



Faint continuity via topological grill

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Abstract

The aim of this paper is to introduce and characterize a new class of functions called almost \mathcal{G} -semicontinuous functions in grill topological spaces by using \mathcal{G} -semiopen sets.

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1. Introduction

The idea of grills on a topological space was first introduced by Choquet [4]. The concept of grills has shown to be a powerful supporting and useful tool like nets and filters, for getting a deeper insight into further studying some topological notions such as proximity spaces, closure spaces and the theory of compactifications and extension problems of different kinds (see [2], [3], [13] for details). In [11], Roy and Mukherjee defined and studied a typical topology associated rather naturally to the existing topology and a grill on a given topological space. Quite recently, Al-Omari and Noiri [1] have defined new classes of sets in a grill topological space and obtained a new decomposition of continuity in terms of grills. The purpose of this paper, we introduce and study a new class of functions called faintly \mathcal{G} -semicontinuous functions in grill topological space. Some characterizations and several basic properties of this class of functions are obtained.

2. Preliminaries

Let A be a subset of a topological space (X, τ) . We denote the closure of A and the interior of A by $\text{Cl}(A)$ and $\text{Int}(A)$,

respectively. The θ -closure [14] of A , denoted by $\text{Cl}_\theta(A)$, is defined to be the set of all $x \in X$ such that $A \cap \text{Cl}(U) \neq \emptyset$ for every open neighbourhood U of x . If $A = \text{Cl}_\theta(A)$, then A is called θ -closed [14]. The complement of a θ -closed set is called a θ -open set [14]. It follows from [14] that the collection of θ -open sets in a topological space (X, τ) forms a topology τ_θ on X . The θ -interior of A is defined by the union of all θ -open sets contained in A and is denoted by $\text{Int}_\theta(A)$. The definition of grill on a topological space, as given by Choquet [4], goes as follows: A non-null collection \mathcal{G} of subsets of a topological space (X, τ) is said to be a grill on X if

1. $\emptyset \notin \mathcal{G}$,
2. $A \in \mathcal{G}$ and $A \subset B$ implies that $B \in \mathcal{G}$,
3. $A, B \subset X$ and $A \cup B \in \mathcal{G}$ implies that $A \in \mathcal{G}$ or $B \in \mathcal{G}$.

Definition 2.1. [11] Let (X, τ) be a topological space and \mathcal{G} a grill on X . A mapping $\Phi : \mathcal{P}(X) \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(X)$ is defined as follows: $\Phi(A) = \Phi_{\mathcal{G}}(A, \tau) = \{x \in X : A \cap U \in \mathcal{G} \text{ for every open set } U \text{ containing } x\}$ for each $A \in \mathcal{P}(X)$. The mapping Φ is called the operator associated with the grill \mathcal{G} and the topology τ .

Definition 2.2. [11] Let \mathcal{G} be a grill on a topological space (X, τ) . Then we define a map $\Psi : \mathcal{P}(X) \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(X)$ by $\Psi(A) = A \cup \Phi(A)$ for all $A \in \mathcal{P}(X)$. The map Ψ is a Kuratowski closure axiom. Corresponding to a grill \mathcal{G} on a topological space (X, τ) , there exists a unique topology $\tau_{\mathcal{G}}$ on X given by $\tau_{\mathcal{G}} = \{U \subseteq X : \Psi(X \setminus U) = X \setminus U\}$, where for any $A \subset X$,

$\Psi(A) = A \cup \Phi(A) = \tau_{\mathcal{G}} \text{Cl}(A)$. For any grill \mathcal{G} on a topological space (X, τ) , $\tau \subset \tau_{\mathcal{G}}$. If (X, τ) is a topological space with a grill \mathcal{G} on X , then we call it a grill topological space and denote it by (X, τ, \mathcal{G}) .

Definition 2.3. [1] A subset S of a grill topological space (X, τ, \mathcal{G}) is said to be \mathcal{G} -semiopen if $S \subset \Psi(\text{Int}(S))$. The complement of a \mathcal{G} -semiopen set is called a \mathcal{G} -semiclosed set.

Definition 2.4. The intersection of all \mathcal{G} -semiclosed sets containing $S \subset X$ is called the \mathcal{G} -semiclosure of S and is denoted by $s\text{Cl}_{\mathcal{G}}(S)$. The union of all \mathcal{G} -semiopen sets contained in S is called the \mathcal{G} -semiinterior of S and is denoted by $s\text{Int}_{\mathcal{G}}(S)$. The family of all \mathcal{G} -semiopen (resp. \mathcal{G} -semiclosed) sets of (X, τ, \mathcal{G}) is denoted by $\mathcal{G}SO(X)$ (resp. $\mathcal{G}SC(X)$). The family of all \mathcal{G} -semiopen (resp. \mathcal{G} -semiclosed) sets of (X, τ, \mathcal{G}) containing a point $x \in X$ is denoted by $\mathcal{G}SO(X, x)$ (resp. $\mathcal{G}SC(X, x)$).

Definition 2.5. [7] A subset S of a topological space (X, τ) is semiopen if $S \subset \text{Cl}(\text{Int}(S))$. The complement of a semiopen set is called a semiclosed set.

Definition 2.6. A function $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is said to be faintly continuous [8] (resp. faintly semicontinuous [10]) if $f^{-1}(V)$ is open (resp. semiopen) in X for every θ -open set V of Y .

Definition 2.7. [1] A function $f : (X, \tau, \mathcal{G}) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is said to be \mathcal{G} -semicontinuous at a point $x \in X$ if for each open set V of Y containing $f(x)$, there exists $U \in \mathcal{G}SO(X, x)$ such that $f(U) \subset V$. If f has this property at each point of X , then it is said to be \mathcal{G} -semicontinuous.

3. Faintly \mathcal{G} -semicontinuous functions

Definition 3.1. A function $f : (X, \tau, \mathcal{G}) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is said to be faintly \mathcal{G} -semicontinuous at a point $x \in X$ if for each θ -open set V of Y containing $f(x)$, there exists $U \in \mathcal{G}SO(X, x)$ such that $f(U) \subset V$. If f has this property at each point of X , then it is said to be faintly \mathcal{G} -semicontinuous.

Theorem 3.2. For a function $f : (X, \tau, \mathcal{G}) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$, the following statements are equivalent:

1. f is faintly \mathcal{G} -semicontinuous;
2. $f^{-1}(V)$ is \mathcal{G} -semiopen in X for every θ -open set V of Y ;
3. $f^{-1}(F)$ is \mathcal{G} -semiclosed in X for every θ -closed subset F of Y ;
4. $f : (X, \tau, \mathcal{G}) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma_{\theta})$ is \mathcal{G} -semicontinuous.
5. $s\text{Cl}_{\mathcal{G}}(f^{-1}(B)) \subseteq f^{-1}(\text{Cl}_{\theta}(B))$ for every subset B of Y ;
6. $f^{-1}(\text{Int}_{\theta}(G)) \subseteq s\text{Int}_{\mathcal{G}}(f^{-1}(G))$ for every subset G of Y .

Proof. (1) \Rightarrow (2): Let V be an θ -open subset of Y and $x \in f^{-1}(V)$. Since $f(x) \in V$ and f is faintly \mathcal{G} -semicontinuous, there exists $U_x \in \mathcal{G}SO(X, x)$ such that $f(U_x) \subset V$. It follows that $x \in U_x \subset f^{-1}(V)$. We obtain $f^{-1}(V) = \bigcup_{x \in f^{-1}(V)} U_x$. Since

any union of \mathcal{G} -semiopen sets is \mathcal{G} -semiopen, $f^{-1}(V)$ is \mathcal{G} -semiopen in X .

(2) \Rightarrow (1): Let $x \in X$ and V be a θ -open set of Y containing $f(x)$. By (2), $f^{-1}(V)$ is a \mathcal{G} -semiopen set of X containing x . Take $U = f^{-1}(V)$. Then $f(U) \subset V$. This shows that f is faintly \mathcal{G} -semicontinuous.

(2) \Rightarrow (3): Let V be any θ -closed set of Y . Since $Y \setminus V$ is θ -open, by (2), it follows that $f^{-1}(Y \setminus V) = X \setminus f^{-1}(V)$ is \mathcal{G} -semiopen. Consequently, $f^{-1}(V)$ is \mathcal{G} -semiclosed in X .

(3) \Rightarrow (2): Let V be a θ -open set of Y . Then $Y \setminus V$ is θ -closed in Y . By (3), $f^{-1}(Y \setminus V) = X \setminus f^{-1}(V)$ is \mathcal{G} -semiclosed and $f^{-1}(V)$ is \mathcal{G} -semiopen. The other implications are obvious. \square

Theorem 3.3. Every \mathcal{G} -semicontinuous function is faintly \mathcal{G} -semicontinuous.

Proof. Clear. \square

The converse of Theorem 3.3 is not true in general as can be seen from the following example.

Example 3.4. Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$, $\tau = \{\emptyset, \{b\}, X\}$, $\sigma = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, X\}$ and $\mathcal{G} = \mathcal{P}(X) \setminus \{\emptyset, \{a\}\}$. Then the identity function $f : (X, \tau, \mathcal{G}) \rightarrow (X, \sigma)$ is faintly \mathcal{G} -semicontinuous but not \mathcal{G} -semicontinuous.

Corollary 3.5. Every faintly continuous function is faintly \mathcal{G} -semicontinuous.

Theorem 3.6. Every faintly \mathcal{G} -semicontinuous function is faintly semicontinuous.

Proof. Clear. \square

The converse of Theorem 3.6 is not true in general as can be seen from the following example.

Example 3.7. Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$, $\tau = \{\emptyset, \{b\}, \{a, c\}, X\}$, $\sigma = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, X\}$ and $\mathcal{G} = \mathcal{P}(X) \setminus \{\emptyset, \{a\}\}$. Then the identity function $f : (X, \tau, \mathcal{G}) \rightarrow (X, \sigma)$ is faintly semicontinuous but not faintly \mathcal{G} -semicontinuous.

Remark 3.8. The composition of faintly \mathcal{G} -semicontinuous functions is not faintly \mathcal{G} -semicontinuous as it can be seen from the following example.

Example 3.9. Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$, $\tau = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{b, c\}, X\}$, $\mathcal{G} = \mathcal{P}(X) \setminus \{\emptyset, \{c\}\}$ and $\mathcal{J} = \mathcal{P}(X) \setminus \{\emptyset, \{a\}\}$. Then the identity function $f : (X, \tau, \mathcal{G}) \rightarrow (X, \tau, \mathcal{J})$ is faintly \mathcal{G} -semicontinuous and the function $g : (X, \tau, \mathcal{J}) \rightarrow (X, \tau)$ defined by $g(a) = b$, $g(b) = c$ and $g(c) = a$ is faintly semi- \mathcal{J} -continuous but their composition is not faintly \mathcal{G} -semicontinuous.



It is well known that a function $f : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is said to be quasi- θ -continuous [10] if $f^{-1}(V)$ is θ -open in (X, τ) for every θ -open set V of (Y, σ) .

Theorem 3.10. *If a function $f : (X, \tau, \mathcal{G}) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is faintly \mathcal{G} -semicontinuous and the function $g : (Y, \sigma) \rightarrow (Z, \gamma)$ is quasi- θ -continuous, then $g \circ f : (X, \tau, \mathcal{G}) \rightarrow (Z, \gamma)$ is faintly \mathcal{G} -semicontinuous.*

Proof. Let W be any θ -open set of (Z, γ) . Then $g^{-1}(W)$ is θ -open in (Y, σ) and hence $(g \circ f)^{-1}(W) = f^{-1}(g^{-1}(W))$ is \mathcal{G} -semiopen in (X, τ, \mathcal{G}) . This shows that $g \circ f$ is faintly \mathcal{G} -semicontinuous. \square

Theorem 3.11. *1. $f : (X, \tau, \mathcal{P}(X) \setminus \{\emptyset\}) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is a faintly \mathcal{G} -semicontinuous function if, and only if it is faintly semicontinuous.*

2. $f : (X, \tau, \{X\}) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is a faintly \mathcal{G} -semicontinuous function if, and only if it is faintly continuous.

Proof. The proof follows from Corollaries 3.3 and 3.4 of [1]. \square

Theorem 3.12. *If a function $f : (X, \tau, \mathcal{G}) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is faintly \mathcal{G} -semicontinuous and (Y, σ) is a regular space, then f is \mathcal{G} -semicontinuous.*

Proof. Let V be any open set of Y . Since Y is regular, V is θ -open in Y . Since f is faintly \mathcal{G} -semicontinuous, by Theorem 3.2, we have $f^{-1}(V)$ is \mathcal{G} -semiopen and hence f is \mathcal{G} -semicontinuous. \square

Definition 3.13. *A \mathcal{G} -semifrontier of a subset A of (X, τ, \mathcal{G}) is defined as $sFr_{\mathcal{G}}(A) = sCl_{\mathcal{G}}(A) \cap sCl_{\mathcal{G}}(X \setminus A)$.*

Theorem 3.14. *The set of all points $x \in X$ in which a function $f : (X, \tau, \mathcal{G}) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is not faintly \mathcal{G} -semicontinuous is the union of \mathcal{G} -semifrontier of the inverse images of θ -open sets containing $f(x)$.*

Proof. Suppose that f is not faintly \mathcal{G} -semicontinuous at $x \in X$. Then there exists a θ -open set V of Y containing $f(x)$ such that $f(U)$ is not contained in V for each $U \in \mathcal{G}SO(X, x)$ and hence $x \in Cl_{\theta}(X \setminus f^{-1}(V))$. On the otherhand, $x \in f^{-1}(V) \subset sCl_{\mathcal{G}}(f^{-1}(V))$ and hence $x \in sFr_{\mathcal{G}}(f^{-1}(U))$. Conversely, suppose that f is faintly \mathcal{G} -semicontinuous at $x \in X$ and let V be a θ -open set of Y containing $f(x)$. Then there exists $U \in \mathcal{G}SO(X, x)$ such that $U \subset f^{-1}(V)$. Hence $x \in Int_{\theta}(f^{-1}(V))$. Therefore, $x \in sFr_{\mathcal{G}}(f^{-1}(V))$ for each open set V of Y containing $f(x)$. \square

Theorem 3.15. *Let $f : (X, \tau, \mathcal{G}) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ be a function and $g : (X, \tau) \rightarrow (X \times Y, \tau \times \sigma)$ the graph function of f . If g is faintly \mathcal{G} -semicontinuous, then f is faintly \mathcal{G} -semicontinuous.*

Proof. Let $x \in X$ and let V be a θ -open set of Y containing $f(x)$. Then $X \times V$ is θ -open in $X \times Y$ [[8], Theorem 5] and contains $g(x) = (x, f(x))$. Therefore, there exists $U \in \mathcal{G}SO(X, x)$ such that $g(U) \subset X \times V$. This implies that $f(U) \subset V$. Hence f is faintly \mathcal{G} -semicontinuous. \square

Definition 3.16. *A grill topological space (X, τ, \mathcal{G}) is said to be \mathcal{G} -semiconnected if X cannot be written as a disjoint union of two nonempty \mathcal{G} -semiopen sets.*

Theorem 3.17. *If a function $f : (X, \tau, \mathcal{G}) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is a faintly \mathcal{G} -semicontinuous function and (X, τ, \mathcal{G}) is \mathcal{G} -semiconnected, then (Y, σ) is a connected space.*

Proof. Assume that (Y, σ) is not connected. Then there exist nonempty open sets V_1 and V_2 of (Y, σ) such that $V_1 \cap V_2 = \emptyset$ and $V_1 \cup V_2 = Y$. Hence we have $f^{-1}(V_1) \cap f^{-1}(V_2) = \emptyset$ and $f^{-1}(V_1) \cup f^{-1}(V_2) = X$. Since f is surjective, $f^{-1}(V_1)$ and $f^{-1}(V_2)$ are nonempty subsets of X . Since V_i is open and closed, V_i is θ -open for each $i = 1, 2$. Since f is faintly \mathcal{G} -semicontinuous, $f^{-1}(V_i) \in \mathcal{G}SO(X)$. Therefore, (X, τ, \mathcal{G}) is not \mathcal{G} -semiconnected. This is a contradiction and hence (Y, σ) is connected. \square

Definition 3.18. *A grill topological space (X, τ, \mathcal{G}) is said to be:*

1. \mathcal{G} -semi- T_1 [9] (resp. θ - T_1) if for each pair of distinct points x and y of X , there exists \mathcal{G} -semiopen (resp. θ -open) sets U and V containing x and y , respectively such that $y \notin U$ and $x \notin V$.
2. \mathcal{G} -semi- T_2 [9] (resp. θ - T_2 [12]) if for each pair of distinct points x and y in X , there exists disjoint \mathcal{G} -semiopen (resp. θ -open) sets U and V in X such that $x \in U$ and $y \in V$.

Theorem 3.19. *If a function $f : (X, \tau, \mathcal{G}) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is faintly \mathcal{G} -semicontinuous injection and (Y, σ) is a θ - T_1 space, then (X, τ, \mathcal{G}) is a \mathcal{G} -semi- T_1 space.*

Proof. Suppose that (Y, σ) is a θ - T_1 space. For any distinct points x and y in X , there exist $V, W \in \sigma_{\theta}$ such that $f(x) \in V$, $f(y) \notin V$, $f(x) \notin W$ and $f(y) \in W$. Since f is faintly \mathcal{G} -semicontinuous, $f^{-1}(V)$ and $f^{-1}(W)$ are \mathcal{G} -semiopen subsets of (X, τ, \mathcal{G}) such that $x \in f^{-1}(V)$, $y \notin f^{-1}(V)$, $x \notin f^{-1}(W)$ and $y \in f^{-1}(W)$. This shows that (X, τ, \mathcal{G}) is \mathcal{G} -semi- T_1 . \square

Theorem 3.20. *If a function $f : (X, \tau, \mathcal{G}) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is faintly \mathcal{G} -semicontinuous injection and (Y, σ) is a θ - T_2 space, then (X, τ, \mathcal{G}) is a \mathcal{G} -semi- T_2 space.*

Proof. Suppose that (Y, σ) is θ - T_2 . For any pair of distinct points x and y in X , there exist disjoint θ -open sets U and V in Y such that $f(x) \in U$ and $f(y) \in V$. Since f is faintly \mathcal{G} -semicontinuous, $f^{-1}(U)$ and $f^{-1}(V)$ are \mathcal{G} -semiopen in X containing x and y , respectively. Therefore, $f^{-1}(U) \cap f^{-1}(V) = \emptyset$ because $U \cap V = \emptyset$. This shows that X is \mathcal{G} -semi- T_2 . \square

Definition 3.21. *A graph $G(f)$ of a function $f : (X, \tau, \mathcal{G}) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is said to be θ - \mathcal{G} -closed if for each $(x, y) \in (X \times Y) \setminus G(f)$, there exist $U \in \mathcal{G}SO(X, x)$ and $V \in \sigma_{\theta}$ containing y such that $(U \times V) \cap G(f) = \emptyset$.*



Lemma 3.22. A graph $G(f)$ of a function $f : (X, \tau, \mathcal{G}) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is θ - \mathcal{G} -closed in $X \times Y$ if and only if for each $(x, y) \in (X \times Y) \setminus G(f)$, there exist $U \in \mathcal{G}SO(X, x)$ and $V \in \sigma_\theta$ containing y such that $f(U) \cap V = \emptyset$.

Proof. It is an immediate consequence of Definition 3.21. \square

Theorem 3.23. If a function $f : (X, \tau, \mathcal{G}) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ is faintly \mathcal{G} -semicontinuous and (Y, σ) is a θ - T_2 space, then $G(f)$ is θ - \mathcal{G} -closed.

Proof. Let $(x, y) \in (X \times Y) \setminus G(f)$, then $f(x) \neq y$. Since (Y, σ) is θ - T_2 , there exist θ -open sets V and W in Y such that $f(x) \in V$, $y \in W$ and $V \cap W = \emptyset$. Since f is faintly \mathcal{G} -semicontinuous, $f^{-1}(V) \in \mathcal{G}SO(X, x)$. Take $U = f^{-1}(V)$. We have $f(U) \subset V$. Therefore, we obtain $f(U) \cap W = \emptyset$. This shows that $G(f)$ is θ - \mathcal{G} -closed. \square

Theorem 3.24. Let $f : (X, \tau, \mathcal{G}) \rightarrow (Y, \sigma)$ has θ - \mathcal{G} -closed graph $G(f)$. If f is a faintly \mathcal{G} -semicontinuous injection, then (X, τ, \mathcal{G}) is \mathcal{G} -semi- T_2 .

Proof. Let x and y be any two distinct points of X . Then since f is injective, we have $f(x) \neq f(y)$. Then, we have $(x, f(y)) \in (X \times Y) \setminus G(f)$. By Lemma 3.22, $U \in \mathcal{G}SO(X, x)$ and $V \in \sigma_\theta$ such that $(x, f(y)) \in U \times V$ and $f(U) \cap V = \emptyset$. Hence $U \cap f^{-1}(V) = \emptyset$ and $y \notin U$. Since f is faintly \mathcal{G} -semicontinuous, there exists $W \in \mathcal{G}SO(X, y)$ such that $f(W) \subset V$. Therefore, we have $f(U) \cap f(W) = \emptyset$. Since f is injective, we obtain $U \cap W = \emptyset$. This implies that (X, τ, \mathcal{G}) is \mathcal{G} -semi- T_2 . \square

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