

The latest applications of certain minimax theorems

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In this lecture, I will offer an overview of the latest applications of certain minimax theorems. Here are two samples.

THEOREM 1. - *Let X be a topological space, E a real normed space, $S \subseteq E^*$ a convex set weakly-star dense in E^* , $I : X \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$, $\psi : X \rightarrow E$. Assume the $\psi(X)$ is not convex and that, for every $\eta \in S$, the function $I + \eta \circ \psi$ is lower semicontinuous and inf-compact in X .*

Then, there exists $\tilde{\eta} \in S$ such that the function $I + \tilde{\eta} \circ \psi$ has at least two global minima in X .

THEOREM 2. - *Let E be a reflexive real Banach space and let $C \subset E$ be a closed convex set, with non-empty interior, whose boundary is sequentially weakly closed and non-convex.*

Then, for every function $\varphi : \partial C \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ and for every convex set $S \subseteq E^$ dense in E^* , there exists $\tilde{\gamma} \in S$ having the following property: for every strictly convex lower semicontinuous function $J : C \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$, Gâteaux differentiable in $\text{int}(C)$, such that $J|_{\partial C} - \varphi$ is constant in ∂C and $\lim_{\|x\| \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{J(x)}{\|x\|} = +\infty$ if C is unbounded, $\tilde{\gamma}$ is an algebraically interior point of $J'(\text{int}(C))$ (with respect to E^*).*