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**Analisi funzionale.** — *On the theory of fixed points for some classes of mappings III.* Nota (\*) di VASILE ISTRĂȚESCU e ANA ISTRĂȚESCU, presentata dal Socio G. SANSONE.

RIASSUNTO. — In questo lavoro si studiano alcune condizioni sufficienti affinché un operatore abbia dei punti uniti; alcuni risultati generalizzano quelli di Rothe e Krasnoselskii.

1. INTRODUZIONE. Let  $\mathfrak{X}$  be a real or complex Banach space and  $C$  be a closed bounded set in  $\mathfrak{X}$ . If  $S$  is a completely continuous mapping of  $C$  into  $C$ , then according to the Schauder fixed point theorem  $S$  has a fixed point in  $C$  if  $C$  is convex. Using a variational principle, Schauder fixed point theorem was extended for the existence of solutions in certain balls  $B_r$  of the space  $\mathfrak{X}$  for the nonlinear equation of the form

$$T(x) = S(x)$$

where  $S$  is completely continuous  $T$  is essentially a strongly monotone potential mapping. Another direction of extension of Schauder fixed point theorem was for the existence of fixed points for completely continuous mappings  $S$  of  $B_r$  into  $\mathfrak{X}$  which on the boundary  $\partial B_r$  of  $B_r$  satisfy the condition

$$\|S(x) - x\|^2 \geq \|Sx\|^2 - \|x\|^2$$

These extensions are due by Rothe [6], Krasnoselskii [5], Altman [1], [2], Kačurovski [4] and Petryschin [7].

The purpose of this Note is to obtain theorems of the above type for the class of densifying operators.

2. Let  $\mathfrak{X}$  be a Banach space and  $E$  be a bounded set in  $\mathfrak{X}$ . We define [3] the Kuratovski number  $\alpha(E)$  of  $E$  as the infimum of all  $\varepsilon > 0$  such that there exists a finite covering of  $E$  with balls with radius smaller than  $\varepsilon$ .

The properties of number  $\alpha(\cdot)$  are the following:

- 1)  $0 \leq \alpha(A) \leq \text{diameter of } A$ .
- 2)  $\alpha(A \cup B) \leq \max\{\alpha(A), \alpha(B)\}$ .
- 3)  $\alpha(A) = 0$ , iff  $A$  is precompact.

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*Definition 1.* An operator  $T$  is called densifying if for each bounded set  $A$

$$\alpha(TA) < \alpha(A)$$

and is called  $\alpha$ -contraction if there exists  $k \in [0, 1)$  independent of  $A$  such that

$$\alpha(TA) \leq k\alpha(A).$$

*Remarks.* It is clear that every completely continuous operator is  $\alpha$ -contraction and that every  $\alpha$ -contraction is densifying. These classes were considered by Darbo and Sadovskii.

A more general class of operators was considered in [9] by

*Definition 2.* An operator is called locally power densifying, if for each bounded set  $A \subset \mathfrak{X}$  there exists an integer  $n = n(A)$  such that

$$\alpha(T^n A) < \alpha(A)$$

and is called locally power contraction if for each bounded set  $A$  there exists  $n = n(A)$  and  $k \in [0, 1)$  such that  $\alpha(T^n A) \leq k\alpha(A)$ .

### 3. GENERALIZATIONS OF SOME FIXED POINT THEOREMS.

The definitions and notations of § 1-2 remain valid. An operator is called demicontinuous if  $x_n \rightarrow x$  strongly in  $\mathfrak{X}$  the  $Tx_n \rightarrow Tx$  weakly in  $\mathfrak{X}^*$  since we consider  $T$  to be an operator from  $\mathfrak{X}$  to  $\mathfrak{X}^*$ .

**THEOREM 3.1.** *Let  $\mathfrak{X}$  be a complex reflexive Banach space and  $T: \mathfrak{X} \rightarrow \mathfrak{X}^*$  be a mapping from  $\mathfrak{X}$  to  $\mathfrak{X}^*$  such that  $T$  is demicontinuous and*

$$|\langle Tx - Ty, x - y \rangle| \geq \beta \|x - y\|^2$$

for all  $x, y \in \mathfrak{X}$  and some constant  $\beta > 0$ . Let  $S$  be an  $\alpha$ -contraction such that

$$(1) \quad \frac{1}{\beta} (Sx - To) \in \{u, u \in \mathfrak{X}^*, \|u\| \leq r^*, r^* \leq r\}$$

for all  $x \in B_r, r > 0$  and  $\alpha(SE) < \beta\alpha(E)$ .

Then there exists at least one point  $x_0 \in B_r$  such that

$$Tx_0 = Sx_0.$$

*Proof.* The proof is similar to proof of theorem 1 in [7] and we give here only modifications in that proof for obtain our theorem.

From hypotheses and Zarantonello-Browder theorem  $T^{-1}$  is well-defined on all  $\mathfrak{X}^*$  and the operator  $T^{-1}S$  maps  $B_r$  into  $B_r$ . Also

$$\|T^{-1}Sy - T^{-1}Sz\| \leq \frac{1}{\beta} (\|Sy - Sz\|).$$

This gives that  $T^{-1}S$  is a densifying operator on  $B_r$  and since it is continuous we find a fixed point  $x_0$  such that

$$T^{-1}Sx_0 = x_0$$

and the theorem is proved.

*Remark.* The case when  $S$  is completely continuous, is theorem 1 of Petryshin [7]. Also theorem 2 of [7] has a variant in our context and we omit this.

Now, we wish to present some generalizations of classical theorem of Rothe [6], Krasnoselskiĭ [5] and Al'tman [1], [2]. These generalizations are obtained without use of the notion of the degree of a mapping in the sense of Leray-Schauder (see the proof of Petryshin of these theorems [7]).

**THEOREM 3.2.** *If  $S$  is a densifying continuous mapping form  $B_r$  to  $\mathfrak{X}$  such that for every  $x \in B_r$*

$$\|x - Sx\|^2 \geq \|Sx\|^2 - \|x\|^2$$

*then  $S$  has at least one fixed point in  $B_r$  for the case  $\mathfrak{X}$  is a Hilbert space and  $S$  is  $\alpha$ -contraction with  $k < \frac{1}{2}$  for the case of Banach spaces.*

*Proof.* We define the retraction map of  $X$  on  $B_r$

$$Ru = \begin{cases} u & \text{if } \|u\| \leq r \\ \frac{ru}{\|u\|} & \text{if } \|u\| \geq r \end{cases}$$

and consider the mapping  $S_1(x) = RSx$  on  $B_r$  into  $B_r$ . By a the theorem of G. Darbo [3] p. 92,  $S_1$  is a densifying operator and by a theorem of Sadovski [10] we find a fixed point  $x_0$  in  $B_r$ ,  $S_1 x_0 = x_0$ . Now, it is clear that  $x_0$  is also a fixed point for  $S$ . Indeed since  $x_0 \in B_r$ , then either  $\|x_0\| < r$  or  $\|x_0\| = r$

$$x_0 = S_1 x_0 = RSx_0 = \begin{cases} Sx_0 & \text{if } \|Sx_0\| \leq r \\ r \frac{Sx_0}{\|Sx_0\|} & \text{if } \|Sx_0\| > r \end{cases}$$

Thus, it is sufficient to discuss the case when  $\|Sx_0\| \geq r$ , i.e. the equation

$$Sx_0 = \lambda_0 x_0 \quad \lambda_0 = \frac{\|Sx_0\|}{r}.$$

If  $\|x_0\| < r$  then we obtain clearly a contradiction. Thus remains only the case  $\|x_0\| = r$  and thus  $\lambda_0 \geq 1$ . Clearly

$$\|x_0\|^2 - \|Sx_0\|^2 = \|x_0 - \lambda_0 x_0\|^2 = (1 - \lambda_0)^2 r^2$$

and

$$\|Sx_0\|^2 - \|x_0\|^2 = (\lambda_0 - 1) r^2.$$

Since  $\lambda_0 \geq 1$ , we must have  $\lambda_0 = 1$  i.e.  $x_0$  is a fixed point for  $S$ .

As special cases we obtain some generalizations of theorems proved by Rothe [6] and Krasnoselskiĭ [5].

**THEOREM 3.3.** *If  $S$  is a continuous densifying mapping from  $B_r$  to  $\mathfrak{X}$  such that for every  $x \in \partial B_r$ ,*

$$\|Sx\| \leq \|x\|$$

*then  $S$  has at least one fixed point in  $B_r$  for  $\mathfrak{X}$  a Hilbert space.*

**THEOREM 3.4.** *If  $\mathfrak{X}$  is a Hilbert space and  $S$  be a continuous densifying mapping from  $B_r$  to  $\mathfrak{X}$  such that for every  $x \in \partial B_r$ ,*

$$\langle Sx, x \rangle \leq \|x\|^2$$

*thus  $S$  has at least one fixed point in  $B_r$ .*

*Remark.* The essential role in the application of Darbo's theorem is the relation concerning the retraction  $R$ ,

$$\|Ru - Ru'\| \leq \|u - u'\|$$

for the case of Hilbert spaces and

$$\|Ru - Ru'\| \leq 2 \|u - u'\|$$

for the case of Banach spaces. Perhaps, the relation  $\|Ru - Ru'\| \leq \|u - u'\|$  is valid in general. But the authors are unable to prove this.

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