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Topologia. — *Two theorems characterizing increasing k -set contraction mappings.* Nota di KANHAYA LAL SINGH, presentata (*) dal Socio B. SEGRE.

RIASSUNTO. — Vengono caratterizzati certi tipi di contrazioni, facendone fra l'altro applicazione per ritrovare alcuni risultati di Yamamuro [9].

The notion of measure of noncompactness was introduced by C. Kuratowski [1]. It was Darbo [2] who defined the concept of k -set contraction using the notion of measure of noncompactness. The concept of densifying mappings was introduced by Furi and Vignoli and Nussbaum independently in [3] and [4] respectively. The concept of 1-set contraction was given by Petryshyn [5]. Nussbaum using the measure of noncompactness of Kuratowski [1] developed the degree theory for k -set contraction with $k < 1$, and later extended it to densifying mappings. The degree theory for 1-set contraction was defined by Petryshyn [6]. There are several other kinds of measure of noncompactness developed by Sadovskii [5]. The elegant work of Petryshyn [7] and [8] contains applications of densifying as well as of 1-set contraction mappings.

In the present paper we prove two theorems using the concept of k -set contraction with $k < 1$, characterizing the increasing k -set contraction mappings. An application of this concept is given to the degree theory of k -set contraction mappings. The results of Yamamuro [9] are obtained as Corollaries.

DEFINITION 1.1. (C. Kuratowski [1]). Let X be a real Banach space. Let D be a bounded subset of X . The *measure of noncompactness of D* , denoted by $\gamma(D)$, is defined as follows:

$\gamma(D) = \inf \{ \varepsilon > 0 / D \text{ can be covered by a finite number of subsets of diameter } < \varepsilon \};$

$\gamma(D)$ has the following properties:

- (1) $0 \leq \gamma(D) \leq \delta(D)$, where $\delta(D)$ is the diameter of D ,
- (2) $\gamma(D) = 0$ if and only if D is precompact (i.e. \bar{D} is compact),
- (3) $\gamma(\bar{D}) = 0$ if and if $\gamma(D) = 0$,
- (4) $\gamma(C \cup D) = \max \{ \gamma(C), \gamma(D) \}$,
- (5) $C \subset D$ implies $\gamma(C) \leq \gamma(D)$,
- (6) $\gamma(C + D) \leq \gamma(C) + \gamma(D)$, where $C + D = \{ c + d / c \text{ in } C \text{ and } d \text{ in } D \}$,
- (7) $\gamma(S(D, r)) < \gamma(D) + 2r$, where $S(D, r) = \{ x \text{ in } X / d(x, D) < r \}$.

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Closely related to the notion of measure of noncompactness is the concept of k -set contraction introduced by Darbo [2] as follows:

DEFINITION 1.2. Let X be a real Banach space. Let $T: X \rightarrow X$ be a continuous mapping. Then T is said to be a k -set contraction if for any bounded but not precompact subset D of X we have

$$\gamma(T(D)) \leq k\gamma(D)$$

for some $k \geq 0$. In case $\gamma(T(D)) < \gamma(D)$, ($\gamma(T(D)) \leq \gamma(D)$) for any bounded but not precompact subset D of X such that $\gamma(D) > 0$, the T is called *densifying* (I -set contraction).

REMARK 1.1. In our discussion we will restrict k in Definition 1.2 to satisfy $0 \leq k < 1$.

DEFINITION 1.3. A mapping $T: D \rightarrow X$ is said to be a k -set contraction vector field if T can be represented as $T(x) = I(x) - F(x)$, where $I(x)$ is the identity mapping and $F: D \rightarrow X$ is a k -set contraction.

DEFINITION 1.4. A mapping $T: D \rightarrow X$, where D is some bounded subset of X , is said to be *Fréchet-differentiable* at x in D if there exists a continuous linear mapping $T_{x_0}: X \rightarrow X$ such that

$$(1) \quad \begin{aligned} T(x + x_0) - T(x) &= T_{x_0} + W(x, x_0) \quad \text{for all } x \text{ in } X, \text{ where} \\ \lim_{\|x\| \rightarrow 0} \|W(x, x)\| &\rightarrow 0. \end{aligned}$$

The linear mapping T_{x_0} is called the *Fréchet-derivative* of T and is denoted by $T'(x_0)$.

DEFINITION 1.5. Let X be a real Banach space. Let D be an open bounded subset of X . Let \bar{D} be the closure of D . A mapping $T: \bar{D} \rightarrow X$ is said to be (ε, δ) -uniformly increasing at x_0 in D if there exist numbers $\varepsilon > 0$ and $\delta > 0$ such that the following conditions are satisfied:

- (1) $\|x\| < \delta$ implies $x + x_0$ in D ,
- (2) $\|T(x + x_0) - T(x_0) - \alpha x\| \geq \varepsilon \|x\|$ if $\alpha \leq 0$ and $0 < \|x\| < \delta$.

LEMMA 1.1. The *Fréchet-derivative* of a k -set contraction with $k < 1$ is a k -set contraction with $k < 1$.

The proof of Lemma 1.1 may be found either in Nussbaum [10], pp. 191, or in Sadovskii [5], pp. 103.

LEMMA 1.2. Let X be a real Banach space. Let D be an open, bounded subset of X . Let $T: \bar{D} \rightarrow X$ be a *Fréchet-differentiable* k -set contraction vector field with $k < 1$. Let the range of $T'(x_0)$, the *Fréchet-derivative* of T at x_0 , be compact. Then every eigenvalue of $T'(x_0)$ is positive if and only if T is (ε, δ) -uniformly increasing at x_0 for some $\varepsilon > 0$ and $\delta > 0$.

Proof. Suppose that every eigenvalue of $T'(x_0)$ is positive, but T is not (ε, δ) -uniformly increasing at x_0 for $\varepsilon > 0$ and $\delta > 0$. Then we can find a sequence of elements x_n ($n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$) and numbers α_n such that

$$(I) \quad \|T(x_0 + x_n) - T(x_0) - \alpha_n x_n\| < (1/n) \|x_n\|, \quad \alpha_n < 0 \quad \text{and} \\ 0 < \|x_n\| < (1/n).$$

Let us denote for simplicity $T(x + x_0) - T(x_0)$ by $T_{x_0}(x)$. Thus we can write (I) as

$$\|T_{x_0}(x_n) - \alpha_n x_n\| < (1/n) \|x_n\|, \quad \alpha_n < 0 \quad \text{and} \quad 0 < \|x_n\| < (1/n).$$

Now we wish to show that the sequence $\{\alpha_n\}$ is bounded. Indeed, taking into account (I) and the linearity of $T'(x_0)$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_n &= \|\alpha_n x_n\| / \|x_n\| \leq 1 \{ \|T_{x_0}(x_n) - \alpha_n x_n\| + \|T_{x_0}(x_n)\| \} / \|x_n\| \\ &\leq (1/n) + \|T_{x_0}(x_n)\| / \|x_n\| \leq (1/n) + T'(x_0)(x_n / \|x_n\|) + \|W(x_0, x_n)\| / \|x_n\| \\ &\leq (1/n) + \|T'(x_0)\| + \|W(x_0, x_n)\| / \|x_n\|, \end{aligned}$$

where the right-hand side is bounded because of (I) of Definition 1.4. ($\|T'(x_0)\|$ is the norm of the linear mapping $T'(x_0)$, since $T'(x_0)$ is continuous and the linear mapping $\|T'(x_0)\|$ is finite); therefore there exists a subsequence $\{\alpha_m\}$ of $\{\alpha_n\}$ such that $\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \alpha_m = \alpha_0$ for some non-positive number α_0 .

Let us first observe that $x - T(x)$ is also a k_1 -set contraction with $k_1 < 1$. Indeed let $F(x) = x - T(x)$, then F being the difference of two continuous mappings is certainly continuous. Let A be any bounded but not precompact subset of D . Then

$$\gamma(F(A)) \leq \gamma(A) - k\gamma(A) = (1 - k)\gamma(A) = k_1\gamma(A), \quad \text{where} \quad 0 < k_1 < 1.$$

Moreover from Lemma 1.1. we conclude that the *Fréchet-derivative* $F, F'(x_0) = I - T'(x_0)$ is also a k_1 -set contraction with $0 < k_1 < 1$.

Let $x'_m = (x_m / \|x_m\|)$. Then $\|x'_m\| = 1$, that is x'_m is bounded. Since by hypothesis the range of $F'(x_0)$ is compact, we can infer the existence of a subsequence $\{x'_k\}$ of $\{x'_m\}$ such that $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} F'(x_0)(x'_k) = x_1$ for some element x_1 .

On the other hand by (I) and by (I) of Definition 1.4 we have

$$\begin{aligned} (4) \quad \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \{ (1 - \alpha_k) x'_k - F'(x_0) x'_k \} &= \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \{ x'_k - F'(x_0) x'_k - \alpha_k x'_k \} \\ &= \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \{ T'(x_0) x'_k - \alpha_k x'_k \} = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} (1 / \|x_k\|) \{ T'(x_0) x'_k - \alpha_k x'_k \} \\ &= \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} (1 / \|x_k\|) \{ T'(x_0) x_k - \alpha_k x_k \} = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} (1 / \|x_k\|) \{ T'(x_0) x_k - T_{x_0}(x_k) \} + \\ &+ \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} (1 / \|x_k\|) \{ T_{x_0}(x_k) - \alpha_k x_k \} = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore it follows from (3) that

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} (1 - \alpha_k) x_k = x_1.$$

Hence from (2) we have

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} x'_k = (1/(1 - \alpha_0)) x_1$$

which implies that $\|x_1\| = 1 - \alpha_0$ and by (4) we have

$$T'(x_0)(x_1/(1 - \alpha_0)) = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} T'(x_0)x_k = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \alpha_k x'_k = \alpha_0 x_1/(1 - \alpha_0).$$

This means that α_0 is a nonpositive eigenvalue of $T'(x_0)$.

Conversely let us assume that T is (ε, δ) -uniformly increasing at x_0 for some $\varepsilon > 0$ and $\delta > 0$. Suppose α is an eigenvalue of $T'(x_0)(x)$, i.e.

$$T'(x_0)(x) = \alpha x.$$

Since $T'(x_0)$ is linear, by (4) we have

$$T'(x_0)(\eta x) = \alpha \eta(x) \quad \text{for every number } \eta.$$

Hence by (1) of Definition 1.5 we conclude that there exists $\delta_1 > 0$ such that $\delta_1 < \delta$ and $\|W(x_0, \eta x)\| < \varepsilon |\eta|$ if $|\eta| < \delta_1$.

Thus for $|\eta| < \delta_1$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|T_{x_0}(\eta x) - \alpha \eta(x)\| &= \|T'(x_0)(\eta x) + W(x_0, \eta x) - \alpha \eta x\| \\ &= \|W(x_0, \eta x)\| < \varepsilon |\eta| = \varepsilon \|\eta x\| \end{aligned}$$

which by (2) of Definition 1.5 implies that $\alpha > 0$.

LEMMA 1.3. *Let X be a real Banach space. Let $(-T): \bar{D} \rightarrow X$ be a k -set contraction vector field. Then every eigenvalue of the linear mapping $T'(x_0)$ is negative if and only if the mapping $(-T)$ is (ε, δ) -uniformly increasing at x_0 for some $\varepsilon > 0$, $\delta > 0$ and the range of $(-T)'(x_0)$ is compact.*

Proof. The proof of Lemma 1.3 follows immediately from the proof of Lemma 1.2, since a number is a positive eigenvalue of $T'(x_0)$ if, and only if, it is the absolute value of a negative eigenvalue of $-T'(x_0) = (-T)'(x_0)$.

THEOREM 1.1. *Let X be a real Hilbert space. Let D be an open bounded subset of X . Let $\pm T: \bar{D} \rightarrow X$ be k -set contraction vector fields on D . Let T be Fréchet-differentiable at x_0 in D . Let the Fréchet-derivative $T'(x_0)$ of T satisfy the following conditions:*

$$(A) \quad (T'(x_0)x, x) \neq 0 \quad \text{if } x \neq 0,$$

$$(B) \quad \text{the range of } T'(x_0) \text{ is compact.}$$

Then either T or $-T$ is (ε, δ) -uniformly increasing at x in D for some $\varepsilon > 0$ and $\delta > 0$.

Proof. Suppose neither T nor $-T$ is (ε, δ) -uniformly increasing at x_0 for any $\varepsilon > 0$ and $\delta > 0$. Then from Lemma 1.2. and Lemma 1.3. we conclude the existence of numbers α_i ($i = 1, 2$) and elements x_i ($i = 1, 2$) such that

$$T'(x_0)(x_i) = \alpha_i x_i \quad (i = 1, 2) \quad (\alpha_1 \geq 0, \alpha_2 \leq 0) \quad \text{and} \quad x_i = 1 \quad (i = 1, 2).$$

But by condition (A) α_i are non-zero, therefore $\alpha_1 > 0$ and $\alpha_2 < 0$.

Since x_1 and x_2 are linearly independent we have

$$z(t) = (1-t)x_1 + tx_2 \quad (0 \leq t \leq 1).$$

Now

$$(5) \quad z(0) = x_1 \quad \text{and} \quad z(1) = x_2.$$

Finally we consider the continuous function defined by

$$\varphi(t) = (T'(x_0)z(t), z(t)) \quad (0 \leq t \leq 1).$$

Then $\varphi(0) = (T'(x_0)(z(0)), z(0)) = (T'(x_0)(x_1), x_1) = (\alpha_1 x_1, x_1) = \alpha_1 \|x_1\|^2 > 0$ and $\varphi(1) = (T'(x_0)(z(1)), z(1)) = (T'(x_0)(x_2), x_2) = (\alpha_2 x_2, x_2) = \alpha_2 \|x_2\|^2 < 0$. Thus there exists t_0 in $(0, 1)$ such that $\varphi(t_0) = 0$, i.e. $(T'(x_0)(z(t_0)), z(t_0)) = 0$. Since $z(t) \neq 0$, a contradiction to (A). Hence the Theorem.

REMARK 1.2. Let X be a metric space. Let $T: X \rightarrow X$ be a continuous mapping. T is said to be a k -contraction if $d(T(x), T(y)) \leq kd(x, y)$ for all x, y in X . It follows from Proposition 7, p. 15 in (3) that every k -contraction is a k -set contraction.

EXAMPLE 1.1. An example of a mapping T such that both $+T$ and $-T$ are L -set contractions with $L < 1$ can be obtained by taking $X = \mathbb{R}$, the reals, and defining $T: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ by $T(x) = (3/4)(x)$. Then clearly T satisfies the Lipschitz condition with Lipschitz constant $L = (3/4)$. Hence by Remark 1.2. T is L -set contraction with $L < 1$. Moreover

$$|-T(x) - (-T(y))| = |T(y) - T(x)| = |T(x) - T(y)| = (3/4)|x - y|.$$

Thus $-T$ also satisfies the Lipschitz condition with Lipschitz constant $L = (3/4)$. Therefore $-T$ is also a L -set contraction with $L < 1$. Furthermore $T'(x) = 3/4$ and $(-T)'(x) = -3/4$. Clearly T' and $-T'$ both are o -set contraction, since both of them satisfy the Lipschitz condition with Lipschitz constant $L = 0$. Obviously the range of T , being finite dimensional, is compact.

DEFINITION 1.6. Let X and Y be two Banach spaces. Let D be a bounded subset of X . A continuous mapping $T: DX \rightarrow Y$ is said to be *compact* if $T(D)$ is relatively compact.

REMARK 1.3. A compact mapping is a o -set contraction. Indeed, let D be any bounded subset of X ; then, since T is compact, $T(D)$ is pre-compact. Hence by property (2) of γ we have $\gamma(T(D)) = 0$. Thus T is a o -set contraction.

COROLLARY 1.1. (Yamamuro). Let X be a real Hilbert space. Let D be an open bounded subset of X . Let $\pm T: D \rightarrow X$ be completely continuous vector fields on D . If T is Fréchet-differentiable at a in D and the Fréchet-derivative T' satisfies the following condition:

$$(I) \quad (T'(a)(x), x) \neq 0 \quad \text{if} \quad x \neq 0$$

then T or $-T$ is (ε, δ) -uniformly increasing at a in D for some $\varepsilon > 0$ and $\delta > 0$.

DEFINITION 2.1. A mapping $T: \bar{D} \rightarrow X$ is said to be *strongly increasing* (or *strongly nondecreasing*) at x_0 in D if there exists a sequence $\{x_n\}$ such that $x_n \neq 0$, $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = 0$ and $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|T_{x_0}(x_n) - \alpha x_n\|/\|x_n\| = 0$ implies $\alpha > 0$ (or $\alpha \geq 0$).

THEOREM 2.1. Let X be a real Banach space. Let D be an open, bounded subset of X . Let $T: \bar{D} \rightarrow X$ be a k -set contraction vector field with $k < 1$. Let us assume that T is Fréchet-differentiable at x_0 in D . Furthermore suppose that the range of $T'(x_0)$, the Fréchet-derivative of T at x_0 , is compact. Then T is strongly increasing (or strongly nondecreasing) at x_0 if and only if every eigenvalue of the Fréchet-derivative $T'_{x_0}(0, x)$ is positive (or non-negative).

Proof. Let us assume that T is strongly increasing at x_0 and λ_1 is an eigenvalue of $T'_{x_0}(0, x)$. Therefore there exists x_1 in X such that

$$T'_{x_0}(0, x) = \lambda_1 x_1.$$

Since the Fréchet-derivative $T'_{x_0}(0, x)$ is linear with respect to x , we have:

$$T'_{x_0}(0, tx_1) = \lambda_1 tx_1 \quad \text{for any number } t.$$

Moreover by definition of Fréchet-derivative we have

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \|T_{x_0}(tx_1) - T'_{x_0}(0, tx_1)\| = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \|T_{x_0}(tx_1) - \lambda_1 tx_1\| = 0.$$

Let us first observe that the mapping T is strongly increasing (or strongly nondecreasing) at x_0 in D if and only if the mapping $T_{x_0}(x) = T(x + x_0) - T(x_0)$ is strongly increasing (or strongly non-decreasing) at zero (the zero element of X). Since T_{x_0} is strongly increasing at zero, it follows that $\lambda_1 > 0$.

Conversely let us assume that every eigenvalue of $T'_{x_0}(0, x)$ is positive and there exists a sequence $\{x_n\}$ such that

$$(I) \quad x_n \neq 0, \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|T_{x_0}(x_n) - \alpha x_n\|/\|x_n\| = 0.$$

Without loss of generality we may assume that $\alpha \neq 1$. Since by assumption T_{x_0} is k -set contraction vector field, we can write T_{x_0} as $T_{x_0}(x) = x - F_{x_0}(x)$, where $F_{x_0}(x)$ is a k -set contraction mapping. Hence from (I) we have

$$(2) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|(1 - \alpha)x_n - F_{x_0}(x_n)\|/\|x_n\| = 0.$$

From (2) we conclude that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|(I - \alpha)x_n - F'_{x_0}(x_n)\|/\|x_n\| = 0$$

where $F'_{x_0}(0, x)$ is the *Fréchet-derivative* of $F_{x_0}(x)$ at zero. The existence of such a derivative is guaranteed by the existence of *Fréchet-derivative* of $T_{x_0}(x)$ at zero. Let $(y_n = x_n/\|x_n\|)$. Using the linearity of $F'_{x_0}(0, x)$ with respect to x we have

$$(3) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|(I - \alpha)y_n - F'_{x_0}(0, y_n)\| = 0.$$

Since $\|y_n\| = \|x_n\|/\|x_n\| = 1$, $\{y_n\}$ is bounded. Now using the linearity of $F'_{x_0}(0, x)$ and the assumption that the range of the *Fréchet-derivative* is compact, we conclude the existence of a subsequence $\{y_{n_i}\}$ such that

$$\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} F'_{x_0}(0, y_{n_i}) = y_0$$

for some y_0 in X . Using the continuity of the norm from (3) we have

$$\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \|(I - \alpha)y_{n_i} - y_0\| = 0.$$

Therefore $\|y_0\| = \|I - \alpha\| \neq 0$ and

$$y_0 - T_{x_0}(0, y_0) = F'_{x_0}(0, y_0) = (I - \alpha)y_0$$

so that α is an eigenvalue of $T'_{x_0}(0, x)$, hence we conclude that $\alpha > 0$.

DEFINITION 2.2. Let X be a real Banach space. Let D be an open, bounded subset of X . A mapping $T : D \rightarrow X$ is said to be (δ) -increasing at x_0 in D if there exists a number $\delta > 0$ such that

$$(1) \quad x + x_0 \text{ in } D \text{ if } \|x\| < \delta;$$

$$(2) \quad T(x + x_0) - T(x_0) \neq \alpha x \quad \text{if } \alpha \leq 0 \text{ and } 0 < \|x\| < \delta.$$

In [30] we proved the following Theorem:

THEOREM K. Let X be a real Banach space. Let D be an open, bounded subset of X . Let $T : \bar{D} \rightarrow X$ be a k -set contraction vector field with $k < 1$. If T is (δ) -increasing at x_0 in D , then for any $\delta_1 > 0$ such that $\delta_1 < \delta$ we have $\text{Deg}(0, B(0, \delta_1), T_{x_0}) = 1$, where $B(0, \delta_1)$ denotes the ball of radius δ_1 with center at zero.

Since every (ε, δ) -uniformly increasing mapping at x_0 in D is also (δ) -increasing at x_0 in D , as a corollary Theorem 1.1 we have

COROLLARY 2.1. Let X be a real Hilbert space. Let D be an open, bounded subset of X . Let $\pm T : \bar{D} \rightarrow X$ be k -set contraction with $k < 1$. Suppose that

T is Fréchet-differentiable at x_0 in D and $T'(x_0)$ satisfies conditions (A) and (B) of Theorem 1.1, then there exists $\delta_1 > 0$ such that

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{Deg}(0, B(0, \delta_1, T_{x_0})) = 1 \quad \text{for any } \delta_1 > 0 \text{ such that } 0 < \delta_1 < \delta \\ \text{or} \quad & \text{Deg}(0, B(0, \delta_1), -T_{x_0}) = 1 \quad \text{for any } \delta_1 > 0 \text{ such that } 0 < \delta_1 < \delta. \end{aligned}$$

As a final result we deduce the following theorem of Yamamuro as a Corollary of Theorem 2.1.

COROLLARY 2.2. *Let E be a real Banach space. Let G be an open, bounded subset of E . Let $f: \overline{G} \rightarrow E$ be a completely continuous vector field so that the set $F(\overline{G})$ is contained in a compact set, where $F(x) = x - f(x)$. Let us assume that f is Fréchet-differentiable at a in G . Then f is strongly increasing (or strongly non-decreasing) at a if, and only if, every proper value of the Fréchet-derivative is positive (or non-negative).*

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