

## On Homeomorphisms with Pseudo-Orbit Tracing Property

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Let  $f: X \rightarrow X$  be a homeomorphism of a compact metric space onto itself and  $\Omega$  be the non-wandering set of  $f$ . The following is a main result of this paper.

**THEOREM 1.** *If  $(X, f)$  has the pseudo-orbit tracing property, then so does  $(\Omega, f)$ .*

This is a problem proposed by A. Morimoto [5].

Let  $d$  be a metric function of  $X$ . A sequence of points  $\{x_i\}_{i \in (a, b)}$  ( $-\infty \leq a < b \leq \infty$ ) is called a  $\delta$ -pseudo-orbit (abbrev. p.o.) of  $f$  if  $d(f(x_i), x_{i+1}) < \delta$  for  $i \in (a, b-1)$ . A sequence  $\{x_i\}_{i \in (a, b)}$  is called to be  $\varepsilon$ -traced by  $x \in X$  if  $d(f^i(x), x_i) < \varepsilon$  holds for  $i \in (a, b)$ . We say that  $(X, f)$  has the pseudo-orbit tracing property (abbrev. P.O.T.P.) if for every  $\varepsilon > 0$  there is  $\delta > 0$  such that every  $\delta$ -p.o. of  $f$  can be  $\varepsilon$ -traced by some point  $x \in X$ . Given  $x, y \in X$  and  $\alpha > 0$ ,  $x$  is  $\alpha$ -related to  $y$  (written  $x \stackrel{\alpha}{\sim} y$ ) if there are  $\alpha$ -pseudo-orbits of  $f$  such that  $x_0 = x, x_1, \dots, x_k = y$  and  $y_0 = y, y_1, \dots, y_l = x$ . If  $x \stackrel{\alpha}{\sim} y$  for every  $\alpha > 0$ , then  $x$  is related to  $y$  (written  $x \sim y$ ). The chain recurrent set of  $f$ ,  $R$  is  $\{x \in X: x \sim x\}$ .

Recall that  $\Omega = \{x \in X: \text{for every neighborhood } U \text{ of } x, f^n(U) \cap U \neq \emptyset \text{ for some } n \geq 1\}$ . Clearly  $\Omega \subset R$  and both sets are  $f$ -invariant and closed (a set  $E$  will be called  $f$ -invariant when  $f(E) = E$ ). Assume that  $(X, f)$  has the P.O.T.P., then  $\Omega = R$ . For, if  $x \in R$  then for every  $\alpha > 0$  there is  $\alpha' > 0$  with property of the P.O.T.P.; i.e., for every  $\alpha'$ -p.o.  $\{x_i\}$  such that  $x_0 = x, x_1, \dots, x_k = x$ , there is  $y \in X$  with  $d(f^i(y), x_i) < \alpha$  ( $0 \leq i \leq k$ ). Hence  $U_\alpha(x) \cap f^{-k}(U_\alpha(x)) \neq \emptyset$  where  $U_\alpha(x) = \{y \in X: d(x, y) < \alpha\}$ , and so  $x \in \Omega$ .

We proceed with a sequence of lemmas leading to the proof of Theorem 1. For the following (L. 1), (L. 2) and (L. 3), it is assumed that  $(X, f)$  has the P.O.T.P.. Denote by  $\text{per}(f)$  the set of all periodic points of  $f$ .