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**Analisi funzionale.** — *On the representation of mappings of normal Hausdorff spaces as restrictions of linear transformations* (\*).  
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RIASSUNTO. — Sia  $X$  uno spazio normale di Hausdorff e  $f$  un omeomorfismo di  $X$  su di un suo sottoinsieme chiuso, e sia  $\lambda$  un numero reale con  $0 < \lambda < 1$ . Si supponga che  $\bigcap_1^\infty f^n[X] = \emptyset$  [ $\bigcap_1^\infty f^n[X]$  è formato da un solo elemento]; esiste allora un omeomorfismo [una applicazione continua e biunivoca]  $h$  di  $X$  in un opportuno cubo di Tichonov  $Q^A$  tale che  $hfh^{-1}$  è la restrizione ad  $h[X]$  dell'applicazione  $y \rightarrow \lambda y$ .

#### INTRODUCTION

Let  $f$  be a homeomorphism of a compact Hausdorff space  $X$  into itself with the property that  $\bigcap_1^\infty f^n[X]$  is a singleton. In [4] L. Janos proved that for  $X$  metrizable and for any  $\lambda$ ,  $0 < \lambda < 1$ , there exists a homeomorphism  $h$  of  $X$  into a separable Hilbert space  $H$  such that  $hfh^{-1}$  is the restriction to  $h[X]$  of the mapping sending each  $y \in H$  to  $\lambda y$ . This result has since been extended by the same Author [5] to compact nonmetrizable spaces by replacing  $H$  with a suitable linear topological space  $L$ . In both cases the proofs given by Janos made an essential use of a theorem of Bing [1] on the extension of metrics from a closed subset of a metrizable space to the whole space. A direct and considerably simpler proof of the main result of [4] was given in [2]. In [3] a somewhat more elaborate procedure is used to establish related results for metrizable, not necessarily compact spaces.

In the present Note we use methods similar to those of [2] and [3] to prove related results for normal Hausdorff spaces. The main result of [5] follows as a corollary.

**THEOREM 1.** *Let  $X$  be a normal Hausdorff space and  $f$  a homeomorphism of  $X$  onto a closed subset of  $X$ . Suppose  $\bigcap_{n=1}^\infty f^n[X]$  is a singleton  $\{x_0\}$  and  $\lambda$  a real number  $0 < \lambda < 1$ . Then there exists a continuous one-to-one mapping  $h$  of  $X$  into  $Q^A$ , where  $Q = [0, 1]$  and  $A$  a suitable index set, such that  $hfh^{-1}$  is the restriction to  $h[X]$  of the transformation which maps  $y \in Q^A$  into  $\lambda y$ .*

*Proof:* Without restriction of generality we may assume that  $X \neq \{x_0\}$ . Let  $\{\varphi_{a,1}\}_{a \in A}$  be the set of all continuous functions from  $X$  to  $Q$  such that

$$\varphi_{a,1}(f[X]) = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad C_a = \varphi_{a,1}^{-1}[1] \neq \emptyset.$$

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Define

$$\bar{\varphi}_{a,1}: f[X] \cup C_a \rightarrow Q$$

by

$$\bar{\varphi}_{a,1}(x) = \begin{cases} \varphi_{a,1}f^{-1}(x) & \text{if } x \in f[X] \\ 1 & \text{if } x \in C_a. \end{cases}$$

By the Tietze extension theorem there exists a continuous function  $\varphi_{a,2}: X \rightarrow Q$  which extends  $\bar{\varphi}_{a,1}$ . Thus  $\varphi_{a,2}(f(x)) = \varphi_{a,1}(x)$  and  $\varphi_{a,2}(C_a) = 1$ . By induction we obtain a family of mappings  $\{\varphi_{a,n}\}$   $n = 1, 2, \dots$  of  $X$  to  $Q$  with the properties

$$(1) \quad \varphi_{a,n}(f(x)) = \varphi_{a,n-1}(x), \quad n = 2, 3, \dots,$$

and

$$(2) \quad \varphi_{a,n}(C_a) = 1.$$

Set  $\psi_a(x) = \frac{1-\lambda}{\lambda} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \lambda^m \varphi_{a,m}(x)$ . It is clear that  $\psi$  is a continuous function from  $X$  to  $Q$ . From the definition of  $\psi$  it readily follows that

$$(3) \quad \psi_a(f^n(x)) = \lambda^n \psi_a(x).$$

Let  $h: X \rightarrow Q^A$  be defined by  $(h(x))_a = \psi_a(x)$ . Clearly  $h$  is continuous and it suffices to show that  $h$  is one-to-one. Let  $u$  and  $v$  be distinct elements of  $X$ . We may clearly assume that  $x_0 \notin \{u, v\}$  so that non-negative  $m, n$  exist with  $\{f^{-m}(u), f^{-n}(v)\}$  contained in  $X \sim f[X]$ . We may further assume that  $m \leq n$ . If  $f^{-m}(u) = f^{-n}(v) = x$ , then  $u$  and  $v$  are distinct iterates of  $x$  and, by (3),  $h(v) = \lambda^{n-m} h(u) \neq h(u)$ , since  $m = n$  would imply  $u = v$ . Suppose this is not the case. Writing  $u' = f^{-m}(u)$  and  $v' = f^{-n}(v)$  we can find an index  $a$  in  $A$  so that  $\varphi_a(u') = 1$ ,  $\varphi_a(f[X] \cup \{v'\}) = 0$ . It follows from (3) that

$$\psi_a(u) = \lambda^m \geq \lambda^n > \psi_a(v)$$

whence  $h(u) \neq h(v)$ . Thus  $h$  is one-to-one.

**COROLLARY.** *If in Theorem 1,  $X$  is compact then  $h: X \rightarrow Q^A \subset \mathbf{R}^A$  is a homeomorphism and the main result of [5] follows by setting  $L = \mathbf{R}^A$ . We note that the family of pseudometrics  $\{\rho_a\}$ ,  $a \in A$ , on  $X$ , obtained by setting  $\rho_a(x, y) = |p_a(h(x)) - p_a(h(y))|$  where  $x, y \in X$  and  $p_a(h(x)) = \psi_a(x)$  satisfies the restatement of the main result of [5] mentioned above, involving pseudometrics.*

**THEOREM 2.** *Let  $X$  be a normal Hausdorff space and  $f$  a homeomorphism of  $X$  onto a closed subset of  $X$  with  $\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} f^n[X] = \emptyset$ . Let  $\lambda$  be a real number with  $0 < \lambda < 1$ . Then a homeomorphism  $h$  of  $X$  into  $Q^A$ , where  $Q = [0, 1]$  and  $A$  is a suitable index set, exists such that  $hfh^{-1}$  is the restriction of the mapping sending  $y$  to  $\lambda y$ .*

*Proof:* We define  $A$  and  $h$  as in the proof of Theorem 1. Then we need only show that  $h$  is a closed mapping. Suppose, then, that  $F$  is a closed subset of  $X$  and  $Y = h[F]$ . Let  $\{y_\alpha\}$  be a net in  $Y$  converging to some  $y \in h[X]$ . We have to show that  $y \in Y$ . Suppose not and let  $x = h^{-1}(y)$ ,  $x_\alpha = h^{-1}(y_\alpha)$ . Then  $\{x_\alpha\}$  does not converge to  $x$ . Since  $\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} f^n[X] = \emptyset$  there is a non-negative integer  $m$  such that  $u = f^{-m}(x) \in X \sim f[X]$ . Now  $\{x_\alpha\}$  cannot converge to  $u$ ; for otherwise  $h(x_\alpha) \rightarrow h(u) \neq h(x) = y$ . Let now  $V$  be an open neighborhood of  $u$  contained in  $X \sim f[X]$  and such that  $f^m[V] \subset X \sim F$  and  $\{x_\alpha\}$  is frequently in  $X \sim V$ . Choose  $a \in A$  such that  $\psi_{a,1}: X \rightarrow Q$  is continuous,  $\varphi_{a,1}[X \sim V] = 0$  and  $\varphi_{a,1}(u) = 1$ . Then the function

$$\psi_a = \frac{1-\lambda}{\lambda} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \lambda^m \varphi_{a,m}$$

vanishes for all  $x_\alpha \in X \sim V$  and  $\psi_a(x) = \lambda^m > 0$ . It follows that  $\{y_\alpha\}$  does not converge to  $y$  against our assumption.

The following theorem considers the case when  $\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} f^n[X]$  is a finite set and can be proved as in Theorem 3 of [2].

**THEOREM 3.** *Let  $f$  be a homeomorphism of a normal Hausdorff space  $X$  onto closed subset of  $X$  such that  $\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} f^n[X] = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k\}$ . Let  $\lambda$  be a real number with  $0 < \lambda < 1$  and let  $p$  be the permutation of  $(1, 2, \dots, k)$  with the property that  $p(i) = j$  if and only if  $f(x_i) = x_j$ . Then a continuous one-to-one mapping  $h$  of  $X$  into  $E^k \times Q^A$ , where  $E^k$  is the Euclidean  $k$ -dimensional space, exists such that  $hfh^{-1}$  is the restriction to  $h[X]$  of the transformation which assigns to  $((x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k), y)$  the element  $((x_{p(1)}, x_{p(2)}, \dots, x_{p(k)}), \lambda y)$ .*

*Remark.* We have no conclusive answer as yet to the question whether the theorems above are true for completely regular Hausdorff spaces which are not normal.

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