

67. A Generalization of a Theorem of Marotto^{*)}

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In 1975, Li and Yorke found the following theorem [3]. Let $f: I \rightarrow I$ be a continuous map of the compact interval I into itself. If f has a periodic point of minimal period three, then f exhibits chaotic behavior. This result is generalized by F. R. Marotto [4] in 1978 for the multi-dimensional case as follows. Let $f: \mathbf{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^n$ be a differentiable map of the n -dimensional Euclidean space \mathbf{R}^n ($n \geq 1$) into itself. If f has a snap-back repeller, then f exhibits chaotic behavior.

In this paper, we shall announce a generalization of the above theorem of Marotto. Our theorem can also be regarded as a generalization of the Smale's result [6] on the transversal homoclinic point of a diffeomorphism. A detailed proof will appear later.

§ 1. The main theorem. Let M be a smooth manifold of dimension n . Let $f: M \rightarrow M$ be a C^1 -map, and let $z_0 \in M$ be a hyperbolic fixed point of f . We denote by $W_{\text{loc}}^u(z_0)$ (resp. $W_{\text{loc}}^s(z_0)$) a local unstable (resp. stable) manifold of f at z_0 .

Main Theorem. Let $f: M \rightarrow M$ be a C^1 -map. Let $z_0 \in M$ be a hyperbolic fixed point of f . Assume the following three conditions.

- (1) $u = \dim W_{\text{loc}}^u(z_0) > 0$.
- (2) There exist a point $z_1 \in W_{\text{loc}}^u(z_0)$ ($z_1 \neq z_0$) and a positive integer m such that $f^m(z_1) \in W_{\text{loc}}^s(z_0)$.
- (3) There exists a u -dimensional disk B^u embedded in $W_{\text{loc}}^u(z_0)$ such that B^u is a neighborhood of z_1 in $W_{\text{loc}}^u(z_0)$, $f^m|_{B^u}: B^u \rightarrow M$ is an embedding, and $f^m(B^u)$ intersects $W_{\text{loc}}^s(z_0)$ transversally at $f^m(z_1)$.

Then the following conclusions hold.

- (a) There is a positive integer N such that there is a periodic point of f of minimal period p for any integer $p \geq N$.
- (b) There is an uncountable set S (called a scrambled set) in M satisfying the following conditions.

- (i) S does not contain any periodic points.
- (ii) $f(S) \subset S$
- (iii) $\limsup_{k \rightarrow \infty} d(f^k(x), f^k(y)) > 0$ for any $x, y \in S$ ($x \neq y$), where d is a compatible metric on M .

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