\bar{x}, \bar{y}; \bar{\xi}'\right) \ge \frac{-\rho^1 d^2(\bar{x}, \bar{y})}{\alpha^1(\bar{x}, \bar{y})}$$

Therefore Hypothesis (a) yields

 $\bar{\lambda}f(\bar{x}) > \bar{\lambda}f(\bar{y}),$ 

which contradicts Hypothesis (i). Hence, the result.

If Hypothesis (b) holds, then Hypothesis (i) and the dual constraint (10) give

 $F\left(\bar{x},\bar{y};\alpha^{1}(\bar{x},\bar{y})\xi'\right) + \rho^{1}d^{2}(\bar{x},\bar{y}) \leq 0, \quad \text{for all } \xi' \in \partial^{c}(\bar{\lambda}f)(\bar{y}),$  $F\left(\bar{x},\bar{y};\alpha^{2}(\bar{x},\bar{y})\eta'\right) + \rho^{2}d^{2}(\bar{x},\bar{y}) < 0, \quad \text{for all } \eta' \in \partial^{c}(\bar{\mu}g)(\bar{y}).$  Since  $\alpha^1(\bar{x}, \bar{y}) > 0$ ,  $\alpha^2(\bar{x}, \bar{y}) > 0$ , sublinearity of F gives

$$egin{aligned} F\left(ar{x},ar{y};\xi'+\eta'
ight)&\leq F\left(ar{x},ar{y};\xi'
ight)+F\left(ar{x},ar{y};\eta'
ight)\ &<-\left(rac{
ho^1}{lpha^1(ar{x},ar{y})}+rac{
ho^2}{lpha^2(ar{x},ar{y})}
ight)d^2(ar{x},ar{y}). \end{aligned}$$

Using Hypothesis (ii), we get

 $F\left(\bar{x}, \bar{y}; \xi' + \eta'\right) < 0,$ 

which contradicts  $F(\bar{x}, \bar{y}; 0) = 0$ . Hence the result holds.

It may be noted that in this section we require f and g to be regular locally Lipschitz functions to use Lemma 5.1. However, we do not need the regularity assumption if the dual constraint (10) is replaced by m constraints  $\mu_j g_j(y) \geq 0$ ,  $j \in M$ . In that case the weak and strict converse duality theorems need minor modifications and are stated below. We shall use  $f^{\lambda}$  and  $g^{\mu}$  to denote  $(\lambda_1 f_1, \lambda_2 f_2, \ldots, \lambda_k f_k)$  and  $(\mu_1 g_1, \mu_2 g_2, \ldots, \mu_m g_m)$ , respectively.

THEOREM 5.5. WEAK DUALITY. Let x and  $(y, \lambda, \mu)$  be feasible solutions of (MOP) and (MOD), respectively, such that

- (i)  $(f, g^{\mu})$  is weak strictly pseudoquasi  $(F, \alpha, \rho, d)$ -Type I at y,
- (ii)  $\lambda \rho^1 / \alpha^1(x, y) + \sum_{j=1}^m \rho_{k+j} / \alpha^2(x, y) \ge 0.$

Then the following cannot hold:

 $f(x) \le f(y).$ 

THEOREM 5.6. STRICT CONVERSE DUALITY. Let  $\bar{x}$  and  $(\bar{y}, \bar{\lambda}, \bar{\mu})$  be feasible for (MOP) and (MOD), respectively, such that

(b)  $(f^{\bar{\lambda}}, g^{\bar{\mu}})$  is quasi strictly pseudo  $(F, \alpha, \rho, d)$ -Type I at  $\bar{y}$ .

then,  $\bar{x} = \bar{y}$ .

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