

## 60. On Almost Periodic Transformations on Metric Space over Topological Semifield

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A. Edrei, P. Erdős, W. H. Gottschalk, G. A. Hedlund, and A. H. Stone have obtained interesting results on transformations on topological spaces (for references, see [5]). In this note, we shall consider some results in a metric space over a topological semifield (for related concepts, see [1] and [2]). Let  $X$  be a metric space over a topological semifield  $R$ . We denote the metric by  $\rho$ . Let  $f$  be a continuous mapping on  $X$ , i.e.  $f(X) \subset X$ .

We first repeat some definitions needed.

The mapping  $f$  is said to be *strongly almost periodic* if for a given neighborhood  $U$  there is a positive integer  $k$  such that every  $k$  consecutive positive integers contains an  $n$  satisfying  $\rho(x, f^n(x)) \in U$  for all  $x \in X$ .

In the definition of strongly almost periodicity, the positive integer  $k$  is independently taken for each point  $x$  of  $X$ . If  $k$  depends on each point  $x$ , we need a new definition.

A point  $x$  of  $X$  is said to be *almost periodic* under  $f$  (by W. H. Gottschalk [4]) if for a given neighborhood  $U$ , there is a positive integer  $k$  such that every  $k$  consecutive positive integers contains  $n$  satisfying  $\rho(x, f^n(x)) \in U$ . If each point  $x$  is almost periodic under  $f$ , the mapping  $f$  is said to be *pointwise almost periodic*. For  $x \in X$ , the set  $\bigcup_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} f^n(x)$  is called the *orbit* of  $x$  under  $f$  and the set  $\bigcup_{n=0}^{\infty} f^n(x)$  is called the *semi-orbit* of  $x$  under  $f$ .

Under these concepts, we shall prove the following theorem which is formulated by P. Erdős and A. H. Stone [3].

*Theorem.* Let  $X$  be a totally bounded metric space over a topological semifield, and  $f$  a homeomorphism of  $X$ . If the set of all negative powers is equiuniformly continuous, then  $f$  is strongly almost periodic.

The proof is quite similar with that of Theorem III of P. Erdős and A. H. Stone [3].

To prove Theorem, we take a neighborhood  $U$  of 0 in  $R$ . Then there is a neighborhood  $W$  such that  $W + W \subset U$ . For  $W$ , there is a neighborhood  $V$  of 0 such that  $\rho(f^{-m}(x), f^{-m}(y)) \in W$  holds for  $x, y$  of  $f^m(x)$  for which  $\rho(x, y) \in V$ . Here we can take  $V$  and  $W$  as saturated neighborhoods and  $V \subset W$ .