

ON LOWER AND UPPER SEMI-CLIQUISH FUNCTIONS

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Abstract: This research article introduces lower and upper semi-cliquish functions on topological spaces. And investigates the relations between semi-continuous functions and semi-cliquish functions. Also, it is established that the sets of all real valued bounded lower and upper semi-cliquish functions on a topological space form commutative Banach algebras with identity under the supremum norm.

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Introduction:

The concept of *cliquishness* was first introduced by Lipinski, Gdansk W., and Salát T. In their research article [3] defined cliquish functions from a topological space into a metric space at a point. The authors also investigated the structure of the set of all points of cliquishness of such functions. In [5], the author has established that the set of all real valued bounded cliquish functions defined on a topological space forms a commutative Banach algebra with identity under supremum norm.

In what follows X and Y stand for a topological space and metric space respectively. We denote the real line with usual metric by the symbol \mathbb{R} .

1. Preliminaries

In this section we present a few definitions that are necessary for further study of this paper. Let d be a metric on Y and T_X be a topology on X .

Definition 1.1: Let X be a topological space together with a topology T_X and let Y be a metric space with metric d . A function $f : (X, T_X) \rightarrow (Y, d)$ is said to be *cliquish* at a point $x_0 \in X$ if for each $\varepsilon > 0$ and each neighborhood $G(x_0)$ of the point $x_0 \in X$ there exists a non-empty open set $U_0 \subset G(x_0)$, such that

$$d(f(x), f(y)) < \varepsilon \text{ for each pair of points } x, y \in U_0.$$

Definition 1.2: Let X be a topological space together with a topology T_X and let Y be a metric space with metric d . A function $f : (X, T_X) \rightarrow (Y, d)$ is said to be *semi continuous* at a point $x_0 \in X$ if for each $\varepsilon > 0$ and each neighborhood $G(x_0)$ of the point $x_0 \in X$ there exists a non-empty open set $U_0 \subset G(x_0)$, such that

$$d(f(x), f(y)) < \varepsilon \text{ for each } x \in U_0.$$

Theorem 1.3: If $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is semi continuous at $x_0 \in X$ then $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is cliquish at $x_0 \in X$.

Remark 1.4: Every semi continuous function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is Cliquish but a Cliquish function $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is not necessarily semi continuous. This fact is evident from the following example.

Example 1.5: Define $f : [-1, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ by $f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{x} & \text{if } 0 < x \leq 1 \\ 0 & \text{if } -1 \leq x \leq 0 \end{cases}$

Then f is cliquish at $x_0 = 0$. This function $f : [-1, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is semi continuous but not continuous at $x_0 = 0$.

Example 1.6: Define $g : [-1, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ by $g(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{x} & \text{if } -1 \leq x < 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } 0 \leq x \leq 1 \end{cases}$

Then g is cliquish at $x_0 = 0$.

Example 1.7: Define $h: [-1,1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ by $h(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x \text{ is rational} \\ -1 & \text{if } x \text{ is irrational} \end{cases}$

Then h is neither semi continuous nor cliquish at $x_0 = 0$.

Example 1.8: Define $f: [-1,1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ by $f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{x} & \text{if } 0 < x \leq 1 \\ 2 & \text{if } -1 \leq x \leq 0 \end{cases}$

Then f is semi continuous at every point of $[-1,1]$.

Example 1.9: Define $g: [-1,1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ by $g(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{x} & \text{if } 0 < x \leq 1 \\ 2 & \text{if } x = 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } -1 \leq x < 0 \end{cases}$

Put $x_0 = 0$. Let $\varepsilon > 0$ be given

Suppose that $G(x_0) = (-\delta, \delta)$, for any such that $G(x_0) \subset [-1,1]$.

Let $U_0 = \left(-\frac{\delta}{2}, 0\right)$. Then U_0 a non empty open set in $[-1,1]$ such that $U_0 \subset G(x_0)$.

For $x, y \in U_0$, we have $|g(x) - g(y)| = 0 < \varepsilon$

Thus for every $\varepsilon > 0$ and for each neighborhood $G(x_0)$ of $x_0 = 0$ there is a non empty open set $U_0 \subset G(x_0)$ such that

$$|g(x) - g(y)| < \varepsilon \text{ for } x, y \in U_0$$

$\Rightarrow g$ is cliquish at $x_0 = 0$.

But for any non empty open set $U_0 \subset (-\delta, 0) \subset G(x_0)$, we have

$$|g(x) - g(x_0)| = |g(x) - g(0)| = |0 - 2| = 2$$

For $x \in U_0$.

Similarly for any non-empty open set $U_0 \subset (0, \delta) \subset G(x_0)$ we have

$$|g(x) - g(x_0)| = \left| \frac{1}{x} - 2 \right| \quad \text{for } x \in U_0.$$

In any case, $|g(x) - g(x_0)| > \varepsilon$

$\Rightarrow g$ is not semi continuous function at $x_0 = 0$.

Hence g is cliquish but not semi continuous at $x_0 = 0$. ■

Remarks 1.10:

1. If $f : X \rightarrow Y$ and $g : X \rightarrow Y$ are semi-continuous at $x_0 \in X$ then $f + g$ is also semi-continuous at $x_0 \in X$.
2. If $f : X \rightarrow Y$ and $g : X \rightarrow Y$ are Cliquish at every point of X then $f + g$ is cliquish at every point of X .
3. In [5], It is proved that if $\{f_n\}$ is a sequence of real valued cliquish functions on X and if $f_n \rightarrow f$ uniformly on X . Then f is also cliquish on X . It is also established that the set $K(X)$ of all real valued bounded cliquish function defined on X forms a real commutative Banach algebra with identity under supremum norm.

2 Semi-Cliquishness & Half Semi-Continuity

In this section, we introduce the concepts of lower and upper semi-cliquishness, half semi-continuity and establish a few noteworthy results pertaining to these notions.

Definition 2.1: Let X be a topological space together with a topology T_X . A function $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is said to be *lower semi-continuous* at a point $x_0 \in X$ if for each $\varepsilon > 0$ and each neighborhood $G(x_0)$ of the point $x_0 \in X$ there exists a non-empty open set $U_0 \subset G(x_0)$, such that

$$f(x) - f(y) > -\varepsilon \quad \text{for each pair of points } x, y \in U_0.$$

Definition 2.2: Let X be a topological space together with a topology T_X . A function $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is said to be *upper semi-continuous* at a point $x_0 \in X$ if for each $\varepsilon > 0$ and each neighborhood $G(x_0)$ of the point $x_0 \in X$ there exists a non-empty open set $U_0 \subset G(x_0)$, such that

$$f(x) - f(y) < \varepsilon \quad \text{for each pair of points } x, y \in U_0.$$

Definition 2.3: Let X be a topological space together with a topology T_X . A function $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is said to be *lower half semi-continuous* at a point $x_0 \in X$ if for each $\varepsilon > 0$ and each neighborhood $G(x_0)$ of the point $x_0 \in X$ there exists a non-empty open set $U_0 \subset G(x_0)$, such that

$$f(x) - f(x_0) > -\varepsilon \quad \text{for each } x \in U_0.$$

Definition 2.4: Let X be a topological space together with a topology T_X . A function $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is said to be *upper half semi-continuous* at a point $x_0 \in X$ if for each $\varepsilon > 0$ and each neighborhood $G(x_0)$ of the point $x_0 \in X$ there exists a non-empty open set $U_0 \subset G(x_0)$, such that

$$f(x) - f(x_0) < \varepsilon \quad \text{for each } x \in U_0.$$

Proposition 2.5: $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is lower semi-continuous on $X \Leftrightarrow -f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is upper semi-continuous on X .

Proof: Suppose that $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is lower semi-continuous on X and let $x_0 \in X$.

\Leftrightarrow given $\varepsilon > 0$, and for each neighborhood $G(x_0)$ of $x_0 \in X$. Then there exists a non-empty open set $U_0 \subset G(x_0)$ such that

$$f(x) - f(y) > -\varepsilon \text{ for each pair of points } x, y \in U_0.$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (-f)(x) - (-f)(y) < \varepsilon \text{ for each pair of points } x, y \in U_0.$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (-f) \text{ is upper semi-continuous on } X. \quad \blacksquare$$

The proofs of the following propositions 2.6, 2.7 and 2.8 are easy to verify and hence can be omitted.

Proposition 2.6: $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is lower half semi-continuous on $X \Leftrightarrow -f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is upper half semi-continuous on X .

Proposition 2.7: $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is both lower and upper semi-continuous on $X \Leftrightarrow f$ is continuous on X .

Proposition 2.8: $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is both lower and upper half semi-continuous on $X \Leftrightarrow f$ is semi-continuous on X .

Example 2.9: Define $f : [-1, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ by $f(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x = 0 \\ 2 & \text{if } x \text{ is rational and } x \neq 0 \\ 1 & \text{if } x \text{ is irrational} \end{cases}$

This function $f : [-1, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is lower half semi-continuous at $x_0 = 0$. But, this function is neither lower semi-continuous at $x_0 = 0$ nor upper half semi-continuous at $x_0 = 0$. This example shows that a lower half semi-continuous function at a point x_0 is not necessarily lower semi-continuous at $x_0 = 0$. This function $f : [-1, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is neither continuous nor an upper semi-continuous function at $x_0 = 0$.

3 Algebraic Properties Semi-Continuous Functions

This section is devoted to a few algebraic properties of lower and upper semi-continuous functions. In this section, we establish that $f + g$, $f \vee g$, $f \wedge g$ are lower (upper) semi-continuous

provided f and g are lower (upper) semi-continuous on X . We also prove that cf is lower (upper) semi-continuous on X when f lower (upper) semi-continuous on X , where c is any positive real number.

Proposition 3.1: If $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and $g : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ are lower semi-continuous on X . Then $f + g$ is lower semi-continuous on X .

Proof: Let $x_0 \in X$ and let $\varepsilon > 0$ be given. Let $G(x_0)$ be a neighborhood of x_0 in X . Then there exists a non-empty open set $U_0 \subset G(x_0)$ such that

$$f(x) - f(y) > -\frac{\varepsilon}{2} \text{ for each pair of points } x, y \in U_0.$$

Let $x_1 \in U_0$. Since $g : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is lower semi-continuous at $x_1 \in U_0$, then there exists a non-empty open set $V_0 \subset U_0$ such that

$$g(x) - g(y) > -\frac{\varepsilon}{2} \text{ for each pair of points } x, y \in V_0.$$

Now, $x, y \in V_0$ we have

$$(f + g)(x) - (f + g)(y) = (f(x) - f(y)) + (g(x) - g(y)) > -\frac{\varepsilon}{2} - \frac{\varepsilon}{2} = -\varepsilon$$

$$(f + g)(x) - (f + g)(y) > -\varepsilon \text{ for each pair of points } x, y \in V_0$$

$\Rightarrow (f + g)$ is lower semi-continuous on X . ■

Proposition 3.2: If c is a positive real number, and if $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a lower semi-continuous function at $x_0 \in X$. Then cf is lower semi-continuous at $x_0 \in X$.

Proof: Suppose $c > 0$. Let $\varepsilon > 0$ be given and let $G(x_0)$ be a neighborhood of x_0 in X . Then there exists a non-empty open set $U_0 \subset G(x_0)$ such that

$$(f(x) - f(y)) > -\frac{\varepsilon}{c} \text{ for each pair of points } x, y \in U_0$$

$$\Rightarrow (cf)(x) - (cf)(y) > -\varepsilon \text{ for each pair of points } x, y \in U_0.$$

Hence cf is lower semi- c -quish at $x_0 \in X$. ■

Proposition 3.3: If $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and $g : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ are lower semi- c -quish functions on X . Then $f \vee g$ is also lower semi- c -quish on X .

Proof: Suppose $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and $g : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ are lower semi- c -quish functions on X . Let $\varepsilon > 0$ be given and $x_0 \in X$. Then for each neighborhood $G(x_0)$ of x_0 in X , there exists a non-empty open set $U_0 \subset G(x_0)$ such that

$$f(x) - f(y) > -\frac{\varepsilon}{2} \text{ for each pair of points } x, y \in U_0.$$

$$\Rightarrow f(x) > -\frac{\varepsilon}{2} + f(y) \text{ for each pair of points } x, y \in U_0.$$

Let $x_1 \in U_0$. Since $g : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is lower semi- c -quish at $x_1 \in U_0$, then there exists a non-empty open set $V_0 \subset U_0$ such that

$$g(x) - g(y) > -\frac{\varepsilon}{2} \text{ for each pair of points } x, y \in V_0.$$

$$\Rightarrow g(x) > -\frac{\varepsilon}{2} + g(y) \text{ for each pair of points } x, y \in V_0.$$

Let $x, y \in V_0$ then we have $f(x) > -\frac{\varepsilon}{2} + f(y)$ and $g(x) > -\frac{\varepsilon}{2} + g(y)$

$$\Rightarrow (f \vee g)(x) \geq f(x) > -\frac{\varepsilon}{2} + f(y) \text{ and } (f \vee g)(x) \geq g(x) > -\frac{\varepsilon}{2} + g(y)$$

$$\Rightarrow (f \vee g)(x) + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} > f(y) \text{ and } (f \vee g)(x) + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} > g(y)$$

$$\Rightarrow (f \vee g)(x) + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \geq (f \vee g)(y)$$

$$\Rightarrow (f \vee g)(x) + \varepsilon > (f \vee g)(x) + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \geq (f \vee g)(y)$$

$$\Rightarrow (f \vee g)(x) + \varepsilon > (f \vee g)(y)$$

$$\Rightarrow (f \vee g)(x) - (f \vee g)(y) > -\varepsilon$$

$$\Rightarrow f \vee g \text{ is lower semi-continuous on } X .$$

The following propositions from 3.4 to 3.8 are easy to prove. And hence the proofs are omitted.

Proposition 3.4: If $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and $g : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ are lower semi-continuous functions on X . Then $f \wedge g$ is also lower semi-continuous on X .

Proposition 3.5: If $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and $g : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ are upper semi-continuous on X . Then $f + g$ is upper semi-continuous on X .

Proposition 3.6: If c is a positive real number, and if $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is an upper semi-continuous function at $x_0 \in X$. Then cf is upper semi-continuous at $x_0 \in X$.

Proposition 3.7: If $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and $g : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ are upper semi-continuous functions on X . Then $f \vee g$ is also upper semi-continuous on X .

Proposition 3.8: If $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and $g : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ are upper semi-continuous functions on X . Then $f \wedge g$ is also upper semi-continuous on X .

4 Algebraic Properties of Half Semi-Continuous Functions

The proofs of the following propositions are similar to algebraic properties of semi-cliquish functions.

Proposition 4.1: If $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and $g : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ are lower half semi-continuous on X . Then $f + g$ is lower half semi-continuous on X .

Proposition 4.2: If $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and $g : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ are upper half semi-continuous on X . Then $f + g$ is upper half semi-continuous on X .

Proposition 4.3: If c is a positive real number, and if $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a lower half semi-continuous function at $x_0 \in X$. Then cf is lower half semi-continuous at $x_0 \in X$.

Proposition 4.4: If c is a positive real number, and if $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is an upper half semi-continuous function at $x_0 \in X$. Then cf is upper half semi-continuous at $x_0 \in X$.

Proposition 4.5: If $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and $g : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ are lower half semi-continuous functions on X . Then $f \vee g$ is also lower half semi-continuous on X .

Proposition 4.6: If $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and $g : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ are upper half semi-continuous functions on X . Then $f \vee g$ is also upper half semi-continuous on X .

Proposition 4.7: If $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and $g : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ are lower half semi-continuous functions on X . Then $f \wedge g$ is also lower half semi-continuous on X .

Proposition 4.8: If $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and $g : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ are upper half semi-continuous functions on X . Then $f \wedge g$ is also upper half semi-continuous on X .

5 Uniform Limits

This section demonstrates that the uniform limit of a sequence of real-valued lower (upper) semi-cliquish functions on X is itself lower (upper) semi-cliquish on X . These results are further extended to include lower (upper) half semi-continuous functions on X .

Proposition 5.1: If $f_n : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ is a lower semi-continuous function at $x_0 \in X$ and $f_n \rightarrow f$ uniformly on X then f is lower semi-continuous function at x_0 .

Proof: Let $\varepsilon > 0$ be given and let $G(x_0)$ be a neighborhood of x_0 in X . Since $f_n : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ uniformly on X , there exists an integer N such that

$$n \geq N \Rightarrow |f_n(x) - f(x)| < \frac{\varepsilon}{3} \quad \forall x \in X$$

$$\Rightarrow -\frac{\varepsilon}{3} < f_n(x) - f(x) < \frac{\varepsilon}{3} \quad \forall x \in X$$

Since f_N is lower semi-continuous function at x_0 , there exists a non-empty open set $U_0 \subset G(x_0)$ such that

$$f_N(x) - f_N(y) > -\frac{\varepsilon}{3} \quad \forall x, y \in U_0.$$

Now $x, y \in U_0 \Rightarrow f(x) - f(y) = f(x) - f_N(x) + f_N(x) - f_N(y) + f_N(y) - f(y) > -\frac{\varepsilon}{3} - \frac{\varepsilon}{3} - \frac{\varepsilon}{3} = -\varepsilon$

$$\Rightarrow f(x) - f(y) > -\varepsilon$$

Hence f is lower semi-continuous at $x_0 \in X$.

The proofs of the following propositions 5.2, 5.3 and 5.4 follows analogous to previous proposition 5.1.

Proposition 5.2: If $f_n : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ is an upper semi-continuous function at $x_0 \in X$ and $f_n \rightarrow f$ uniformly on X then f is upper semi-continuous function at x_0 .

Proposition 5.3: If $f_n : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$ is a lower half semi-continuous function at $x_0 \in X$ and $f_n \rightarrow f$ uniformly on X then f is lower half semi-continuous function at x_0 .

Proposition 5.4: If $f_n : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ is an upper half semi-continuous function at $x_0 \in X$ and $f_n \rightarrow f$ uniformly on X then f is upper half semi-continuous function at x_0 .

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