

Semi-Precontinuous Multi Functions

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ABSTRACT

The concept of single-valued semi-precontinuous function has been defined by Przemski [7]. In this paper single-valued semi-precontinuous function has been extended to multifunction. Several characterisations and basic properties of this multifunction have been obtained here.

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1. Introduction

In 1932, Kuratowski [4] and Bouligand [3] independently introduced two kinds of semi-continuity of a multifunction which are termed as upper semi-continuous and lower semi-continuous. R. E. Smithson in [8] has published a survey of some results on multifunctions. He has elegantly pointed out the difference between the theory of single-valued functions and that of multifunctions. R.E.Smithson [8], V. Popa [6], P.Martiz [5] and many others have investigated multifunctions extensively. In 1986, Andrijević [1] introduced the notion of semi-preopen sets and in 1992, Przemski [7] defined semi-precontinuity as single-valued function utilising semi-preopen sets. In this paper the single-valued semi-precontinuous functions is extended to semi-precontinuous multifunction.

2. Preliminaries

Throughout the paper (X, τ) or simply X always denotes nontrivial topological spaces. The closure (resp. interior) of the subset A is denoted by $Cl_X(A)$ (resp. $Int_X(A)$).

Definition 2.1. [1] In (X, τ) , $A \subset X$ is called

(i) a semi-preopen set (briefly s.p.o. set) iff $A \subset Cl(Int(Cl(A)))$.

The family of all s.p.o. sets is denoted by $SPO(X)$. For each $x \in X$, the family of all s.p.o. sets containing x is denoted by $SPO(X, x)$.

Definition 2.2.[1] The complement of a s.p.o. set is called semi-preclosed. Equivalently a set F is semi-preclosed iff $Int(Cl(Int(A))) \subset F$. The family of all semi-preclosed sets is denoted by $SPF(X)$.

Definition 2.3. [7] A single valued function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is said to be semi- precontinuous if the inverse image of every open set in Y is semi-preopen in X

Definition 2.4 .[1] The semi-preclosure (resp, semi-preinterior) of $A \subset X$ is denoted by $spcl(A)$ (resp. $spint(A)$) and is defined by $spcl(A) = \bigcap \{B : B \text{ is semi-preclosed and } B \supset A\}$ (resp. $spint(A) = \bigcup \{B : B \text{ is semi-preopen and } B \subset A\}$).

A multifunction from a set X to a set Y is a function from X to $2^Y - \{\emptyset\}$ where 2^Y is the power set of Y . For a multifunction $F : X \rightarrow Y$, $F^+[B]$ and $F^-[B]$, respectively denote the upper and lower inverses of the set $B \subset Y$, where $F^+[B] = \{x \in X : F(x) \subset B\}$ and $F^-[B] = \{x \in X : F(x) \cap B \neq \emptyset\}$. In this paper, single-valued functions are denoted by lower case letters while upper case letters are used to denote a multifunction.

The following elementary results have been frequently utilised in this paper.

Lemma 2.1. [2] For any multifunction $F : X \rightarrow Y$

1. $F^+[Y - B] = X - F^-[B]$, $B \subset Y$;
2. $F^-[Y - B] = X - F^+[B]$, $B \subset Y$;
3. $A \subset F^+[F[A]]$, $A \subset X$;
4. $F[F^+[B]] \subset B$, $B \subset Y$;
5. $B \subset C \subset Y \Rightarrow F^+[B] \subset F^+[C]$, $F^-[B] \subset F^-[C]$;
6. $A \subset C \subset X \Rightarrow F[A] \subset F[C]$;
7. $F[A] \cap B \subset F[A \cap F^-[B]]$, $A \subset X$, $B \subset Y$;
8. If $A_\alpha \subset X \forall \alpha \in \Lambda$, then $F[\bigcup_{\alpha \in \Lambda} A_\alpha] = \bigcup_{\alpha \in \Lambda} F[A_\alpha]$.

Definition 2.5. [8] A multifunction $F : X \rightarrow Y$ is said to be

1. upper semi-continuous (briefly usc) iff for each closed set $A \subset Y$, $F^+[A]$ is a closed subset of X ,
2. lower semi-continuous (briefly lsc) iff for each open set $U \subset Y$, $F^-[U]$ is an open subset of X ,
3. continuous iff F is both lsc and usc.

3. Semi-Precontinuous Multifunction

Upper (lower) semi-precontinuous multifunction is introduced as follows:

Definition 3.1. A multifunction $F : X \rightarrow Y$ is termed upper semi-precontinuous (resp. lower semi-precontinuous), briefly uspc (resp. lspc), iff for each closed (resp. open) set $A \subset Y$, $F^+[A] \in SPF(X)$ (resp. $F^-[A] \in SPO(X)$).

Definition 3.2. A multifunction $F : X \rightarrow Y$ is semi-precontinuous (briefly spc) iff F is both uspc and lspc.

Remark 3.1. Clearly Definition 3.1 is the equivalent form of the following definition

Definition 3.3. A multifunction $F : X \rightarrow Y$ is said to be

1. uspc at $x_0 \in X$ iff for each $V \in \Sigma(F(x_0))$ in Y there is a $U \in \text{SPO}(X, x_0)$ with $F(x) \subset V \quad \forall x \in U$;
2. uspc iff F is uspc at each point of X ;
3. lsc at $x_0 \in X$ iff every open set $V \subset Y$ with $F(x_0) \cap V \neq \emptyset$, there exists a $U \in \text{SPO}(X, x_0)$ such that $F(x) \cap V \neq \emptyset \quad \forall x \in U$;
4. lsc iff F is lsc at each point of X ;
5. spc iff F is both lsc and uspc.

Remark 3.2. For a single-valued function the concepts uspc and lsc coincide. But this is not the case for spc multifunction as is seen from the following example.

Example 3.1. Let $X = Y = [0, 1]$ be equipped with the usual topology. Let $F : X \rightarrow Y$ be defined by

$$F(x) = \begin{cases} \{x/2\} & \text{for } 0 \leq x < 1/2 \\ [1/4, 3/4] & \text{for } x = 1/2 \\ \{(x+1)/2\} & \text{for } 1/2 < x \leq 1. \end{cases}$$

Closed-ness and hence semi-preclosedness of $F^{-}[A]$ in X can easily be checked for every closed set A of Y . So F is uspc. But $F^{-}([3/8, 5/8]) = \{1/2\} \notin \text{SPO}(X)$ for the open set $(3/8, 5/8)$ of Y and so F is not lsc.

Remark 3.3. Since openness implies semi-preopeness every usc (resp. lsc) multifunction is uspc (resp. lsc). But the converse is not, in general true. This can be checked from the following example.

Example 3.2. Let X and Y be the same sets of Example 3.1, τ_X = the discrete topology on X while τ_Y = the point inclusion topology with the including point 0. Let

$F : (X, \tau_X) \rightarrow (Y, \tau_Y)$ be defined by $F(x) = Y \quad \forall x \in X - \{1\}$, $F(1) = \{1\}$.

The indiscreteness of τ_X produces $\text{SPO}(X) = P(X)$ the power set of X . As a result $F^{-}[A] \in \text{SPF}(X)$ for all $A \in F(\tau_Y)$ and $F^{-}[A] \in \text{SPO}(X)$ for all $A \in \tau_Y$. This gives that F is both uspc and lsc. Hence F is a spc- multifunction. Let $A = \{1/2\}$, $B = \{0\}$ in Y , then $A \in F(\tau_Y)$ and $B \in \tau_Y$. But $F^{-}[A] = [0, 1) = F^{-}[B]$ which is neither open nor closed. Consequently, F is neither usc nor lsc. Hence F is not a continuous multifunction.

The following theorem offers a set of characterisations of uspc multifunction.

Theorem 3.1. For a multifunction $F : X \rightarrow Y$ the following statements are equivalent :

- a) F is uspc;
- b) $F^{-}[A] \in \text{SPO}(X)$ for every open $A \subset Y$;
- c) $F^{-}[\text{Int}_Y(B)] \subset \text{Cl}_X(\text{Int}_X(\text{Cl}_X(F^{-}[B])))$ for every $B \subset Y$;
- d) $F^{-}[\text{Int}_Y(C)] \subset \text{spint}_X(F^{-}[C])$ for every $C \subset Y$;
- e) $\text{Int}_X(\text{Cl}_X(\text{Int}_X(F^{-}[D]))) \subset F^{-}[\text{Cl}_Y(D)]$ for every $D \subset Y$;
- f) $\text{spcl}_X(F^{-}[E]) \subset F^{-}[\text{Cl}_Y(E)]$, for every $E \subset Y$.

Proof. (a) \Rightarrow (b). Let F be uspc. Suppose A be open in Y . Then $Y - A$ is a closed subset of Y . The uspc of F , then induces that $F^{-}[Y - A] \in \text{SPF}(X)$.

By Lemma2.1, $X - F^{-}[A] = F^{-}[Y - A] \in \text{SPF}(X) \Rightarrow F^{-}[A] \in \text{SPO}(X)$.

(b) \Rightarrow (c). Let $B \subset Y$ and $A = \text{Int}_Y(B)$. Then A is open in Y . By (b), $F^{-}[A] \in \text{SPO}(X) \Rightarrow F^{-}[\text{Int}_Y(B)] \in \text{SPO}(X) \Rightarrow F^{-}[\text{Int}_Y(B)] \subset \text{Cl}_X(\text{Int}_X(\text{Cl}_X(F^{-}[\text{Int}_Y(B)]))) \dots(1)$

Again, the inclusion $\text{Int}_Y(B) \subset B$ gives, by Lemma2.1, $F^{-}[\text{Int}_Y(B)] \subset F^{-}[B]$.

Hence (1) reduces to $F^{-}[\text{Int}_Y(B)] \subset \text{Cl}_X(\text{Int}_X(\text{Cl}_X(F^{-}[B])))$.

(c) \Rightarrow (d). For $C \subset Y$, the inclusion $F^{-}[\text{Int}_Y(C)] \subset F^{-}[C]$ holds in view of Lemma2.1.

Also by (c) $F^{-}[\text{Int}_Y(C)] \subset \text{Cl}_X(\text{Int}_X(\text{Cl}_X(F^{-}[C])))$. Hence $F^{-}[\text{Int}_Y(C)] \subset F^{-}[C] \cap \text{Cl}_X(\text{Int}_X(\text{Cl}_X(F^{-}[C]))) \Rightarrow F^{-}[\text{Int}_Y(C)] \subset \text{spint}_X(F^{-}[C])$.

(d) \Rightarrow (b). Let $A \subset Y$ be open. By (d), $F^{-}[A] = F^{-}[\text{Int}_Y(A)] \subset \text{spint}_X(F^{-}[A])$

$\Rightarrow F^{-}[A] = \text{spint}_X(F^{-}[A])$. Thus $F^{-}[A] \in \text{SPO}(X)$.

(b) \Rightarrow (a). Let $V \subset Y$ be closed and $A = Y - V$. Thus A is open in Y . So, by (b) $F^{-}[Y - V] = F^{-}[A] \in \text{SPO}(X)$. This, by Lemma2.1, produces that $X - F^{-}[V] \in \text{SPO}(X) \Rightarrow F^{-}[V] \in \text{SPO}(X) \Rightarrow F$ is uspc.

(a) \Rightarrow (c). Suppose $D \subset Y$. Then $\text{Cl}_Y(D)$ is a closed set in Y . By (a),

$F^{-}[\text{Cl}_Y(D)] \in \text{SPF}(X) \Rightarrow \text{Int}_X(\text{Cl}_X(\text{Int}_X(F^{-}[\text{Cl}_Y(D)]))) \subset F^{-}[\text{Cl}_Y(D)] \dots(2)$

By Lemma2.1, $F^{-}[D] \subset F^{-}[\text{Cl}_Y(D)] \Rightarrow \text{Int}_X(\text{Cl}_X(\text{Int}_X(F^{-}[D]))) \subset \text{Int}_X(\text{Cl}_X(\text{Int}_X(F^{-}[\text{Cl}_Y(D)])))$ which $\text{Int}_X(\text{Cl}_X(\text{Int}_X(F^{-}[D]))) \subset F^{-}[\text{Cl}_Y(D)]$.

(e) \Rightarrow (f). Suppose $E \subset Y$. Then by (c), $\text{Int}_X(\text{Cl}_X(\text{Int}_X(F^{-}[D]))) \subset F^{-}[\text{Cl}_Y(D)]$

$\Rightarrow F^{-}[D] \cup \text{Int}_X(\text{Cl}_X(\text{Int}_X(F^{-}[D]))) \subset F^{-}[\text{Cl}_Y(D)] \Rightarrow \text{spcl}(F^{-}[D]) \subset F^{-}[\text{Cl}_Y(D)]$.

(f) \Rightarrow (a). Suppose $V \subset Y$ be closed. By (f), $\text{spcl}_X(F^{-}[V]) \subset F^{-}[\text{Cl}_Y(V)] = F^{-}[V]$

$\Rightarrow \text{spcl}_X(F^{-}[V]) = F^{-}[V]$. Thus $F^{-}[V] \in \text{SPF}(X)$. So, F is uspc.

Theorem 3.2. For a multifunction $F : X \rightarrow Y$ the following are equivalent

- (a) F is lsc;
- (b) $F^{-}[A] \in \text{SPF}(X)$ for every closed set $A \subset Y$;
- (c) $F^{-}[\text{Int}_Y(B)] \subset \text{Cl}_X(\text{Int}_X(\text{Cl}_X(F^{-}[B])))$ for every $B \subset Y$;
- (d) $F^{-}[\text{Int}_Y(C)] \subset \text{spint}_X(F^{-}[C])$ for every $C \subset Y$;
- (e) $\text{Int}_X(\text{Cl}_X(\text{Int}_X(F^{-}[D]))) \subset F^{-}[\text{Cl}_Y(D)]$ for every $D \subset Y$;
- (f) $\text{spcl}_X(F^{-}[E]) \subset F^{-}[\text{Cl}_Y(E)]$ for every $E \subset Y$;
- (g) $F[\text{spcl}_X(G)] \subset \text{Cl}_Y(F[G])$ for every $G \subset X$;
- (h) $F[\text{Int}_X(\text{Cl}_X(\text{Int}_X(H)))] \subset \text{Cl}_Y(F[H])$ for every $H \subset X$.

Proof. (a) \Rightarrow (b). $A \subset Y$ be closed. Then $Y - A$ is open in Y . The lsc of F gives that

$F^{-}[Y - A] \in \text{SPO}(X)$. Thus, $X - F^{-}[A] = F^{-}[Y - A] \in \text{SPO}(X) \Rightarrow F^{-}[A] \in \text{SPF}(X)$.

(b) \Rightarrow (c). Clearly $Y - \text{Int}_Y(B)$ is closed in Y . By (b), $F^{-}[Y - \text{Int}_Y(B)] \in \text{SPF}(X)$.

This implies that $X - F^{-}[\text{Int}_Y(B)] \in \text{SPF}(X) \Rightarrow F^{-}[\text{Int}_Y(B)] \in \text{SPO}(X) \Rightarrow F^{-}[\text{Int}_Y(B)] \subset \text{Cl}_X(\text{Int}_X(\text{Cl}_X(F^{-}[\text{Int}_Y(B)])))$.

Again by Lemma2.1, $F^{-}[\text{Int}_Y(B)] \subset F^{-}[B]$.

Hence from the foregoing one obtains $F^{-}[\text{Int}_Y(B)] \subset \text{Cl}_X(\text{Int}_X(\text{Cl}_X(F^{-}[B])))$.

(c) \Rightarrow (d). Pursuing the same reasoning applied for (c) \Rightarrow (d) in the previous theorem, we obtain this implication.

(d) \Rightarrow (e). By (d), for any $D \subset Y$, $F^{-}[\text{Int}_Y(Y - D)] \subset \text{spint}_X(F^{-}[Y - D])$

which ensures that $F^- [Int_Y (Y - D)] \subset Cl_X (Int_X (Cl_X (F^- [Y - D])))$. On taking complements we observe $X - F^- [Int_Y (Y - D)] \supset X - Cl_X (Int_X (Cl_X (F^- [Y - D])))$.

By Lemma 2.1, $F^+ [Y - Int_Y (Y - D)] \supset Int_X (X - Int_X (Cl_X (F^- [Y - D])))$

$\Rightarrow F^+ [Cl_Y (D)] \supset Int_X (Cl_X (X - Cl_X (F^- [Y - D]))) = Int_X (Cl_X (Int_X (X - F^- [Y - D])))$

$= Int_X Cl_X (Int_X (F^+ [D]))$. Thus $Int_X (Cl_X (Int_X (F^+ [D]))) \subset F^+ [Cl_Y (D)]$.

(e) \Rightarrow (f). By (e), for any $E \subset Y$, $Int_X (Cl_X (Int_X (F^+ [E]))) \subset F^+ [Cl_Y (E)]$. So, $F^+ [E] \subset F^+ [Cl_Y (E)]$. Thus $F^+ [E] \cup Int_X (Cl_X (Int_X (F^+ ([E]))) \subset F^+ [Cl_Y (E)]$ hence $spcl_X (F^+ [E]) \subset F^+ [Cl_Y (E)]$.

(f) \Rightarrow (g). Suppose $G \subset X$ and $V = F (G)$. By definition $V = F [G] = \cup \{F (x) : x \in G\}$.

Thus $x \in G \Rightarrow F (x) \subset V \Rightarrow x \in F^+ [V]$ and so, $G \subset F^+ [V]$. So, $spcl_X (G) \subset spcl_X (F^+ [V])$.

By (f), then $spcl_X (G) \subset spcl_X (F^+ [V]) \subset F^+ [Cl_Y (V)]$. So by Lemma 2.1 $F [spcl_X (G)] \subset F F^+ [Cl_Y (V)] \subset Cl_Y (V) = Cl_Y (F [G])$.

(g) \Rightarrow (h). Suppose $H \subset X$. By (g), $F [spcl_X (H)] \subset Cl_Y (F [H])$

$\Rightarrow F [H \cup Int_X (Cl_X (Int_X (H)))] \subset Cl_Y (F [H]) \Rightarrow F [Int_X (Cl_X (Int_X (H)))] \subset Cl_Y (F [H])$

(h) \Rightarrow (a). Suppose U be any open set. Then $Y - U$ is closed in Y . Let $H = F^+ [Y - U]$. Since $F (x) \subset Y - U$, for all $x \in H$ it follows that $\cup \{F (x) : x \in H\} \subset Y - U \Rightarrow F [H] \subset Y - U$. By (h), $F [Int_X (Cl_X (Int_X (H)))] \subset Cl_Y (F [H]) \subset Cl_Y (Y - U) \Rightarrow F [Int_X (Cl_X (Int_X (H)))] \subset Y - U$. Hence by Lemma 2.1 the foregoing gives $F^+ F [Int_X (Cl_X (Int_X (H)))] \subset F^+ [Y - U] \Rightarrow Int_X (Cl_X (Int_X (F^+ [Y - U]))) \subset F^+ [Y - U] \Rightarrow F^+ [Y - U] \in SPF (X) \Rightarrow X - F^- [U] \in SPF (X)$ whence by Lemma 2.1, $F^- [U] \in SPO (X)$. Hence F is $lspc$.

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