

# Characterizations of almost quasi $(\Lambda, sp)$ -continuous multifunctions

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#### Abstract

In this paper, we deal with the concept of almost quasi  $(\Lambda, sp)$ continuous multifunctions. In particular, we investigate some characterizations of almost quasi  $(\Lambda, sp)$ -continuous multifunctions.

## 1 Introduction

The concept of quasi continuous functions was first introduced by Marcus [5]. Popa [8] introduced and studied the notion of almost quasi continuous functions. Bânzaru and Crivăţ [3] introduced and investigated the notion of quasi continuous multifunctions. Popa and Noiri [7] introduced the concept of almost quasi continuous multifunctions and investigated some characterizations of such multifunctions. Noiri and Hatir [6] introduced the notions of  $\Lambda_{sp}$ -closed sets and spg-closed sets and investigated some properties of  $\Lambda_{sp}$ -closed sets and spg-closed sets. By considering the notion of  $\Lambda_{sp}$ -sets, Boonpok [2] introduced and investigated  $(\Lambda, sp)$ -closed sets,  $(\Lambda, sp)$ -open sets and  $(\Lambda, sp)$ -closure operators. The purpose of the present paper is to introduce the notion of almost quasi  $(\Lambda, sp)$ -continuous multifunctions. Moreover, we

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discuss several characterizations and some basic properties of almost quasi  $(\Lambda, sp)$ -continuous multifunctions.

#### 2 Preliminaries

Throughout this paper, unless explicitly stated, spaces  $(X,\tau)$  and  $(Y,\sigma)$ (or simply X and Y) always mean topological spaces on which no separation axioms are assumed. Let A be a subset of a topological space  $(X,\tau)$ . The closure of A and the interior of A are denoted by  $\mathrm{Cl}(A)$  and  $\operatorname{Int}(A)$ , respectively. A subset A of a topological space  $(X,\tau)$  is said to be  $\beta$ -open [1] if  $A \subseteq Cl(Int(Cl(A)))$ . The complement of a  $\beta$ -open set is called  $\beta$ -closed. The family of all  $\beta$ -open sets of a topological space  $(X,\tau)$  is denoted by  $\beta(X,\tau)$ . A subset  $\Lambda_{sp}(A)$  [6] is defined as follows:  $\Lambda_{sp}(A) = \bigcap \{U \mid A \subseteq U, U \in \beta(X, \tau)\}.$  If  $A = \Lambda_{sp}(A)$ , then A is called a  $\Lambda_{sp}$ -set [6]. A subset A of a topological space  $(X,\tau)$  is called  $(\Lambda,sp)$ -closed [2] if  $A = T \cap C$ , where T is a  $\Lambda_{sp}$ -set and C is a  $\beta$ -closed set. The complement of a  $(\Lambda, sp)$ -closed set is called  $(\Lambda, sp)$ -open. Let A be a subset of a topological space  $(X,\tau)$ . A point  $x\in X$  is called a  $(\Lambda,sp)$ -cluster point [2] of A if  $A \cap U \neq \emptyset$  for every  $(\Lambda, sp)$ -open set U of X containing x. The set of all  $(\Lambda, sp)$ -cluster points of A is called the  $(\Lambda, sp)$ -closure [2] of A and is denoted by  $A^{(\Lambda,sp)}$ . The union of all  $(\Lambda,sp)$ -open sets contained in A is called the  $(\Lambda, sp)$ -interior [2] of A and is denoted by  $A_{(\Lambda, sp)}$ . A subset A of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$  is said to be  $s(\Lambda, sp)$ -open (resp.  $p(\Lambda, sp)$ -open,  $\beta(\Lambda, sp)\text{-}open, \ r(\Lambda, sp)\text{-}open) \text{ if } A \subseteq [A_{(\Lambda, sp)}]^{(\Lambda, sp)} \text{ (resp. } A \subseteq [A^{(\Lambda, sp)}]_{(\Lambda, sp)}, A \subseteq [A^{(\Lambda, sp)}]_{(\Lambda, sp)}, A = [A^{(\Lambda, sp)}]_{(\Lambda, sp)}) \text{ [2]. The complement of a } s(\Lambda, sp)\text{-}open, and because of the spin of the spin$ open (resp.  $p(\Lambda, sp)$ -open,  $\beta(\Lambda, sp)$ -open,  $r(\Lambda, sp)$ -open) set is said to be  $s(\Lambda, sp)$ -closed (resp.  $p(\Lambda, sp)$ -closed,  $\beta(\Lambda, sp)$ -closed,  $r(\Lambda, sp)$ -closed). The intersection of all  $s(\Lambda, sp)$ -closed sets containing A is called the  $s(\Lambda, sp)$ closure of A and is denoted by  $A^{s(\Lambda,sp)}$ . The union of all  $s(\Lambda,sp)$ -open sets contained in A is called the  $s(\Lambda, sp)$ -interior of A and is denoted by  $A_{s(\Lambda, sp)}$ . By a multifunction  $F:(X,\tau)\to (Y,\sigma)$ , following [4], we shall denote the upper and lower inverse of a set B of Y by  $F^+(B)$  and  $F^-(B)$ , respectively, that is,  $F^{+}(B) = \{x \in X \mid F(x) \subseteq B\}$  and  $F^{-}(B) = \{x \in X \mid F(x) \cap B \neq \emptyset\}.$ In particular,  $F^-(y) = \{x \in X \mid y \in F(x)\}$  for each point  $y \in Y$  and for each  $A \subseteq X$ ,  $F(A) = \bigcup_{x \in A} F(x)$ . Let  $\mathcal{P}(Y)$  be the collection of all nonempty subsets of Y. For any  $(\Lambda, sp)$ -open set V of a topological space  $(Y, \sigma)$ , we denote  $V^+ = \{B \in \mathcal{P}(Y) \mid B \subseteq V\}$  and  $V^- = \{B \in \mathcal{P}(Y) \mid B \cap V \neq \emptyset\}$ .

### 3 Characterizations

We begin this section by introducing the concept of almost quasi  $(\Lambda, sp)$ continuous multifunctions.

**Definition 3.1.** A multifunction  $F:(X,\tau)\to (Y,\sigma,)$  is said to be almost quasi  $(\Lambda,sp)$ -continuous at a point  $x\in X$  if for any  $(\Lambda,sp)$ -open sets  $V_1,V_2$  of Y such that  $F(x)\in V_1^+\cap V_2^-$  and each open set U containing x, there exists a nonempty  $(\Lambda,sp)$ -open set G of X such that  $G\subseteq U$ ,  $F(G)\subseteq V_1^{s(\Lambda,sp)}$  and  $F(z)\cap V_2^{s(\Lambda,sp)}\neq\emptyset$  for every  $z\in G$ . A multifunction  $F:(X,\tau)\to (Y,\sigma)$  is said to be almost quasi  $(\Lambda,sp)$ -continuous if F is almost quasi  $(\Lambda,sp)$ -continuous at each point of X.

**Lemma 3.2.** For a subset A of a topological space  $(X, \tau)$ , the following properties hold:

- (1)  $A^{s(\Lambda,sp)} = A \cup [A^{(\Lambda,sp)}]_{(\Lambda,sp)}$ .
- (2)  $A_{s(\Lambda,sp)} = A \cap [A_{(\Lambda,sp)}]^{(\Lambda,sp)}$ .

**Theorem 3.3.** For a multifunction  $F:(X,\tau)\to (Y,\sigma)$ , the following properties are equivalent:

- (1) F is almost quasi  $(\Lambda, sp)$ -continuous;
- (2) for each  $x \in X$  and every  $(\Lambda, sp)$ -open sets  $V_1, V_2$  of Y such that  $F(x) \in V_1^+ \cap V_2^-$ , there exists a  $s(\Lambda, sp)$ -open set U of X containing x such that  $F(U) \subseteq V_1^{s(\Lambda, sp)}$  and  $F(z) \cap V_2^{s(\Lambda, sp)} \neq \emptyset$  for every  $z \in U$ ;
- (3)  $F^+(V_1) \cap F^-(V_2)$  is  $s(\Lambda, sp)$ -open in X for every  $r(\Lambda, sp)$ -open sets  $V_1, V_2$  of Y;
- (4)  $F^+(V_1) \cap F^-(V_2) \subseteq [F^+(V_1^{s(\Lambda,sp)}) \cap F^-(V_2^{s(\Lambda,sp)})]_{s(\Lambda,sp)}$  for every  $(\Lambda, sp)$ open sets  $V_1, V_2$  of Y;

(5)

$$[F^{-}([[B_{1}^{(\Lambda,sp)}]_{(\Lambda,sp)}]^{(\Lambda,sp)}) \cup F^{+}([[B_{2}^{(\Lambda,sp)}]_{(\Lambda,sp)})]^{(\Lambda,sp)})]^{s(\Lambda,sp)}$$
  

$$\subseteq F^{-}(B_{1}^{(\Lambda,sp)}) \cup F^{+}(B_{2}^{(\Lambda,sp)})$$

for every subsets  $B_1, B_2$  of Y;

(6)  $F^+(V_1) \cap F^-(V_2) \subseteq [[F^+(V_1^{s(\Lambda,sp)}) \cap F^-(V_2^{s(\Lambda,sp)})]_{(\Lambda,sp)}]^{(\Lambda,sp)}$  for every  $(\Lambda, sp)$ -open sets  $V_1, V_2$  of Y.

Proof. (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2): Let  $\mathcal{U}(x)$  the family of all  $(\Lambda, sp)$ -open sets of X containing x. Let  $V_1, V_2$  be any  $(\Lambda, sp)$ -open sets of Y such that  $F(x) \in V_1^+ \cap V_2^-$ . For each  $H \in \mathcal{U}(x)$ , there exists a nonempty  $(\Lambda, sp)$ -open set  $G_H$  such that  $G_H \subseteq H$ ,  $F(G_H) \subseteq V_1^{s(\Lambda, sp)}$  and  $F(y) \cap V_2^{s(\Lambda, sp)} \neq \emptyset$  for every  $y \in G_H$ . Let  $W = \cup \{G_H \mid H \in \mathcal{U}(x)\}$ . Then, W is  $(\Lambda, sp)$ -open in  $X, x \in W^{(\Lambda, sp)}$ ,  $F(W) \subseteq V_1^{s(\Lambda, sp)}$  and  $F(w) \cap V_2^{s(\Lambda, sp)} \neq \emptyset$  for every  $w \in W$ . Put  $U = W \cup \{x\}$ , then  $W \subseteq U \subseteq W^{(\Lambda, sp)}$ . Thus, U is a  $s(\Lambda, sp)$ -open set of X containing x such that  $F(U) \subseteq V_1^{s(\Lambda, sp)}$  and  $F(z) \cap V_2^{s(\Lambda, sp)} \neq \emptyset$  for every  $z \in U$ .

 $(2) \Rightarrow (3)$ : Let  $V_1, V_2$  be any  $r(\Lambda, sp)$ -open sets of Y and let

$$x \in F^+(V_1) \cap F^-(V_2).$$

Then,  $F(x) \in V_1^+ \cap V_2^-$  and there exists a  $s(\Lambda, sp)$ -open set U of X containing x such that  $F(U) \subseteq V_1$  and  $F(z) \cap V_2 \neq \emptyset$  for every  $z \in U$ . Therefore,  $x \in U \subseteq F^+(V_1) \cap F^-(V_2)$  and hence  $x \in [F^+(V_1) \cap F^-(V_2)_{s(\Lambda, sp)}$ . Thus,  $F^+(V_1) \cap F^-(V_2) \subseteq [F^+(V_1) \cap F^-(V_2)]_{s(\Lambda, sp)}$ . This shows that  $F^+(V_1) \cap F^-(V_2)$  is  $s(\Lambda, sp)$ -open in X.

 $(3) \Rightarrow (4)$ : Let  $V_1, V_2$  be any  $(\Lambda, sp)$ -open sets of Y such that

$$x \in F^+(V_1) \cap F^-(V_2).$$

Then,  $F(x) \subseteq V_1 \subseteq V_1^{s(\Lambda,sp)}$  and  $\emptyset \neq F(x) \cap V_2 \subseteq F(x) \cap V_2^{s(\Lambda,sp)}$ . Thus,  $x \in F^+(V_1^{s(\Lambda,sp)})$  and  $x \in F^-(V_2^{s(\Lambda,sp)})$ . By Lemma 3.2,  $V_1^{s(\Lambda,sp)}$  and  $V_2^{s(\Lambda,sp)}$  are  $r(\Lambda, sp)$ -open sets and by (3),  $F^+(V_1^{s(\Lambda,sp)}) \cap F^-(V_2^{s(\Lambda,sp)})$  is  $s(\Lambda, sp)$ -open in X and  $x \in [F^+(V_1^{s(\Lambda,sp)}) \cap F^-(V_2^{s(\Lambda,sp)})]_{s(\Lambda,sp)}$ . Consequently, we obtain  $F^+(V_1) \cap F^-(V_2) \subseteq [F^+(V_1^{s(\Lambda,sp)}) \cap F^-(V_2^{s(\Lambda,sp)})]_{s(\Lambda,sp)}$ .

 $(4) \Rightarrow (5)$ : Let  $B_1, B_2$  be any subsets of Y. Then,  $Y - B_1^{(\Lambda, sp)}$  and  $Y - B_2^{(\Lambda, sp)}$  are  $(\Lambda, sp)$ -open sets of Y. By (4) and Lemma 3.2,

$$\begin{split} X - & (F^{-}(B_{1}^{(\Lambda,sp)}) \cup F^{+}(B_{2}^{(\Lambda,sp)})) \\ = & F^{+}(Y - B_{1}^{(\Lambda,sp)}) \cap F^{-}(Y - B_{2}^{(\Lambda,sp)}) \\ \subseteq & [F^{+}([Y - B_{1}^{(\Lambda,sp)}]^{s(\Lambda,sp)}) \cap F^{-}([Y - B_{2}^{(\Lambda,sp)}]^{s(\Lambda,sp)})]_{s(\Lambda,sp)} \\ = & X - [F^{-}([[B_{1}^{(\Lambda,sp)}]_{(\Lambda,sp)}]^{(\Lambda,sp)}) \cup F^{+}([[B_{2}^{(\Lambda,sp)}]_{(\Lambda,sp)}]^{(\Lambda,sp)})]^{s(\Lambda,sp)} \end{split}$$

and hence

$$[F^{-}([[B_{1}^{(\Lambda,sp)}]_{(\Lambda,sp)}]^{(\Lambda,sp)}) \cup F^{+}([[B_{2}^{(\Lambda,sp)}]_{(\Lambda,sp)}]^{(\Lambda,sp)})]^{s(\Lambda,sp)}$$
  

$$\subseteq F^{-}(B_{1}^{(\Lambda,sp)}) \cup F^{+}(B_{2}^{(\Lambda,sp)}).$$

 $(5) \Rightarrow (6)$ : Let  $V_1, V_2$  be any  $(\Lambda, sp)$ -open sets of Y. Then,  $Y - V_1$  and  $Y - V_2$  are  $(\Lambda, sp)$ -closed sets of Y. By (5) and Lemma 3.2, we have

$$[[F^{-}([[Y-V_{1}]_{(\Lambda,sp)}]^{(\Lambda,sp)}) \cup F^{+}([[Y-V_{2}]_{(\Lambda,sp)}]^{(\Lambda,sp)})]^{(\Lambda,sp)}]_{(\Lambda,sp)}$$
  

$$\subseteq F^{-}(Y-V_{1}) \cup F^{+}(Y-V_{2}) = X - (F^{+}(V_{1}) \cap F^{-}(V_{2})).$$

Moreover, we have

$$\begin{split} & [[F^-([[Y-V_1]_{(\Lambda,sp)}]^{(\Lambda,sp)}) \cup F^+([[Y-V_2]_{(\Lambda,sp)}]^{(\Lambda,sp)})]^{(\Lambda,sp)}]_{(\Lambda,sp)}]_{(\Lambda,sp)} \\ & = [[F^-(Y-[V_1^{(\Lambda,sp)}]_{(\Lambda,sp)}) \cup F^+(Y-[V_2^{(\Lambda,sp)}]_{(\Lambda,sp)})]^{(\Lambda,sp)}]_{(\Lambda,sp)} \\ & = [[(X-F^+(V_1^{s(\Lambda,sp)})) \cup (X-F^-(V_2^{s(\Lambda,sp)}))]^{(\Lambda,sp)}]_{(\Lambda,sp)} \\ & = X - [[F^+(V_1^{s(\Lambda,sp)}) \cap F^-(V_2^{s(\Lambda,sp)})]_{(\Lambda,sp)}]^{(\Lambda,sp)}. \end{split}$$

Thus,  $F^+(V_1) \cap F^-(V_2) \subseteq [[F^+(V_1^{s(\Lambda,sp)}) \cap F^-(V_2^{s(\Lambda,sp)})]_{(\Lambda,sp)}]^{(\Lambda,sp)}$ .

 $(6) \Rightarrow (1)$ : Let  $x \in X$  and let  $V_1, V_2$  be any  $(\Lambda, sp)$ -open sets of Y such that  $F(x) \in V_1^+ \cap V_2^-$ . By (6), we have

$$x \in F^+(V_1) \cap F^-(V_2) \subseteq [[F^+(V_1^{s(\Lambda,sp)}) \cap F^-(V_2^{s(\Lambda,sp)})]_{(\Lambda,sp)}]^{(\Lambda,sp)}$$

by Lemma 3.2,  $x \in F^+(V_1) \cap F^-(V_2) \subseteq [F^+(V_1^{s(\Lambda,sp)}) \cap F^-(V_2^{s(\Lambda,sp)})]_{s(\Lambda,sp)}$ . Put  $U = [F^+(V_1^{s(\Lambda,sp)}) \cap F^-(V_2^{s(\Lambda,sp)})]_{s(\Lambda,sp)}$ , then U is an  $s(\Lambda,sp)$ -open set of X containing x such that  $F(U) \subseteq V_1^{s(\Lambda,sp)}$  and  $F(z) \cap V_2^{s(\Lambda,sp)} \neq \emptyset$  for every  $z \in U$ . This shows that F is almost quasi  $(\Lambda,sp)$ -continuous.

**Theorem 3.4.** For a multifunction  $F:(X,\tau)\to (Y,\sigma)$ , the following properties are equivalent:

- (1) F is almost quasi  $(\Lambda, sp)$ -continuous;
- (2)  $[F^-(V_1) \cup F^+(V_2)]^{s(\Lambda,sp)} \subseteq F^-(V_1^{(\Lambda,sp)}) \cup F^+(V_2^{(\Lambda,sp)})$  for every  $\beta(\Lambda,sp)$ open sets  $V_1, V_2$  of Y;
- (3)  $[F^-(V_1) \cup F^+(V_2)]^{s(\Lambda,sp)} \subseteq F^-(V_1^{(\Lambda,sp)}) \cup F^+(V_2^{(\Lambda,sp)})$  for every  $s(\Lambda,sp)$ open sets  $V_1, V_2$  of Y;
- (4)  $F^+(V_1) \cap F^-(V_2) \subseteq [F^+([V_1^{(\Lambda,sp)}]_{(\Lambda,sp)}) \cap F^-([V_2^{(\Lambda,sp)}]_{(\Lambda,sp)})]_{s(\Lambda,sp)}$  for every  $p(\Lambda,sp)$ -open sets  $V_1,V_2$  of Y.

*Proof.* The proof follows from Theorem 3.3.

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