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We demonstrate that the Leray-Schauder topological degree theory can be used for the development of a topological degree theory for maximal monotone perturbations of bounded, demicontinuous operators of type (S+) in separable reflexive Banach spaces. This is an extension of Berkovits' degree development for operators as the perturbations above. (Received September 23, 2006)