53. A Generalization of the Fenchel-Moreau Theorem

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1. Let F be a real valued convex function defined on a locally convex space. The Fenchel-Moreau theorem is that $F(x)=F^{**}(x)$ if and only if F is lower semi-continuous at x ([1]). Many authors considered to generalize this theorem when F is a convex operator defined on a topological linear spaces to Riesz spaces. For example, J. Zowe has proved $F(x)=F^{**}(x)$ if F is continuous at x and x is an interior point of the domain of F. We shall consider the theorem in the case where F is not necessary continuous, nor the interior of the domain is non-empty. In the following, let X and Y be two Hausdorff locally convex topological vector spaces and Y is assumed further a Dedekind complete Riesz space (order complete vector lattice).

To relate the order structure and the topological structure, we demand furthermore that the linear topology of Y is *normal* i.e. the family of the following sets

 $(V+Y^*)\cap (V-Y^*)$; V is an open set containing 0, constitutes a base of neighbourhoods of 0 for Y, where Y^* denotes the totality of elements of Y equal to or greater than 0. A convex operator F defined on X into Y is to mean that the domain of F (denoted by D(F)) is a non-empty convex subset of X and

 $F(\alpha x_1 + \beta x_2) \leq \alpha F(x_1) + \beta F(x_2)$

for $\alpha + \beta = 1$ ($\alpha, \beta \in [0, 1]$) and $x_1, x_2 \in D(F)$.

We shall define the conjugate function F^* of F. Let L(X, Y) be the totality of all continuous linear operator from X to Y. For $A \in L(X, Y)$, we define F^* as follows:

 $F^*(A) = \sup \{A(x) - F(x); x \in D(F)\}.$

It is easy to see that F^* is a convex operator from L(X, Y) to Y. Similarly, considering $X \subset L(L(X, Y), Y)$, we can define the double conjugate of F:

 $F^{**}(x) = \sup \{A(x) - F^{*}(A); A \in L(X, Y)\}.$

As usual, we define the subdifferential of F at $x \in D(F)$ with

 $\partial F(x) = \{ A \in L(X, Y) ; A(x) - A(x') \ge F(x) - F(x'), x' \in D(F) \}.$

Furthermore, we shall define the y-subdifferential for $y \in Y^+$ as follows :

 $\partial_{y}F(x) = \{A \in L(X, Y); A(x) - A(x') \ge F(x) - F(x') - y, x' \in D(F)\}.$

It is easy to see that

(a) $\partial F(x) \neq \phi$ implies $\partial_{\nu} F(x) \neq \phi$,