

A BIFURCATION THEOREM OF SET-CONTRACTIVE MAPS*

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Abstract

In this paper, the global result on bifurcation given by P. H. Rabinowitz is extended to strictly set-contractive maps and condensing maps.

The bifurcation is an important subject in nonlinear functional analysis. There have been a lot of papers about it. The local result of M. A. Krasnosels'kii^[1] and the global result of P. H. Rabinowitz^[2] are very good ones in this direction. But they only discussed completely continuous maps. [8] has extended the result of [1] to strict-set-contractive maps. In this short paper, we extend the result of [2] to more general maps, namely, to strictly set-contractive maps and condensing maps. To do this, we need some results: the index formula of isolated fixed point of set-contractive maps (Lemma 1), the multiplicative formula of topological degree (Lemma 2) and a result of spectrum of linear set-contractive maps (Lemma 3). Our main result is Theorem 1.

In this paper we always suppose X is a Banach space and $I: X \rightarrow X$ the identity map. The concepts of strictly set-contractive maps and condensing maps, and the definition of their topological degree can be seen in [3, 6].

Lemma 1.^[4] *Let $F: X \rightarrow X$ be a strictly set-contractive map, x_0 a fixed point of F . If 1 is not an eigenvalue of $F'(x_0)$ (the Frechet derivative of F at x_0), then x_0 is an isolated fixed point of F and*

$$\text{index}[F, x_0] = (-1)^\mu,$$

where μ is the sum of the algebraic multiplicities of the eigenvalues of $F'(x_0)$, lying in $(1, \infty)$.

Remark according to [5] we know that Lemma 1 is still true if F is a condensing map.

Lemma 2 (multiplicative formula): *Let Ω, D be bounded open sets in X , $F: \bar{\Omega} \rightarrow D$ be a k_1 -set-contractive map, $G: \bar{D} \rightarrow X$ be a k_2 -set-contractive map, $f = I - F$, $g =$*

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$I-G$. If $p \in X$, $p \in g \circ f(\partial\Omega) \cup g(\partial D)$, $g^{-1}(p)$ is a finite set, $k = k_1 + k_2 + k_1 k_2 < 1$, then

$$\deg(g \circ f, \Omega, p) = \sum_a \deg(g, D_a, p) \deg(f, \Omega, D_a).$$

Remark. The number of terms in the summation is finite. In the formula, D_a is a connected component of $D \setminus f(\partial\Omega)$. $\deg(f, \Omega, D_a) = \deg(f, \Omega, b)$, $b \in D_a$. By the property of connected region it is independent of the choice of b .

Proof We first suppose that $g^{-1}(p) = \{q\}$ only contains one point, and write $f^{-1}(q) = \{q_\beta\}$. For conciseness we may suppose $p = q = 0$. If not, we discuss $F_1(x) = F(x) + q$, $G_1(x) = G(x) + p$. Write $g \circ f = h = I - H$, where H is a strictly set-contractive map because of $k = k_1 + k_2 + k_1 k_2 < 1$. Then $0 \in (g \circ f)(\partial\Omega)$, $\deg(g \circ f, \Omega, 0)$ is well defined. we only need to show

$$\deg(g \circ f, \Omega, 0) = \deg(g, D, 0) \deg(f, \Omega, 0).$$

We make the elementary-sets of F relative to Ω and G relative to D :

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta_1^{(1)} &= \overline{co}F(\bar{\Omega}), \Delta_1^{(n)} = \overline{co}F(\bar{\Omega} \cap \Delta_1^{(n-1)}), n \geq 2, \Delta_1 = \bigcap_{n \geq 1} \Delta_1^{(n)}; \\ \Delta_2^{(1)} &= \overline{co}G(\bar{D}), \Delta_2^{(n)} = \overline{co}G(\bar{D} \cap \Delta_2^{(n-1)}), n \geq 2, \Delta_2 = \bigcup_{n \geq 1} \Delta_2^{(n)}. \end{aligned}$$

Then Δ_1, Δ_2 are compact convex sets. Let $F^*: \bar{\Omega} \rightarrow \Delta_1$ be a compact extension of F on $\Delta_1 \cap \bar{\Omega}$, $G^*: \bar{D} \rightarrow \Delta_2$ be a compact extension of G on $\Delta_2 \cap \bar{D}$, $f^* = I - F^*$, $g^* = I - G^*$. By [3], § 16.3, $(f^*)^{-1}(0) = f^{-1}(0) = \{q_\beta\}$, $(g^*)^{-1}(0) = g^{-1}(0) = \{0\}$ and $(g^* \circ f^*)^{-1}(0) = (g \circ f)^{-1}(0) = \{q_\beta\}$. Also by [3]

$$\deg(f, \Omega, 0) = \deg(f^*, \Omega, 0),$$

$$\deg(g, D, 0) = \deg(g^*, D, 0).$$

Next we prove $[I - (tG + (1-t)G^*)]^{-1}(0) = (I - G)^{-1}(0)$ for any $t \in [0, 1]$. If $[I - (tG + (1-t)G^*)](x) = 0$, then $x = tG(x) + (1-t)G^*(x)$ and $x \in \overline{co}(G(x), \Delta_2)$ because of $G^*(x) \in \Delta_2$. By the definition of elementary-set, x belongs to Δ_2 and $G^*(x) = G(x)$. Hence $G(x) = tG(x) + (1-t)G^*(x) = x$. It is obvious that $(I - G)^{-1}(0) \subset [I - (tG + (1-t)G^*)]^{-1}(0)$. Notice $f^{-1}(0) = \{q_\beta\}$, we have obtained

$$(*) \quad \{[I - (tG + (1-t)G^*)](I - F)\}^{-1}(0) = f^{-1}(0) = \{q_\beta\}.$$

In the same way

$$(**) \quad \{(I - G^*)[I - (tF + (1-t)F^*)]\}^{-1}(0) = (g^* \circ f)^{-1}(0) = \{q_\beta\}.$$

Define $H_1, H_2: \bar{\Omega} \times [0, 1] \rightarrow X$ as follows

$$H_1(x, t) = F(x) + [tG + (1-t)G^*](I - F)(x),$$

$$H_2(x, t) = tF(x) + (1-t)F^*(x) + G^*[I - (tF + (1-t)F^*)](x).$$

We can prove $H_1, H_2: \bar{\Omega} \times [0, 1] \rightarrow X$ are k -set-contractive maps, where $k = k_1 + k_2 + k_1 k_2 < 1$. By the condition $0 \in (g \circ f)(\partial\Omega)$ and (*), (**), we have $H_1(x, t) \neq x$ and $H_2(x, t) \neq x$ for any $t \in [0, 1]$, $x \in \partial\Omega$. Hence H_1, H_2 are homotopy maps. Obviously $g \circ f = I - H_1(x, 1)$, $g^* \circ f = I - H_1(x, 0) = I - H_2(x, 1)$ and $g^* \circ f^* = I - H_2(x, 0)$. By the homotopy invariance of topological degree, it is easy to see that

$$\begin{aligned}\deg(g \circ f, \Omega, 0) &= \deg(I - H_1(x, 1), \Omega, 0) = \deg(I - H_1(x, 0), \Omega, 0) \\ &= \deg(I - H_2(x, 1), \Omega, 0) = \deg(I - H_2(x, 0), \Omega, 0) \\ &= \deg(g^* \circ f^*, \Omega, 0).\end{aligned}$$

Obviously $0 \in (g^* \circ f^*)(\partial\Omega) \cup g^*(\partial D)$. The multiplicative formula of degree of Leray-Schauder gives

$$\deg(g^* \circ f^*, \Omega, 0) = \deg(g^*, D, 0) \deg(f^*, \Omega, 0) = \deg(g, D, 0) \deg(f, \Omega, 0).$$

Hence

$$\deg(g \circ f, \Omega, 0) = \deg(g, D, 0) \deg(f, \Omega, 0).$$

When there are more than one point in $g^{-1}(p)$, by the region addition property of topological degree, the result is easy to prove from the preceding discussion.

Remark. When one of F and G is completely continuous and the other is strictly set-contractive, the condition $k < 1$ is always satisfied. By the property of condensing maps, we can prove corresponding result similarly.

Lemma 3. If $T: X \rightarrow X$ is a linear k -set-contractive map, then the essentially spectral radius of T , $r_e(T) \leq k$. Therefore, out of the circular disc with radius k and center zero in complex plane, the spectral set of T only contains finite eigenvalues and the algebraic multiplicities of these eigenvalues are all finite.

Proof. By Theorem 1 of [7], $r_e(T) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (r(T^n))^{\frac{1}{n}}$, where $r(A) = \inf\{k \mid A \text{ is } k\text{-set-contraction}\}$. By Lemma 1 of [7], $r(T^n) \leq (r(T))^n$, hence $r_e(T) \leq k$. Combining the definition of essential spectrum and the fact that a compact isolated points set is a finite set, we obtain this result.

Now we can prove our main results. Let X be a Banach space, Λ be a real parameter space. Consider the equation

$$(1) \quad f(x, \lambda) = 0,$$

where $f: X \times \Lambda \rightarrow X$ can be written as

$$(2) \quad \begin{cases} f(x, \lambda) = f_\lambda(x) = x - \lambda Ax + g(x, \lambda), \\ A: X \rightarrow X \text{ is linear } k\text{-set-contractive } (k < 1), \\ g: X \times \Lambda \rightarrow X \text{ is a completely continuous map,} \end{cases}$$

$\|g(x, \lambda)\| = o(\|x\|)$ at $x=0$ for λ uniformly in a bounded interval of Λ .

So $I - \lambda A$ is Frechet derivative operator of f at $(0, \lambda)$ by $g(0, \lambda) \equiv 0$.

Theorem 1. Let $f: X \times \Lambda \rightarrow X$ satisfy (2), $|\lambda_0| < \frac{1}{k}$, λ_0 be a characteristic value of odd algebraic multiplicity of A . Suppose S denotes the closure of the set of non-zero solutions (x, λ) of equation (1), and C is a connected component of S and contains $(0, \lambda_0)$. If C does not intersect $\{0\} \times \left(\left[\frac{1}{k}, \infty \right) \cup \left(-\infty, -\frac{1}{k} \right] \right)$, then either C is noncompact or C only contains finite points $(0, \lambda_j)$ ($j=0, 1, \dots, n$), where λ_j is a

characteristic value of A , and the count of the characteristic values of odd multiplicity (including λ_0) is an even number.

Proof Notice $x=0$ is always the trivial solution of equation (1). By Result 9.1 of [3], the λ corresponding to of these points $(0, \lambda)$ are the characteristic values of A . Because C does not intersect $\{0\} \times \left(\left[\frac{1}{k}, \infty\right) \cup \left(-\infty, -\frac{1}{k}\right]\right)$, the absolute values of these λ are all less than $\frac{1}{k}$. By Lemma 3 the count of these points are finite, we denote them by $(0, \lambda_j)$, $j=0, 1, 2, \dots, n$. Take $\eta < \frac{1}{k}$ such that $|\lambda_j| < \eta$, $j=0, 1, 2, \dots, n$.

Suppose C is compact. Since C does not intersect $\{0\} \times \left(\left[\frac{1}{k}, \infty\right) \cup \left(-\infty, -\frac{1}{k}\right]\right)$, and C is a connected component of S , there is a bounded open set Ω that contains C , such that

- 1) on $\partial\Omega$, there isn't any nontrivial solution of (1);
- 2) for any characteristic value λ of A except $\lambda_j (j=0, 1, 2, \dots, n)$ $(0, \lambda)$ does not belong to Ω .

Consider the map $f_\rho: \bar{\Omega} \rightarrow X \times A$, $f_\rho(x, \lambda) = (f(x, \lambda), \|x\|^2 - \rho^2)$, it is a k -set-contractive field. Obviously, the following two facts are equivalent: f_ρ has a zero point $(\hat{x}, \hat{\lambda})$ and $f(x, \hat{\lambda})$ has a zero point $(\hat{x}, \hat{\lambda}) \in \Omega$ with $\|\hat{x}\| = \rho$. By (1), $\deg(f_\rho, \Omega, (0, 0))$ is well defined for any $\rho > 0$, and f_ρ is a homotopy map when ρ is changed. Hence $\deg(f_\rho, \Omega, (0, 0))$ is independent of ρ . It is easy to see that f_ρ doesn't have any zero point when ρ is very large, so $\deg(f_\rho, \Omega, (0, 0)) = 0$.

Next we compute $\deg(f_\rho, \Omega, (0, 0))$ when ρ is sufficiently small. Take $\varepsilon > 0$ very small such that A has only one characteristic value on $[\lambda_j - \varepsilon, \lambda_j + \varepsilon]$ and write $K = [-\eta, \eta] \setminus \bigcup_{j=0}^n (\lambda_j - \varepsilon, \lambda_j + \varepsilon)$. By Lemma 3, $\lambda \in K$ if a regular value of A . Hence there exists a constant R such that $\|(I - \lambda A)^{-1}\| < R$ for any $\lambda \in K$. Take ρ small enough such that $\|g(x, \lambda)\| \leq \frac{1}{2R} \|x\|$ when $\|x\| \leq \rho$.

There isn't any zero point of f_ρ on $\Omega \setminus \bigcup_{j=0}^n \Omega_j$, where $\Omega_j \subset \Omega$ is small ball with radius $\sqrt{\rho^2 + \varepsilon^2}$ and center $(0, \lambda_j)$. In fact, if $(x, \lambda) \in \Omega \setminus \bigcup_{j=0}^n \Omega_j$ and $f_\rho(x, \lambda) = 0$, it is easy to see that $\lambda \in K$, $\|x\| = \rho$ and

$$\|x\| = \|(I - \lambda A)^{-1} g(x, \lambda)\| < R \|g(x, \lambda)\| \leq \frac{1}{2} \|x\|.$$

This is a contradiction.

Take

$$\begin{aligned} h_t(x, \lambda) &= (x, \lambda) - H((x, \lambda), t) \\ &= ((I - \lambda A)x + t g(x, \lambda), t(\|x\|^2 - \rho^2) + (1-t)(\varepsilon^2 - (\lambda - \lambda_j)^2)). \end{aligned}$$

It is easy to see that h_t is a homotopy map. Thus

$$\deg(f_\rho, \Omega_j, (0, 0)) = \deg(h_1, \Omega_j, (0, 0)) = \deg(h_0, \Omega_j, (0, 0)).$$

We can prove that $h_0(x, \lambda) = ((I - \lambda A)x, s^2 - (\lambda - \lambda_j)^2)$ has only two isolated zero points $(x, \lambda) = (0, \lambda_j \pm s)$ on Ω_j , and the differentials of $h_0(x, \lambda)$ at these two points are

$$dh_0(0, \lambda_j \pm s)(\bar{x}, \bar{s}) = ((I - (\lambda_j \pm s)A)\bar{x}, -2(\pm s)\bar{s}) = M \circ N(\bar{x}, \bar{s}),$$

where $M(\bar{x}, \bar{s}) = ((I - (\lambda_j \pm s)A)\bar{x}, \bar{s})$; $N(\bar{x}, \bar{s}) = (\bar{x}, -2(\pm s)\bar{s})$. When $s > 0$ is sufficient small, $M(\bar{x}, \bar{s})$ is a strictly set-contractive field and $N(\bar{x}, \bar{s})$ is a compact continuous field. By Lemma 2

$$\text{index}[h_0, (0, \lambda_j + s)] = -\text{index}[I - (\lambda_j + s)A, 0] = -i_{(j)}^+;$$

$$\text{index}[h_0, (0, \lambda_j - s)] = \text{index}[I - (\lambda_j - s)A, 0] = i_{(j)}^-.$$

Hence

$$\deg(h_0, \Omega_j, (0, 0)) = i_{(j)}^- - i_{(j)}^+$$

and

$$0 = \deg(f_\rho, \Omega, (0, 0)) = \sum_{j=0}^n \deg(f_\rho, \Omega_j, (0, 0)) = \sum_{j=0}^n (i_{(j)}^- - i_{(j)}^+).$$

By Lemma 1, $i_{(j)}^+ = i_{(j)}^-$ when λ_j is a characteristic value of even algebraic multiplicity and $i_{(j)}^+ = -i_{(j)}^-$ when λ_j is of odd algebraic multiplicity. By these, it is easy to obtain this theorem.

Remark. Changing k into 1, Theorem 1 is still true for the condensing maps because we have the corresponding results of Lemmas 1, 2, and 3.

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