

## FIXED POINT PROPERTIES AND INVERSE LIMIT SPACES

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**The purpose of this paper is to prove that if  $(X_\lambda, \pi_{\lambda\mu}, A)$  is an inverse system of compact Hausdorff spaces such that each  $X_\lambda$  has the fixed point property for the continuous multi-valued functions and each projection map is surjective, then the inverse limit space also has the fixed point property for the continuous multi-valued functions.**

A topological space  $X$  is said to have the *f.p.p.* (fixed point property) if for every continuous (single-valued) function  $f: X \rightarrow X$  there exists some  $x$  in  $X$  such that  $x = f(x)$ . Hamilton [3] has proved that the chainable metric continua have the *f.p.p.* A topological space  $X$  is said to have the *F.p.p.* (fixed point property for multi-valued functions) if every continuous (see Definition 1) multi-valued function  $F: X \rightarrow X$  has a fixed point; that is, there exists some point  $x$  in  $X$  such that  $x \in F(x)$ . If a space has the *F.p.p.* then it has the *f.p.p.*, but the converse need not be true [12]. Mardešić [8] has exhibited an inverse sequence,  $(X_m, \pi_{mn})$ , of polyhedra,  $X_m$ , such that all  $X_m$  have the *f.p.p.* and all bonding maps  $\pi_{mn}$  are surjective, but the inverse limit space,  $\varprojlim (X_m, \pi_{mn})$ , fails to have the *f.p.p.* This answered an open question raised by Mioduszewski and Rochowski [9 and 10], in the negative. Thus, our result stated in the first paragraph serves as an interesting counter-theorem to the result of Mardešić [*op. cit.*]. As a corollary, we obtain Ward's generalization [13] of the Hamilton theorem [*op. cit.*] that every metric chainable continuum has the *F.p.p.* In effect, our result is stronger than that of Ward, since it includes some of the nonmetrizable chainable continua as well.

**1. Preliminaries.** *In all that follows, all spaces are assumed to be Hausdorff spaces. A multifunction,  $F: X \rightarrow Y$ , from a space  $X$  to a space  $Y$  is a point-to-set correspondence such that, for each  $x \in X$ ,  $F(x)$  is a subset of  $Y$ . For any  $y \in Y$ , we write  $F^{-1}(y)$  for the set  $\{x \in X \mid y \in F(x)\}$ . If  $A \subset X$  and  $B \subset Y$ , then  $F(A) = \cup \{F(x) \mid x \in A\}$  and  $F^{-1}(B) = \cup \{F^{-1}(y) \mid y \in B\}$ .*

**DEFINITION 1.** A multifunction,  $F: X \rightarrow Y$ , is said to be *continuous* if and only if (i)  $F(x)$  is closed for each  $x$  in  $X$ , (ii)  $F^{-1}(B)$  is closed for each closed set  $B$  in  $Y$ , and (iii)  $F^{-1}(V)$  is open for each open set  $V$  in  $Y$ .

Our definition of continuity here is weaker than that of Berge [1,

p. 109], but these two definitions coincide when the range space  $Y$  is compact.

A proof of the following lemma may be found in Berge [1, Th. 3, p. 110].

LEMMA 1. *If  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is a continuous multifunction and if  $A$  is a compact subset of  $X$  such that  $F(a)$  is compact for each  $a \in A$ , then  $F(A)$  is compact.*

DEFINITION 2. The triple,  $(X_\lambda, \pi_{\lambda\mu}, A)$ , is an *inverse system of spaces* if and only if:

- (i)  $A$  is a directed set directed by  $<$ ,
- (ii) for each  $\lambda \in A$ ,  $X_\lambda$  is a (Hausdorff) space,
- (iii) if  $\lambda > \mu$ ,  $\pi_{\lambda\mu}$  is a continuous function of  $X_\lambda$  to  $X_\mu$ ,
- (iv) if  $\lambda > \mu$  and  $\mu > \nu$ , then  $\pi_{\lambda\nu} = \pi_{\mu\nu} \pi_{\lambda\mu}$ .

Each function  $\pi_{\lambda\mu}$  is called a *bonding map*. If  $\lambda$  is in  $A$ , let  $S_\lambda$  be the subset of the Cartesian product  $P\{X_\lambda \mid \lambda \in A\}$  defined by

$$S_\lambda = \{x \mid \text{if } \lambda > \mu \text{ then } \pi_{\lambda\mu}x(\lambda) = x(\mu)\},$$

where  $x(\lambda)$  denotes the  $\lambda$ -th coordinate of  $x$ .

DEFINITION 3. The *inverse limit space*,  $X_\infty$ , of the inverse system of spaces  $(X_\lambda, \pi_{\lambda\mu}, A)$  is defined to be

$$\bigcap \{S_\lambda \mid \lambda \in A\}$$

endowed with the relative topology inherited from the product topology for  $P\{X_\lambda \mid \lambda \in A\}$ . In notation, we shall write  $X_\infty$  and  $\varprojlim (X_\lambda, \pi_{\lambda\mu}, A)$  interchangeably for the inverse limit space defined above.

We write  $p_\lambda: P\{X_\lambda \mid \lambda \in A\} \rightarrow X_\lambda$  for the  $\lambda$ -th projection of  $P\{X_\lambda \mid \lambda \in A\}$ , i.e.,  $p_\lambda(x) = x(\lambda)$  for all  $x$  in  $P\{X_\lambda \mid \lambda \in A\}$ ; the restriction  $p_\lambda \mid X_\infty$  will be denoted by  $\pi_\lambda$  which will be called a *projection map*. It is readily seen from the definition that an element  $x$  of  $P\{X_\lambda \mid \lambda \in A\}$  is in  $X_\infty$  if and only if  $\pi_{\lambda\mu}p_\lambda(x) = p_\mu(x)$  whenever  $\lambda > \mu$ . A more detailed account of inverse limit spaces may be found in Lefschetz [6], Capel [2] and Mardešić [7].

The following known results (see, e.g., [2], [6]) will be used.

LEMMA 2. (i) *The collection  $\{\pi_\lambda^{-1}(U_\lambda) \mid \lambda \in A \text{ and } U_\lambda \text{ is an open subset of } X_\lambda\}$  forms a basis for the topology of  $X_\infty$ .*

(ii) *The inverse limit space,  $X_\infty$ , is Hausdorff; if  $\lambda \in A$ ,  $S_\lambda$  is a closed subset of  $P\{X_\lambda \mid \lambda \in A\}$  so that  $X_\infty$  is closed in  $P\{X_\lambda \mid \lambda \in A\}$ .*

(iii) *If  $X_\lambda$  is compact for each  $\lambda$  in  $A$ , then  $X_\infty$  is compact; if, in addition, each  $X_\lambda$  is nonvoid, then  $X_\infty$  is nonvoid.*

(iv) *If  $X_\lambda$  is a continuum for each  $\lambda \in A$ , then the inverse limit*

space is a continuum.

LEMMA 3. *If  $A$  is a compact subset of  $X_\infty$  and if  $\pi'_{\lambda\mu} = \pi_{\lambda\mu} \mid \pi_\lambda(A)$ , then  $(\pi_\lambda(A), \pi'_{\lambda\mu}, A)$  is an inverse system of spaces such that  $A = \lim_{\leftarrow} (\pi_\lambda(A), \pi'_{\lambda\mu}, A)$ , and each bonding map  $\pi'_{\lambda\mu}$  is surjective.*

2. **Main results.** In the sequel, since we are only interested in compact spaces, each projection map  $\pi_\lambda$  will be assumed to be surjective; for if otherwise, by virtue of Lemma 3, each  $X_\lambda$  may be replaced by  $\pi_\lambda(X_\infty)$  without disturbing the resulting inverse limit space. We are now ready to state our main result.

MAIN THEOREM. *Let  $(X_\lambda, \pi_{\lambda\mu}, A)$  be an inverse system of compact spaces such that each  $X_\lambda$  has the F.p.p., then the inverse limit space  $X_\infty$  also has the F.p.p.*

We divide the proof of this theorem into the following steps. In Lemmas 4, 5 and 6,  $X_\infty$  will be the inverse limit space of the inverse system  $(X_\lambda, \pi_{\lambda\mu}, A)$  of compact spaces.

LEMMA 4. *If  $F: X_\infty \rightarrow X_\infty$  is a continuous multifunction, define  $F_\lambda: X_\lambda \rightarrow X_\lambda$  by  $F_\lambda = \pi_\lambda F \pi_\lambda^{-1}$  for each  $\lambda$ , then  $F_\lambda$  is a continuous multifunction.*

*Proof.* (i) By Lemma 1,  $F(\pi^{-1}(t))$  is compact in  $X_\lambda$  for each  $t$  in  $X_\lambda$ , and consequently each  $F_\lambda(t)$  is closed in  $X_\lambda$ .

(ii) If  $C_\lambda$  is a closed subset of  $X_\lambda$ , then  $F_\lambda^{-1}(C_\lambda)$  is closed. For, the set  $F^{-1}\pi_\lambda^{-1}(C_\lambda)$  is closed in  $X_\infty$  and hence compact; therefore  $\pi_\lambda F^{-1}\pi_\lambda^{-1}(C_\lambda) = F_\lambda^{-1}(C_\lambda)$  is compact and hence closed.

(iii) Since each  $\pi_\lambda$  is also an open map, as a dual of (ii) above,  $F_\lambda^{-1}(U_\lambda)$  is open for each open set  $U_\lambda$  in  $X_\lambda$ .

Thus, by (i), (ii) and (iii) above,  $F_\lambda: X_\lambda \rightarrow X_\lambda$  is continuous.

LEMMA 5.  *$F: X_\infty \rightarrow X_\infty$  be a continuous multifunction, let  $F_\lambda: X_\lambda \rightarrow X_\lambda$  be defined as in Lemma 4. Then, for each  $x$  in  $X_\infty$ ,*

(i)  $(F_\lambda \pi_\lambda(x), \pi_{\lambda\mu}, A)^1$  and  $(\pi_\lambda F(x), \pi_{\lambda\mu}, A)$  are inverse systems of compact spaces,

(ii)  $\lim_{\leftarrow} (F_\lambda \pi_\lambda(x), \pi_{\lambda\mu}, A) = \lim_{\leftarrow} (\pi_\lambda F(x), \pi_{\lambda\mu}, A)$ ,

(iii)  $\overleftarrow{F}(x) = \lim_{\leftarrow} (F_\lambda \pi_\lambda(x), \pi_{\lambda\mu}, A)$ .

*Proof.* (i) It is obvious that each  $F_\lambda \pi_\lambda(x)$  is compact. To show that  $(F_\lambda \pi_\lambda(x), \pi_{\lambda\mu}, A)$  forms an inverse system, it suffices to show  $\pi_{\lambda\mu} F_\lambda \pi_\lambda(x) \subset F_\mu \pi_\mu(x)$  whenever  $\lambda > \mu$ . To this end we first observe

<sup>1</sup> For simplicity in symbolism, henceforth if  $A \subset \lim_{\leftarrow} (X_\lambda, \pi_{\lambda\mu}, A)$ , then  $(\pi_\lambda(A), \pi_{\lambda\mu}, A)$  will mean  $(\pi_\lambda(A), \pi_{\lambda\mu} \mid \pi_\lambda(A), A)$ .

$$\pi_\lambda(x) \in (\pi_{\lambda\mu}^{-1}\pi_{\lambda\mu})\pi_\lambda(x) = \pi_{\lambda\mu}^{-1}\pi_\mu(x) ,$$

since  $\pi_{\lambda\mu}\pi_\lambda = \pi_\mu$ . From this, with some computations,

$$\pi_{\lambda\mu}F_\lambda\pi_\lambda(x) \subset F_\mu\pi_\mu(x)$$

follows.

The fact that  $(\pi_\lambda F(x), \pi_{\lambda\mu}, A)$  forms an inverse system follows from Lemma 3.

(ii) For each  $\lambda \in A$  and any  $x \in X_\infty$ , we have

$$\pi_\lambda F(x) \subset \pi_\lambda F\pi_\lambda^{-1}\pi_\lambda(x) = (\pi_\lambda F\pi_\lambda^{-1})\pi_\lambda(x) = F_\lambda\pi_\lambda(x) ,$$

and thus,

$$\lim_{\leftarrow} (\pi_\lambda F(x), \pi_{\lambda\mu}, A) \subset \lim_{\leftarrow} (F_\lambda\pi_\lambda(x), \pi_{\lambda\mu}, A) .$$

To prove the other inclusion, we show

$$X_\infty - \lim_{\leftarrow} (\pi_\lambda F(x), \pi_{\lambda\mu}, A) \subset X_\infty - \lim_{\leftarrow} (F_\lambda\pi_\lambda(x), \pi_{\lambda\mu}, A) .$$

Let  $y$  be in  $X_\infty - \lim_{\leftarrow} (\pi_\lambda F(x), \pi_{\lambda\mu}, A)$ , then by Lemma 3 there exists a  $\mu \in A$  such that  $\pi_\mu(y) \notin \pi_\mu F(x)$ . Let  $U_\mu$  and  $V_\mu$  be two disjoint open sets in  $X_\mu$  such that

$$\pi_\mu(y) \in U_\mu \text{ and } \pi_\mu F(x) \subset V_\mu$$

so that

$$F(x) \subset \pi_\mu^{-1}(V_\mu) .$$

It follows then from Lemma 2(i) and the continuity of  $F$  that there exists a  $\delta \in A$  and an open set  $U_\delta$  in  $X_\delta$  such that  $x \in \pi_\delta^{-1}(U_\delta)$ , and

$$(*) \quad F(\pi_\delta^{-1}(U_\delta)) \subset \pi_\mu^{-1}(V_\mu) .$$

Since  $A$  is directed, there is a  $\lambda_0 \in A$  such that  $\lambda_0 > \mu$  and  $\lambda_0 > \delta$ , we shall use this  $\lambda_0$  throughout the proof of lemma. If we denote  $U_{\lambda_0} = \pi_{\lambda_0\delta}^{-1}(U_\delta)$  and using the equality  $\pi_\delta^{-1} = \pi_{\lambda_0}^{-1}\pi_{\lambda_0\delta}^{-1}$ , then (\*) may be rewritten as

$$F(\pi_{\lambda_0}^{-1}(U_{\lambda_0})) \subset \pi_\mu^{-1}(V_\mu) ,$$

and hence

$$F_{\lambda_0}(U_{\lambda_0}) = \pi_{\lambda_0} F\pi_{\lambda_0}^{-1}(U_{\lambda_0}) \subset \pi_{\lambda_0}\pi_\mu^{-1}(V_\mu) = \pi_{\lambda_0}(\pi_{\lambda_0\mu}\pi_\lambda)^{-1}(V_\mu) = \pi_{\lambda_0\mu}^{-1}(V_\mu) .$$

In particular,

$$F_{\lambda_0}\pi_{\lambda_0}(x) \subset \pi_{\lambda_0\mu}^{-1}(V_\mu) .$$

Similarly, one obtains  $\pi_{\lambda_0}(y) \in \pi_{\lambda_0\mu}^{-1}(U_\mu)$ .

Since  $\pi_{\lambda_0\mu}^{-1}(V_\mu)$  and  $\pi_{\lambda_0\mu}^{-1}(U_\mu)$  are disjoint,  $\pi_{\lambda_0}(y) \in F_{\lambda_0}\pi_{\lambda_0}(x)$ . From this we

conclude  $y \in \lim (F_\lambda \pi_\lambda(x), \pi_{\lambda\mu}, A)$ , as desired.

(iii) This follows immediately from (ii) above and Lemma 3.

LEMMA 6. Let  $F: X_\infty \rightarrow X_\infty$  be a continuous multifunction, let  $F_\lambda: X_\lambda \rightarrow X_\lambda$  be defined as in Lemma 4. Let  $E_\lambda = \{e_\lambda \mid e_\lambda \in X_\lambda \text{ and } e_\lambda \in F_\lambda(e_\lambda)\}$  then  $(E_\lambda, \pi_{\lambda\mu}, A)$  forms an inverse system.

*Proof.* It suffices to prove  $\pi_{\lambda\mu}(E_\lambda) \subset E_\mu$  whenever  $\lambda > \mu$ , which follows in a routine way.

*Proof of main theorem.* Since each  $X_\lambda$  has the F.p.p. and, by Lemma 4, each  $F_\lambda: X_\lambda \rightarrow X_\lambda$  is continuous, each  $E_\lambda$  is closed and nonvoid. By Lemma 6,  $(E_\lambda, \pi_{\lambda\mu}, A)$  is an inverse system of compact spaces, so it has a nonvoid inverse limit space  $\lim (E_\lambda, \pi_{\lambda\mu}, A)$ . We now conclude the proof by showing that each  $x$  in  $\lim (E_\lambda, \pi_{\lambda\mu}, A)$  is a fixed point under  $F$ ; i.e.,  $x \in F(x)$ . If  $x$  is in  $\lim (E_\lambda, \pi_{\lambda\mu}, A)$ , then  $\pi_\lambda(x) \in E_\lambda$  for all  $\lambda \in A$ ; i.e.,  $\pi_\lambda(x) \in F_\lambda \pi_\lambda(x)$  for all  $\lambda \in A$ . Consequently, by Lemmas 3 and 5, we have

$$x = \lim (\pi_\lambda(x), \pi_{\lambda\mu}, A) \in \lim (F_\lambda \pi_\lambda(x), \pi_{\lambda\mu}, A) = F(x) .$$

Since the main theorem fails for single-valued functions, it should be pointed out that why the above argument breaks down in the single-valued case: given any continuous multifunction  $F: X_\infty \rightarrow X_\infty$ , each induced  $F_\lambda$  is again a continuous multifunction and hence has a fixed point; this is crucial to the proof. In the single-valued case, however, it does not follow in general that  $F_\lambda$  is single-valued and hence  $F_\lambda$  may not have a fixed point.

In fact, with the assumption of the main theorem and the notation of Lemma 6 together with the notation  $E = \{x \mid x \in F(x)\}$ , we can make the following sharper assertion.

THEOREM.  $E = \lim (E_\lambda, \pi_{\lambda\mu}, A)$ .

*Proof.* From the proof of the main Theorem, we have  $E \supset \lim (E_\lambda, \pi_{\lambda\mu}, A)$ . It remains to be proved that

$$E \subset \lim (E_\lambda, \pi_{\lambda\mu}, A) .$$

Let  $x$  be in  $E$ , then  $x \in F(x)$  and therefore, for all  $\lambda \in A$ ,

$$\pi_\lambda(x) \in \pi_\lambda F(x) \subset \pi_\lambda F(\pi_\lambda^{-1} \pi_\lambda(x)) = F_\lambda(\pi_\lambda(x)) .$$

That is,  $\pi_\lambda(x) \in E_\lambda$  for all  $\lambda$ ; consequently, by Lemma 3,  $E \subset \lim (E_\lambda, \pi_{\lambda\mu}, A)$ .

A chain  $(U_1, U_2, \dots, U_n)$  is a finite sequence of sets  $U_i$  such that

$U_i \cap U_j \neq \square$  if and only if  $|i - j| \leq 1$ , where  $\square$  denotes the empty set. A Hausdorff space  $X$  is said to be *chainable* if to each open cover  $\mathcal{V}$  of  $X$  there is a finite open cover  $\mathcal{U} = (U_1, U_2, \dots, U_n)$  such that (i)  $\mathcal{U}$  refines  $\mathcal{V}$ ; (ii)  $\mathcal{U} = (U_1, U_2, \dots, U_n)$  forms a chain. It follows that a chainable space is a continuum. It is implicit in the paper of Isbell [5] that each metrizable chainable continuum is the inverse limit space of a sequence of (real) arcs. This together with a theorem of Strother [12] that a bounded closed interval of the real numbers has the F.p.p. implies the following result of Ward [13] as a consequence of our main theorem.

*Corollary [13]. Each chainable metric continuum has the F.p.p.*

Examples of inverse limit spaces of inverse systems of real arcs exist which are not metrizable; for instance, the long line [4, p. 55] is one such.

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