On Upper and Lower Faintly $\psi \alpha g$ -Continuous Multifunctions

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ABSTRACT

The aim of this paper is to introduce and study upper and lower faintly $\psi \alpha g$ -continuous multifunctions as a generalization of upper and lower $\psi \alpha g$ -continuous multifunctions, respectively. The basic properties and characterizations of such functions are established.

Keywords

 $\psi \alpha g$ -open sets, $\psi \alpha g$ -closed sets, faintly $\psi \alpha g$ -continuous multifunctions, $\psi \alpha g$ - θ -closed.

1. INTRODUCTION

In 1986, Neubrunn introduced and investigated the notion of upper (lower) α -continuous multifunctions. V. Kokilavani and P.R. Kavitha[5] introduced the concept of $\psi \alpha g$ -closed sets in topological spaces. In this paper, we introduce and study upper and lower faintly $\psi \alpha g$ -continuous multifunctions in topological spaces. The main purpose of this paper is to define faintly $\psi \alpha g$ -continuous multifunctions and to obtain several characterizations and basic properties of such multifunctions. A subset *A* of *X* is called regular open(resp. regular closed)if and only if A = int(cl(A)) (resp. A = cl(int(A))). The family of all regular open subsets of (X, τ) form a base for a smaller topology τ_s on X.

2. PRELIMIERIES

Throughout the present paper, spaces (X, τ) and (Y, σ) (or simply X and Y) mean topological spaces on which no separation axioms are assumed unless explicitly stated. For any subset A of X, the closure and the interior of A are denoted by cl(A) and int(A), respectively. A point $x \in X$ is called a θ -cluster point of A if $cl(V) \cap A = \phi$ for every open subset V of X containing x. The set of all θ -cluster point of A is called the θ -closure of A and is denoted by $cl_{\theta}(A)$. If $A = cl_{\theta}(A)$, then A is said to be θ -closed[4]. The complement of a θ -closed set is said to be θ -open. Clearly, A is θ -open if and only if for each $x \in A$, there exists an open set U such that $x \in U \subset cl(U) \subset A$. A subset A of (X, τ) is said to be $\psi \alpha g$ closed[5] if $\psi cl(A) \subset U$ whenever $A \subset U$ and U is αg -open. The complement of $\psi \alpha g$ -closed is called $\psi \alpha g$ -open. The family of all $\psi \alpha g$ -open subsets of (X, τ) will be denoted by $\psi \alpha g O(X)$. By a multifunction $F: X \to Y$, we mean a point to set to-set correspondence from X into Y, also we always assume that $F(X) \neq \phi$ for all $x \in X$. For a multifunction $F: X \to Y$, the upper and loer inverse of any subset A of Y are denoted by $F^+(A)$ and $F^-(A)$ respectively, where $F^+(A) =$ $\{x \in X: F(x) \subset A\}$ and $F^{-}(A) = \{x \in X: F(x) \cap A \neq \phi\}$. In particular, $F^{-}(y) = x \in X$: $y \in F(x)$ for each point $y \in Y$. A multifunction $F: X \to Y$ is said to be surjective if F(X) = Y.

A multifunction $F: (X, \tau) \to (Y, \sigma)$ is said to be lower faintly $\psi \alpha g$ -continuous(resp. upper faintly $\psi \alpha g$ -continuous) multifunction if $F^-(V) \in \psi \alpha g O(X)$ (resp. $F^+(V) \in \psi \alpha g O(X)$) for every $V \in \sigma$.

3. FAINTLY $\psi \alpha g$ -CONTINUOUS MULTIFUNCTIONS

Definition:3.1 A multifunction is said to be (i) upper faintly $\psi \alpha g$ -continuous at $x \in X$ if for each θ -open subset *V* of *Y* containing *F*(*x*), there exists $U \in \psi \alpha g O(X)$ containing *x* such that $F(U) \subset V$;

(ii) lower faintly $\psi \alpha g$ -continuous at $x \in X$ if for each θ -open subset *V* of *Y* such that $F(x) \cap V \neq \phi$ for every $u \in U$; (iii) upper(resp. lower) faintly $\psi \alpha g$ -continuous if it is upper(resp. lower) faintly $\psi \alpha g$ -continuous at each point of *X*.

Remark:3.2 Since every θ -open set is open, it is clear that every upper(lower) $\psi \alpha g$ -continuous multifunction is upper(lower)faintly $\psi \alpha g$ -continuous.

Theorem:3.3 For a multifunction $F: X \rightarrow Y$, the following are equivalent:

(i)F is upper faintly $\psi \alpha g$ -continuous;

(ii)For each $x \in X$ and for each θ -open set V such that $x \in F^+(V)$, there exists a $\psi \alpha g$ -open set Ucontaining x such that $U \subset F^+(V)$;

(iii)For each $x \in X$ and for each θ -closed set V such that $x \in F^+(Y - V)$, there exists a $\psi \alpha g$ -closed set H such that $x \in X - H$ and $F^-(V) \subset H$;

(iv) $F^+(V)$ is $\psi \alpha g$ -open for any θ -open subset V of Y; (v) $F^-(V)$ is $\psi \alpha g$ -closed for any θ -closed subset V of Y; (vi) $F^-(Y - V)$ is $\psi \alpha g$ -closed for any θ -open subset V of Y; (vii) $F^+(Y - V)$ is $\psi \alpha g$ -open for any θ -closed subset V of Y. **Proof:** (i) \Leftrightarrow (ii):clear.

(ii) \Leftrightarrow (iii):Let $x \in X$ and V be a θ -closed subset of Y such that $x \in F^+(Y - V)$. By (ii), there exists a $\psi \alpha g$ -open set

U containing x such that $U \subset F^+(Y - V)$. Thus $F^-(V) \subset X - U$. Take H = X - U. Then $x \in X - H$ and H is $\psi \alpha g$ -closed. The converse is similar.

(i) \Leftrightarrow (iv): Let $x \in F^+(V)$ and V be a θ -open subset of Y. By (i), there exists a $\psi \alpha g$ -open set U_x containing x such that $U_x \subset F^+(V)$. Thus, $F^+(V) = \bigcup_{x \in F^+(V)} U_x$. Since any union of $\psi \alpha g$ -open set is $\psi \alpha g$ -open. $F^+(V)$ is $\psi \alpha g$ -open. The converse is clear.

(iv) \Leftrightarrow (vi):Follows from the fact that $F^{-}(V) = X - F^{+}(Y - V)$.

 $(iv) \Leftrightarrow (vii) \text{ and } (v) \Leftrightarrow (vi): \text{ clear.}$

Theorem:3.4 For a multifunction $F: X \rightarrow Y$, the following are equivalent:

(i)F is lower faintly $\psi \alpha g$ -continuous;

(ii)For each $x \in X$ and for each θ -open set V such that $x \in F^-(V)$, there exists a $\psi \alpha g$ -open set U containing x such that $U \subset F^-(V)$;

(iii)For each $x \in X$ and for each θ -closed set V such that $x \in F^{-}(Y - V)$, there exists a $\psi \alpha g$ -closed set H such that $x \in X - H$ and $F^{+}(V) \subset H$;

(iv) $F^-(V)$ is $\psi \alpha g$ -open for any θ -open subset V of Y; (v) $F^+(V)$ is $\psi \alpha g$ -closed for any θ -closed subset V of Y; (vi) $F^+(Y - V)$ is $\psi \alpha g$ -closed for any θ -open subset V of Y; (vii) $F^-(Y - V)$ is $\psi \alpha g$ -open for any θ -closed subset V of Y. **Proof:** Proof is similar to that of Theorem 3.3.

Theorem:3.5 Suppose that (X, τ) and (X_i, τ_i) are topological spaces where $i \in I$. Let $F: X \to \prod_{i \in I} X_i$ be a multifunction from X to the product space $\prod_{i \in I} X_i$ and let $P_i: \prod_{i \in I} X_i \to X_i$ be a projection multifunction for each $i \in I$ which is defined by $P_i((x_i)) = \{x_i\}$. If F is upper(lower) faintly $\psi \alpha g$ -continuous for each $i \in I$.

Proof: Let V_i be a θ -open set in (X_i, τ_i) . Then $(P_i \circ F+Vi=F+Pi+Vi=F+Vi\times j\neq iXj$ (resp.

 $(P_i \circ F)^-(V_i) = F^-(P_i^-(V_i)) = F^-(V_i \times \prod_{j \neq i} X_j)$. Since *F* is upper(lower) faintly $\psi \alpha g$ -continuous and since $V_i \times \prod_{j \neq i} X_j$ is a θ -open set, it follows from theorems 3.3 and 3.4 that $F^+(V_i \times \prod_{j \neq i} X_j)$ (resp. $F^-(V_i \times \prod_{j \neq i} X_j)$) is a $\psi \alpha g$ -open set in (X, τ) . Hence again by theorems 3.3 and 3.4, $P_i \circ F$ is upper(lower) faintly $\psi \alpha g$ -continuous for each $i \in I$.

Corollary:3.6 Let $F: X \to Y$ be a multifunction. If the graph multifunction G_F of F is upper(lower) faintly $\psi \alpha g$ -continuous, then F is upper(lower) faintly $\psi \alpha g$ -continuous, where $G_F: X \to X \times Y$, $G_F(x) = \{x\} \times F(x)$.

Proof: Let $x \in X$ and V be any θ -open subset of Y such that $x \in F^+(V)$. We obtain that $x \in G_F^+(X \times V)$ and that $X \times V$ is a θ -open set. Since the graph multifunction G_F is upper faintly $\psi \alpha g$ -continuous, it follows that there exists an $\psi \alpha g$ -open set U of X containing x such that $U \subset G_F^+(X \times V)$. Since $U \subset G_F^+(X \times V) = X \cap F^+(V)$. We obtain that $U \subset F^+(V)$. Thus F is upper faintly $\psi \alpha g$ -continuous.

Suppose that G_F is lower faintly $\psi \alpha g$ -continuous. Let $x \in X$ and V be any θ -open subset of Y such that $x \in F^-(V)$. Then $X \times V$ is θ -open in $X \times Y$ and $G_F(x) \cap (X \times V) = \{x\} \times F(x) \cap (X \times V) = \{x\} \times (F(x) \cap V) \neq \phi$. Since G_F is lower faintly $\psi \alpha g$ -continuous, there exists an $\psi \alpha g$ -open U containing x such that $U \subset G_F^-(X \times V)$; hence $U \subset F^-(V)$. This shows that F is lower faintly $\psi \alpha g$ -continuous.

Theorem:3.7 Suppose that (X_i, τ_i) and (Y_i, σ_i) are topological spaces for each $i \in I$. Let $F_i: X_i \to Y_i$ be a multifunction for each $i \in I$ and let $F: \prod_{i \in I} X_i \to \prod_{i \in I} Y_i$ be the multifunction defined by $F((x_i)) = \prod_{i \in I} F_i(x_i)$. If F is upper faintly $\psi \alpha g$ -continuous, then F_i is upper(lower) faintly $\psi \alpha g$ -continuous for each $i \in I$.

Proof: Let V_i be a θ -open subset of Y_i . Then $V_i \times \prod_{j \neq i} X_j$ is a θ -open set. Since F is upper(lower) faintly $\psi \alpha g$ -continuous, it follows from Theorem 3.3 and 3.4 that $F^+(V_i \times \prod_{j \neq i} Y_j) = F_i^+(V_i) \times \prod_{j \neq i} X_j$ (resp. $F^-(V_i \times \prod_{j \neq i} Y_j) = F_i^-(V_i) \times \prod_{j \neq i} X_j$). Consequently, If $A \times B \in \psi \alpha g O(X \times Y)$, then

 $A \in \psi \alpha g O(X)$ and $B \in \psi \alpha g O(Y)$ that $F_i^+(V_i)$ (resp. $F^-(V_i)$) is a $\psi \alpha g$ -open set. Thus again by Theorem 3.3 and 3.4, F_i is upper(lower) faintly $\psi \alpha g$ -continuous for each $i \in I$.

Definition:3.8 A topological space (X, τ) is said to be $\psi \alpha g - T_2$ (resp. $\theta - T_2$) if for each pair of distinct points *x* and *y* of *X*, there exist disjoint $\psi \alpha g$ -open (resp. θ -open) subsets *U* and *V* of *X* containing *x* and *y*, respectively.

Theorem:3.9 Let $F: X \to Y$ be an upper faintly $\psi \alpha g$ continuous multifunction and punctually closed from a topological space X into a θ -normal space Y such that $F(x) \cap F(y) = \phi$ for each pair of distinct points x and y of X. Then X is $\psi \alpha g \cdot T_2$.

Proof: Let *x* and *y* be any two distinct points of *X*. Then $F(x) \cap F(y) = \phi$. Since *Y* is θ -normal and *F* is punctually closed, there exists disjoint θ -open sets *U* and *V* containing F(x) and F(y), respectively. But *F* is upper faintly $\psi \alpha g$ -continuous, so it follows from Theorem 3.3 that $F^+(U)$ and $F^+(V)$ are $\psi \alpha g$ -open subsets of *X* containing *x* and *y*, respectively. Hence *X* is $\psi \alpha g$ - T_2 .

Definition:3.10 A topological space (X, τ) is said to be θ -compact[3] (resp. $\psi \alpha g$ -compact) if every θ -open (resp. $\psi \alpha g$ -open) cover of *X* has a finite subcover. A subset *A* of a topological space *X* is said to be θ -compact relative to *X* if every cover of *A* by θ -open subsets of *X* has a finite subcover of *A*.

Theorem:3.11 Let $F: X \to Y$ be an upper faintly $\psi \alpha g$ continuous surjective multifunction such that F(x) is θ compact relative to Y for each $x \in X$. If X is $\psi \alpha g$ -compact, then Y is θ -compact.

Proof: Let $V_{\alpha}: \alpha \in \Lambda$ be a θ -open cover of *Y*. Since F(x) is θ compact relative to *Y* for each $x \in X$, there exists a finite
subset $\Lambda(x)$ of *A* such that $F(x) \subset \bigcup_{\alpha \in \Lambda(x)} V_{\alpha}$. Put V(x) = $\bigcup_{\alpha \in \Lambda(x)} V_{\alpha}$. Then V(x) is a θ -open subset of *Y* containing F(x). Since *F* is upper faintly $\psi \alpha g$ -continuous, it follows
from Theorem 3.3 that $F^+(V(x))$ is a $\psi \alpha g$ -open subset of *X*containing $\{x\}$. Thus the family $F^+(V(x)): x \in X$ is a $\psi \alpha g$ open cover of *X*. But *X* is $\psi \alpha g$ -compact. So there exist $x_1, x_2, ..., x_n \in X$ such that $X = \bigcup_{i=1}^n F^+(V(x_i))$. Hence $Y = F\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^n F^+(V(x_i))\right) = \bigcup_{i=1}^n F\left(F^+(V(x_i))\right) \subset$ $\bigcup_{i=1}^n V(x_i) = \bigcup_{i=1}^n \bigcup_{\alpha \in \Lambda(x_i)} V_{\alpha}$. Hence *Y* is θ -compact.

For a given multifunction $F: X \to Y$, the graph multifunction $G_F: X \to X \times Y$ is defined as $G_F(x): \{x\} \times F(x)$ for every $x \in X$. In [2], it was shown that for a multifunction $F: X \to Y, G_F^+(A \times B) = A \cap F^+(B)$ and $G_F^-(A \times B) = A \cap$ $F^-(B)$ where $A \subseteq X$ and $B \subseteq Y$. A multifunction $F: X \to Y$ is said to be an point closed if and only if for each $x \in X, F(x)$ is closed in Y.

Definition:3.12 Let $F: X \to Y$ be a multifunction. The multigraph $G(F) = \{(x, y): y \in F(x), x \in X\}$ of F is said to be $\psi \alpha g \cdot \theta$ -closed if for each $(x, y) \in (X \times Y) - G(F)$, there exist a $\psi \alpha g$ -open set U and a θ -open set V containing x and y respectively, such that $(U \times V) \cap G(F) = \phi$. That is, $F(U) \cap V = \phi$.

Theorem:3.13 If the graph multifunction $F: X \to Y$ is upper(lower) faintly $\psi \alpha g$ -continuous, then *F* is upper(lower) faintly $\psi \alpha g$ -continuous.

Proof: We shall only prove the case where *F* is upper faintly $\psi \alpha g$ -continuous. Let $x \in X$ and *V* be a θ -open set in *Y* such that $x \in F^+(V)$. Then $G_F(x) \cap (X \times Y) = (\{x\} \times F(x)) \cap (X \times Y) = \{x\} \times (F(x) \cap V \neq \phi)$ and $X \times V$ is θ -open in $X \times Y$ by Theorem 5 in [1]. Since the graph multifunction G_F upper faintly $\psi \alpha g$ -continuous, there exists an open set *U* containing *x* such that $z \in U$ implies that $G_F(z) \cap (X \times V) \neq \phi$. Therefore, we obtain $U \subseteq G_F^+(X \times V) = F^+(V) \in \psi \alpha g O(X)$ from the above equalities. Consequently, *F* is upper faintly $\psi \alpha g$ -continuous.

Theorem:3.14 Let $F: X \to Y$ be a point closed multifunction. If *F* is upper faintly $\psi \alpha g$ -continuous and assume that *Y* is regular, then *G*(*F*) is θ -closed with respect to *X*.

Proof: Suppose $(X \times Y) \notin G(F)$. Then we have $Y \notin F(x)$. Since *Y* is regular, there exist disjoint open sets V_1, V_2 of *Y* such that $y \in V_1$ and $F(x) \in V_2$. By regularity of *Y*, V_2 is also θ -open in *Y*. Since *F* is upper faintly $\psi \alpha g$ -continuous at *x*, there exists an $\psi \alpha g$ -open set *U* in *X* containing *x* such that $F(U) \subseteq V_2$. Therefore, we obtain $x \in U, y \in V_1$ and $(x, y) \in U \times V 1 \subseteq X \times Y - G(F)$. So G(F) is θ -closed with respect to *X*.

Theorem:3.15 Let $F: (X, \tau) \to (Y, \sigma)$ be a point closed set and upper faintly $\psi \alpha g$ -continuous multifunction. If *F* satisfies $x_1 \neq x_2 \Rightarrow F(x_1) \neq F(x_2)$ and *Y* is regular space, then *X* will be Hausdroff.

Proof: Let x_1, x_2 be two distinct points belong to *X*, then $F(x_1) \neq F(x_2)$. Since *F* is point closed and *Y* is regular, for all $y \in F(x_1)$ with $Y \notin F(x_2)$, there exists θ -open sets V_1, V_2 containing *y* and $F(x_2)$ respectively such that $V_1 \cap V_2 = \phi$. Since *F* is upper faintly $\psi \alpha g$ -continuous and $F(x_2) \subseteq V_2$, there exists an open set *U* containing *x*, such that $F(U) \subseteq V_2$. Thus $x_1 \notin U$. Therefore *U* and X - U are disjoint open sets separating x_1 and x_2 .

Theorem:3.16 If a multifunction $F: X \to Y$ is upper faintly $\psi \alpha g$ -continuous such that F(x) is θ -compact relative

to *Y* for each $x \in X$ and *Y* is θ -*T*₂, then the multigraph *G*(*F*) of *F* is $\psi \alpha g$ - θ -closed.

Proof: Let $(x, y) \in (X \times Y) - G(F)$. Then $y \in Y - F(x)$. Since *Y* is θ - T_2 for each $y \in F(x)$, there exist disjoint θ -open subsets U(z) and V(z) of *Y* containing *z* and *y* respectively. Thus $\{U(z): z \in F(x)\}$ is a θ -open cover of F(x). But F(x) is θ -compact relative to *Y*. So there exist $z_1, z_2, ..., z_n \in F(x)$ such that $F(x) \subset \bigcup_{i=1}^n U(z_i)$. Put $U = \bigcup_{i=1}^n U(z_i)$ and $\bigcap_{i=1}^n V(z_i)$. Then *U* and *V* are open subsets of *Y* such that $F(x) \subset U, y \subset V$ and $U \cap V = \phi$. Since *F* is upper faintly $\psi \alpha g$ -continuous, it follows from theorem3.4, that $F^+(U)$ is a $\psi \alpha g$ -open subset of *X*. Also $x \in F^+(U)$. Since $F(x) \subset U$ and $F(F^+(U)) \cap V = \phi$. Since $U \cap V = \phi$. Hence, G(F) is $\psi \alpha g$ - θ -closed.

4. CONCLUSION

In this paper we introduced and studied upper and lower faintly $\psi \alpha g$ -continuous multifunctions as a generalization of upper and lower $\psi \alpha g$ -continuous multifunctions, respectively. The basic properties and characterizations of such functions are discussed.

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