



ON RARELY gp-CONTINUOUS MULTIFUNCTIONS

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ABSTRACT

Popa [13] introduced the notion of rare continuity. The authors [5] introduced and investigated a new class of functions called rarely gp-continuous functions. This paper is devoted to the study of upper (and lower) rarely gp-continuous multifunctions.

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1. INTRODUCTION

In 1979, Popa [13] introduced the notion of rare continuity as a generalization of weak continuity [8] which has been further investigated by Long and Herrington [10] and Jafari [6] and [7]. Levine [9] introduced the concept of generalized closed sets of a topological space. Authors [1] introduced the concept of gp-continuous functions. The authors [5] introduced and investigated rarely gp-continuous in topological spaces. In this paper we study some characterization of rarely gp-continuous multifunctions.

2. PRELIMINARIES

Throughout this paper, X and Y are topological spaces. Recall that a rare set is a set R such that  $Int(R) = \phi$ . Noiri et al[11]. Introduced the notion of gp-closed sets: A set A in X is called gp-closed if  $Cl_p(A) \subset G$  whenever  $A \subset G$  and G is open in X. The complement of a gp-closed set is called gp-open [11]. The family of all gp-open (resp. open) sets will be denoted by GPO(X) (resp. O(X)). We set  $GPO(X, x) = \{U/ x \in U \in GPO(X)\}$ ,  $GO(X, x) = \{U/ x \in U \in GO(X)\}$  and  $O(X, x) = \{U/ x \in U \in O(X)\}$ .

**Definition 1:** A function  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is called:

- i) weakly continuous [7] (resp. weakly-g-continuous [4] and weakly-gp-continuous[5] ) if for each  $x \in X$  and each open set G containing  $f(x)$ , there exists  $U \in O(X, x)$  (resp.  $U \in GO(X, x)$  and  $U \in GPO(X, x)$ ) such that  $f(U) \subset Cl(G)$ ,
- ii) rarely continuous [13] (resp. rarely-g-continuous [2] and rarely-gp-continuous[5] ) if for each  $x \in X$  and each  $G \in O(Y, f(x))$ , there exists a rare set  $R_G$  with  $G \cap Cl(R_G) = \phi$  and  $U \in O(X, x)$  (resp.  $U \in GO(X, x)$  and  $U \in GPO(X, x)$ ) such that  $f(U) \subset G \cup R_G$ ,
- iii) gp-continuous [1] if the inverse image of every closed set in Y is gp-closed in X.

3. UPPER (LOWER) RARELY gp-CONTINUOUS MULTIFUNCTIONS

We provide the following definitions which will be used in the sequel. Let  $F: X \rightarrow Y$  be a multifunction. The upper and lower inverses of a set  $V \subset Y$  are denoted by  $F^+(V)$  and  $F^-(V)$  respectively, that is,

$$F^+(V) = \{x \in X / F(x) \subset V\} \text{ and } F^-(V) = \{x \in X / F(x) \cap V = \phi\}.$$

**Definition 2:** A multifunction  $F: X \rightarrow Y$  is said to be

- i) upper rarely gp-continuous ( briefly u.r.g.p.c) at  $x \in X$  if for each  $V \in O(Y, F(x))$ , there exist a rare set  $R_V$  with  $V \cap Cl(R_V) = \phi$  and  $U \in GPO(X, x)$  such that  $F(U) \subset V \cup R_V$ ,

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- ii) lower rarely g-continuous ( briefly l.r.g.p.c) at  $x \in X$  if for each  $V \in O(Y)$  with  $F(x) \cap V = \phi$  there exist a rare set  $R_V$  with  $V \cap Cl(R_V) = \phi$  and  $U \in GPO(X, x)$  such that  $F(u) \cap (V \cup R_V) \neq \phi$  for every  $u \in U$ ,
- iii) upper/ lower rarely gp-continuous if it is upper/lower rarely gp-continuous at each point of  $X$ .

**Definition 3:** A multifunction  $F: X \rightarrow Y$  is said to be

- i) upper weakly gp-continuous at  $x \in X$  if for each  $V \in O(Y, F(x))$ , there exist  $U \in GPO(X, x)$  such that  $F(U) \subset Cl(V)$ ,
- ii) lower weakly gp-continuous at  $x \in X$  if for each  $V \in O(Y)$  with  $F(x) \cap V \neq \phi$  there exists  $U \in GPO(X, x)$  such that  $F(u) \cap Cl(V) \neq \phi$  for every  $u \in U$ ,
- iii) upper/ lower weakly gp-continuous if it is upper/lower weakly gp-continuous at each point of  $X$ .

**Theorem 1:** The following statements are equivalent for a multifunction  $F: X \rightarrow Y$ :

- i)  $F$  is u.r.g.p.c at  $x \in X$ ,
- ii) For each  $V \in O(Y, F(x))$ , there exists  $U \in GPO(X, x)$  such that  $Int[F(U) \cap (Y - V)] = \phi$
- iii) For each  $V \in O(Y, F(x))$ , there exists  $U \in GPO(X, x)$  such that  $Int[F(U)] \subset Cl(V)$ .

**Proof:** (i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii): Let  $V \in O(Y, F(x))$ . By  $F(x) \subset V \subset Int(Cl(V))$  and the fact that  $Int(Cl(V)) \in O(Y)$ , there exist a rare set  $R_V$  with  $Int(Cl(V)) \cap Cl(R_V) = \phi$  and a gp-open set  $U \subset X$  containing  $x$  such that  $F(U) \subset Int(Cl(V)) \cup R_V$ . We have  $Int [F(U) \cap (Y - V)] = Int(F(U)) \cap Int(Y - V) \subset Int(Cl(V) \cup R_V) \cap (Y - Cl(V)) \subset (Cl(V) \cup Int(R_V)) \cap (Y - Cl(V)) = \phi$ .

(ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (iii) : Obvious.

(iii)  $\Rightarrow$  (i) : Let  $V \in O(Y, F(x))$ . Then, by (iii) there exists  $U \in GPO(X, x)$  such that  $Int[F(U)] \subset Cl(V)$ . Thus  $F(U) = [F(U) - Int(F(U))] \cup Int[F(U)] \subset [F(U) - Int(F(U))] \cup Cl(V) = [F(U) - Int(F(U))] \cup V \cup (Cl(V) - V) = [(F(U) - Int(F(U))) \cap (Y - V)] \cup V \cup (Cl(V) - V)$ . Put  $P = (F(U) - Int(F(U))) \cap (Y - V)$  and  $G = Cl(V) - V$ , then  $P$  and  $G$  are rare sets. Moreover,  $R_V = P \cup G$  is a rare set such that  $Cl(R_V) \cap V = \phi$  and  $F(U) \subset V \cup R_V$ . Hence  $F$  is u.r.g.p.c.

**Theorem 2:** The following are equivalent for a multifunction  $F: X \rightarrow Y$ :

- i)  $F$  is l.r.g.p.c at  $x \in X$ ,
- ii) For each  $V \in O(Y)$  such that  $F(x) \cap V \neq \phi$  there exists a rare set  $R_V$  with  $V \cap Cl(R_V) = \phi$  such that  $x \in Int_{gp}(F^-(V \cup R_V))$ ,
- iii) For each  $V \in O(Y)$  such that  $F(x) \cap V \neq \phi$  there exists a rare set  $R_V$  with  $Cl(V) \cap R_V = \phi$  such that  $x \in Int_{gp}(F^-(Cl(V) \cup R_V))$ ,
- iv) For each  $V \in RO(Y)$  such that  $F(x) \cap V \neq \phi$  there exists a rare set  $R_V$  with  $V \cap Cl(R_V) = \phi$  such that  $x \in Int_{gp}(F^-(V \cup R_V))$ .

**Proof:** (i)  $\Rightarrow$ (ii): Let  $V \in O(Y)$  such that  $F(x) \cap V \neq \phi$ . By (i), there exist a rare set  $R_V$  with  $V \cap Cl(R_V) = \phi$  and  $U \in GPO(X, x)$  such that  $F(x) \cap (V \cup R_V) \neq \phi$  for each  $u \in U$ . Therefore,  $u \in F^-(V \cup R_V)$  for each  $u \in U$  and hence  $U \subset F^-(V \cup R_V)$ . Since  $U \in GPO(X, x)$ , we obtain  $x \in U \subset Int_{gp}(F^-(V \cup R_V))$ .

(ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (iii): Let  $V \in O(Y)$  such that  $F(x) \cap V \neq \phi$ . By (ii), there exists a rare set  $R_V$  with  $V \cap Cl(R_V) = \phi$  such that  $x \in Int_{gp}(F^-(V \cup R_V))$ . We have  $R_V \subset Y - V = (Y - Cl(V)) \cup (Cl(V) - V)$  and hence  $R_V \subset [R_V \cap (Y - Cl(V))] \cup (Cl(V) - V)$ . Now, put  $P = R_V \cap (Y - Cl(V))$ . Then  $P$  is a rare set and  $P \cap Cl(V) = \phi$ . Moreover, we have  $x \in Int_{gp}(F^-(V \cup R_V)) \subset Int_{gp}(F^-(P \cup Cl(V)))$ .

(iii)  $\Rightarrow$  (iv): Let  $V$  be any regular open set of  $Y$  such that  $F(x) \cap V \neq \phi$ . By (iii), there exists a rare set  $R_V$  with  $Cl(V) \cap R_V = \phi$  such that  $x \in Int_{gp}(F^-(Cl(V) \cup R_V))$ . Put  $P = R_V \cup (Cl(V) - V)$ , then  $P$  is a rare set and  $V \cap Cl(P) = \phi$ . Moreover, we have  $x \in Int_{gp}(F^-(Cl(V) \cup R_V)) = Int_{gp}(F^-(R \cup (Cl(V) - V) \cup V)) = Int_{gp}(F^-(P \cup V))$ .

(iv)  $\Rightarrow$  (i) : Let  $V \in O(Y)$  such that  $F(x) \cap V \neq \phi$ . Then  $F(x) \cap Int(Cl(V)) \neq \phi$  and  $Int(Cl(V))$  is regular open in  $Y$ . By (iv), there exists a rare set  $R_V$  with  $V \cap Cl(R_V) = \phi$  such that  $x \in Int_{gp}(F^-(V \cup R_V))$ . Therefore, there exists  $U \in$

GPO(X, x) such that  $U \subset F^-(V \cup R_V)$ ; hence  $F(u) \cap (V \cup R_V) \neq \emptyset$ ; for each  $u \in U$ . This shows that F is lower rarely g-continuous at x.

**Corollary 1:** ([2], Theorem 2) The following statements are equivalent for a function  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  :

- i) f is rarely gp-continuous at  $x \in X$ ,
- ii) For  $V \in \mathcal{O}(Y, f(x))$ , there exists  $U \in \text{GPO}(X, x)$  such that  $\text{Int}[f(U) \cap (Y - V)] = \emptyset$ ,
- iii) For each  $V \in \mathcal{O}(Y, f(x))$ , there exists  $U \in \text{GPO}(X, x)$  such that  $\text{Int}[f(U)] \subset \text{Cl}(V)$ .

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