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Multiobjective Fractional Programming Involving Generalized Semilocally V-Type I-Preinvex and Related Functions

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We study a nonlinear multiple objective fractional programming with inequality constraints where each component of functions occurring in the problem is considered semidifferentiable along its own direction instead of the same direction. New Fritz John type necessary and Karush-Kuhn-Tucker type necessary and sufficient efficiency conditions are obtained for a feasible point to be weakly efficient or efficient. Furthermore, a general Mond-Weir dual is formulated and weak and strong duality results are proved using concepts of generalized semilocally V-type I-preinvex functions. This contribution extends earlier results of Preda (2003), Mishra et al. (2005), Niculescu (2007), and Mishra and Rautela (2009), and generalizes results obtained in the literature on this topic.

1. Introduction

Because of many practical optimization problems where the objective functions are quotients of two functions, multiobjective fractional programming has received much interest and has grown significantly in different directions in the setting of efficiency conditions and duality theory these later years. The field of multiobjective fractional optimization has been naturally enriched by the introductions and applications of various types of convexity theory, with and without differentiability assumptions, and in the framework of symmetric duality, variational problems, minimax programming, continuous time programming, and so forth. More specifically, works in the area of nonsmooth setting can be found in Chen [1], Kim et al. [2], Kuk et al. [3], Mishra and Rautela [4], Mishra et al. [5], Niculescu [6], Preda [7], and Soleimani-damaneh [8]. Efficiency conditions and duality models for multiobjective fractional subset programming problems are studied by Preda et al. [9], Verma [10], and Zalmai [11–13]. Higher order duality in multiobjective fractional programming is discussed in Gulati and Geeta [14] and Suneja et al. [15]. Solving nonlinear multiobjective fractional programming problems by a modified objective function

method is the subject matter of Antczak [16]. Further works on multiobjective fractional programming are established by Chinchuluun et al. [17], J.-C. Liu and C.-Y. Liu [18], Mishra et al. [19], Verma [20], Zhang and Wu [21], and others.

The common point in all of these developments is the convexity theory that does not stop extending itself in different directions with new variants of generalized convexity and various applications to nonlinear programming problems in different settings. The concept of invexity introduced by Hanson [22] is a generalization of convexity which has received much interest these later years, and many advances in the theory and practice have been established using this concept and its extensions. In practice, recently Dinuzzo et al. [23] have obtained some kernel function in machine learning which is not quasiconvex (and hence also neither convex nor pseudoconvex), but it is invex. Nickisch and Seeger [24] have studied a multiple kernel learning problem and have used the invexity to deal with the optimization which is nonconvex. The concept of semilocally convex functions was introduced by Ewing [25] and was further extended to semilocally quasiconvex, semilocally pseudoconvex functions by Kaul and Kaur [26, 27]. Other generalizations of semilocally convex functions and their properties were investigated in

Mishra and Rautela [4], Mishra et al. [5], Niculescu [6], Preda [7, 28], Preda and Stancu-Minasian [29], Preda et al. [30], and Stancu-Minasian [31].

In Preda [7], necessary and sufficient efficiency conditions for a nonlinear fractional multiple objective programming problem are obtained involving η -semidifferentiable functions. Furthermore, a general dual was formulated and duality results were proved using concepts of generalized semilocally preinvex functions. Thus, results of Preda [28], Preda and Stancu-Minasian [29], and Preda et al. [30] were generalized. Mishra et al. [5] extended the issues of Preda [7] to the case of semilocally type I and related functions, generalizing results of Preda [7] and Stancu-Minasian [31]. Niculescu [6] extended the work of Mishra et al. [5] by using concepts of generalized ρ -semilocally type I-preinvex functions. Mishra and Rautela [4] extended the works of Mishra et al. [5] and Preda [7] to the case of semilocally type I univex and related functions.

By considering the invexity with respect to different $(\eta_i)_i$ (each function occurring in the studied problem is considered with respect to its own function η_i instead of the same function η), Slimani and Radjef [32–34] have obtained necessary and sufficient optimality/efficiency conditions and duality results for nonlinear scalar and (non-differentiable) multiobjective problems. Ahmad [35] has considered a nondifferentiable multiobjective problem and, by using generalized univexity with respect to different $(\eta_i)_i$, he has obtained efficiency conditions and duality results. Arana-Jiménez et al. [36] have used the concept of semidirectionally differentiable functions introduced in [34] to derive characterizations of solutions and duality results by means of generalized pseudoinvexity for nondifferentiable multiobjective programming.

In this paper, motivated by the work of Slimani and Radjef [34], we define semilocally vector-type I problems, where each component of the objective and constraint functions is semidifferentiable along its own direction instead of the same direction. Then we consider necessary and sufficient efficiency conditions for a nonlinear fractional multiple objective programming problem involving semidifferentiable functions. Furthermore, we formulate a general Mond-Weir dual and prove duality results using concepts of generalized semilocally V-type I-preinvex and related functions. Thus, we extend the works of Mishra and Rautela [4], Mishra et al. [5], Niculescu [6], and Preda [7] and generalize results obtained in the literature on this topic.

2. Preliminaries and Definitions

The following conventions for equalities and inequalities will be used. If $x = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$ and $y = (y_1, \dots, y_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$, then $x = y \Leftrightarrow x_i = y_i, i = 1, \dots, n; x < y \Leftrightarrow x_i < y_i, i = 1, \dots, n; x \leq y \Leftrightarrow x_i \leq y_i, i = 1, \dots, n; x \leq y \Leftrightarrow x \leq y$ and $x \neq y$.

We also denote by \mathbb{R}_{\geq}^q (resp., $\mathbb{R}_{>}^q$ or \mathbb{R}_{\leq}^q) the set of vectors $y \in \mathbb{R}^q$ with $y \geq 0$ (resp., $y > 0$ or $y < 0$).

Let $D \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ be a set and $\eta : D \times D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ a vector application. We say that D is η -invex at $x_0 \in D$ if $x_0 +$

$\lambda\eta(x, x_0) \in D$ for any $x \in D$ and $\lambda \in [0, 1]$. We say that the set D is η -invex if D is η -invex at any $x_0 \in D$.

Definition 1 (see [7]). We say that the set $D \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ is an η -locally star-shaped set at $x_0, x_0 \in D$, if, for any $x \in D$, there exists $0 < a_\eta(x, x_0) \leq 1$ such that $x_0 + \lambda\eta(x, x_0) \in D$ for any $\lambda \in [0, a_\eta(x, x_0)]$.

Definition 2 (see [7]). Let $f : D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^N$ be a function, where $D \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ is an η -locally star-shaped set at $x_0 \in D$. We say that f is η -semidifferentiable at x_0 if $(df)^+(x_0, \eta(x, x_0))$ exists for each $x \in D$, where

$$\begin{aligned} &(df)^+(x_0, \eta(x, x_0)) \\ &= \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{1}{\lambda} [f(x_0 + \lambda\eta(x, x_0)) - f(x_0)] \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

(the right derivative of f at x_0 along the direction $\eta(x, x_0)$). If f is η -semidifferentiable at any $x_0 \in D$, then f is said to be η -semidifferentiable on D .

Note that a function which is η -semidifferentiable at x_0 is not necessarily directionally differentiable at this point (see [34]). Slimani and Radjef [34] have considered the functions whose directional derivatives exist and are finite in some directions (not necessarily in all directions) and they called them semidirectionally differentiable functions. This class of functions, where no assumptions on continuity are needed, is an extension of locally Lipschitz functions.

Definition 3 (see [37]). A function $f : D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^N$ is a convex-like function if, for any $x, y \in D$ and $0 \leq \lambda \leq 1$, there exists $z \in D$ such that

$$f(z) \leq \lambda f(x) + (1 - \lambda) f(y). \tag{2}$$

We consider the following multiobjective fractional optimization problem:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(VFP) Minimize} \quad & \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = \left(\frac{f_1(x)}{g_1(x)}, \dots, \frac{f_N(x)}{g_N(x)} \right), \\ \text{subject to} \quad & h_j(x) \leq 0, \quad j = 1, 2, \dots, k, \end{aligned} \tag{3}$$

where $f_i, g_i, h_j : D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, i \in \mathcal{N} = \{1, 2, \dots, N\}, j \in K = \{1, 2, \dots, k\}$ with D is a nonempty subset of \mathbb{R}^n , and $f_i(x) \geq 0, g_i(x) > 0$ for all $x \in D$ and each $i \in \mathcal{N}$. Let $f = (f_1, \dots, f_N), g = (g_1, \dots, g_N)$, and $h = (h_1, \dots, h_k)$.

We put $X = \{x \in D : h(x) \leq 0\}$ as the set of all feasible solutions of VFP. For $x_0 \in D$, we denote by $J(x_0)$ the set $\{j \in K : h_j(x_0) = 0\}$, where $J = |J(x_0)|$ is the cardinal of set $J(x_0)$, and by $\tilde{J}(x_0)$ (resp., $\bar{J}(x_0)$) the set $\{j \in K : h_j(x_0) < 0$ (resp., $h_j(x_0) > 0\}$. We have $J(x_0) \cup \tilde{J}(x_0) \cup \bar{J}(x_0) = K$ and if $x_0 \in X, \bar{J}(x_0) = \emptyset$.

For such optimization problems, minimization means obtaining (weakly) efficient solutions in the following sense.

Definition 4. A point $x_0 \in X$ is said to be a *weakly efficient solution* of the problem VFP, if there exists no $x \in X$ such that

$$\frac{f_i(x)}{g_i(x)} < \frac{f_i(x_0)}{g_i(x_0)}, \quad \forall i \in \mathcal{N}. \tag{4}$$

Definition 5. A point $x_0 \in X$ is said to be an *efficient solution* of the problem VFP, if there exists no $x \in X$ such that for some $p \in \mathcal{N}$

$$\frac{f_p(x)}{g_p(x)} < \frac{f_p(x_0)}{g_p(x_0)}, \quad \frac{f_i(x)}{g_i(x)} \leq \frac{f_i(x_0)}{g_i(x_0)}, \quad \forall i \in \mathcal{N}, i \neq p. \tag{5}$$

Slimani and Radjef [34] considered semidirectionally differentiable functions and extended the d -invexity of Ye [38] by introducing new concepts of generalized d_I -invexity in which each component of the objective and constraint functions is directionally differentiable in its own direction d_i instead of the same direction d . In the same way, we define semilocally vector-type I problems, where each component of the objective and constraint functions is semidifferentiable along its own direction η_i , θ_i , or δ_j instead of the same direction η .

Definition 6. Let $\eta_i : X \times D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$, $\theta_i : X \times D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$, $i \in \mathcal{N}$, and $\phi_j : X \times D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$, $j \in K$, be vector functions. We say that the problem VFP is *semilocally V-type I-preinvex* at $x_0 \in D$ with respect to $(\eta_i)_{i \in \mathcal{N}}$, $(\theta_i)_{i \in \mathcal{N}}$, and $(\phi_j)_{j \in K}$, if, for all $x \in X$, we have

$$f_i(x) - f_i(x_0) \geq (df_i)^+(x_0, \eta_i(x, x_0)), \quad \forall i \in \mathcal{N}, \tag{6}$$

$$g_i(x) - g_i(x_0) \leq (dg_i)^+(x_0, \theta_i(x, x_0)), \quad \forall i \in \mathcal{N}, \tag{7}$$

$$-h_j(x_0) \geq (dh_j)^+(x_0, \phi_j(x, x_0)), \quad \forall j \in K. \tag{8}$$

If the inequalities in (6) are strict (whenever $x \neq x_0$), we say that VFP is *semistrictly semilocally V-type I-preinvex* at x_0 with respect to $(\eta_i)_{i \in \mathcal{N}}$, $(\theta_i)_{i \in \mathcal{N}}$, and $(\phi_j)_{j \in K}$.

Definition 7. Let $\eta_i : X \times D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$, $\theta_i : X \times D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$, $i \in \mathcal{N}$, and $\phi_j : X \times D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$, $j \in K$, be vector functions. We say that the problem VFP is *semilocally pseudo quasi-V-type I-preinvex* at $x_0 \in D$ with respect to $(\eta_i)_{i \in \mathcal{N}}$, $(\theta_i)_{i \in \mathcal{N}}$, and $(\phi_j)_{j \in K}$, if, for some vectors $\mu \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq}^N$, $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq}^N$, and $\delta \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq}^k$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{i=1}^N \mu_i [(df_i)^+(x_0, \eta_i(x, x_0)) \\ & \quad - \lambda_i (dg_i)^+(x_0, \theta_i(x, x_0))] \geq 0 \\ \implies & \sum_{i=1}^N \mu_i [f_i(x) - \lambda_i g_i(x)] \\ \geq & \sum_{i=1}^N \mu_i [f_i(x_0) - \lambda_i g_i(x_0)], \quad \forall x \in X, \end{aligned} \tag{9}$$

$$\sum_{j=1}^k \delta_j h_j(x_0) \geq 0 \implies \sum_{j=1}^k \delta_j (dh_j)^+(x_0, \phi_j(x, x_0)) \leq 0, \tag{10}$$

$\forall x \in X.$

If the second (implied) inequality in (9) is strict ($x \neq x_0$), we say that VFP is *semilocally strictly pseudo quasi-V-type I-preinvex* at x_0 with respect to $(\eta_i)_{i \in \mathcal{N}}$, $(\theta_i)_{i \in \mathcal{N}}$, and $(\phi_j)_{j \in K}$.

Definition 8. Let $\eta_i : X \times D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$, $\theta_i : X \times D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$, $i \in \mathcal{N}$, and $\phi_j : X \times D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$, $j \in K$, be vector functions. We say that the problem VFP is *semilocally quasi pseudo-V-type I-preinvex* at $x_0 \in D$ with respect to $(\eta_i)_{i \in \mathcal{N}}$, $(\theta_i)_{i \in \mathcal{N}}$, and $(\phi_j)_{j \in K}$, if, for some vectors $\mu \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq}^N$, $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq}^N$, and $\delta \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq}^k$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{i=1}^N \mu_i [f_i(x) - \lambda_i g_i(x)] \\ & \leq \sum_{i=1}^N \mu_i [f_i(x_0) - \lambda_i g_i(x_0)] \\ \implies & \sum_{i=1}^N \mu_i [(df_i)^+(x_0, \eta_i(x, x_0)) \\ & \quad - \lambda_i (dg_i)^+(x_0, \theta_i(x, x_0))] \leq 0, \quad \forall x \in X, \end{aligned} \tag{11}$$

$$\sum_{j=1}^k \delta_j (dh_j)^+(x_0, \phi_j(x, x_0)) \geq 0 \implies \sum_{j=1}^k \delta_j h_j(x_0) \leq 0, \tag{12}$$

$\forall x \in X.$

If the second (implied) inequality in (12) is strict ($x \neq x_0$), we say that VFP is *semilocally quasi strictly pseudo-V-type I-preinvex* at x_0 with respect to $(\eta_i)_{i \in \mathcal{N}}$, $(\theta_i)_{i \in \mathcal{N}}$, and $(\phi_j)_{j \in K}$.

Definition 9. Let $\eta_i : X \times D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$, $\theta_i : X \times D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$, $i \in \mathcal{N}$, and $\phi_j : X \times D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$, $j \in K$, be vector functions. We say that the problem VFP is *semilocally extendedly pseudo partially quasi-V-type I-preinvex* at $x_0 \in D$ with respect to $\{(\eta_i)_{i \in \mathcal{N}}, (\theta_i)_{i \in \mathcal{N}}, (\phi_j)_{j \in J_s}\}$ and $\{(\phi_j)_{j \in J_s}, s = 1, 2, \dots, \alpha\}$ such that $\alpha \geq 1$, $J_s \cap J_t = \emptyset$ for $s \neq t$ and $\bigcup_{s=1}^{\alpha} J_s = K$, if, for some vectors $\mu \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq}^N$, $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq}^N$, and $\delta \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq}^k$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{i=1}^N \mu_i [(df_i)^+(x_0, \eta_i(x, x_0)) - \lambda_i (dg_i)^+(x_0, \theta_i(x, x_0))] \\ & \quad + \sum_{j \in J_0} \delta_j (dh_j)^+(x_0, \phi_j(x, x_0)) \geq 0 \\ \implies & \sum_{i=1}^N \mu_i [f_i(x) - \lambda_i g_i(x)] + \sum_{j \in J_0} \delta_j h_j(x) \\ \geq & \sum_{i=1}^N \mu_i [f_i(x_0) - \lambda_i g_i(x_0)] + \sum_{j \in J_0} \delta_j h_j(x_0), \end{aligned}$$

$\forall x \in X,$

(13)

$$\sum_{j \in J_s} \delta_j h_j(x_0) \geq 0 \implies \sum_{j \in J_s} \delta_j (dh_j)^+(x_0, \phi_j(x, x_0)) \leq 0, \quad \forall x \in X, \quad s = 1, 2, \dots, \alpha. \tag{14}$$

If the second (implied) inequality in (13) is strict ($x \neq x_0$), we say that VFP is *semilocally strictly extendedly pseudo partially quasi-V-type I-preinvex* at x_0 with respect to $\{(\eta_i)_{i \in \mathcal{N}}, (\theta_i)_{i \in \mathcal{N}}, (\phi_j)_{j \in J_0}\}$ and $\{(\phi_j)_{j \in J_s}, s = 1, 2, \dots, \alpha\}$. If, for all $i \in \mathcal{N}, \theta_i = \eta_i$, we say that VFP is *semilocally (strictly) extendedly pseudo partially quasi-V-type I-preinvex* at x_0 with respect to $\{(\eta_i)_{i \in \mathcal{N}}, (\phi_j)_{j \in J_0}\}$ and $\{(\phi_j)_{j \in J_s}, s = 1, 2, \dots, \alpha\}$.

Remark 10. In Definition 9 if $J_0 = \emptyset$ and $\alpha = 1$, then the concept of semilocally (strictly) extendedly pseudo partially quasi-V-type I-preinvexity reduces to the concept of semilocally (strictly) pseudo quasi-V-type I-preinvexity given in Definition 7.

Definition 11. Let $\eta_i : X \times D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n, \theta_i : X \times D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n, i \in \mathcal{N}$, and $\phi_j : X \times D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n, j \in K$, be vector functions. We say that the problem VFP is *semilocally extendedly quasi partially pseudo-V-type I-preinvex* at $x_0 \in D$ with respect to $\{(\eta_i)_{i \in \mathcal{N}}, (\theta_i)_{i \in \mathcal{N}}, (\phi_j)_{j \in J_0}\}$ and $\{(\phi_j)_{j \in J_s}, s = 1, 2, \dots, \alpha\}$ such that $\alpha \geq 1, J_s \cap J_t = \emptyset$ for $s \neq t$ and $\bigcup_{s=0}^{\alpha} J_s = K$, if, for some vectors $\mu \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq}^N, \lambda \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq}^N$, and $\delta \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq}^K$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{i=1}^N \mu_i [f_i(x) - \lambda_i g_i(x)] + \sum_{j \in J_0} \delta_j h_j(x) \\ & \leq \sum_{i=1}^N \mu_i [f_i(x_0) - \lambda_i g_i(x_0)] + \sum_{j \in J_0} \delta_j h_j(x_0) \\ & \implies \sum_{i=1}^N \mu_i [(df_i)^+(x_0, \eta_i(x, x_0)) - \lambda_i (dg_i)^+(x_0, \theta_i(x, x_0))] \\ & \quad + \sum_{j \in J_0} \delta_j (dh_j)^+(x_0, \phi_j(x, x_0)) \leq 0, \quad \forall x \in X, \end{aligned} \tag{15}$$

$$\sum_{j \in J_s} \delta_j (dh_j)^+(x_0, \phi_j(x, x_0)) \geq 0 \implies \sum_{j \in J_s} \delta_j h_j(x_0) \leq 0, \quad \forall x \in X, \quad s = 1, 2, \dots, \alpha. \tag{16}$$

If the second (implied) inequality in (16) is strict ($x \neq x_0$), we say that VFP is *semilocally extendedly quasi strictly partially pseudo-V-type I-preinvex* at x_0 with respect to $\{(\eta_i)_{i \in \mathcal{N}}, (\theta_i)_{i \in \mathcal{N}}, (\phi_j)_{j \in J_0}\}$ and $\{(\phi_j)_{j \in J_s}, s = 1, 2, \dots, \alpha\}$. If, for all $i \in \mathcal{N}, \theta_i = \eta_i$, we say that VFP is *semilocally extendedly quasi (strictly) partially pseudo-V-type I-preinvex* at x_0 with respect to $\{(\eta_i)_{i \in \mathcal{N}}, (\phi_j)_{j \in J_0}\}$ and $\{(\phi_j)_{j \in J_s}, s = 1, 2, \dots, \alpha\}$.

Remark 12. In Definition 11 if $J_0 = \emptyset$ and $\alpha = 1$, then the concept of semilocally extendedly quasi (strictly) partially pseudo-V-type I-preinvexity reduces to the concept of semilocally quasi (strictly) pseudo-V-type I-preinvexity given in Definition 8.

3. Necessary Efficiency Conditions

To prove necessary conditions for VFP, we need to prove the following lemma.

Lemma 13. *Suppose that*

- (i) x_0 is a (local) weakly efficient solution for VFP;
- (ii) h_j is continuous at x_0 for $j \in \tilde{J}(x_0)$ and there exist vector functions $\eta_i : X \times D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n, \theta_i : X \times D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n, i \in \mathcal{N}$, and $\phi_j : X \times D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n, j \in J(x_0)$, which satisfy at x_0 with respect to $\eta : X \times D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ the following inequalities:

$$(df_i)^+(x_0, \eta(x, x_0)) \leq (df_i)^+(x_0, \eta_i(x, x_0)), \quad \forall x \in X, \quad \forall i \in \mathcal{N}, \tag{17}$$

$$(dg_i)^+(x_0, \eta(x, x_0)) \geq (dg_i)^+(x_0, \theta_i(x, x_0)), \quad \forall x \in X, \quad \forall i \in \mathcal{N}, \tag{18}$$

$$(dh_j)^+(x_0, \eta(x, x_0)) \leq (dh_j)^+(x_0, \phi_j(x, x_0)), \quad \forall x \in X, \quad \forall j \in J(x_0). \tag{19}$$

Then the system of inequalities

$$(df_i)^+(x_0, \eta_i(x, x_0)) < 0, \quad i \in \mathcal{N}, \tag{20}$$

$$(dg_i)^+(x_0, \theta_i(x, x_0)) > 0, \quad i \in \mathcal{N}, \tag{21}$$

$$(dh_j)^+(x_0, \phi_j(x, x_0)) < 0, \quad j \in J(x_0), \tag{22}$$

has no solution $x \in X$.

Proof. Let $x_0 \in X$ be a local weakly efficient solution for VFP and suppose there exists $\tilde{x} \in X$ such that inequalities (20)–(22) are true.

For $i \in \mathcal{N}$, let $\varphi_{f_i}(x_0, \tilde{x}, \tau) = f_i(x_0 + \tau\eta(\tilde{x}, x_0)) - f_i(x_0)$. We observe that this function vanishes at $\tau = 0$ and $\lim_{\tau \rightarrow 0^+} \tau^{-1} [\varphi_{f_i}(x_0, \tilde{x}, \tau) - \varphi_{f_i}(x_0, \tilde{x}, 0)] = \lim_{\tau \rightarrow 0^+} \tau^{-1} [f_i(x_0 + \tau\eta(\tilde{x}, x_0)) - f_i(x_0)] = (df_i)^+(x_0, \eta(\tilde{x}, x_0)) \leq (df_i)^+(x_0, \eta_i(\tilde{x}, x_0)) < 0$ using (17) and (20).

It follows that, for all $i \in \mathcal{N}, \varphi_{f_i}(x_0, \tilde{x}, \tau) < 0$ if τ is in some open interval $(0, \delta_{f_i}), \delta_{f_i} > 0$. Thus, for all $i \in \mathcal{N}$,

$$f_i(x_0 + \tau\eta(\tilde{x}, x_0)) < f_i(x_0), \quad \tau \in (0, \delta_{f_i}). \tag{23}$$

Similarly, by using (18) with (21) and (19) with (22), we get

$$g_i(x_0 + \tau\eta(\tilde{x}, x_0)) > g_i(x_0), \quad \tau \in (0, \delta_{g_i}), \quad \forall i \in \mathcal{N},$$

$$h_j(x_0 + \tau\eta(\tilde{x}, x_0)) < h_j(x_0) = 0,$$

$$\tau \in (0, \delta_{h_j}), \quad \forall j \in J(x_0), \tag{24}$$

where, for all $i \in \mathcal{N}, \delta_{g_i} > 0$ and, for all $j \in J(x_0), \delta_{h_j} > 0$.

Now, since, for $j \in \tilde{J}(x_0)$, $h_j(x_0) < 0$ and h_j is continuous at x_0 , then there exists $\delta_j > 0$ such that

$$h_j(x_0 + \tau\eta(\tilde{x}, x_0)) < 0, \quad \tau \in (0, \delta_j), \quad \forall j \in \tilde{J}(x_0). \quad (25)$$

Let $\delta_0 = \min\{\delta_{f_i}, i \in \mathcal{N}, \delta_{g_i}, i \in \mathcal{N}, \delta_{h_j}, j \in J(x_0), \delta_j, j \in \tilde{J}(x_0)\}$. Then

$$(x_0 + \tau\eta(\tilde{x}, x_0)) \in N_{\delta_0}(x_0), \quad \tau \in (0, \delta_0), \quad (26)$$

where $N_{\delta_0}(x_0)$ is a neighborhood of x_0 . Now, for all $\tau \in (0, \delta_0)$, we have

$$f_i(x_0 + \tau\eta(\tilde{x}, x_0)) < f_i(x_0), \quad i \in \mathcal{N}, \quad (27)$$

$$g_i(x_0 + \tau\eta(\tilde{x}, x_0)) > g_i(x_0), \quad i \in \mathcal{N}, \quad (28)$$

$$h_j(x_0 + \tau\eta(\tilde{x}, x_0)) < 0, \quad j \in K. \quad (29)$$

By (26) and (29), we get $(x_0 + \tau\eta(\tilde{x}, x_0)) \in N_{\delta_0}(x_0) \cap X$, for all $\tau \in (0, \delta_0)$.

Using (27) and (28), for $R(x) = (f_1(x)/g_1(x), \dots, f_N(x)/g_N(x))$, we get

$$R(x_0 + \tau\eta(\tilde{x}, x_0)) < R(x_0), \quad (30)$$

which contradicts the assumption that x_0 is a (local) weakly efficient solution for VFP. Hence, there exists no $x \in X$ satisfying the system (20)–(22). Thus the lemma is proved. \square

The following lemma given by Hayashi and Komiya [39] will be used.

Lemma 14. *Let S be a nonempty set in \mathbb{R}^n and let $\psi : S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ be a convex-like function. Then either*

$$\psi(x) < 0 \text{ has a solution } x \in S \quad (31)$$

or

$$p^T \psi(x) \geq 0 \text{ for all } x \in S, \text{ for some } p \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq}^m, \quad (32)$$

but both alternatives are never true (here the symbol T denotes the transpose of matrix).

Preda [7], Mishra et al. [5], Niculescu [6], and Mishra and Rautela [4] have given necessary conditions for $x_0 \in X$ to be a weakly efficient solution for VFP by taking the functions $f_i, g_i, i \in \mathcal{N}$, and $h_j, j \in J(x_0)$, semidifferentiable along the same direction $\eta(x, x_0)$. Now we give necessary efficiency criteria by considering each function $f_i, g_i, i \in \mathcal{N}$ (resp., $h_j, j \in J(x_0)$) semidifferentiable along its own direction $\eta_i(x, x_0), \theta_i(x, x_0), i \in \mathcal{N}$ (resp., $\phi_j(x, x_0), j \in J(x_0)$).

In the next theorem, we obtain Fritz John type necessary efficiency conditions.

Theorem 15 (Fritz John type necessary efficiency conditions). *Suppose that*

- (i) x_0 is a (local) weakly efficient solution for VFP;

- (ii) h_j is continuous at x_0 for $j \in \tilde{J}(x_0)$ and there exist vector functions $\eta_i : X \times D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n, \theta_i : X \times D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n, i \in \mathcal{N}$, and $\phi_j : X \times D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n, j \in J(x_0)$, which satisfy at x_0 with respect to $\eta : X \times D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ inequalities (17)–(19);

- (iii) for all $i \in \mathcal{N}, f_i, g_i$ (for all $j \in J(x_0), h_j$) is semidifferentiable at x_0 along the direction $\eta_i, \theta_i (\phi_j)$ and let $L(x) = [(df_i)^+(x_0, \eta_i(x, x_0)), -(dg_i)^+(x_0, \theta_i(x, x_0)), i \in \mathcal{N}, (dh_j)^+(x_0, \phi_j(x, x_0)), j \in J(x_0)] \in \mathbb{R}^{2N+J}$ be a convex-like function of x on X .

Then there exists $(\mu, \lambda, \delta) \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq}^{2N+J}$ such that $(x_0, \mu, \lambda, \delta)$ satisfies

$$\sum_{i=1}^N \mu_i (df_i)^+(x_0, \eta_i(x, x_0)) - \sum_{i=1}^N \lambda_i (dg_i)^+(x_0, \theta_i(x, x_0)) + \sum_{j \in J(x_0)} \delta_j (dh_j)^+(x_0, \phi_j(x, x_0)) \geq 0, \quad \forall x \in X. \quad (33)$$

Proof. If the conditions (i) and (ii) are satisfied, then, by Lemma 13, system (20)–(22) has no solution for $x \in X$. Since, by hypothesis (iii), $L(x) = [(df_i)^+(x_0, \eta_i(x, x_0)), -(dg_i)^+(x_0, \theta_i(x, x_0)), i \in \mathcal{N}, (dh_j)^+(x_0, \phi_j(x, x_0)), j \in J(x_0)] \in \mathbb{R}^{2N+J}$ is a convex-like function of x on X , therefore, by Lemma 14, there exists $p = (\mu, \lambda, \delta) \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq}^{2N+J}$ such that relation (33) is satisfied. \square

Remark 16. As particular case of Theorem 15, if $\eta_i = \theta_i = \eta, \forall i \in \mathcal{N}, \phi_j = \eta, \text{ and } \forall j \in J(x_0)$ (i.e., if we consider that all of the functions $f_i, g_i, i \in \mathcal{N}$, and $h_j, j \in J(x_0)$, are semidifferentiable at x_0 along the same direction η), we obtain Theorem 14 of Preda [7], Lemma 5 of Mishra et al. [5], Lemma 5 of Niculescu [6], and Lemma 2.5 of Mishra and Rautela [4].

Now, we define a constraint qualification given as follows.

Definition 17. Let x_0 be a feasible point of VFP and let $\theta_i : X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n, i \in \mathcal{N}, \phi_j : X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n, j \in J(x_0)$ be vector functions.

- (i) The function h is said to satisfy the semiconstraint qualification at $x_0 \in X$ with respect to $(\phi_j)_{j \in J(x_0)}$, if there exist $\bar{x} \in X$ such that

$$(dh_j)^+(x_0, \phi_j(\bar{x}, x_0)) < 0, \quad \forall j \in J(x_0). \quad (34)$$

- (ii) The function h is said to satisfy the semiconstraint qualification at $x_0 \in X$ with respect to $((g_i)_{i \in \mathcal{N}}, (\theta_i)_{i \in \mathcal{N}}, (\phi_j)_{j \in J(x_0)})$, if there exist $\bar{x} \in X$ such that

$$(dg_i)^+(x_0, \theta_i(\bar{x}, x_0)) > 0, \quad \forall i \in \mathcal{N}, \quad (35)$$

$$(dh_j)^+(x_0, \phi_j(\bar{x}, x_0)) < 0, \quad \forall j \in J(x_0).$$

To prove Karush-Kuhn-Tucker type necessary efficiency conditions for VFP, we need to prove the following result.

Theorem 18. *Suppose that*

- (i) x_0 is a (local) weakly efficient solution for the following problem:

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{Minimize } (\varphi_1(x), \dots, \varphi_N(x)), \\ & \text{subject to } h_j(x) \leq 0, \quad j = 1, 2, \dots, k, \end{aligned} \tag{36}$$

where $\varphi = (\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_N) : D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^N$;

- (ii) h_j is continuous at x_0 for $j \in \bar{J}(x_0)$ and there exist vector functions $\eta_i : X \times D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n, i \in \mathcal{N}$, and $\phi_j : X \times D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n, j \in J(x_0)$, which satisfy at x_0 with respect to $\eta : X \times D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ the following inequalities:

$$\begin{aligned} (d\varphi_i)^+(x_0, \eta(x, x_0)) &\leq (d\varphi_i)^+(x_0, \eta_i(x, x_0)), \\ &\forall x \in X, \forall i \in \mathcal{N}, \end{aligned} \tag{37}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (dh_j)^+(x_0, \eta(x, x_0)) &\leq (dh_j)^+(x_0, \phi_j(x, x_0)), \\ &\forall x \in X, \forall j \in J(x_0); \end{aligned}$$

- (iii) for all $i \in \mathcal{N}, \varphi_i$ (for all $j \in J(x_0), h_j$) is semidifferentiable at x_0 along the direction η_i (ϕ_j) and let $L_1(x) = [(d\varphi_i)^+(x_0, \eta_i(x, x_0)), i \in \mathcal{N}, (dh_j)^+(x_0, \phi_j(x, x_0)), j \in J(x_0)] \in \mathbb{R}^{N+J}$ be a convex-like function of x on X ;

- (iv) the function h satisfies the semiconstraint qualification at $x_0 \in X$ with respect to $(\phi_j)_{j \in J(x_0)}$.

Then there exist $\mu \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq}^N$ and $\delta \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq}^J$ such that (x_0, μ, δ) satisfies

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{i=1}^N \mu_i (d\varphi_i)^+(x_0, \eta_i(x, x_0)) \\ & + \sum_{j \in J(x_0)} \delta_j (dh_j)^+(x_0, \phi_j(x, x_0)) \geq 0, \quad \forall x \in X. \end{aligned} \tag{38}$$

Proof. In the same line as in the proof of Theorem 15, we prove that there exists $p = (\mu, \delta) \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq}^{N+J}$ such that relation (38) is satisfied. Now it is enough to prove that $\mu \neq 0$. We proceed by contradiction. If $\mu = 0$, then $\delta \neq 0$ and (38) takes the following form:

$$\sum_{j \in J(x_0)} \delta_j (dh_j)^+(x_0, \phi_j(x, x_0)) \geq 0, \quad \forall x \in X, \tag{39}$$

which contradicts semiconstraint qualification (34). Hence $\mu \neq 0$. \square

For each $\lambda = (\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_N) \in \mathbb{R}_+^N$, where \mathbb{R}_+^N denotes the positive orthant of \mathbb{R}^N , we consider

$$\begin{aligned} (\text{VFP}_\lambda) \text{ Minimize } & (f_1(x) - \lambda_1 g_1(x), \dots, \\ & f_N(x) - \lambda_N g_N(x)), \end{aligned} \tag{40}$$

subject to $h_j(x) \leq 0, j = 1, 2, \dots, k$.

The following lemma can be proved without difficulty.

Lemma 19 (see [7]). *If x_0 is a (local) weakly efficient solution for VFP, then x_0 is a (local) weakly efficient solution for (VFP_{λ^0}) , where $\lambda_i^0 = f_i(x_0)/g_i(x_0), i \in \mathcal{N}$.*

Using this lemma and Theorem 18, we can derive Karush-Kuhn-Tucker type necessary efficiency conditions for the problem VFP.

Theorem 20 (Karush-Kuhn-Tucker type necessary efficiency conditions). *Suppose that*

- (i) x_0 is a (local) weakly efficient solution for VFP;
- (ii) h_j is continuous at x_0 for $j \in \bar{J}(x_0)$ and there exist vector functions $\eta_i : X \times D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n, i \in \mathcal{N}$, and $\phi_j : X \times D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n, j \in J(x_0)$, which satisfy at x_0 with respect to $\eta : X \times D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ inequalities (17) and (19) with

$$\begin{aligned} (dg_i)^+(x_0, \eta(x, x_0)) &\geq (dg_i)^+(x_0, \eta_i(x, x_0)), \\ &\forall x \in X, \forall i \in \mathcal{N}; \end{aligned} \tag{41}$$

- (iii) for all $i \in \mathcal{N}, f_i, g_i$ (for all $j \in J(x_0), h_j$) is semidifferentiable at x_0 along the direction η_i (ϕ_j) and let $L_2(x) = [(df_i)^+(x_0, \eta_i(x, x_0)) - \lambda_i^0 (dg_i)^+(x_0, \eta_i(x, x_0)), i \in \mathcal{N}, (dh_j)^+(x_0, \phi_j(x, x_0)), j \in J(x_0)] \in \mathbb{R}^{N+J}$ be a convex-like function of x on X , where $\lambda^0 = (\lambda_1^0, \dots, \lambda_N^0), \lambda_i^0 = f_i(x_0)/g_i(x_0), i \in \mathcal{N}$;

- (iv) the function h satisfies the semiconstraint qualification at $x_0 \in X$ with respect to $(\phi_j)_{j \in J(x_0)}$.

Then there exist $\mu \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq}^N$ and $\delta \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq}^J$ such that $(x_0, \mu, \lambda^0, \delta)$ satisfies

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{i=1}^N \mu_i [(df_i)^+(x_0, \eta_i(x, x_0)) - \lambda_i^0 (dg_i)^+(x_0, \eta_i(x, x_0))] \\ & + \sum_{j \in J(x_0)} \delta_j (dh_j)^+(x_0, \phi_j(x, x_0)) \geq 0, \quad \forall x \in X. \end{aligned} \tag{42}$$

Proof. Let x_0 be a (local) weakly efficient solution for VFP. According to Lemma 19 we have that x_0 is a (local) weakly efficient solution for (VFP_{λ^0}) . Now applying Theorem 18 to problem (VFP_{λ^0}) , we get that there exist $\mu \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq}^N$ and $\delta \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq}^J$ such that relation (42) is satisfied, and the theorem is proved. \square

In the Karush-Kuhn-Tucker type necessary efficiency condition (42) of Theorem 20, the functions f_i and g_i are considered semidifferentiable at x_0 along the same direction $\eta_i, i \in \mathcal{N}$. To obtain a necessary condition with different directions η_i and θ_i , we need to use the second variant of the semiconstraint qualification given in Definition 17.

Theorem 21 (Karush-Kuhn-Tucker type necessary efficiency conditions). *Suppose that the hypotheses (i), (ii), and (iii) of Theorem 15 are satisfied and the function h satisfies the*

semiconstraint qualification at $x_0 \in X$ with respect to $((g_i)_{i \in \mathcal{N}}, (\theta_i)_{i \in \mathcal{N}}, (\phi_j)_{j \in J(x_0)})$. Then there exist $\mu \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq}^N$, $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq}^N$, and $\delta \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq}^J$ such that $(x_0, \mu, \lambda, \delta)$ satisfies relation (33).

Proof. Based on Theorem 15, we obtain the existence of $(\mu, \lambda, \delta) \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq}^{2N+J}$ such that $(x_0, \mu, \lambda, \delta)$ satisfies relation (33). Now it is enough to prove that $\mu \neq 0$. We proceed by contradiction. If $\mu = 0$, then $(\lambda, \delta) \neq 0$ and (33) takes the following form:

$$\begin{aligned}
 & - \sum_{i=1}^N \lambda_i (dg_i)^+(x_0, \theta_i(x, x_0)) \\
 & + \sum_{j \in J(x_0)} \delta_j (dh_j)^+(x_0, \phi_j(x, x_0)) \geq 0, \quad \forall x \in X,
 \end{aligned} \tag{43}$$

which contradicts the semiconstraint qualification (ii) of Definition 17. Hence $\mu \neq 0$. \square

4. Sufficient Efficiency Criteria

In this section, we present some Karush-Kuhn-Tucker type sufficient efficiency conditions for a feasible solution to be efficient or weakly efficient for VFP under various types of generalized semilocally V-type I-preinvex assumptions.

Theorem 22. Let $x_0 \in X$ and suppose that there exist $(2N + J)$ vector functions $\eta_i : X \times D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$, $\theta_i : X \times D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$, $i \in \mathcal{N}$ and $\phi_j : X \times D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$, $j \in J(x_0)$, such that VFP is semilocally V-type I-preinvex at x_0 with respect to $(\eta_i)_{i \in \mathcal{N}}$, $(\theta_i)_{i \in \mathcal{N}}$, and $(\phi_j)_{j \in J(x_0)}$. If there exist vectors $\mu \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq}^N$, $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq}^N$, and $\delta \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq}^J$ such that

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \sum_{i=1}^N \mu_i (df_i)^+(x_0, \eta_i(x, x_0)) \\
 & + \sum_{j \in J(x_0)} \delta_j (dh_j)^+(x_0, \phi_j(x, x_0)) \geq 0, \quad \forall x \in X, \\
 & (dg_i)^+(x_0, \theta_i(x, x_0)) \leq 0, \quad \forall x \in X, \quad \forall i \in \mathcal{N},
 \end{aligned} \tag{44}$$

$$(dg_i)^+(x_0, \theta_i(x, x_0)) \leq 0, \quad \forall x \in X, \quad \forall i \in \mathcal{N}, \tag{45}$$

then x_0 is a weakly efficient solution for VFP.

Proof. Suppose that x_0 is not a weakly efficient solution of VFP. Then there exists a feasible solution $\bar{x} \in X$ of VFP such that

$$\frac{f_i(\bar{x})}{g_i(\bar{x})} < \frac{f_i(x_0)}{g_i(x_0)}, \quad \forall i \in \mathcal{N}. \tag{46}$$

Since VFP is semilocally V-type I-preinvex at x_0 with respect to $(\eta_i)_{i \in \mathcal{N}}$, $(\theta_i)_{i \in \mathcal{N}}$, and $(\phi_j)_{j \in J(x_0)}$, we get that inequalities (6), (7), and (8) are true for $x = \bar{x}$.

Multiplying (6) by μ_i , $i \in \mathcal{N}$, and (8) by δ_j , $j \in J(x_0)$, then summing the obtained relation and using (44), we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \sum_{i=1}^N \mu_i [f_i(\bar{x}) - f_i(x_0)] - \sum_{j \in J(x_0)} \delta_j h_j(x_0) \\
 & \geq \sum_{i=1}^N \mu_i (df_i)^+(x_0, \eta_i(\bar{x}, x_0)) \\
 & + \sum_{j \in J(x_0)} \delta_j (dh_j)^+(x_0, \phi_j(\bar{x}, x_0)) \geq 0.
 \end{aligned} \tag{47}$$

From the above inequality and the fact that $h_j(x_0) = 0, \forall j \in J(x_0)$, it follows that

$$\sum_{i=1}^N \mu_i [f_i(\bar{x}) - f_i(x_0)] \geq 0. \tag{48}$$

Since $\mu \geq 0$, from (48) we obtain that there exists $i_0 \in \mathcal{N}$ such that

$$f_{i_0}(\bar{x}) \geq f_{i_0}(x_0). \tag{49}$$

By (45) and (7) it follows that

$$g_{i_0}(\bar{x}) \leq g_{i_0}(x_0), \quad \forall i_0 \in \mathcal{N}. \tag{50}$$

Now using (49), (50), and $f \geq 0, g > 0$, we obtain

$$\frac{f_{i_0}(\bar{x})}{g_{i_0}(\bar{x})} \geq \frac{f_{i_0}(x_0)}{g_{i_0}(x_0)}, \tag{51}$$

which is a contradiction to (46). Thus x_0 is a weakly efficient solution for VFP and the theorem is proved. \square

Remark 23. As particular case of Theorem 22, if $\eta_i = \theta_i = \eta, \forall i \in \mathcal{N}$, and $\phi_j = \eta, \forall j \in J(x_0)$, we obtain Theorem 1 of Mishra et al. [5].

Theorem 24. Let $x_0 \in X$ and suppose that there exist $(2N + J)$ vector functions $\eta_i : X \times D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$, $\theta_i : X \times D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$, $i \in \mathcal{N}$, and $\phi_j : X \times D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$, $j \in J(x_0)$, such that VFP is semilocally V-type I-preinvex at x_0 with respect to $(\eta_i)_{i \in \mathcal{N}}$, $(\theta_i)_{i \in \mathcal{N}}$, and $(\phi_j)_{j \in J(x_0)}$. If there exist vectors $\mu \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq}^N$, $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq}^N$ ($\lambda_i = f_i(x_0)/g_i(x_0), i \in \mathcal{N}$), and $\delta \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq}^J$ such that

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \sum_{i=1}^N \mu_i [(df_i)^+(x_0, \eta_i(x, x_0)) \\
 & - \lambda_i (dg_i)^+(x_0, \theta_i(x, x_0))] \\
 & + \sum_{j \in J(x_0)} \delta_j (dh_j)^+(x_0, \phi_j(x, x_0)) \geq 0, \quad \forall x \in X,
 \end{aligned} \tag{52}$$

then x_0 is a weakly efficient solution for VFP.

From $h_j(x_0) = 0, \delta_j \geq 0, \forall j \in J(x_0)$ (in view of Definition 7), we get

$$\sum_{j \in J(x_0)} \delta_j (dh_j)^+(x_0, \phi_j(\bar{x}, x_0)) \leq 0. \tag{65}$$

Now, by (64) and (65), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{i=1}^N \mu_i [(df_i)^+(x_0, \eta_i(\bar{x}, x_0)) - \lambda_i (dg_i)^+(x_0, \theta_i(\bar{x}, x_0))] \\ & + \sum_{j \in J(x_0)} \delta_j (dh_j)^+(x_0, \phi_j(\bar{x}, x_0)) < 0, \end{aligned} \tag{66}$$

which is a contradiction to (52).

The proof of part (b) is very similar to the proof of part (a), except that, for this case, by using the implication in (11) in view of Definition 8, inequality (64) becomes not strict (\leq) and, by using the reverse implication in (12), inequality (65) becomes strict ($<$). Thus we get the contradiction again, and the theorem will be proved. \square

Remark 28. In Theorems 24 and 27, we do not need to require that $f \geq 0$. Thus, in Example 29 that uses Theorem 27, it is sufficient to have $g > 0$.

In order to illustrate the obtained results, we will give an example of multiobjective fractional optimization problem in which the efficient solution will be obtained by the application of Theorem 27, whereas it will be impossible to apply for this purpose the sufficient efficiency conditions devoted to locally Lipschitz functions or to η -semidifferentiable functions (with the same η). In particular, the sufficient efficiency conditions given in Mishra and Rautela [4], Mishra et al. [5], Niculescu [6], and Preda [7] are not applicable.

Example 29. We consider the following multiobjective fractional optimization problem:

$$\text{Minimize } \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = \left(\frac{f_1(x)}{g_1(x)}, \frac{f_2(x)}{g_2(x)}, \frac{f_3(x)}{g_3(x)} \right), \tag{67}$$

$$\text{subject to } h(x) \leq 0,$$

where $D = (]-\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{2}[)^2 \subset \mathbb{R}^2, f, g : D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$, and $h : D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ defined by

$$\begin{aligned} f_1(x_1, x_2) &= \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } x_1 = 0 \text{ or } x_2 = 0; \\ -1 + x_1^2, & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases} \\ f_2(x_1, x_2) &= \begin{cases} -1 + x_1^3, & \text{if } x_1 \neq 0 \text{ and } x_2 = 0; \\ -1 + x_2^4, & \text{if } x_1 = 0 \text{ and } x_2 \neq 0; \\ 0, & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases} \\ f_3(x_1, x_2) &= \begin{cases} 2, & \text{if } x_1 = 0 \text{ and } x_2 = 0; \\ 2 + x_1^2 + x_2^2, & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases} \\ g_1(x_1, x_2) &= \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } x_1 = 0 \text{ or } x_2 = 0; \\ 2 - x_2^2, & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

$$g_2(x_1, x_2) = \begin{cases} 2 - x_1^2, & \text{if } x_1 \neq 0 \text{ and } x_2 = 0; \\ 2 - x_2^2, & \text{if } x_1 = 0 \text{ and } x_2 \neq 0; \\ 1, & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

$$g_3(x_1, x_2) = 1, \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^2,$$

$$h(x_1, x_2) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } x_1 = 0 \text{ or } x_2 = 0; \\ -1 + x_2^2, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases} \tag{68}$$

The set X of feasible solutions of problem is nonempty. Observe that f_1, f_2, g_1, g_2 , and h are not continuous at $x_0 = (0, 0) \in X$, and, consequently, they are not locally Lipschitz at this point. In addition, clearly, the functions f_1, f_2, g_1, g_2 , and h are not differentiable at x_0 but only semidifferentiable functions at that point.

There exists no function $\eta : \mathbb{R}^2 \times \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2, \eta \neq (0, 0), \mu \in \mathbb{R}_>^3, \lambda \in \mathbb{R}_>^3$, and $\delta \in \mathbb{R}_\geq$ such that

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{i=1}^3 \mu_i [(df_i)^+(x_0, \eta(x, x_0)) - \lambda_i (dg_i)^+(x_0, \eta(x, x_0))] \\ & + \delta (dh)^+(x_0, \eta(x, x_0)) \geq 0, \quad \forall x \in X. \end{aligned} \tag{69}$$

Then, the sufficient efficiency conditions given in Mishra and Rautela [4], Mishra et al. [5], Niculescu [6], and Preda [7] are not applicable. However, there exist vector functions $\eta_1(x, x_0) = (1 + x_1^2, 0), \eta_2(x, x_0) = (1 + x_1^2, 1 + x_2^2), \eta_3(x, x_0) = (x_1, x_2), \theta_1(x, x_0) = (1 + x_2^2, 0), \theta_2(x, x_0) = (1 + x_2^2, 1 + x_1^2), \theta_3(x, x_0) = (x_2, x_1), \phi(x, x_0) = (0, 1 + x_2^2)$ and scalars $\mu_1 = \mu_2 = 0, \mu_3 = 1, \lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = 0, \lambda_3 = 2, \delta = 1$ such that relation (52) is satisfied and problem (67) is semilocally strictly pseudo quasi-V-type I-preinvex at x_0 with respect to $(\eta_i)_{i=1,2,3}, (\theta_i)_{i=1,2,3}$, and ϕ and for $\mu = (\mu_1, \mu_2, \mu_3), \lambda = (\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3)$, and δ . It follows that, by Theorem 27, x_0 is an efficient solution for the given multiobjective fractional optimization problem.

5. General Mond-Weir Type Duality

We associate, for VFP, a general Mond-Weir dual GMWD given as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(GMWD) Maximize } & \psi(y, \mu, \lambda, \delta, (\eta_i)_{i \in \mathcal{N}}, (\phi_j)_{j \in \mathcal{K}}) \\ & = \lambda = (\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_N), \end{aligned}$$

subject to

$$\tag{70}$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^N \mu_i [(df_i)^+(y, \eta_i(x, y)) - \lambda_i (dg_i)^+(y, \eta_i(x, y))] \tag{71}$$

$$+ \sum_{j=1}^k \delta_j (dh_j)^+(y, \phi_j(x, y)) \geq 0, \quad \forall x \in X,$$

$$f_i(y) - \lambda_i g_i(y) + \delta_{i_0}^T h_{i_0}(y) \geq 0, \quad i \in \mathcal{N}, \tag{72}$$

$$\delta_{J_s}^T h_{J_s}(y) \geq 0, \quad s = 1, 2, \dots, \alpha, \tag{73}$$

$$\mu^T e = 1, \quad \mu \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq}^N, \tag{74}$$

$$\lambda \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq}^N, \quad \delta \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq}^k, \quad y \in D, \tag{75}$$

$$\eta_i : X \times D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n, \quad i \in \mathcal{N}, \tag{76}$$

$$\phi_j : X \times D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n, \quad j \in K,$$

where $\alpha \geq 1$, $J_s \cap J_t = \emptyset$ for $s \neq t$ and $\bigcup_{s=0}^{\alpha} J_s = K$. Here $\delta_{J_s} = (\delta_j)_{j \in J_s}$, $h_{J_s} = (h_j)_{j \in J_s}$. Let Y be the set of all feasible solutions of problem GMWD.

Now, we establish certain duality results between VFP and GMWD by considering that, for all $i \in \mathcal{N}$, f_i , g_i (for all $j \in J(x_0)$, h_j) is semidifferentiable on D along its own direction η_i (ϕ_j) instead of the same direction η .

Theorem 30 (weak duality). *Assume that, for all feasible x for VFP and all feasible $(y, \mu, \lambda, \delta, (\eta_i)_{i \in \mathcal{N}}, (\phi_j)_{j \in K})$ for GMWD, any of the following holds:*

- (a) *the problem VFP is semilocally extendedly pseudo partially quasi-V-type I-preinvex at y with respect to $\{(\eta_i)_{i \in \mathcal{N}}, (\phi_j)_{j \in J_0}\}$ and $\{(\phi_j)_{j \in J_s}, s = 1, 2, \dots, \alpha\}$ and for μ, λ , and δ with $\mu > 0$;*
- (b) *the problem VFP is semilocally strictly extendedly pseudo partially quasi-V-type I-preinvex at y with respect to $\{(\eta_i)_{i \in \mathcal{N}}, (\phi_j)_{j \in J_0}\}$ and $\{(\phi_j)_{j \in J_s}, s = 1, 2, \dots, \alpha\}$ and for μ, λ , and δ ;*
- (c) *the problem VFP is semilocally extendedly quasi strictly partially pseudo-V-type I-preinvex at y with respect to $\{(\eta_i)_{i \in \mathcal{N}}, (\phi_j)_{j \in J_0}\}$ and $\{(\phi_j)_{j \in J_s}, s = 1, 2, \dots, \alpha\}$ and for μ, λ , and δ .*

Then the following cannot hold:

$$f_i(x) - \lambda_i g_i(x) \leq 0 \text{ for each } i \in \mathcal{N}, \tag{77}$$

$$f_{i_0}(x) - \lambda_{i_0} g_{i_0}(x) < 0 \text{ for some } i_0 \in \mathcal{N}. \tag{78}$$

Proof. By condition (a), since the problem VFP is semilocally extendedly pseudo partially quasi-V-type I-preinvex at y with respect to $\{(\eta_i)_{i \in \mathcal{N}}, (\phi_j)_{j \in J_0}\}$ and $\{(\phi_j)_{j \in J_s}, s = 1, 2, \dots, \alpha\}$ and for μ, λ , and δ , then

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{i=1}^N \mu_i [(df_i)^+(y, \eta_i(x, y)) - \lambda_i (dg_i)^+(y, \eta_i(x, y))] \\ & + \sum_{j \in J_0} \delta_j (dh_j)^+(y, \phi_j(x, y)) \geq 0 \\ \implies & \sum_{i=1}^N \mu_i [f_i(x) - \lambda_i g_i(x)] + \sum_{j \in J_0} \delta_j h_j(x) \\ \geq & \sum_{i=1}^N \mu_i [f_i(y) - \lambda_i g_i(y)] + \sum_{j \in J_0} \delta_j h_j(y), \end{aligned} \tag{79}$$

$$\sum_{j \in J_s} \delta_j h_j(y) \geq 0 \implies \sum_{j \in J_s} \delta_j (dh_j)^+(y, \phi_j(x, y)) \leq 0, \tag{80}$$

$s = 1, 2, \dots, \alpha.$

From (73) and (80), we get

$$\sum_{j \in J_s} \delta_j (dh_j)^+(y, \phi_j(x, y)) \leq 0, \quad s = 1, 2, \dots, \alpha. \tag{81}$$

Now we suppose contrary to the result of the theorem that (77) and (78) hold. Hence if (77) and (78) hold for some feasible x for VFP and $(y, \mu, \lambda, \delta, (\eta_i)_{i \in \mathcal{N}}, (\phi_j)_{j \in K})$ feasible for GMWD, we obtain

$$f_i(x) - \lambda_i g_i(x) \leq 0 \quad \text{for each } i \in \mathcal{N}, \tag{82}$$

$$f_{i_0}(x) - \lambda_{i_0} g_{i_0}(x) < 0 \quad \text{for some } i_0 \in \mathcal{N}. \tag{83}$$

According to (75) and the feasibility of x for VFP, we have

$$\delta_{J_0}^T h_{J_0}(x) \leq 0. \tag{84}$$

Combining (82), (83), (84), and (72), we get

$$\begin{aligned} & f_i(x) - \lambda_i g_i(x) + \delta_{J_0}^T h_{J_0}(x) \\ & \leq f_i(y) - \lambda_i g_i(y) + \delta_{J_0}^T h_{J_0}(y) \quad \text{for each } i \in \mathcal{N}, \\ & f_{i_0}(x) - \lambda_{i_0} g_{i_0}(x) + \delta_{J_0}^T h_{J_0}(x) \\ & < f_{i_0}(y) - \lambda_{i_0} g_{i_0}(y) + \delta_{J_0}^T h_{J_0}(y) \quad \text{for some } i_0 \in \mathcal{N}. \end{aligned} \tag{86}$$

Since $\mu_i > 0$ for any $i \in \mathcal{N}$, by (85), (86) and (74), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{i=1}^N \mu_i [f_i(x) - \lambda_i g_i(x)] + \sum_{j \in J_0} \delta_j h_j(x) \\ & < \sum_{i=1}^N \mu_i [f_i(y) - \lambda_i g_i(y)] + \sum_{j \in J_0} \delta_j h_j(y), \end{aligned} \tag{87}$$

where by using the reverse implication in (79) it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{i=1}^N \mu_i [(df_i)^+(y, \eta_i(x, y)) - \lambda_i (dg_i)^+(y, \eta_i(x, y))] \\ & + \sum_{j \in J_0} \delta_j (dh_j)^+(y, \phi_j(x, y)) < 0. \end{aligned} \tag{88}$$

Now, from (88) and (71) we obtain

$$\sum_{s=1}^{\alpha} \sum_{j \in J_s} \delta_j (dh_j)^+(y, \phi_j(x, y)) > 0, \tag{89}$$

which is a contradiction to (81).

The proofs of parts (b) and (c) are very similar to the proof of part (a), except that, for part (b), since $\mu \geq 0$, then inequality (87) becomes nonstrict (\leq) and it follows that inequalities (88) and (89) remain true and strict ($<$) and ($>$), respectively.

For part (c), inequality (81) becomes strict ($<$). Since $\mu \geq 0$, then inequality (87) becomes nonstrict (\leq) and it follows that the inequalities (88) and (89) become nonstrict (\leq) and (\geq), respectively. In the two cases, inequalities (89) and (81) contradict each other always. This completes the proof of the theorem. \square

Now we establish the following strong duality result between VFP and GMWD.

Theorem 31 (strong duality). *Let x_0 be a weakly efficient solution for VFP and suppose that conditions (ii) and (iii) of Theorem 20 are satisfied. Assume also that the function h satisfies the semiconstraint qualification at x_0 with respect to $(\phi_j)_{j \in J(x_0)}$. Then there exist $\mu \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq}^N$, $\lambda^0 \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq}^N$, and $\delta \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq}^k$ such that $(x_0, \mu, \lambda^0, \delta, (\eta_i)_{i \in \mathcal{N}}, (\phi_j)_{j \in K}) \in Y$ and the objective functions of VFP and GMWD have the same values at x_0 and $(x_0, \mu, \lambda^0, \delta, (\eta_i)_{i \in \mathcal{N}}, (\phi_j)_{j \in K})$, respectively. If, further, the weak duality between VFP and GMWD in Theorem 30 holds, then $(x_0, \mu, \lambda^0, \delta, (\eta_i)_{i \in \mathcal{N}}, (\phi_j)_{j \in K}) \in Y$ is an efficient solution of GMWD.*

Proof. By Theorem 20, there exist $\mu \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq}^N$, $\lambda^0 \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq}^N$, and $\delta \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq}^k$ such that

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{i=1}^N \mu_i [(df_i)^+(x_0, \eta_i(x, x_0)) - \lambda_i^0 (dg_i)^+(x_0, \eta_i(x, x_0))] \\ & + \sum_{j \in J(x_0)} \delta_j (dh_j)^+(x_0, \phi_j(x, x_0)) \geq 0, \quad \forall x \in X, \end{aligned} \quad (90)$$

with $\lambda_i^0 = f_i(x_0)/g_i(x_0)$, $i \in \mathcal{N}$. The vector μ may be normalized according to $\mu e = 1$, $\mu \geq 0$. By setting for all $j \in K - J(x_0)$, $\delta_j = 0$ and $\phi_j \equiv 0$, we obtain $\delta_j h_j(x_0) = 0$ for all $j \in K$ and it follows that $(x_0, \mu, \lambda^0, \delta, (\eta_i)_{i \in \mathcal{N}}, (\phi_j)_{j \in K}) \in Y$. Clearly the objective functions of VFP and GMWD have the same values at x_0 and $(x_0, \mu, \lambda^0, \delta, (\eta_i)_{i \in \mathcal{N}}, (\phi_j)_{j \in K})$, respectively.

Next, suppose that $(x_0, \mu, \lambda^0, \delta, (\eta_i)_{i \in \mathcal{N}}, (\phi_j)_{j \in K}) \in Y$ is not an efficient solution of GMWD. Then there exists $(\bar{y}, \bar{\mu}, \bar{\lambda}, \bar{\delta}, (\bar{\eta}_i)_{i \in \mathcal{N}}, (\bar{\phi}_j)_{j \in K}) \in Y$ such that $\lambda^0 = (f_1(x_0)/g_1(x_0), \dots, f_N(x_0)/g_N(x_0)) \leq \bar{\lambda} = (\bar{\lambda}_1, \dots, \bar{\lambda}_N)$, which contradicts the weak duality Theorem 30. Hence $(x_0, \mu, \lambda^0, \delta, (\eta_i)_{i \in \mathcal{N}}, (\phi_j)_{j \in K}) \in Y$ is indeed an efficient solution of GMWD. \square

6. Conclusion

In this paper, we have defined new concepts of semilocally V-type I-preinvex functions to study efficiency and duality for constrained fractional multiobjective programming. New Fritz John type necessary and Karush-Kuhn-Tucker type necessary and sufficient efficiency conditions are obtained for a feasible point to be weakly efficient or efficient under various types of generalized semilocally V-type I-preinvex requirements. Furthermore, a general Mond-Weir dual is formulated and weak and strong duality results are proved.

The results obtained in this paper generalize and extend previously known results in this area.

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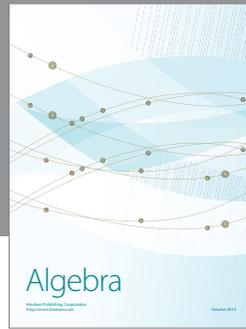
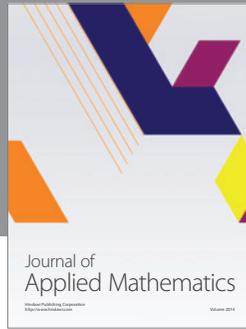
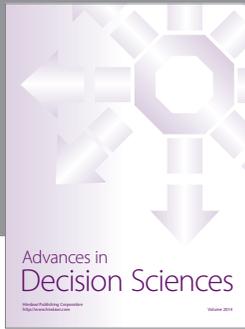
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