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On Local Aspects of Topological Transitivity and Weak Mixing in Set-Valued Discrete Systems

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Blanchard and Huang introduced the notion of weakly mixing subset, and Oprocha and Zhang gave the concept of transitive subset and studied its basic properties. In this paper our main goal is to discuss the weakly mixing subsets and transitive subsets in set-valued discrete systems. We prove that a set-valued discrete system has a transitive subset if and only if original system has a weakly mixing subset. Moreover, we give an example showing that original system has a transitive subset, which does not imply set-valued discrete system has a transitive subset.

1. Introduction

Throughout this paper a topological dynamical system (abbreviated to TDS) is a pair (X, f) , where X is a compact metric space with metric d and $f : X \rightarrow X$ is a continuous map. When X is finite, it is a discrete space and there is no any nontrivial convergence. Hence, we assume that X contains infinitely many points. Let \mathbb{N} denote the set of all positive integers and let $\mathbb{Z}_+ = \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$.

Topological transitivity, weak mixing, and sensitive dependence on initial conditions (see [1–4]) are global characteristics of topological dynamical systems. Let (X, f) be a TDS. (X, f) is (topologically) *transitive* if for any nonempty open subsets U and V of X there exists an $n \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $f^n(U) \cap V \neq \emptyset$. (X, f) is (topologically) *weakly mixing* if for any nonempty open subsets U_1, U_2, V_1 , and V_2 of X , there exists an $n \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $f^n(U_1) \cap V_1 \neq \emptyset$ and $f^n(U_2) \cap V_2 \neq \emptyset$. It follows from these definitions that weak mixing implies transitivity.

In [5], Blanchard introduced overall properties and partial properties. For example, sensitive dependence on initial conditions, Devaney chaos (see [6]), weak mixing, mixing, and more belong to overall properties; Li-Yorke chaos (see [7]) and positive entropy (see [1, 8]) belong to partial properties. Weak mixing is an overall property; it is stable under semiconjugate maps and implies Li-Yorke chaos. We have a weakly mixing system that always contains a dense

uncountable scrambled set (see [9]). In [10], Blanchard and Huang introduced the concepts of weakly mixing subset, derived from a result given by Xiong and Yang [11] and showed “partial weak mixing implies Li-Yorke chaos” and “Li-Yorke chaos can not imply partial weak mixing.”

Motivated by the idea of Blanchard and Huang’s notion of “weakly mixing subset,” Oprocha and Zhang [12] extended the notion of weakly mixing subset, gave the concept of “transitive subset,” and discussed its basic properties. In recent years, many authors studied the dynamical properties for set-valued discrete systems. Román-Flores [13], Banks [14], Peris [15], Wang and Wei [16], and Acosta et al. [17] investigated the properties of topological transitivity and weak mixing for set-valued discrete systems. Fedeli [18], Guirao et al. [19] and Hou et al. [20] studied Devaney chaos for set-valued discrete systems. Lampart and Raith [21] discussed topological entropy for set-valued maps. Liu et al. [22] and Wang et al. [23] studied sensitivity of set-valued discrete systems. Wu and Xue [24] discussed shadowing property for induced set-valued dynamical systems. Also, we continue to discuss transitive subsets, weakly mixing subsets for set-valued discrete systems, and investigate the relationship between set-valued discrete system and original system on transitive subset, weakly mixing subset. More precisely, a set-valued discrete system has a transitive subset if and only if original system has a weakly mixing subset and we give an example showing that

original system has a transitive subset which does not imply set-valued discrete system has a transitive subset. Moreover, we prove that a transitive point of set-valued discrete system is a transitive subset of original system.

2. Preliminaries

A TDS (X, f) is point transitive if there exists a point $x_0 \in X$ with dense orbit, that is, $\overline{\text{orb}(x_0)} = X$, where $\overline{\text{orb}(x_0)}$ denotes the closure of $\text{orb}(x_0)$. Such a point x_0 is called transitive point of (X, f) . If X is a compact metric space without isolated points, then topologically transitive and point transitive are equivalent (see [2]). A TDS (X, f) is minimal if $\text{orb}(x, f) = X$ for every $x \in X$; that is, every point is transitive point. A point x is called minimal if the subsystem $(\text{orb}(x, f), f)$ is minimal.

The distance from a point x to a nonempty set A in X is defined by

$$d(x, A) = \inf_{a \in A} d(x, a). \quad (1)$$

Let 2^X be the family of all nonempty compact subsets of X . The Hausdorff metric on 2^X is defined by

$$d_H(A, B) = \max \left\{ \sup_{a \in A} d(a, B), \sup_{b \in B} d(b, A) \right\} \quad (2)$$

for every $A, B \in 2^X$.

It follows from Michael [25] and Engelking [26] that 2^X is a compact metric space. The Vietoris topology τ_v on 2^X is generated by the base

$$v(U_1, U_2, \dots, U_n) = \left\{ F \in 2^X : F \subseteq \bigcup_{i=1}^n U_i, \right. \\ \left. F \cap U_i \neq \emptyset \forall i \leq n \right\}, \quad (3)$$

where U_1, U_2, \dots, U_n are open subsets of X .

Let 2^f be the induced set-valued map defined by

$$2^f : 2^X \longrightarrow 2^X, \quad 2^f(F) = f(F) \quad \text{for every } F \in 2^X. \quad (4)$$

Then 2^f is well defined. $(2^X, 2^f)$ is called a set-valued discrete system.

Let X be T_1 space; that is, single point set is closed. Then $2^A = \{F \in 2^X : F \subseteq A\}$ is a closed subset of 2^X for any nonempty closed subset A of X (see [25]).

Definition 1 (see [10]). Let (X, f) be a TDS and let A be a closed subset of X with at least two elements. A is said to be weakly mixing if for any $k \in \mathbb{N}$, any choice of nonempty open subsets V_1, V_2, \dots, V_k of A and nonempty open subsets U_1, U_2, \dots, U_k of X with $A \cap U_i \neq \emptyset, i = 1, 2, \dots, k$, there exists an $m \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $f^m(V_i) \cap U_i \neq \emptyset$ for $1 \leq i \leq k$. (X, f) is called partial weak mixing if X contains a weakly mixing subset.

Definition 2 (see [12]). Let (X, f) be a TDS and A be a nonempty subset of X . A is called a transitive subset of (X, f) if for any choice of nonempty open subset V^A of A and nonempty open subset U of X with $A \cap U \neq \emptyset$, there exists an $n \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $f^n(V^A) \cap U \neq \emptyset$.

Remark 3. (1) (X, f) is topologically transitive if and only if X is a transitive subset of (X, f) .

(2) By [12], A is a transitive subset if and only if \overline{A} is a transitive subset, where \overline{A} denotes the closure of A .

According to the definitions of transitive subset and weakly mixing subset, we have the following.

Result 1. If A is a weakly mixing subset of (X, f) , then A is a transitive subset of (X, f) .

Result 2. If $a \in X$ is a transitive point of (X, f) , then $\{a\}$ is a transitive subset of (X, f) .

Result 3. If $A = \text{orb}(x, f)$ is a periodic orbit of (X, f) for some $x \in X$, then A is a transitive subset of (X, f) .

Example 4. Tent map

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 2x, & \text{if } 0 \leq x \leq \frac{1}{2}, \\ 2(1-x), & \text{if } \frac{1}{2} \leq x \leq 1, \end{cases} \quad (5)$$

is shown in Figures 1 and 2, which is known to be transitive on $I = [0, 1]$ (see [6]). We prove that $[1/4, 3/4]$ is a transitive subset of (X, f) .

Let $S(f^k)$ denote the set of extreme value points of f^k for every $k \in \mathbb{N}$. Then $S(f^k) = \{1/2^k, 2/2^k, \dots, (2^k-1)/2^k\}$. Since $S(f) = \{1/2\}$, $f(1/2) = 1$, $f(0) = 0$, and $f(1) = 0$, we have

$$f^k(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } x = \frac{1}{2^k}, \frac{3}{2^k}, \dots, \frac{2^k-1}{2^k}, \\ 0, & \text{if } x = 0, \frac{2}{2^k}, \frac{4}{2^k}, \dots, \frac{2^k-2}{2^k}, 1. \end{cases} \quad (6)$$

Let $I_k^j = [j/2^k, (j+1)/2^k]$ for $0 \leq j \leq 2^k-1$. Then $f^k(I_k^j) = [0, 1]$. For any nonempty open set U of $[1/4, 3/4]$, without loss of generality, we take $U = (x_0 - \varepsilon, x_0 + \varepsilon)$ for a given $\varepsilon > 0$ and $x_0 \in \text{int}[1/4, 3/4]$, where $\text{int}[1/4, 3/4]$ denotes the interior of $[1/4, 3/4]$. When $l \in \mathbb{N}$ and $l > \log_2(1/\varepsilon)$, then there exist $j \in \mathbb{Z}_+$ and $0 \leq j \leq 2^l-1$ such that $I_l^j \subseteq U$. Furthermore, we have $f^l(U) = [0, 1]$. Thus, for any nonempty open set U of $[1/4, 3/4]$ and nonempty open set V of $[0, 1]$ with $V \cap [1/4, 3/4] \neq \emptyset$, there exists a $k \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $f^k(U) \cap V \neq \emptyset$. This shows that $[1/4, 3/4]$ is a transitive subset of (I, f) .

Definition 5 (see [27]). Let (X, τ) be a topological space and A be a nonempty set of X . A is a regular closed set of X if $A = \overline{\text{int}(A)}$, where $\text{int}(A)$ denotes the interior of A .

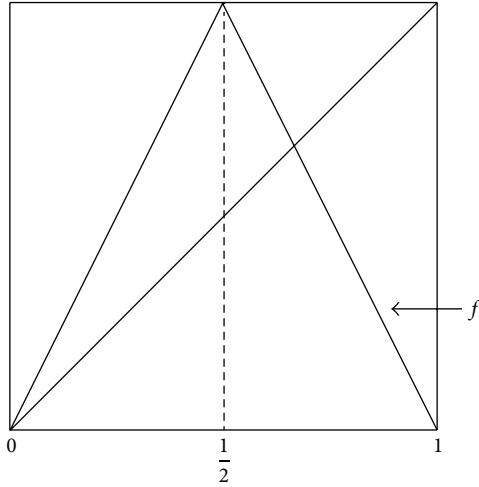


FIGURE 1

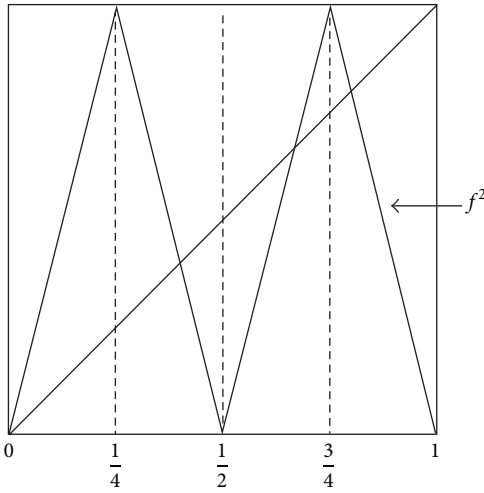


FIGURE 2

We easily prove that A is a regular closed set if and only if $\text{int}(V^A) \neq \emptyset$ for any nonempty set V^A of A .

Theorem 6 (see [14, 15]). *Let X be a compact space, and let 2^X be equipped with the Vietoris topology. If $f : X \rightarrow X$ is a continuous map, then $2^f : 2^X \rightarrow 2^X$ is continuous and (X, f) is weakly mixing $\Leftrightarrow (2^X, 2^f)$ is weakly mixing $\Leftrightarrow (2^X, 2^f)$ is topologically transitive.*

3. Transitive Subsets and Weakly Mixing Subsets of Set-Valued Discrete Systems

For a TDS (X, f) and two nonempty subsets $U, V \subseteq X$, we use the following notation:

$$N(U, V) = \{n \in \mathbb{N} : f^n(U) \cap V \neq \emptyset\}. \quad (7)$$

Theorem 7. *A is a weakly mixing subset of (X, f) if and only if 2^A is a weakly mixing subset of $(2^X, 2^f)$.*

Proof

Necessity. We prove for any $k \in \mathbb{N}$, any choice of nonempty open subsets $\mathcal{V}_1^{2^A}, \mathcal{V}_2^{2^A}, \dots, \mathcal{V}_k^{2^A}$ of 2^A and nonempty open subsets $\mathcal{U}_1, \mathcal{U}_2, \dots, \mathcal{U}_k$ of 2^X with $2^A \cap \mathcal{U}_i \neq \emptyset$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots, k$, that there exists an $m \in \mathbb{N}$ such that

$$(2^f)^m(\mathcal{V}_i^{2^A}) \cap \mathcal{U}_i \neq \emptyset \quad \text{for } i = 1, 2, \dots, k. \quad (8)$$

For nonempty open subset $\mathcal{V}_i^{2^A}$ of 2^A , there exist open subsets \mathcal{V}_i of 2^X such that $\mathcal{V}_i^{2^A} = \mathcal{V}_i \cap 2^A$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots, k$. Without loss of generality, let

$$\mathcal{V}_i = \nu(V_1^i, V_2^i, \dots, V_n^i), \quad \mathcal{U}_i = \nu(U_1^i, U_2^i, \dots, U_n^i) \quad (9)$$

for $i = 1, 2, \dots, k$.

V_j^i and U_j^i are nonempty open subsets of X for $i = 1, 2, \dots, k, j = 1, 2, \dots, n$. Furthermore,

$$\mathcal{V}_i^{2^A} = \left\{ F \in 2^A : F \subseteq \bigcup_{j=1}^n (V_j^i \cap A), \right. \\ \left. F \cap (V_j^i \cap A) \neq \emptyset \quad \forall 1 \leq j \leq n \right\}. \quad (10)$$

Let $(V_j^i)^A = V_j^i \cap A$. Then we have $(V_j^i)^A \neq \emptyset$ for $j = 1, 2, \dots, n$. Moreover, $\mathcal{U}_i \cap 2^A \neq \emptyset$, then $U_j^i \cap A \neq \emptyset$ for $j = 1, 2, \dots, n$.

We consider any nonempty open subsets $(V_1^1)^A, \dots, (V_n^1)^A, \dots, (V_1^k)^A, \dots, (V_n^k)^A$ of A and any nonempty open subsets $U_1^1, \dots, U_n^1, \dots, U_1^k, \dots, U_n^k$ of X with $A \cap U_j^i \neq \emptyset$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots, k, j = 1, 2, \dots, n$. Since A is a weakly mixing subset of (X, f) , then there exists an $m \in \mathbb{N}$ such that

$$(V_j^i)^A \cap f^{-m}(U_j^i) \neq \emptyset \quad \text{for } i = 1, 2, \dots, k, \\ j = 1, 2, \dots, n. \quad (11)$$

Take $x_j^i \in (V_j^i)^A \cap f^{-m}(U_j^i)$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots, k, j = 1, 2, \dots, n$. We have $x_j^i \in V_j^i \cap A$ and $f^m(x_j^i) \in U_j^i$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots, k, j = 1, 2, \dots, n$. Let $B_i = \bigcup_{j=1}^n \{x_j^i\}$. Then $B_i \in \mathcal{V}_i^{2^A}$ and $f^m(B_i) \in \mathcal{U}_i$. Furthermore, we have $f^m(B_i) \in f^m(\mathcal{V}_i^{2^A})$. Therefore, $(2^f)^m(\mathcal{V}_i^{2^A}) \cap \mathcal{U}_i \neq \emptyset$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots, k$.

Sufficiency. We show that for any $k \in \mathbb{N}$, any choice of nonempty open subsets $V_1^A, V_2^A, \dots, V_k^A$ of A and nonempty open subsets U_1, U_2, \dots, U_k of X with $A \cap U_i \neq \emptyset$ for each $i = 1, 2, \dots, k$, there exists an $m \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $f^m(V_i^A) \cap U_i \neq \emptyset$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots, k$.

For nonempty open subset V_i^A for $i = 1, 2, \dots, k$, there exists an open subset V_i of X such that $V_i^A = V_i \cap A$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots, k$. Let

$$\mathcal{V}_i^{2^A} = \nu(V_i) \cap 2^A, \quad \mathcal{U}_i = \nu(U_i) \quad \text{for } i = 1, 2, \dots, k. \quad (12)$$

Then $\mathcal{V}_i^{2^A}$ is a nonempty open subset of 2^A and \mathcal{U}_i is a nonempty open set of 2^X with $2^A \cap \mathcal{U}_i \neq \emptyset$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots, k$. Since 2^A is a weakly mixing subset of $(2^X, 2^f)$, there exists an $m \in \mathbb{N}$ such that

$$\mathcal{V}_i^{2^A} \cap (2^f)^{-m}(\mathcal{U}_i) \neq \emptyset \quad \text{for } i = 1, 2, \dots, k. \quad (13)$$

Take $F_i \in \mathcal{V}_i^{2^A} \cap (2^f)^{-m}(\mathcal{U}_i)$. We have $F_i \in \nu(V_i) \cap 2^A$ and $F_i \in (2^f)^{-m}(\mathcal{U}_i)$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots, k$. Therefore, $F_i \subseteq (V_i \cap A) \cap f^{-m}(U_i)$. Furthermore, we have $V_i^A \cap f^{-m}(U_i) \neq \emptyset$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots, k$. This shows A is a weakly mixing subset of (X, f) . \square

Theorem 8. *Let A be a nonempty closed set of X . If 2^A is a transitive subset of $(2^X, 2^f)$, then A is a transitive subset of (X, f) .*

Proof. We show that for any choice of nonempty open subset V^A of A and nonempty open subset U of X with $A \cap U \neq \emptyset$, there exists an $n \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $f^n(V^A) \cap U \neq \emptyset$.

For nonempty open subset V^A of A , there exists a nonempty open subset V of X such that $V^A = V \cap A$. Let $\mathcal{U} = \nu(U)$, $\mathcal{V} = \nu(V)$, and $\mathcal{V}^{2^A} = \nu(V) \cap 2^A$; then \mathcal{V}^{2^A} is a nonempty open subset of 2^A . Moreover, $U \cap A \neq \emptyset$ implies that $\nu(U) \cap 2^A \neq \emptyset$. Since 2^A is a topologically transitive subset of $(2^X, 2^f)$, there exists an $n \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $\mathcal{V}^{2^A} \cap (2^f)^{-n}(\mathcal{U}) \neq \emptyset$. Furthermore, there exists $F \in \mathcal{V}^{2^A} \cap (2^f)^{-n}(\mathcal{U})$ such that $F \in \mathcal{V}^{2^A}$ and $f^n(F) \in \mathcal{U}$, which implies $F \subseteq V^A$ and $f^n(F) \subseteq U$. Therefore, we have $f^n(V^A) \cap U \neq \emptyset$. \square

Lemma 9. *Let A be a regular closed set of X but not a singleton. A is a weakly mixing subset of (X, f) if and only if for any choice of nonempty open subsets V_1^A, V_2^A of A and nonempty open subsets U_1, U_2 of X with $A \cap U_i \neq \emptyset$, $i = 1, 2$, there exists an $n \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $f^n(V_i^A) \cap U_i \neq \emptyset$ for $i = 1, 2$.*

Proof. Necessity is obvious by the definition of weakly mixing subset. We need only to prove sufficiency.

Let V_1^A, V_2^A be two nonempty open subsets of A and let U_1, U_2 be two nonempty open subsets of X with $A \cap U_i \neq \emptyset$, $i = 1, 2$. Since A is a regular closed set of X , then $\text{int}(V_2^A) \neq \emptyset$. We consider two nonempty open subsets $V_1^A, U_1 \cap A$ of A and two nonempty open subsets $\text{int}(V_2^A), U_2$ of X ; there exists an $n \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $f^n(V_1^A) \cap \text{int}(V_2^A) \neq \emptyset$ and $f^n(U_1 \cap A) \cap U_2 \neq \emptyset$. Furthermore, we have $V_1^A \cap f^{-n}(\text{int}(V_2^A)) \neq \emptyset$ and $U_1 \cap A \cap f^{-n}(U_2) \neq \emptyset$.

Let $V = V_1^A \cap f^{-n}(\text{int}(V_2^A))$ and $U = U_1 \cap f^{-n}(U_2) \neq \emptyset$. Then V is a nonempty open subset of A and U is a nonempty open subset of X with $A \cap U \neq \emptyset$. By assumption, $N(U, V) \neq \emptyset$. For any $m \in N(U, V)$, we have $f^m(V) \cap U \subseteq f^m(V_1^A) \cap U_1$, which implies $f^m(V_1^A) \cap U_1 \neq \emptyset$. Since $f^m(V) \subseteq \text{int}(V_2^A)$, $f^n(U) \subseteq U_2$, it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} f^n(f^m(V) \cap U) &\subseteq f^{m+n}(V) \cap f^n(U) \\ &\subseteq f^m(\text{int}(V_2^A)) \cap f^n(U) \\ &\subseteq f^m(V_2^A) \cap U_2. \end{aligned} \quad (14)$$

Hence, $f^m(V_2^A) \cap U_2 \neq \emptyset$. Furthermore, we have $m \in N(V_1^A, U_1) \cap N(V_2^A, U_2)$ and $N(U, V) \subseteq N(V_1^A, U_1) \cap N(V_2^A, U_2)$. This shows that for any $k \in \mathbb{N}$, any choice of nonempty open subsets $V_1^A, V_2^A, \dots, V_k^A$ of A and nonempty open subsets U_1, U_2, \dots, U_k of X with $A \cap U_i \neq \emptyset$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots, k$, we have $\bigcap_{i=1}^k N(V_i^A, U_i) \neq \emptyset$. This means that there exists an $n \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $f^n(V_i^A) \cap U_i \neq \emptyset$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots, k$. Therefore, A is a weakly mixing subset of (X, f) . \square

Lemma 10. *Let A be a regular closed set of X but not a singleton. A is a weakly mixing subset of (X, f) if and only if for any choice of nonempty open subset V^A of A and nonempty open subsets U, W of X with $A \cap U \neq \emptyset$ and $A \cap W \neq \emptyset$, there exists an $n \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $f^n(V^A) \cap U \neq \emptyset$ and $f^n(V^A) \cap W \neq \emptyset$.*

Proof. Necessity is obviously by the definition of weakly mixing subset. We need only prove sufficiency.

By Lemma 9, we only prove that for any choice of nonempty open subsets V_1^A, V_2^A of A and nonempty open subsets U_1, U_2 of X with $A \cap U_i \neq \emptyset$, $i = 1, 2$, there exists an $m \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $f^m(V_i^A) \cap U_i \neq \emptyset$ for $i = 1, 2$.

Let V_1 and V_2 be two open sets of X satisfying $V_1^A = V_1 \cap A$ and $V_2^A = V_2 \cap A$. Since A is a regular closed set, then $\text{int}(V_1^A) \neq \emptyset$ and $\text{int}(V_2^A) \neq \emptyset$. We consider nonempty open subset V_1^A of A and nonempty open subsets $\text{int}(V_2^A), U_2$ of X , according to the assumption that there exists an $n \in \mathbb{N}$ such that

$$\begin{aligned} P^A &= V_1^A \cap f^{-n}(\text{int}(V_2^A)) \neq \emptyset, \\ Q^A &= V_1^A \cap f^{-n}(U_2) \neq \emptyset. \end{aligned} \quad (15)$$

Moreover, $P = V_1 \cap f^{-n}(\text{int}(V_2^A))$ and $Q = V_1 \cap f^{-n}(U_2)$ are nonempty open sets of X with $P \cap A \neq \emptyset$ and $Q \cap A \neq \emptyset$. We consider nonempty open subset P^A of A and nonempty open subsets Q, U_1 of X ; there exists an $m \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $f^m(P^A) \cap Q \neq \emptyset$ and $f^m(P^A) \cap U_1 \neq \emptyset$. As $f^m(P^A) \cap U_1 \subseteq f^m(V_1^A) \cap U_1$, we have $f^m(V_1^A) \cap U_1 \neq \emptyset$. Since $f^m(P^A) \cap Q \neq \emptyset$, then $f^m(f^{-n}(V_2^A)) \cap f^{-n}(U_2) \neq \emptyset$, which implies $f^m(V_2^A) \cap U_2 \neq \emptyset$. Therefore, by Lemma 9, A is a weakly mixing subset of (X, f) . \square

Theorem 11. *Let A be a regular closed subset of X but not a singleton. If 2^A is a transitive subset of $(2^X, 2^f)$, then A is a weakly mixing subset of (X, f) .*

Proof. Suppose A is a regular closed subset of X but not a singleton. Then 2^A is a closed subset of 2^X but not a singleton. Let V^A is a nonempty open subset of A , and let U and W be two nonempty open subsets of X with $A \cap U \neq \emptyset$ and $A \cap W \neq \emptyset$. According to Lemma 10, we only prove there exists an $n \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $f^n(V^A) \cap U \neq \emptyset$ and $f^n(V^A) \cap W \neq \emptyset$.

For nonempty open subset V^A of A , there exists an open subset V of X such that $V^A = V \cap A$. Let $\mathcal{U} = \nu(V)$ and $\mathcal{W} = \nu(U, W)$, then \mathcal{U} and \mathcal{W} are open subsets of 2^X with $2^A \cap \mathcal{U} \neq \emptyset$ and $2^A \cap \mathcal{W} \neq \emptyset$. We consider nonempty open subset $\mathcal{U} \cap 2^A$ of

2^A and nonempty open subset \mathcal{V} of 2^X . Since 2^A is a transitive subset of $(2^X, 2^f)$, there exists an $n \in \mathbb{N}$ such that

$$(\mathcal{U} \cap 2^A) \cap (2^f)^{-n}(\mathcal{V}) \neq \emptyset. \quad (16)$$

Take $B \in (\mathcal{U} \cap 2^A) \cap (2^f)^{-n}(\mathcal{V})$. We have $B \subseteq V^A$, $(2^f)^n(B) \cap U \neq \emptyset$, and $(2^f)^n(B) \cap W \neq \emptyset$, that is, $B \subseteq V^A$, $f^n(B) \cap U \neq \emptyset$, and $f^n(B) \cap W \neq \emptyset$, which implies $f^n(V^A) \cap U \neq \emptyset$ and $f^n(V^A) \cap W \neq \emptyset$. This shows A is a weakly mixing subset of (X, f) . \square

By Theorems 7 and 11, we have the following corollary.

Corollary 12. *Let A be a regular closed subset of X but not a singleton. Then the following properties are equivalent:*

- (1) A is a weakly mixing subset of (X, f) ;
- (2) 2^A is a weakly mixing subset of $(2^X, 2^f)$;
- (3) 2^A is a transitive subset of $(2^X, 2^f)$.

Lemma 13. *Let A be a transitive point of $(2^X, 2^f)$. Then x is a transitive point of (X, f) for every $x \in A$.*

Proof. Suppose that A is a transitive point of $(2^X, 2^f)$. Then for any open set $v(U_1, U_2, \dots, U_m)$ of $(2^X, 2^f)$, there exists $k \in \mathbb{Z}_+$ such that

$$(2^f)^k(A) \in v(U_1, U_2, \dots, U_m). \quad (17)$$

In particular, take $U_1 = U_2 = \dots = U_m = U$; there exists $l \in \mathbb{Z}_+$ such that $(2^f)^l(A) \in v(U)$. Furthermore, for any $x \in A$, we have $f^l(x) \in U$. Since U is any nonempty open set of X , it follows that x is a transitive point of (X, f) . \square

Theorem 14. *Let A be a transitive point of $(2^X, 2^f)$. Then A is a transitive subset of (X, f) .*

Proof. Suppose that A is a transitive point of $(2^X, 2^f)$. Then A is a nonempty closed set of X . Let V^A be a nonempty open set of A and let U be a nonempty open set of X with $A \cap U \neq \emptyset$. We prove that there exists an $n \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $f^n(V^A) \cap U \neq \emptyset$.

Since A is a transitive point of $(2^X, 2^f)$, by Lemma 13, x is a transitive point of (X, f) for every $x \in A$. Let $V^A = V \cap A$, where V is an open set of X . Let $x \in V^A$. Then $\overline{\text{orb}(x, f)} = X$. It means that there exists an $n \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $f^n(x) \in U$. Furthermore, we have $f^n(V^A) \cap U \neq \emptyset$. Therefore, A is a transitive subset of (X, f) . \square

Example 15. Let S^1 be the unit circle and let $T_\lambda : S^1 \rightarrow S^1$ be a translation map such that

$$T_\lambda(\theta) = \theta + 2\lambda\pi, \quad \lambda \in \mathbb{R}. \quad (18)$$

If λ is an irrational number, then $A = [0, \pi]$ is a transitive subset of (S^1, T_λ) , but 2^A is not a transitive subset of $(2^{S^1}, 2^{T_\lambda})$.

It is well known that if $\lambda = q/p$ is a rational number, then all points are periodic of period q , and so the set of periodic

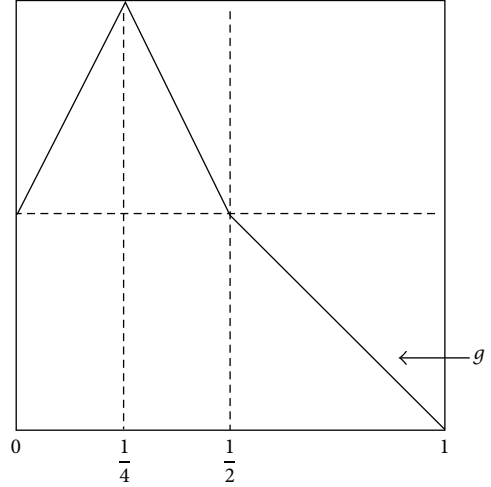


FIGURE 3

points is, obviously, dense in S^1 . Moreover, by Jacobi's Theorem [6], if λ is an irrational number, then each orbit $\{T_\lambda^n(\theta) : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ is dense in S^1 . Since S^1 is a compact metric space. Hence, (S^1, T_λ) is topologically transitive.

Let $A = [0, \pi]$. Then A is a nonempty closed subset of S^1 . Let V^A be a nonempty subset of A and U is an open subset of S^1 with $A \cap U \neq \emptyset$. Take $x \in V^A$. Since $\{T_\lambda^n(x) : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ is dense in S^1 , there exists an $m \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $T_\lambda^m(x) \in U$. Furthermore, we have $T_\lambda^m(V^A) \cap U \neq \emptyset$. Therefore, A is a transitive subset of (S^1, T_λ) ; that is, $[0, \pi]$ is a transitive subset of (S^1, T_λ) .

Let $K = [0, 1] \in 2^A$. Then $\text{diam}(K) = \text{diam}(2^{T_\lambda}(K)) = 1$, where $\text{diam}(K)$ denotes the diameter of K . Put $\varepsilon > 0$ such that $1 - \varepsilon > \varepsilon$. Let $\mathcal{V} = B(K, \varepsilon/2)$ and $\mathcal{U} = B(\{1\}, \varepsilon/2)$. Then $\mathcal{V}^{2^A} = \mathcal{V} \cap 2^A$ is a nonempty open subset of 2^A and \mathcal{U} is an open subset of S^1 with $2^A \cap \mathcal{U} \neq \emptyset$. Moreover, for any $F \in \mathcal{V}^{2^A}$ and any $G \in \mathcal{U}$, we have $\text{diam}(F) \geq 1 - \varepsilon$ and $\text{diam}(G) \leq \varepsilon$. Furthermore, $\text{diam}((2^{T_\lambda})^n(F)) \geq 1 - \varepsilon > \varepsilon$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Therefore, $(2^{T_\lambda})^n(\mathcal{V}^{2^A}) \cap \mathcal{U} = \emptyset$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$. It means that 2^A is not a transitive subset of $(2^{S^1}, 2^{T_\lambda})$.

Example 16. Let $I = [0, 1]$. Define $g : I \rightarrow I$ by

$$g(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2} + 2x, & \text{if } 0 \leq x \leq \frac{1}{4}, \\ \frac{3}{2} - 2x, & \text{if } \frac{1}{4} \leq x \leq \frac{1}{2}, \\ 1 - x, & \text{if } \frac{1}{2} \leq x \leq 1. \end{cases} \quad (19)$$

Then $(2^I, 2^g)$ has a weakly mixing subset (Figures 3 and 4).

Let $J = [0, 1/2]$ and $K = [1/2, 1]$. Then $g(J) = K$ and $g(K) = J$. Hence, $g^2|_K$ is equal to the tent map f of Example 4. Furthermore, by [8], (K, g^2) is mixing. Hence, K is a weakly mixing subset of (K, g^2) . We prove that K is a weakly mixing subset of (I, g) .

For any $m \in \mathbb{N}$, any choice of nonempty open subsets V_1^K, \dots, V_m^K of K and nonempty open subsets U_1, \dots, U_m of

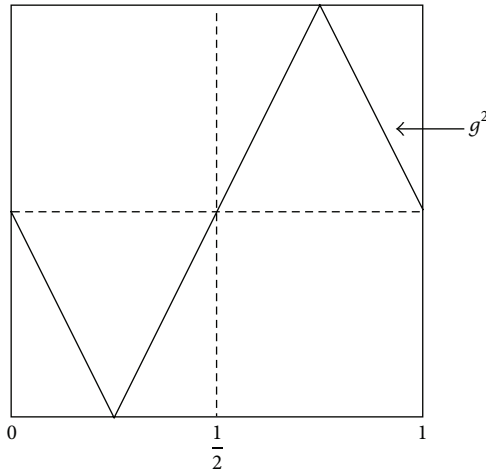


FIGURE 4

I with $K \cap U_i \neq \emptyset$, $i = 1, 2, \dots, m$, we have $K \cap U_i$ are non-empty open subsets of K for all $i = 1, 2, \dots, m$. Since (K, g^2) is weak mixing, by [28], there exists an $n \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $(g^2)^n(V_i^K) \cap (K \cap U_i) = g^{2n}(V_i^K) \cap (K \cap U_i) \neq \emptyset$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots, m$. Furthermore, we have $g^{2n}(V_i^K) \cap U_i \neq \emptyset$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots, m$. Hence, K is a weak mixing subset of (I, g) . By Theorem 7, 2^K is a weakly mixing subset of $(2^I, 2^g)$.

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