



On The Minimal Sets and Stability Conditions For Compact Sets In $I(X)$ -spaces

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Abstract

The set of all isometries on a metric space X with the usual composition of functions form a group and it is called the group of isometries and is denoted by $I(X)$. In this paper we study the generalization of the concepts of minimal sets, stability and attraction, from dynamic system into the topological transformation group $(I(X), X)$. We find that the collection of all minimal sets of $I(X)$ -space is the collection of all the closures of orbits of X and we found some useful results about stability and attraction and we fixed the relationship among it's kinds.

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1. Introduction

If (X, d) and (Y, ρ) are metric spaces and f is a function from X onto Y , then f is called an isometry if $d(x, y) = \rho(f(x), f(y))$ for all points x and y of X . Every isometry is a one-to-one continuous open function. The composition of two isometries is again an isometry and the inverse of an isometry is also an isometry. Then the set of all isometries on a metric space (X, d) is a group and it is denoted by $I(X)$, [7].

This paper consists of three sections. In section one, we introduce some definitions, remarks, propositions, theorems of limit sets (see [1]) which are needed in the next sections. In section two we generalize the concepts of minimal sets from a dynamic system into $I(X)$ -space. We find that a non empty limit set of a point is a minimal set if and only if it is closed, theorem(2.3), also we get that the closure of the orbit of any point of X is minimal, theorem(2.4), moreover the set of all minimal sets of X is the set of all closure of orbits of X , Cor.(2.5). In this section we also prove that the collection of closures of orbits of X forms a partition for X and then we have a quotient space of X , theorem(2.6), and we study some properties of this space, theorem(2.11). Moreover we study the relation between this space and the space of component of X , theorem(2.12). In section three we generalize the subject of stability and attraction from dynamics system into $I(X)$ -spaces. We give a very useful characterization of the sets $\Lambda_w(M)$, $\Lambda(M)$, theorem(3.4), and we find these sets are closed if $I(X)$ is locally compact, theorem(3.5). Final we study the relationships among weak attractor, attractor and stable. A topological transformation group is a triple (G, X, θ) where G is topological group, X is a topological space and: $\theta: G \times X \rightarrow X$ is a continuous function such that,

- (i) $\theta(g, \theta(h, x)) = \theta(gh, x)$ for all $g, h \in G$ and $x \in X$.
- (ii) $\theta(e, x) = x$, for all $x \in X$, where e is the identity element of G .

The map θ is called an action of G on X and the space X together with a given action θ of G is called a G -space (or, more precisely, a left G -space). We shall often use the notation $g.x$ for $\theta(g, x)$ $g.(h, x) = (gh).x$ for $\theta(g, \theta(h, x)) = \theta(gh, x)$. Similarly for $H \subseteq G$ and $A \subseteq X$ we put $HA = \{ga/a \in H, a \in A\}$ for $\theta(A, H)$. A set A is said to be invariant under G if $GA = A$, [4].

Let X be a G -space and $x \in X$ then the subspace $G(x) = \{g.x/g \in G\}$ is called the orbit (trajectory) of x under G . These subspaces form a partition on X and the sets of all orbits in X is denoted by X/G .

Let $\pi: X \rightarrow X/G$ denote the canonical map taking x into its orbit $G(x)$. Then X/G endowed with the quotient topology ($U \subseteq X/G$ is open if $\pi^{-1}(U)$ is open in X) is called the orbit space of X (with respect to G), For $x \in X$ the stabilizer subgroup G_x of G at x is the set $\{g \in G/gx = x\}$. A point $x \in X$ is called a critical (fixed) if $G(x) = \{x\}$, where $G(x)$ is the orbit of x , [4].

1.1 Theorem: Let $I(X)$ be the group of isometrics of a metric space

(X, d) . If $\theta: I(X) \times X \rightarrow X$ is defined by $\theta(f, x) = f(x)$ for every $f \in I(X)$ and $x \in X$, then $(I(X), X, \theta)$ is a topological transformation group with the pointwise convergence topology on $I(X)$.

Dydo [5] generalized the concepts of limit sets from a dynamic system into a G -space as follows.

1.2 Definition: Let X be a G -space. For any $x \in X$, define $\Lambda(x) = \{y \in X$

There exist a net $\{g_\alpha\}$ in G with $g_\alpha \rightarrow \infty$ such that $g_\alpha x \rightarrow y\}$, $\Lambda(x)$ is called the limit set of x .

The proof of the following proposition can be found in [2].

1.3 Proposition : Let X be a G -space and $x \in X$. Then,

- (i) $\Lambda(x)$ is invariant under G .
- (ii) If $x \notin \Lambda(x)$ then the stabilizer subgroup G_x of G at x is compact.
- (iii) The orbit $G(x)$ of x is closed iff $\Lambda(x) \subseteq G(x)$
- (iv) $\overline{G(x)} = G(x) \cup \Lambda(x)$
- (v) $\Lambda(x) = \Lambda(gx) = g\Lambda(x)$, for every $g \in G$.

1.4 Proposition[1]: Let X be a G -space and $x \in X$. If $x \in \Lambda(x)$ then $\Lambda(x)$ is closed.

1.5 Theorem[1]: Let (X, d) be an $I(X)$ -space and $x \in X$. If $\Lambda(x) \neq \phi$, then $\Lambda(x)$ is closed iff $x \in \Lambda(x)$

1.6 Theorem[1]: Let (X, d) be an $I(X)$ -space and $x \in X$. Then the following statements are equivalent.

- (i) $\Lambda(x) \neq \phi$
- (ii) $x \in \overline{\Lambda(x)}$
- (iii) $\overline{\Lambda(x)} = \overline{G(x)}$, (where $G = I(X)$ and $G(x)$ is the orbit of x)

1.7 Proposition[1]: Let (X, d) be an $I(X)$ - space such that $I(X)$ is noncompact. If there exist $x \in X$ such that the closure of the orbit of x is compact, then,

- (i) $\Lambda(x) \neq \phi$
- (ii) $\overline{\Lambda(x)}$ is compact.
- (iii) If $\Lambda(x)$ is closed, then $\Lambda(x)$ is compact.

Manoussos and Stranzalos give the necessary condition for the local compactness of $I(X)$, see the following theorem, [8], [9].

1.8 Theorem: Let (X, d) be a locally compact $I(X)$ -space. If the space of the components of X is compact, then $I(X)$ is locally compact.

2. Minimal Sets

In this section we study minimal sets in $I(X)$ -spaces.

2.1 Definition [6],[10]: Let X be a G -space. A subset $M \subseteq X$ is called minimal, if it is non-empty closed, and invariant, and no proper subset of M has these properties.

2.2 Proposition: Let (X, d) be an $I(X)$ -space and $x \in X$ such that $\Lambda(x) \neq \phi$. If $\Lambda(x)$ is closed then $\Lambda(x)$ is minimal.

Proof: Since $\Lambda(x)$ is closed and invariant. So we have only to prove that no proper subset of $\Lambda(x)$ has these properties. Let $B \subseteq \Lambda(x)$ such that $B \neq \phi$ and B is closed and invariant. Let $z \in \Lambda(x)$, then there exists a net $\{g_\alpha\}$ in $I(X)$ with $g_\alpha \rightarrow \infty$ and $g_\alpha(x) \rightarrow z$. Since $B \neq \phi$, then there exists $y \in B$. But $B \subseteq \Lambda(x)$, then there exists a net $\{f_\alpha\}$ in $I(X)$ with $f_\alpha \rightarrow \infty$ such that $f_\alpha(x) \rightarrow y$. Since f_α is an isometry, for every α , then $d(f_\alpha^{-1}(y), x) = d(y, f_\alpha(x))$. So $f_\alpha^{-1}(y) \rightarrow x$. But B is invariant and $y \in B$, then $f_\alpha^{-1}(y) \in B$, for every α . Also B is closed, then $x \in B$. Thus $g_\alpha(x) \in B$ (since B is invariant). But $g_\alpha(x) \rightarrow z$ and B is closed then $z \in B$. Hence $\Lambda(x) \subseteq B$ and this implies that $\Lambda(x) = B$.

2.3 Theorem: Let (X, d) be an $I(X)$ -space and $x \in X$ such that $\Lambda(x) \neq \phi$. Then the following statements are equivalent:

- (i) $\Lambda(x)$ is a minimal set.
- (ii) $\Lambda(x)$ is a closed set.
- (iii) $x \in \Lambda(x)$.

Proof:

i \leftrightarrow ii). By Definition (2.1) and Proposition(2.2).

ii \leftrightarrow iii). By Theorem (1.5).

The following theorem shows that in $I(X)$ -space X the closure of the orbit of a point of X is minimal.

2.4 Theorem: Let (X, d) be an $I(X)$ -space. Then the closure of the orbit of any point of X is minimal.

Proof: Let $x \in X$ and put $G = I(X)$. We will prove that the closure of orbit of x , $\overline{G(x)}$ is a minimal set. Let $B \subseteq \overline{G(x)}$ such that $B \neq \phi$.

and B is invariant and closed (see Definition (2.1)). Since $B \neq \phi$ then there exists $y \in B$ and since $B \subseteq \overline{G(x)}$, then there exists a net $\{f_\alpha\}$ in $I(X)$ such that $f_\alpha(x) \rightarrow y$. Since f_α is isometry for every α , then $d(f_\alpha^{-1}(y), x) = d(y, f_\alpha(x))$, for every α . Thus $f_\alpha^{-1}(y) \rightarrow x$. Notice that $y \in B$ and B is invariant, then $\{f_\alpha^{-1}(y)\}$ is a net in B . But B is also closed, then $x \in B$. So $\overline{G(x)} \subseteq B$. This completes the proof.

2.5 Corollary: Let (X, d) be an $I(X)$ - space. Then the collection of all minimal sets in X is the collection of all closures of orbits of elements of X .

Proof: Let $B \neq \emptyset$ a minimal set. Thus B . Then there exists $x \in B$. Since B is invariant and closed then the closure orbit of x , $\overline{G(x)} \subseteq B$ (where $G=I(X)$). But by Theorem(2.4), $\overline{G(x)}$ is a minimal set. Thus $B = \overline{G(x)}$. So the collection $\{\overline{G(x)}/x \in X\}$ is all minimal sets of X .

We will give a useful partition of $I(X)$ -space, in the following theorem.

2.6 Theorem: Let (X,d) be an $I(X)$ - space. Then the collection of all closures of orbits of elements of X is a partition of X .

Proof: Put $G=I(X)$. Let $x,y \in X$ such that $\overline{G(x)} \cap \overline{G(y)} \neq \emptyset$. Thus there exists $z \in \overline{G(x)} \cap \overline{G(y)}$. Since $z \in \overline{G(x)}$, then there exists a net $\{f_\alpha\}$ in $I(X)$ such that $f_\alpha(x) \rightarrow z$. Notice that f_α is isometry for every α , then $d(f_\alpha^{-1}(y), x) = d(y, f_\alpha(x))$.

Then by $f_\alpha \rightarrow z$, we have $f_\alpha^{-1}(z) \rightarrow x$. Since $z \in \overline{G(y)}$ and $\overline{G(y)}$ is invariant and closed, then $x \in \overline{G(y)}$.

Thus $\overline{G(x)} \subseteq \overline{G(y)}$. So $\overline{G(x)} = \overline{G(y)}$. This completes the proof.

2.7 Definition: Let (X,d) be an $I(X)$ -space, and let X^* denotes the collection whose elements are closures of orbits of elements of X . By Theorem (2.6), X^* is a partition of X , thus we can define the natural map $P: X \rightarrow X^*$ taking x into its closure of orbit $\overline{(I(X))(x)}$. Then X^* endowed with the quotient topology ($V \subseteq X^*$ is open if $P^{-1}(V)$ is open in X) is called the closure orbit space of X .

2.8 Proposition: Let (X,d) be an $I(X)$ -space. If $\Lambda(x) = \emptyset$ for every $x \in X$, then the orbit space and the closure orbit space coincide.

Proof: Since in any $I(X)$ -space $\overline{(I(X))(x)} = (I(X))(x) \cup \Lambda(x)$, for each $x \in X$, then we get the orbit space and the closure orbit space coincide.

2.9 Proposition: Let (X,d) be an $I(X)$ -space. Then

- (i) The closure orbit space X^* is a T_1 -space.
- (ii) If A is a finite subset of X , then $P(A)$ is closed where $P: X \rightarrow X^*$ is the quotient map.

Proof:

- (i) Put $G=I(X)$. Let $x \in X$. Now, $P^{-1}(P(\overline{G(x)})) = P^{-1}(\overline{G(x)})$. Since the set of all closure orbits of X , X^* is a partition of X , then $P^{-1}(\overline{G(x)}) = \overline{G(x)}$. Thus $P^{-1}(\overline{G(x)})$ is closed, for every $x \in X$. Then $\overline{G(x)}$ is closed, for every $x \in X$, that is X^* is a T_1 - space.
- (ii) By (i).

The following proposition gives useful properties of minimal sets in $I(X)$ -space.

2.10 Proposition: Let (X,d) be an $I(X)$ - space and M be a minimal set. Then

- (i) M is open if and only if $\text{int}(M) \neq \emptyset$, (where $\text{int}(M)$ is the interior of M).
- (ii) If $\text{int}(M) \neq \emptyset$, then M is a union of the components of elements of M in X .
- (iii) If $\text{int}(M) \neq \emptyset$ and $I(X)$ is connected, the M is a component of X .
- (iv) If $\text{int}(M) \neq \emptyset$ and X is connected, then $M=X$.

Proof: i) \rightarrow). Let M be an open set. Since M is a minimal set, then $\text{int}(M) \neq \emptyset$. \leftarrow). Let $\text{int}(M) \neq \emptyset$, then there exists $a \in M$ and an open set B in X such that $a \in B \subseteq M$. Since M is minimal and $a \in M$, then $\overline{(I(X))(a)} \subseteq M$. Thus by Theorem(2.4), $M = \overline{(I(X))(a)}$. Now, we want to prove that $M = \text{int}(M)$. Let $b \in M$ then $b \in \overline{(I(X))(a)}$. Thus there exists a net $\{f_\alpha\}$ in $I(X)$ such that $f_\alpha(a) \rightarrow b$. Since f_α is an isometry, for every α , then $d(f_\alpha^{-1}(b), a) = d(b, f_\alpha(a))$.

Thus by $f_\alpha(a) \rightarrow b$, we have $f_\alpha^{-1}(b) \rightarrow a$. But B is an open nbhd of a , then there exists β such that $f_\alpha^{-1}(b) \in B$, for every $\alpha \geq \beta$. Then $b \in f_\beta(B)$. Since f_β is isometry, then $f_\beta(B)$ is open. But $B \subseteq M$ and M is invariant then $f_\beta(B) \subseteq M$. Thus $b \in \text{int}(M)$. So $M = \text{int}(M)$, i.e. M is open.

ii) Let $\text{int}(M) \neq \emptyset$. Let $a \in M$ and $C(a)$ be a component of a . Then $C(a) \cap M \neq \emptyset$. Since $\text{int}(M) \neq \emptyset$, then by (i) M is open. But M is closed (Since M is minimal), then $C(a) \cap M^c = \emptyset$, otherwise $C(a)$ is disconnected. Thus $C(a) \subseteq M$. So $M = \bigcup_{a \in A} C(a)$.

iii) Let $\text{int}(M) \neq \emptyset$ and $I(X)$ is connected. Since $M \neq \emptyset$, then there exists $a \in M$.

By (ii), we have $C(a) \subseteq M$, where $C(a)$ is a component of a .

Since $\overline{(I(X))(a)}$ is minimal (by Theorem (2.4)) and M is a minimal set, then $M = \overline{(I(X))(a)}$ (since $a \in M$). Since $I(X)$ is a connected space, then $I(X) \times \{a\}$ is connected.

Thus the orbit $\overline{(I(X))(a)}$ is connected. But $C(a)$ is a component of a then $I(X)(a) \subseteq C(a)$. Thus $\overline{(I(X))(a)} \subseteq C(a)$ (since $C(a)$ is closed). Then $M=C(a)$.

iv). Since $\text{int}(M) \neq \emptyset$, then by (ii), $C(a) \subseteq M$, for every component $C(a)$ of $a \in M$. But X is connected, then $C(a)=X$. Thus $M=X$.

2.11 Theorem: Let (X,d) be an $I(X)$ -space. If $\overline{(I(X))(a)} \neq \emptyset$ for every $x \in X$, then

- (i) The quotient map $P: X \rightarrow X^*$ is open.
- (ii) The closure orbit space X^* is a discrete space.

Proof:

i). Let B be an open set of X . Note that $P^{-1}(P(B)) \cup_{x \in B} \overline{(I(X))(x)}$. By Theorem(2.4), $\overline{(I(X))(x)}$ is a minimal set for every $x \in B$ and since $\text{int}(\overline{(I(X))(x)}) \neq \phi$, for every $x \in B$, then by Proposition (2.10), $\overline{(I(X))(x)}$ is an open set, for every $x \in B$. Thus $P^{-1}(P(B))$ is open. Then $P(B)$ is open. So P is open.

ii). Since $\text{int}(\overline{(I(X))(x)}) \neq \phi$ and $\overline{(I(X))(x)}$ is a minimal set for every $x \in X$ (by Theorem (2.4)), then by Proposition (2.10), $\overline{(I(X))(x)}$ is open. It follows from (i), P is open, then $P(\overline{(I(X))(x)})$ is open. Thus $\{\overline{(I(X))(x)}\}$ is open in X^* , for every $x \in X$. So X^* is a discrete space.

Let (X, d) be an $I(X)$ -space and let $\Sigma(X)$ denotes the collection of all components of X .

2.12 Theorem: Let (X, d) be an $I(X)$ -space and $\text{int}(\overline{(I(X))(x)}) \neq \phi$, for every $x \in X$, then

- (i) If $I(X)$ is connected, then
 - (a) $X^* = \Sigma(X)$
 - (b) $\Sigma(X)$ is a discrete space.
- (ii) If X is connected, then $X^* = \{X\}$.

Proof:

- i)
 - a) By Theorem (2.4) and Proposition (2.10), iii.
 - b) By (a) and by Theorem (2.11), ii.
- ii) By Theorem (2.4) and Proposition (2.10), iv.

2.13 Theorem: Let (X, d) be a locally compact $I(X)$ -space such that $\text{int}(\overline{(I(X))(x)}) \neq \phi$, for every $x \in X$ and X^* is compact. If $I(X)$ is connected, then $I(X)$ is a locally compact space.

Proof: By Theorem(1.8) and Theorem (2.12), i.

3. Stability and Attraction for compact sets

In this section we generalized the concepts of stability and attraction for compact sets from dynamic system into $I(X)$ -space.

3.1 Definition: Let (X, d) be an $I(X)$ -space and M be a non-empty compact subset of X . Define,

$$\Lambda_w(M) = \{x \in X / \Lambda(x) \cap M \neq \phi\},$$

$$\Lambda(M) = \{x \in X / \Lambda(x) \neq \phi \text{ and } \Lambda(x) \subseteq M\}.$$

The sets $\Lambda_w(M)$, $\Lambda(M)$ are respectively called the region of weak attraction and attraction of the set M . Moreover, any point x in $\Lambda_w(M)$ or $\Lambda(M)$ respectively is said to be weakly attracted, attracted to M .

Notice that if $I(X)$ is compact, then $\Lambda_w(M) = \Lambda(M) = \phi$, so we assume $I(X)$ to be not compact in this section.

3.2 Example: Let N be the set of all positive integers and (N, d) be the discrete metric space, then $\Lambda_w(M) = N$, $\Lambda(M) = \phi$ for every non-empty compact subset M of X .

Solution: Since N is a discrete metric space then M is a non-empty finite set. First we want to calculate $\Lambda(x)$.

For every $x \in N$. Let $y \in N$ such that $y \neq x$. For every $n \in N$ such that $y \neq x + n$, define $f_n: N \rightarrow N$ as follows, $f_n(x) = y$, $f_n(y) = x + n$, $f_n(x + n) = x$ and $f_n(t) = t$, for every $t \in N$ distinct from x, y and $x + n$. Notice that $f_n \in I(N)$, for every $n \in N$, and $f_n(x) = y \rightarrow y$, $f_n \rightarrow \infty$, because $f_n(y) = x + n$, for every $n \in N$ (that is $f_n(y) \rightarrow \infty$). Thus $y \in \Lambda(x)$, for every $y \neq x$. Since N is a discrete space, then $\Lambda(x)$ is closed. Thus by Theorem (1.5), $x \in \Lambda(x)$. So $\Lambda(x) = N$. Since M is a non-empty finite set, then $\Lambda(x) \cap M \neq \phi$ for every $x \in N$. Thus $\Lambda_w(M) = N$ and since $\Lambda(x) = N \not\subseteq M$, for every $x \in N$ then $\Lambda(M) = \phi$.

3.3 Example: Let $X = Y \cup Z$, where $Y = \{(0, y) / y \in R\}$ and $Z = \{(z, 0) / z \geq 1 \text{ or } z \leq -1\}$. Let $d = \min\{1, d'\}$ where d' is the Euclidean metric, then $\Lambda_w(M) = \phi$ or $B \cup (-B)$ and $\Lambda(M) = \phi$ or $B \cap (-B)$ where $B = M \cap Y$ for every non-empty compact subset M of X .

Solution: First we will calculate $\Lambda(x)$, for every $x \in X$. Notice that $\Lambda(x) = \phi$ for every $x \in y$. Let $(0, z) \in Z$. Now, for every positive integer n , define $f_n: X \rightarrow X$, by $f_n((0, y)) = (0, y + n)$ and $f_n((x, 0)) = (x, 0) \in Z$. So $f_n \in I(X)$ for every positive integer n , and $f_n \rightarrow \infty$.

But $f_n((z, 0)) = (z, 0) \rightarrow (z, 0)$. Thus $(z, 0) \in \Lambda(z, 0)$. Also $(-z, 0) \in \Lambda((z, 0))$.

Thus $\Lambda(z, 0) = \{(z, 0), (-z, 0)\}$. Now, let M be a non-empty compact subset of X .

If $M \subseteq Y$, then $\Lambda_w(M) = \phi$ and $\Lambda(M) = \phi$ (since $\Lambda((0, y)) = \phi$ and $\Lambda((z, 0)) \cap M = \phi$).

If $M \cap Z \neq \phi$. Put $B = M \cap Y$, then $\Lambda((z, 0)) \cap B \neq \phi$ and $\Lambda((-z, 0)) \cap B \neq \phi$, for every $(z, 0) \in B$.

Thus $\Lambda_w(M) = B \cup (-B)$. Notice that if $(z, 0) \in B$ and $(-z, 0) \notin B$, then $\Lambda(-z, 0) = \Lambda(z, 0) \not\subseteq M$. Thus $\Lambda(M) = B \cap (-B)$.

The following theorem gives a useful characterization for weak attracted and attracted point.

3.4 Theorem: Let (X, d) be an $I(X)$ -space and M a non-empty compact subset of X . Then

- (i) A point x is weak attracted to M if and only if there exists a net $\{f_n\}$ in $I(X)$ such that $f_n \rightarrow \infty$ and $d(f_n(x), M) \rightarrow 0$.
- (ii) A point x is attracted to M if and only if for every net $\{f_\alpha\}$ in $I(X)$ with $f_\alpha \rightarrow \infty$, there exists a subnet $\{f_\beta\}$ of $\{f_\alpha\}$ such that $d(f_\beta(x), M) \rightarrow 0$.

Proof: $i) \rightarrow$. Let $x \in \Lambda_w(M)$. Then $\Lambda(x) \cap M \neq \phi$. So there exists $y \in \Lambda(x) \cap M$.

Thus there exists a net $\{f_\alpha\}$ in $I(X)$ with $f_\alpha \rightarrow \infty$ and $f_\alpha(x) \rightarrow y$. Then $d(f_\alpha(x), y) \rightarrow 0$.

Since $y \in M$, then $d(f_\alpha(x), M) \leq d(f_\alpha(x), y)$, for every α . Hence $d(f_\alpha(x), M) \rightarrow 0$.

\leftarrow). Let $\{f_\alpha\}$ be a net in $I(X)$ with $f_\alpha \rightarrow \infty$ such that $d(f_\alpha(x), M) \rightarrow 0$. For every α , put $t_\alpha = d(f_\alpha(x), m)$. Thus for every positive integer n there exists $y_n \in M$ such that $d(f_\alpha(x), y_n) < t_\alpha + \frac{1}{n}$. Since $\{y_n\}$ is a sequence in M and M is a compact set, then there are $y_\alpha \in M$ and a subsequence $\{y_m\}$ of $\{y_n\}$ such that $y_m \rightarrow y_n$. Now,

$$\begin{aligned} d(f_\alpha(x), y_\alpha) &\leq d(f_\alpha(x), y_m) + d(y_m, y_\alpha) \\ &< t_\alpha + \frac{1}{m} + d(y_m, y_\alpha) \end{aligned}$$

Since $d(y_m, y_\alpha) \rightarrow 0$ and $\frac{1}{m} \rightarrow 0$ as $m \rightarrow \infty$, then $d(f_\alpha(x), y_\alpha) \leq t_\alpha$.

Since $t_\alpha = d(f_\alpha(x), M) \leq d(f_\alpha(x), y_\alpha)$. So $t_\alpha = d(f_\alpha(x), y_\alpha)$, for every α .

But we have a net $\{y_\alpha\}$ in M , then there exists $y \in M$ and a subnet $\{y_\beta\}$ of $\{y_\alpha\}$ such that $y_\beta \rightarrow y$ (since M is compact). Now,

$d(f_\beta(x), y) \leq d(f_\beta(x), y_\beta) + d(y_\beta, y) = t_\beta + d(y_\beta, y)$. Since $t_\beta \rightarrow 0$ and $y_\beta \rightarrow y$, then $f_\beta(x) \rightarrow y$. But $f_\beta \rightarrow \infty$, then $y \in \Lambda(x)$. So $\Lambda(x) \cap M \neq \emptyset$ (Since $y \in M$). Then $x \in \Lambda_w(M)$.

ii) \rightarrow). Let $x \in \Lambda(x)$ and $\{f_\alpha\}$ be a net in $I(X)$ such that $f_\alpha \rightarrow \infty$. Then $\Lambda(x) \neq \emptyset$ and $\Lambda(x) \subseteq M$.

Since $\Lambda(x) \neq \emptyset$, then by Theorem (1.6), $x \in \overline{\Lambda(x)}$. But $\overline{\Lambda(x)}$ is invariant then $\{f_\alpha(x)\}$ is a net in $\overline{\Lambda(x)}$. Since $\Lambda(x) \subseteq M$ and M is closed, then $\overline{\Lambda(x)} \subseteq M$, that is $\{f_\alpha(x)\}$ is a net in M . Thus $d(f_\alpha(x), M) = 0$, for every α . This completes the proof.

\leftarrow). Since $I(X)$ is non-compact, then there exists a net $\{f_\alpha\}$ in $I(X)$ such that $f_\alpha \rightarrow \infty$. Thus there exists a subnet $\{f_\beta\}$ of $\{f_\alpha\}$ such that $d(f_\beta(x), M) \rightarrow 0$.

Then from the proof of (i), we have $\Lambda(x) \neq \emptyset$.

We will prove that $\Lambda(x) \subseteq M$, let $y \in \Lambda(x)$ then there exists a net $\{g_\alpha\}$ in $I(X)$ with $g_\alpha \rightarrow \infty$ and $g_\alpha(x) \rightarrow y$. So there exists a subnet $\{g_\beta\}$ of $\{g_\alpha\}$ such that $d(g_\beta(x), m) \rightarrow 0$.

It follows from the proof of (i), there exists $z \in M$ and a subnet $\{g_\gamma\}$ of $\{g_\beta\}$ such that $g_\gamma \rightarrow z$. But $g_\gamma \rightarrow y$. Then $y=z$ (since X is T_2 -space).

Then $\Lambda(x) \subseteq M$, that is $x \in \Lambda(x)$.

We now give an important properties of $\Lambda_w(M)$ and $\Lambda(M)$.

3.5 Theorem: let (X, d) be an $I(X)$ -space and M be a non-empty compact subset of X . Then

- (i) $\Lambda(M) \subseteq \Lambda_w(M)$
- (ii) $\Lambda_w(M)$ and $\Lambda(M)$ are Invariant.
- (iii) If $x \in \Lambda(M)$, then $\Lambda(x) \subseteq \Lambda(M)$.
- (iv) If $I(X)$ is locally compact then $\Lambda(M)$ and $\Lambda_w(M)$ are closed

Proof:

(i) Let $x \in \Lambda(M)$, then $\Lambda(x) \neq \emptyset$ and $\Lambda(x) \subseteq M$, so $\Lambda(x) \cap M \neq \emptyset$. Thus $\Lambda(M) \subseteq \Lambda_w(M)$

(ii) It is clear that $\Lambda(x) = \Lambda(f(x))$, for every $x \in X$ and $f \in I(X)$, then $\Lambda_w(M)$ and $\Lambda(M)$ are invariant.

(iii) Let $x \in \Lambda(M)$, then $\Lambda(x) \neq \emptyset$ and $\Lambda(x) \subseteq M$. We will prove that $\Lambda(x) \subseteq \Lambda(M)$, let $y \in \Lambda(x)$ and $z \in \Lambda(y)$, than there are two nets $\{f_\alpha\}$ and $\{g_\alpha\}$ with $f_\alpha \rightarrow \infty$, $g_\alpha \rightarrow \infty$, such that $f_\alpha(x) \rightarrow y$ and $g_\alpha(y) \rightarrow z$.

Now,

$$\begin{aligned} d((g_\alpha \circ f_\alpha)(x), z) &= d(f_\alpha(x), g_\alpha^{-1}(z)) \text{ (since } g_\alpha \text{ is an isometry)} \\ &\leq d(f_\alpha(x), y) + d(y, g_\alpha^{-1}(z)) \\ &= d(f_\alpha(x), y) + d(g_\alpha(y), z) \end{aligned}$$

Since $f_\alpha(x) \rightarrow y$ and $g_\alpha(y) \rightarrow z$, then we have $(g_\alpha \circ f_\alpha)(x) \rightarrow z$.

Now, if $g_\alpha \circ f_\alpha \rightarrow \infty$, then $z \in \Lambda(x)$ and if there exists $f \in I(X)$ such that $g_\alpha \circ f_\alpha \rightarrow f$ Then by Proposition(1.4), $z = f(x)$. Thus z belongs to the orbit of $x, (I(X))(x)$ so always $z \in \overline{(I(X))(x)}$. Since $\Lambda(x) \neq \emptyset$, then by Theorem (1.6), $z \in \overline{\Lambda(x)}$. Notice that $\Lambda(x) \subseteq M$ and M is closed, then $\overline{\Lambda(x)} \subseteq M$.

Thus $\Lambda(y) \subseteq M$, for every $y \in \Lambda(x)$. Then $\Lambda(x) \subseteq \Lambda(M)$.

(iv) Let y be a limit point of $\Lambda(M)$. First we show that $\Lambda(M) \subseteq M$. Let $x \in \Lambda(M)$, then $\Lambda(x) \neq \emptyset$ and $\Lambda(x) \subseteq M$. Since M is closed and $x \in \overline{\Lambda(x)}$, then $x \in M$. Thus $\Lambda(M) \subseteq M$. But $\overline{\Lambda(M)}$ is invariant, then $\overline{(I(X))(y)} \subseteq \overline{\Lambda(M)}$. Thus $\Lambda(y) \subseteq M$. We claim that $\Lambda(y) \neq \emptyset$, since y is a limit of $\Lambda(M)$, then there exists a sequence $\{y_n\}$ in $\Lambda(M)$ such that $y_n \rightarrow y$. So for every n , there exists $x_n \in X$ such that $y_n \in \Lambda(x_n) \subseteq M$, therefore there exists a net $\{f_\alpha^n\}$ in $I(X)$ such that $f_\alpha^n \rightarrow \infty$ and $f_\alpha^n(x_n) \rightarrow y_n$. Since $I(X)$ is locally compact then by [11,11D.d, page 77](for the proof see [1]), there exists a diagonal net $\{f_{\alpha_m}^m(x_m)\}$ such that $f_{\alpha_m}^m \rightarrow \infty$ and $f_{\alpha_m}^m(x_m) \rightarrow y$. But $\{x_m\}$ is a sequence in a compact set M , therefore there exists a subsequence $\{x_k\}$ of $\{x_m\}$ and $x \in M$ such that $x_k \rightarrow x$. Thus $x \in \Lambda(M)$. This completes the proof. In the same way we can prove that $\Lambda_w(M)$ is closed.

3.6 Corollary: Let (X, d) be an $I(X)$ -space and M be a non-empty compact subset of X . If $I(X)$ is locally compact then (M) is compact.

Proof: We will prove $\overline{\Lambda(M)} \subseteq M$, let $x \in \overline{\Lambda(M)}$, then $\Lambda(x) \neq \emptyset$ and $\Lambda(x) \subseteq M$. Since M is a compact subset of a Hausdorff space, then $\overline{\Lambda(x)} \subseteq M$.

But by Theorem (1.6), $x \in \overline{\Lambda(x)}$. Thus $\Lambda(M) \subseteq M$. Then by Theorem (3.5) $\Lambda(M)$ is compact.

In general $\Lambda_w(M) \neq \Lambda(M)$ as shown in Examples (3.2), and (3.3). But the following theorem shows that $\Lambda_w(M) = \Lambda(M)$ if M is invariant.

3.7 Theorem: Let (X, d) be an $I(X)$ -space and M be a non-empty compact subset of X . If M is invariant, then

- (i) $\Lambda_w(M) = M$
- (ii) $\Lambda(M) = \Lambda_w(M)$.

Proof:

- (i) Let $x \in \Lambda_w(M)$. Then $\Lambda(x) \cap M \neq \emptyset$, thus there exists $y \in \Lambda(x) \cap M$. So there exists a net $\{f_\alpha\}$ in $I(X)$ with $f_\alpha \rightarrow \infty$ and $f_\alpha(x) \rightarrow y$. Since M is invariant and $y \in M$, then $\{f_\alpha^{-1}(y)\}$ is a net in M . But $f_\alpha(x) \rightarrow y$ and $d(f_\alpha^{-1}(y), x) = d(f_\alpha(x), y)$ (Since f_α is an isometry). Then $f_\alpha^{-1}(y) \rightarrow x$, so $x \in M$ (since M is closed). Thus $\Lambda_w(M) \subseteq M$.

Now, we prove $M \subseteq \Lambda_w(M)$, let $x \in M$. Since M is invariant and closed, then the closure of orbit of x is a subset of M . Since M is compact then $(I(X))(x)$ is compact. So by Proposition (1.7), $\Lambda(x) \neq \emptyset$.

Now, $\emptyset \neq \Lambda(x) \subseteq (I(X))(x) \subseteq M$, then $\Lambda(x) \cap M \neq \emptyset$, that is $M \subseteq \Lambda_w(M)$. Hence $\Lambda_w(M) = M$.

- iii) First we will prove that $M \subseteq \Lambda(M)$. Let $x \in M$. Since M is invariant, then the closure orbit of x is a closed subset of M . But M is compact, then the closure orbit of x is compact. Thus by Proposition (1.7), $\Lambda(x) \neq \emptyset$ and since $\Lambda(x) \subseteq M$, then $x \in \Lambda(M)$. Thus $M \subseteq \Lambda(M)$. So by (i) and Proposition (3.2.5),i, we have $\Lambda(M) = \Lambda_w(M)$.

The converse of Theorem (3.7),ii, is not true in general. In Example (3.3), if we take $M = \{(0,1), (1,0), (-1,0)\}$, then $\Lambda_w(M) = \Lambda(M)$. But M is not invariant.

3.8 Definitions,[3]: Let (X, d) be an $I(X)$ -space. A non-empty compact subset M of X is said to be,

- i) A weak attractor if $\Lambda_w(M)$ is a neighborhood of M .
- ii) An attractor if $\Lambda(M)$ is a neighborhood of M .
- iii) Stable if every neighborhood U of M contains an invariant neighborhood V of M and if it is not stable, it is called unstable.

3.9 Example: Let (N, d) be the discrete metric space where N is the set of all positive integers and M be a non-empty compact subset of N . Then,

- i) M is a weak attractor.
- ii) M is not attractor.
- iii) M is unstable

Solution

- i) It follows that from the solution of Example (3.2) $\Lambda_w(M) = N$ for every nonempty compact M of N and since $M \subseteq \Lambda_w(M)$ and $\Lambda_w(M)$ is open then M is a weak attractor.

- ii) See the solution of Example (3.2) $\Lambda(M) = \emptyset$, for every M . Then $M \not\subseteq \Lambda(M)$ therefore M is not attractor.

- iii) Notice that M is unstable. Since N is a discrete space, then M is a finite set. So M is open in N .

Now, Put $n = \max\{k/k \in M\}$, define $f: N \rightarrow N$ by $f(n) = n + 1$, $f(n + 1) = n$ and $f(r) = r$ for every $r \in N$ distinct from n and $n + 1$. So $f \in I(N)$.

But $f(n) = n + 1 \notin M$. Thus M is not invariant. Then M is open but not invariant.

Hence M is unstable.

3.10 Example: In Example (3.3), if we take $M = \{(1,0), (-1,0)\}$ then M is a weak attractor, attractor and stable.

Solution: First we will show that M is open, since $X = Y \cup Z$ where $Y = \{(0, y)/y \in R\}$, $Z = \{(z, 0)/z \geq 1 \text{ or } z \leq -1\}$ and $d = \min\{1, d'\}$, where d' is the Euclidean metric, then $B\left((1,0), \frac{1}{2}\right) = \{(1,0)\}$ and

$B\left((-1,0), \frac{1}{2}\right) = \{(-1,0)\}$, Thus M is open. See the solution of Example (3.3) $\Lambda((1,0)) = \{(1,0), (-1,0)\}$ and $\Lambda((-1,0)) = \{(1,0), (-1,0)\}$. Thus $\Lambda_w(M) = \Lambda(M) = \{(1,0), (-1,0)\}$. Then $\Lambda_w(M)$ and $\Lambda(M)$ are neighborhoods of M , thus M is a weak attractor and attractor.

It is clear that, for every $f \in I(X)$, then either $f((1,0)) = (1,0)$, $f((-1,0)) = (-1,0)$ or $f((1,0)) = (-1,0)$, $f((-1,0)) = (1,0)$, thus M is invariant and since M is open. Then M is stable.

Now we are ready to prove some results about the concepts that introduced.

3.11 Proposition: Let (X, d) be an $I(X)$ -space and M be a non-empty compact subset of X . If M is a weak attractor or attractor, then the corresponding sets $\Lambda_w(M)$ or $\Lambda(M)$ are open.

Proof: Let Y denote any one of the sets $\Lambda_w(M)$ or $\Lambda(M)$ since Y is a neighborhood of M , then there exists an open set U such that $M \subseteq U \subseteq Y$ thus $U \cap Y^c$. Since U is open then $U \cap \partial Y^c = \emptyset$ (where ∂Y^c is the boundary of Y^c). So $U \cap \partial Y = \emptyset$ (Since $\partial Y^c = \partial Y$), thus $M \cap \partial Y = \emptyset$.

Let $Y = \Lambda(M)$, suppose that $Y \cap \partial Y \neq \emptyset$, then there exists $x \in Y \cap \partial Y$. So $\Lambda(M) \subseteq M$ and $\Lambda(x) \neq \emptyset$ (since $Y = \Lambda(M)$). Then by Theorem (1.6), we have $x \in M$, a contradiction (since $M \cap \partial Y = \emptyset$). So $Y \cap \partial Y = \emptyset$, then Y is open. Also we want to prove that $\Lambda_w(M)$ is open. Suppose that $Y \cap \partial Y \neq \emptyset$ (where $Y = \Lambda_w(M)$) thus there exists $x \in Y \cap \partial Y$, so $\Lambda(x) \cap M \neq \emptyset$, that is there exists $y \in \Lambda(x) \cap M$. Then there exists a net $\{f_n\}$ in $I(X)$ such that $f_n \rightarrow \infty$ and $f_n(x) \rightarrow y$. Since ∂Y is invariant and closed, then $y \in \partial Y$, a contradiction (since $M \cap \partial Y = \emptyset$). Hence $Y \cap \partial Y = \emptyset$ and thus Y is open.

3.12 Theorem: Let (X, d) be an $I(X)$ -space and let M be a non-empty compact subset of X . Then M is an attractor if and only if M is invariant and open.

Proof: \rightarrow). Let M be an attractor, then $\Lambda(M)$ is a neighborhood of M thus $M \subseteq \Lambda(M)$, and also $\Lambda(M) \subseteq M$. So $M = \Lambda(M)$. Hence by and Theorem (3.5),ii, and by Proposition (3.11) M is open and invariant.

\leftarrow). Let M be open and invariant. Then by Theorem (3.5), $\Lambda(M) = M$. Thus M is an attractor.

3.13 Theorem: Let (X, d) be an $I(X)$ -space and let M be a non-empty compact subset of X . If M is stable, then (i) M is invariant.

(ii) If M is a singleton $\{x\}$, then x is a critical point.

Proof:

Let D be the intersection of all invariant neighborhoods of M . Since X is invariant then $D \neq \emptyset$ and $M \subseteq D$. Suppose that $D \not\subseteq M$, thus there exists $y \in D$ and $y \notin M$. Since (X, d) is a metric space.

i) So $X \setminus \{y\}$ is an open set and $M \subseteq X \setminus \{y\}$. But M is stable, then

there exists an invariant neighborhood U of M such that $M \subseteq U \subseteq X \setminus \{y\}$. From the definition of D , we have $D \subseteq U$, then $y \in U$, a contradiction, (since $D \subseteq X \setminus \{y\}$). Thus must be $M = D$. So M is invariant.

Let $M = \{x\}$, then by (i), we have $\{x\}$ is invariant, that is $f\{x\} \subseteq \{x\}$ for every $f \in I(X)$. So x is a critical point.

In Example (3.9), M is open and unstable, this example gives a motivation to the following proposition.

3.14 Proposition: Let (X, d) be an $I(X)$ -space and let M be a non-empty compact subset of X . If M is open, then M is stable if and only if, is invariant

Proof:

\rightarrow). By Theorem (3.13).

\leftarrow). Since M is open and invariant then every neighborhood of M contains an invariant neighborhood of M . Thus M is stable.

3.15 Corollary: Let (X, d) be an $I(X)$ -space and M be a non-empty compact invariant subset of X . If $\text{int}(\overline{(I(X))}(x)) \neq \emptyset$ for every $x \in M$ then M is stable.

Proof: Since M is invariant and compact, then $M = \bigcup_{x \in M} \overline{(I(X))}(x)$. Since $\overline{(I(X))}(x)$ has a non-empty interior for every $x \in M$, then by Theorem(2.4) and Proposition (2.10), $\overline{(I(X))}(x)$ is open, for every $x \in M$. Thus M is open, then by Proposition (3.14), M is stable.

We study now the relation between attractor and stability.

3.16 Theorem: Let (X, d) be an $I(X)$ -space. If a subset M of X is attractor, then it is weak attractor.

Proof: By Theorem (3.12) and Theorem (3.7).

The converse of Theorem (3.16) is not true in general, see Example (3.9).

It follows from Theorem (3.7), the following Proposition.

3.17 Proposition: Let (X, d) be an $I(X)$ -space and M be an invariant compact subset of X . Then M is attractor if and only if M is a weak attractor.

3.18 Theorem: Let (X, d) be an $I(X)$ -space. If a compact subset M of X is an attractor, then M is stable.

Proof: By Theorem (3.12) and Proposition (3.14).

The converse of Theorem (3.18) is true if M is open, as shown by the following theorem.

3.19 Theorem: Let (X, d) be an $I(X)$ -space and M be an open compact subset of X . If M is stable, then it is attractor.

Proof: By Theorem (3.13), i, and theorem(3.12).

3.20 Corollary: Let (X, d) be an $I(X)$ -space and M be a compact open set. If M is stable then M is a weak attractor.

Proof: By Theorem (3.16) and Theorem (3.19).

In Example (3.9), there exists a weak attractor but it is unstable.

If we take M to be invariant, then the converse of corollary is true, see the following theorem

3.21 Theorem: Let (X, d) be an $I(X)$ -space and M be an invariant compact subset of X . If M is a weak attractor, then M is stable.

Proof: By Theorem (3.7) and Theorem (3.18).

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