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**Boubakari Ibrahimou\*** ([bibrahimou@murraystate.edu](mailto:bibrahimou@murraystate.edu)), Department of Mathematics & Statistics, Murray State University, Faculty Hall Room 6C, Murray, KY 42071. *The Generalized Degree for Multifunctions Perturbations of Maximal Monotone Operators and Applications.*

The main purpose of this paper is to develop a topological degree for mappings of the form  $T - G$  where  $T$  is a maximal monotone operator and  $G$  a multifunction of class  $(P)$  as extension of the degree for  $A - G$  developed by Chen where  $A$  is  $m$ -accretive. We first construct the degree for mappings of the form  $\lambda J + T - G$ . Next we construct the new topological degree and discuss some applications in mapping theorems. (Received September 19, 2009)