

## Minimality and Equicontinuity of a Sequence of Maps in Iterative Way

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**ABSTRACT :** Let  $(X, d)$  be a compact metric space and  $f_n: X \rightarrow X$  a sequence of continuous functions such that  $(f_n)$  converge orbitally in the iterative way, to a function  $f$ . The equicontinuity, minimality and Transitivity of the limit function  $f$  have been studied.

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### I. INTRODUCTION

A dynamical system is a pair  $(X, f)$  in which  $X$  is a compact metric space and  $f$  is a continuous self map. Several authors have studied the dynamical properties inherited by the uniform limit  $f$  of a sequence  $(f_n)$  of continuous self maps. It has been shown in [7] that a sequence  $(f_n)$  of continuous and transitive maps that converge uniformly to  $f$ , is not necessarily topologically transitive. Recently many Mathematicians have studied topological transitivity of the uniform limit of a sequence of uniformly convergent transitive system. Tian and Chen [8] studied chaos of a sequence of time invariant continuous functions on a general metric space. The authors also introduced quite a few new concepts, such as chaos in the successive way in the sense of Devaney, chaos in the iterative way in the sense of Devaney. Bhaumik and Choudhury [1] have investigated turbulent maps and strongly transitive maps in general metric spaces which are not necessarily compact. It has been proved that if  $(f_n)$  is a sequence of continuous functions which is topologically transitive in the strongly iterative way in an infinite compact metric space  $(X, d)$  the uniform limit function in the iterative way is topologically mixing.

In [6] there is a sufficient condition so that the uniform limit is transitive. In [4] also there is a sufficient condition for the transitivity of the limit function. In [3] the concept of orbital convergent of a sequence  $(f_n)$  is defined. They have shown that if a sequence  $(f_n)$  of transitive system is orbitally convergent to  $f$ , then  $f$  is topologically transitive. They also have shown that if a sequence  $(f_n)$  of chain transitive dynamical system is convergent uniformly to  $f$ , then  $f$  is also chain transitive. Recently Mangang [5] has studied the minimality, equicontinuity of the limit function of an orbitally convergent sequence as well as uniform convergence sequence. In [2] the topological transitivity of sequence of transitive maps under group action has been studied. In [9] there is a sufficient condition for the transitivity of the uniform limit of a sequence of transitive system. In this paper, the topological transitivity, minimality and equicontinuity of the limit function of a sequence of functions which converges orbitally in the iterative way, have been investigated.

**Definition 1.1.** Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space. Let  $f: X \rightarrow X$  be a continuous self map. The map  $f$  is said to be topologically transitive if for each pair of non empty subsets  $U$  and  $V$ , there exists some  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $f^n(U) \cap V \neq \emptyset$ .

Let  $(X, f)$  be a dynamical system, the orbit  $O(x, f)$  of a point  $x \in X$  is defined by  $O(x, f) = \{f^n(x) : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ . A point  $x \in X$  is called a transitive point if the orbit of  $x$  is dense in  $X$ , i.e.  $\overline{O(x, f)} = X$ . The set of all transitive points of  $f$  is denoted by  $tr(f)$ .

It is well known fact that if  $X$  is a compact metric space without isolated points and  $f$  is a continuous self map on it, then a single transitive point  $x$  of  $f$  is necessary and sufficient condition for  $f$  to be topological transitive.

**Definition 1.2.** A dynamical system  $(X, f)$  is said to be equicontinuous if for all  $x \in X$  and for every  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists  $\delta > 0$  such that  $d(f^n(x), f^n(y)) < \epsilon$ , for all  $y \in B_\delta(x) = \{y \in X: d(x, y) < \delta\}$ , and for all  $n \in N$ .

Every isometry is an equicontinuous system because  $d(f(x), f(y)) = d(x, y)$ , implies that  $d(f^n(x), f^n(y)) = d(x, y)$  for all  $n \in N$

**Definition 1.3.** Let  $(f_n)$  be a sequence of continuous self maps on a metric space  $(X, d)$ . Then  $(f_n)$  is called orbitally convergent to a map  $f: X \rightarrow X$  if for every  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists  $k \in N$  such that  $d(f_n^m(x), f^m(x)) < \epsilon$ , for all  $x \in X$ , for all  $m \in N$  and for all  $n \geq k$ .

**Definition 1.4.** A dynamical system  $(X, f)$  is called a minimal dynamical system if  $\text{tr}(f) = X$ .

A point  $x \in X$  is said to be an equicontinuous point of  $(X, f)$  if for every  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists  $\delta > 0$  such that  $d(f^n(x), f^n(y)) < \epsilon$ , for all  $y \in B_\delta(x)$ , and for all  $n \in N$ .

**Definition 1.5.** Let  $f_n: X \rightarrow X$  be a sequence of continuous functions. Then  $\{x, f_1(x), f_2 \circ f_1(x), f_3 \circ f_2 \circ f_1(x) \dots\}$  is called orbit of the sequence  $(f_n)$  (starting at  $x$ ) in the iterative way[8].

We denote  $f_k \circ f_{k-1} \circ \dots \circ f_1(x)$  by  $F_k(x)$  for all  $k \geq 1$  and for all  $x \in X$ .

**Definition 1.6.** Let  $f_n: X \rightarrow X$  be a sequence of continuous functions. Let  $f: X \rightarrow X$  be a continuous function and let  $\epsilon > 0$  be a small number. We say that sequence  $(f_n)$  converge uniformly to  $f$  in the iterative way if there exists positive integer  $M$  such that  $d(F_n(x), f(x)) < \epsilon \forall n \geq M$  and for all  $x \in X$ .

**Definition 1.7.** Let  $(f_n)$  be a sequence of continuous self maps on  $X$ . We say that  $(f_n)$  is orbitally convergent in the iterative way to a map  $f: X \rightarrow X$  if for every  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists  $k \in N$  such that  $d(F_n(x), f^m(x)) < \epsilon$ , for all  $x \in X$ , for all  $m \geq 0$  and for all  $n \geq k$ .

**Definition 1.8.** Let  $f_n: X \rightarrow X$  be a sequence of continuous functions. If, for any two non-empty open subsets  $U$  and  $V$  of  $X$ , there exists a positive integer  $k$  such that  $F_k(U) \cap V \neq \phi$  then the sequence of functions  $(f_n)$  is said to be topologically transitive on  $X$  in the iterative way.

**Definition 1.9.** A point  $x \in X$  is said to be transitive in iterative way if the iterative orbit  $\{F_k(x): k \in N\}$  is dense in  $X$ .

## II. MAIN RESULTS

**Theorem 2.1.** Let  $(f_n)$  be a sequence of minimal functions in iterative way which converges orbitally in iterative way to  $f$ . Then  $f$  is minimal.

*Proof.*  $f_n \rightarrow f$ , orbitally in iterative way, then for a given  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists a positive integer  $M$  such that

(1)  $d(F_k(x), f^n(x)) < \epsilon/2$  for all  $k \geq M$ , for all  $x \in X$  and for all  $n$ .

Let  $z \in X$  be a point. Since  $(f_n)$  is a sequence of minimal functions in iterative way, there exists  $k$  such that

(2)  $F_k(x) \in B_{\epsilon/2}(z)$  i.e.  $d(F_k(x), z) < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$

Now by the triangular inequality of metric, we have

$d(f^n(x), z) \leq d(f^n(x), F_k(x)) + d(F_k(x), z) < \frac{\epsilon}{2} + \frac{\epsilon}{2} = \epsilon$  (Using (1) and (2))  
 $\therefore d(f^n(x), z) < \epsilon \Rightarrow f^n(x) \in B_\epsilon(z)$ . This shows that  $f$  is minimal.

**Theorem 2.2.**  $f_n$  is a sequence which converge to  $f$  orbitally in iterative way. Suppose  $x \in X$  is a transitive point in iterative way, then  $f$  is transitive.

*Proof.* Let  $\epsilon > 0$  be a small number, then there exists  $M$  such that  $d(F_k(x), f^n(x)) < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$  for all  $k \geq M$ , for all  $n$ . Let  $z \in X$  be any point. Since  $x$  is a transitive point in iterative way, there exists  $k$  such that  $F_k(x) \in B_{\epsilon/2}(z)$ . This implies that  $d(F_k(x), z) < \epsilon/2$ . Therefore by triangular inequality of metric, we have  $d(f^n(x), z) < \epsilon/2 + \epsilon/2 = \epsilon$ . This shows that  $f^n(x) \in B_\epsilon(z)$ . Therefore  $x$  is a transitive point of  $f$  and consequently  $f$  is transitive.

**Definition 2.3.** Let  $f_n: X \rightarrow X$  be a sequence of continuous functions on  $X$ . The sequence  $(f_n)$  is said to be equicontinuous in the iterative way if for all  $x \in X$  and for every  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists  $\delta > 0$  such that  $d(F_n(x), F_n(y)) < \epsilon$ , for all  $y \in B_\delta(x) = \{y \in X: d(x, y) < \delta\}$ , and for all  $n \in N$ .

**Theorem 2.4.** Let  $(X, d)$  be a compact metric space and suppose that  $f_n: X \rightarrow X$  is a sequence of equicontinuous functions in the iterative way. If  $(f_n)$  converges orbitally in the iterative way to a function  $f$ , then  $f$  is equicontinuous.

*Proof.*  $(f_n)$  is an orbitally convergent sequence in the iterative way to  $f$ . Therefore for all  $x \in X$  and for all  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists  $k \in N$  such that  $d(F_n(x), f^m(x)) < \epsilon/3$ , for all  $n \geq k$ , and for all  $m \geq 0$ . In particular, we have

(A)  $d(F_k(x), f^m(x)) < \epsilon/3$ , for all  $m \geq 0$ .

Also

(B)  $d(F_k(y), f^m(y)) < \epsilon/3$ , for all  $m \geq 0$ .

$(f_n)$  is equicontinuous in the iterative way, therefore for each  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists  $\delta > 0$  such that

(C)  $d(F_k(x), F_k(y)) < \epsilon/3$ , for all  $k \geq 0$  and for all  $y \in B_\delta(x)$ .

From (A), (B) and (C), we have

$$d(f^m(x), f^m(y)) \leq d(F_k(x), f^m(x)) + d(F_k(x), F_k(y)) + d(F_k(y), f^m(y)) \\ < \frac{\epsilon}{3} + \frac{\epsilon}{3} + \frac{\epsilon}{3} = \epsilon$$

Hence  $f$  is equicontinuous.

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