On superpositionally measurable semi-Carathéodory multifunctions

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Abstract. For multifunctions $F: T \times X \to 2^Y$, measurable in the first variable and semi-continuous in the second one, a relation is established between being product measurable and being superpositionally measurable.

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Introduction.

In various problems, one encounters a superposition of the type F(t, G(t)), where F and G are, in general, multifunctions and where it is often required that the mentioned superposition is measurable for every measurable multifunction G. A multifunction of such a property is called superpositionally measurable. It is known that under suitable assumptions on the spaces T, X and Y, Carathéodory multifunction $F: T \times X \to 2^Y$, i.e. measurable in t and continuous in t, is superpositionally measurable (see [1], [6], [8], [11], [12]). Unfortunately, when t is semicontinuous (in some sense) in t, such a multifunction, henceforth called semi-Carathéodory, may not be already superpositionally measurable. In this note we discuss the connection between superpositional measurability and product measurability of semi-Carathéodory multifunctions.

Preliminaries.

Thus, given two arbitrary nonempty sets \mathcal{X} , \mathcal{Y} and denoting by $2^{\mathcal{Y}}$ the family of all subsets of \mathcal{Y} , by a multifunction $\Phi: \mathcal{X} \to 2^{\mathcal{Y}}$ we mean a mapping Φ of a domain \mathcal{X} and a range contained in $2^{\mathcal{Y}}$. Let Σ be a σ -field of subsets of \mathcal{X} and let \mathcal{Y} be a topological space. A multifunction $\Phi: \mathcal{X} \to 2^{\mathcal{Y}}$ is said to be Σ -measurable (resp. weakly Σ -measurable) if the set $\Phi^-(A) = \{x \in \mathcal{X} : \Phi(x) \cap A \neq \emptyset\}$ belongs to Σ for every closed (resp. open) set $A \subset \mathcal{Y}$. It is known (see [2], [3], [13]) that when (\mathcal{X}, Σ) is a complete measurable space (i.e. there is a complete σ -finite measure defined on Σ) and \mathcal{Y} is a Polish space (i.e. \mathcal{Y} is separable and metrisable by a complete metric), then these two measurability concepts coincide for a closed values multifunction. Let \mathcal{X} be a topological space, too. A multifunction $\Phi: \mathcal{X} \to 2^{\mathcal{Y}}$ is said to be lower

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(resp. upper) semicontinuous if the set $\Phi^-(A)$ is open (resp. closed) in \mathcal{X} for every open (resp. closed) set $A \subset \mathcal{Y}$.

Henceforth we use the following notations:

(T, A) - is a complete measurable space;

X - is Polish space;

 $\mathcal{B}(X)$ - is a σ -field of Borel subsets of X;

 $\mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{B}(X)$ - is a product σ -field on $T \times X$ (i.e. the minimal σ -field containing all products $A \times B$, with $A \in \mathcal{A}$, $B \in \mathcal{B}(X)$);

Y - is a topological space.

Let us consider a multifunction $F: T \times X \to 2^Y$. F is called product measurable if it is $\mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{B}(X)$ -measurable and it is called superpositionally measurable if, for every \mathcal{A} -measurable multifunction $G: T \to 2^X$ with nonempty closed values, a multifunction $F_G: T \to 2^Y$ defined by the superposition $F_G(t) = F(t, G(t))$ is \mathcal{A} -measurable, where F(t, G(t)) denotes the sum of sets F(t, x) when $x \in G(t)$. Further, we say that F is a lower (resp. upper) semi-Carathéodory multifunction if $F(\cdot, x)$ is \mathcal{A} measurable for each fixed $x \in X$ and $F(t, \cdot)$ is lower (resp. upper) semicontinuous for each fixed $t \in T$.

Main results.

Theorem 1. Every product measurable multifunction $F: T \times X \to 2^Y$ is superpositionally measurable.

PROOF: Let a closed set $A \subset Y$ and an \mathcal{A} -measurable multifunction $G: T \to 2^X$ with nonempty closed values be given. In view of $\mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{B}(X)$ -measurability of F, the set $F^-(A) = \{(t,x) \in T \times X : F(t,x) \cap A \neq \emptyset\}$ belongs to $\mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{B}(X)$. On the other hand, the assumptions on multifunction G imply $\mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{B}(X)$ -measurability of its graph, i.e. $\operatorname{gr} G = \{(t,x) \in T \times X : x \in G(t)\} \in \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{B}(X)$ (see [3, Theorem 3.5]). Thus,

$$\{(t,x)\in T\times X: F(t,x)\cap A\neq\emptyset,\ x\in G(t)\}=F^-(A)\cap \mathrm{gr} G\in\mathcal{A}\otimes\mathcal{B}(X).$$

Hence, using the Projection Theorem, see [2, Theorem III. 23], [10, Theorem 4]), we obtain

$$F_G^-(A) = \left\{ t \in T : F_G(t) \cap A \neq \emptyset \right\} = \left\{ t \in T : F\left(t, G(t)\right) \cap A \neq \emptyset \right\} = \operatorname{proj}_T(F^-(A) \cap \operatorname{gr} G) \in \mathcal{A}$$

which, in view of the optionality of A and G, means that the multifunction F is superpositionally measurable (here proj $_T$ denotes the projection of $T \times X$ onto T).

In particular, we can see from Theorem 1 that both an upper and a lower semi-Carathéodory product measurable multifunction is superpositionally measurable. The converse implication holds only for the upper semi-Carathéodory multifunction. Namely, we have

Theorem 2. Every upper semi-Carathéodory superpositionally measurable multifunction is product measurable.

PROOF: Let us first notice that superpositional measurability implies A-measurability of sets $\{t \in T : F(t, B) \cap A \neq \emptyset\}$ for each closed $A \subset Y$ and $B \subset X$. Now, for

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every $t \in T$ and each closed $A \subset Y$, let us put $\Phi_A(t) = \{x \in X : F(t,x) \cap A \neq \emptyset\}$. In virtue of the upper semicontinuity of $F(t,\cdot)$, the set $\Phi_A(t)$ is closed in X. We claim that thus defined closed valued multifunction $\Phi_A : T \to 2^X$ is A-measurable. Indeed, for every closed $B \subset X$, we have:

$$\begin{split} \Phi_A^-(B) &= \left\{ t \in T : \Phi_A(t) \cap B \neq \emptyset \right\} = \left\{ t \in T : \bigvee_{x \in B} x \in \Phi_A(t) \right\} = \\ &= \left\{ t \in T : \bigvee_{x \in B} F(t,x) \cap A \neq \emptyset \right\} = \left\{ t \in T : F(t,B) \cap A \neq \emptyset \right\} \in \mathcal{A}. \end{split}$$

Thus, by [3, Theorem 3.5] its graph $\operatorname{gr}\Phi_A$ belongs to the σ -field $\mathcal{A}\otimes\mathcal{B}(X)$. But

$$F^{-}(A) = \{(t, x) \in T \times X : F(t, x) \cap A \neq \emptyset\} = \{(t, x) \in T \times X : x \in \Phi_{A}(t)\} = \operatorname{gr}\Phi_{A} \in \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{B}(X)$$

which completes the proof of product measurability of F.

Example. In the case of the lower semi-Carathéodory multifunction the superpositional measurability does not generally imply the product measurability. In order to show it, we shall use the multifunction $\Phi: T \times I \to 2^{\mathbf{R}}$ constructed by A. Kucia in her paper [4, Example]. Let I be the interval [0,1], \mathcal{A} —the σ -field on I generated by one-point sets, let $(T,\mathcal{A})=(I,\mathcal{A})$. It is easy to see that (T,\mathcal{A}) is complete measurable space and that a real-valued function $\varphi: T \to \mathbf{R}$ is measurable if and only if φ is eventually constant, i.e. there exists a countable set $N \subset I$ such that φ is constant on $I \setminus N$. Hence it follows, by "Castaing representation" theorem (see [2, Theorem III. 8]), that a multifunction $G: T \to 2^{\mathbf{R}}$ with nonempty closed values is \mathcal{A} -measurable if and only if G is eventually constant. The multifunction Φ is defined as follows:

$$\Phi(t,x) = \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \{t\} & \quad \text{if } |t-x| = \frac{1}{n} \text{ for some positive integer } n, \text{ or } t = x, \\ I & \quad \text{in the other case.} \end{array} \right.$$

A. Kucia showed that such a multifunction Φ is lower semi-Carathéodory and is not $\mathcal{A}\otimes\mathcal{B}(I)$ measurable (see [4, p. 240]). Here we shall prove that Φ is superpositionally measurable. To this end, let us first consider an arbitrary but fixed nonempty closed set $B\subset I$. Two cases are possible: 1° B is countable, or 2° B is uncountable. In the second case the following condition holds:

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$$\forall_{t \in I} \exists_{x \in B} \ x \neq t \text{ and } x \neq t \pm \frac{1}{n} \text{ for } n = 1, 2, \dots$$

Indeed, otherwise there exists $\bar{t} \in I$ such that for any $x \in B$ we have $x = \bar{t}$ or $x = \bar{t} + \frac{1}{n}$ or $x = \bar{t} - \frac{1}{n}$ for some $n \in \mathbb{N}$. But then the set B must be countable, which is impossible.

Now let an A-measurable multifunction $G: T \to 2^I$ with nonempty closed values be given. There exist a nonempty closed set $B \subset I$ and a countable set $N \subset I$ such

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that G(t)=B for $t\in I\setminus N$. For every closed $A\subset \mathbf{R}$ let us denote $N_A=\{t\in N:\Phi_G(t)\cap A\neq\emptyset\}=\{t\in N:\Phi(t,G(t))\cap A\neq\emptyset\}$. It is obvious that $N_A\in\mathcal{A}$. Now, if $B=\{b_1,b_2,\dots\}$ then for every closed $A\subset \mathbf{R}$ we have

$$\begin{split} \Phi_G^-(A) &= \{t \in T : \Phi_G(t) \cap A \neq \emptyset\} = \{t \in I \setminus N : \Phi_G(t) \cap A \neq \emptyset\} \cup N_A = \\ &= \{t \in I \setminus N : \Phi(t,B) \cap A \neq \emptyset\} \cup N_A = \\ &= \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} \{t \in I \setminus N : \Phi(t,b_n) \cap A \neq \emptyset\} \cup N_A \in \mathcal{A} \,. \end{split}$$

If B is uncountable then from (*) and the definition of Φ we get $\Phi(t, B) = I$ for every $t \in I \setminus N$. Hence for every closed $A \subset \mathbf{R}$ we have

$$\Phi_G^-(A) = \{t \in T : \Phi_G(t) \cap A \neq \emptyset\} = \{t \in I \setminus N : \Phi_G(t) \cap A \neq \emptyset\} \cup N_A = \{t \in I \setminus N : \Phi(t, B) \cap A \neq \emptyset\} \cup N_A = \{t \in I \setminus N : I \cap A \neq \emptyset\} \cup N_A \in \mathcal{A}$$

because

$$\{t\in I\setminus N: I\cap A\neq\emptyset\}=\left\{\begin{array}{ll}\emptyset & \text{if }I\cap A=\emptyset,\\ T\setminus N & \text{if }I\cap A\neq\emptyset.\end{array}\right.$$

Finally we can see that $\Phi_G^-(A)$ belongs to \mathcal{A} for every \mathcal{A} -measurable multifunction $G: T \to 2^I$ with nonempty closed values and each closed set $A \subset \mathbf{R}$, what completes the proof of the superpositional measurability of the multifunction $\Phi: T \times X \to 2^{\mathbf{R}}$.

Conclusion.

It is known that many multifunctions $F:T\times X\to 2^Y$ which describe the right hand of differential inclusions are exactly semi-Carathéodory multifunctions. Hence, it would also be useful to know if such multifunctions are superpositionally measurable. From **Theorem 1** it follows that a multifunction $F:T\times X\to 2^Y$ is superpositionally measurable, provided it is product measurable. However, in general, the semi-Carathéodory multifunction is not product measurable (see, for instance, [9, p. 31]). Below we give three most often recurring cases when the semi-Carathéodory multifunction is product measurable.

- 1. ([8, Theorem 3.3], [7, Proposition 2.3]) (T, A) is a measurable space, X is a separable metric space, Y is a metric space, $F: T \times X \to 2^Y$ is an upper semi-Carathéodory multifunction with nonempty closed values and such that $F(t, \cdot)$ is lower semi-continuous with respect to a Hausdorff topology.
- 2. ([8, Theorem 3.4]) (T, \mathcal{A}) is a complete measurable space, X = Y is a separable reflexive Banach space, $F: T \times X \to 2^X$ is a lower semi-Carathéodory multifunction with nonempty closed convex values and such that $F(t, \cdot)$ is upper semi-continuous from X to X_{ω} , where X_{ω} denotes space X with weak topology.
- 3. ([14, Theorems 3 and 4]) (T, \mathcal{A}, μ) is a measure space with a Hausdorff compact metric space T and

a Borel σ -finite, regular and complete measure μ defined on $\mathcal A$, X is a Polish space, Y— a separable metric space, $F:T\times X\to 2^Y$ is a lower (resp. upper) semi-Carathéodory multifunction with nonempty closed values and such that the following condition— due to Scorza–Dragoni— is satisfied:

"for every $\varepsilon > 0$ there exists a closed subset T_{ε} of T, with $\mu(T \setminus T_{\varepsilon}) < \varepsilon$, such that $F|_{T_{\varepsilon} \times X}$ is lower (resp. upper) semi-continuous."

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