

REMARK ON MAPPINGS NOT RAISING DIMENSION OF CURVES

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The purpose of this note is to prove three theorems on dimension raising ability of certain classes of maps defined on 1-dimensional continua. In particular we obtain a generalization of a recent result of J. Jobe concerning dimension raising ability of inverse arc functions defined on dendrites.

By a continuum we mean a compact connected metric space. A 1-dimensional continuum is called a curve. If each point of a continuum X has arbitrary small neighborhood with finite boundary, then X is said to be regular. X is suslinian provided any collection of mutually disjoint nondegenerate subcontinua of X is at most countable [6]. For a nondegenerate continuum we have the following implications:

(i) (regular) \Rightarrow (suslinian) \Rightarrow (1-dimensional).

Let f be a mapping of a continuum X into a continuum Y . We shall consider the following properties of f :

(α) for every arc $L \subset Y$ there exists an arc $M \subset X$ which is mapped by f onto L , i.e., $f(M) = L$.

(β) for every arc $L \subset Y$ there exists a continuum $M \subset X$ which is mapped by f onto L .

(γ) for every continuum $L \subset Y$ there exists a continuum $M \subset X$ which is mapped by f onto L .

THEOREM 1. *If f is a mapping with property (β) of a suslinian continuum X onto a locally connected continuum Y , then Y is suslinian.*

Proof. Suppose it is not true. Then there is an uncountable collection $\{B\}$ of nondegenerate mutually disjoint subcontinua of Y . Consider a member $B \in \{B\}$. Let a and b be distinct points of B . Let U_1, U_2, \dots be a decreasing sequence of neighborhoods of B (in Y) which limits on B , i.e.,

$$(1) \quad \bigcap_n U_n = B.$$

For each positive integer n there is a locally connected continuum C_n such that

$$(2) \quad B \subset C_n \subset U_n \quad (\text{see [5], p. 260}).$$