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### WEAK MEASURE-EXPANSIVE TRANSITIVE SETS

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ABSTRACT. In this paper, we prove that if a transitive set  $\Lambda$  is robustly weak measure-expansive then  $\Lambda$  is hyperbolic.

### 1. Introduction

In this paper, we assume that M is a compact smooth manifold without boundary (dim $M \ge 2$ ). A diffeomorphism  $f: M \to M$  is *expansive* if there is a constant  $\delta > 0$ (called an expansive constant) such that if for any  $x, y \in M$ ,  $d(f^i(x), f^i(y)) < \delta \ \forall i \in \mathbb{Z}$  then x = y.

About expansivity, Morales and Sirvent [9] have introduced measureexpansive, which is a viewpoint of measure theory.

For any  $\delta > 0$  and  $x \in M$ , we define  $\Gamma(\delta, x) = \{y \in M : d(f^i(x), f^i(y)) \le \delta \ \forall i \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ , which is called a *dynamic*  $\delta$ -ball. If a diffeomorphism f is expansive then  $\Gamma(\delta, x) = \{x\}$  for some  $\delta > 0$ . Let  $\mu$  be a Borel probability measure on M. Denote by  $\mathcal{M}(M)$  the set of all Borel probability measures on M endowed with weak\* topology. We say that a diffeomorphism f is measure-expansive if there is a constant  $\delta > 0$  such that  $\mu(\Gamma(\delta, x)) = 0$  for all  $x \in M$ . If  $\mu$  is non-atomic then measure-expansive is a general notion of expansive.

After that, various measure-theoretic expansivities were introduced for [1] and [2], etc. About the notions, we deal with weak measureexpansive([1]). A collection  $\mathcal{P} = \{A_1, A_2, \ldots, A_n : A_i \subset M\}$  is a *finite measurable partition* of M if

(a)  $A_i \cap A_j = \emptyset$  if  $i \neq j$ ,

- (b)  $\bigcup_{i=0}^{n} A_i = M$ ,
- (c) each  $A_i$  is measurable and  $intA_i \neq \emptyset$  for all i = 1, ..., n.

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Moreover, by compactness for any  $\delta > 0$ , we can construct  $\mathcal{P} = \{A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n : A_i \subset M\}$  with diam $A_i \leq \delta(i = 1, \dots, n)$ .

For a measure  $\mu \in \mathcal{M}(M)$ , a diffeomorphism  $f: M \to M$  is weak measure-expansive if there is a finite measurable partition  $\mathcal{P} = \{A_i \subset M : i = 1, ..., n\}$  such that  $\mu(\{y \in M : f^i(y) \in \mathcal{P}(f^i(x)) \text{ for all } i \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ . Here,  $\mathcal{P}(x)$  is the element of  $\mathcal{P}$  having x. If  $\mu$  is an invariant measure on M and non-atomic, then it is a general notion of expansive and measureexpansive.

In particular, we know that various expansivities are close to hyperbolic structure(quasi-Anosov, Axiom A, etc). For example, Mañé proved in [8] that if a diffeomorphism f belongs to the set of expansive diffeomorphisms of M, then it is qausi-Anosov. Here a diffeomorphism f is quasi-Anosov if for all  $v \in TM \setminus \{0\}$ , the set  $\{\|Df^n(v)\| : n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$  is unbounded.

For a measure-theoretic expansivity, Sakai, Sumi and Yamamoto proved in [10] that if a diffeomorphism f belongs to the set of measure-expansive diffeomorphisms of M, then it is qausi-Anosov.

A closed f-invariant set  $\Lambda \subset M$  is called hyperbolic if the tangent bundle  $T_{\Lambda}M$  has a Df-invariant splitting  $E^s \oplus E^u$  and there exist C > 0and  $\lambda \in (0, 1)$  such that

 $\|D_x f^n(v)\| \le C\lambda^n \|v\| (v \in E_x^s \setminus \{0\}) \text{ and } \|D_x f^{-n}(v)\| \le C\lambda^n (v \in E_x^u \setminus \{0\}),$ 

for all  $x \in \Lambda$  and  $n \ge 0$ .

Let  $Per(f) = \{x \in M : f^k(x) = x \text{ for some } k \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ , and  $\Omega(f) = \{x \in M : a \text{ neighborhood } U_x \text{ of } x \text{ there is } n \geq 0 \text{ such that } f^n(U_x) \cap U_x \neq \emptyset\}$ . A diffeomorphism f is Axiom A if  $\overline{Per(f)} = \Omega(f)$  is hyperbolic.

Ahn and Kim proved in [1] that if a diffeomorphism f belongs to the set of weak measure-expansive diffeomorphisms of M, then it is Axiom A and has no-cycles.

The previous results, a main research topic is related to a closed set of a diffeomorphism  $f: M \to M$  and various expansivities. To prove this, we use the property of  $C^1$  robust. That is, a closed f-invariant set  $\Lambda \subset M$  is called *robustly* S if there are a  $C^1$  neighborhood  $\mathcal{U}$  of f and a neighborhood U of  $\Lambda$  such that  $\Lambda = \bigcap_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} f^n(U)$  and for any  $g \in \mathcal{U}, \Lambda_g = \bigcap_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} g^n(U)$  is S, where  $\Lambda_g$  is the continuation of  $\Lambda$ . In the above, S is replaced by expansive, measure-expansive, continuum-wise expansive, expanding measure, and weak measure-expansive, etc.

A closed f-invariant set  $\Lambda \subset M$  is called *transitive set* if there is a point  $x \in \Lambda$  such that the omega limit set of x,  $\omega_f(x)$ , is  $\Lambda$ . Using the notion and a transitive set  $\Lambda$ , Lee and Park [7] proved that if  $\Lambda$  is

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robustly expansive then  $\Lambda$  is hyperbolic for f. Lee [4] proved that if  $\Lambda$  is robustly continuum-wise expansive then  $\Lambda$  is hyperbolic for f and Lee [6] proved that if  $\Lambda$  is robustly expanding measure then  $\Lambda$  is hyperbolic. The result is a motivation about this paper. The following is a main result of this paper.

THEOREM 1.1. Let  $\Lambda \subset M$  be a transitive set of f. If  $\Lambda$  is robustly weak measure-expansive for f, then  $\Lambda$  is hyperbolic for f.

# 2. Proof of Theorem 1.1

Let M be as before, and let  $f: M \to M$  be a diffeomorphism.

REMARK 2.1. Let  $f: M \to M$  be a diffeomorphism. Suppose that f is weak measure-expansive. Then we have the following (see [1]):

- (a) If f is the identity map then f is not weak measure-expansive.
- (b) A f is weak measure-expansive if and only if  $f^n$  is weak measureexpansive, for any  $n \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}$ .
- (c) If f is weak measure-expansive then  $\Lambda \subset M$  is weak measure-expansive for f.

The following lemma is called Franks' lemma [3].

LEMMA 2.2. Let  $\mathcal{U}(f)$  be a  $C^1$  neighborhood of a diffeomorphism  $f: M \to M$ . Then there exist a  $\epsilon > 0$  and a  $C^1$  neighborhood  $\mathcal{U}_0(f) \subset \mathcal{U}(f)$  of f such that if  $g \in \mathcal{U}_0(f)$ , a finite set  $A = \{x_1, x_2, \cdots, x_N\}$ , a neighborhood W of A and  $L_i(i = 1, \ldots, N)$  are linear maps  $L_i: T_{x_i}M \to T_{g(x_i)}M$  satisfying  $||L_i - D_{x_i}g|| \leq \epsilon$  for all  $1 \leq i \leq N$ , there exists  $\widehat{g} \in \mathcal{U}(f)$  satisfying  $\widehat{g}(x) = g(x)$  if  $x \in \{x_1, x_2, \cdots, x_N\} \cup (M \setminus W)$  and  $D_{x_i}\widehat{g} = L_i$  for all  $1 \leq i \leq N$ .

LEMMA 2.3. Let  $\Lambda \subset M$  be a closed set. If  $\Lambda$  is robustly weak measure-expansive then for any  $g \in \mathcal{U}$ , every periodic point  $p \in \Lambda_g$  is hyperbolic, where  $\mathcal{U}$  and U are in the notion of robustly weak measure-expansive.

Proof. Let  $\mathcal{U}$  and U be the definition of robustly weak measureexpansivity. Suppose that by contradiction there exist a diffeomorphism  $g \in \mathcal{U}$  and a periodic point  $p \in \Lambda_g$  is not hyperbolic. Then  $D_p g^{\pi(p)}(g^{\pi(p)}(p) = p)$  has an eigenvalue  $\lambda$  with  $|\lambda| = 1$ . For simplicity, we assume that g(p) = p. As Lemma 2.2, we also assume that  $D_p g$  has only one eigenvalue  $\lambda$  with  $|\lambda| = 1$ . Then we have  $T_p M = E_p^s \oplus E_p^u \oplus E_p^c$ , Manseob Lee

where  $E_p^s$  corresponds to the eigenvalues less than 1,  $E_p^u$  to the eigenvalues greater than 1, and  $E_p^c$  to  $\lambda$ . Note that if dim $E_p^c = 1$  then  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ , and if dim $E_p^c = 2$  then  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ . In this Lemma, we prove the case of  $\dim E_p^c = 1$  (other case is similar(see [1])). Using Lemma 2.2, there are r > 0 and  $g_1 \in \mathcal{U}$  such that

(a)  $g_1(p) = g(p) = p$ , (b)  $g_1(x) = \exp_p \circ D_p g \circ \exp_p^{-1}(x)$ , if  $x \in B(x, r) \subset U$ , and (c)  $g_1(x) = g(x)$ , if  $x \notin B(x, 4r)$ .

Take a non-zero vector  $v \in E_p^c$ . Then we have

$$g_1(\exp_p(v)) = \exp_p(v).$$

Let  $I_v = \{\tau ||v|| : -r/4 \le \tau \le r/4\}$ . From the fact, we have an closed arc  $\mathcal{J}_p \subset U$  such that

(ii) 
$$q_1(\mathcal{J}_n) = \mathcal{J}_n$$
 and

(i)  $\exp_p(I_v) = \mathcal{J}_p$ , (ii)  $g_1(\mathcal{J}_p) = \mathcal{J}_p$  and (iii)  $g_1|_{\mathcal{J}_p} : \mathcal{J}_p \to \mathcal{J}_p$  is the identity map.

Let m be the Lebesgue measure on  $\mathcal{J}_p$ . For a Borel set  $C \subset M$ , we define  $\nu \in \mathcal{M}(M)$  by

$$\nu(C) = m(C \cap \mathcal{J}_p).$$

Then  $\nu$  is an invariant measure. Since  $\mathcal{J}_p \subset U$  and  $g_1|_{\mathcal{J}_p} : \mathcal{J}_p \to \mathcal{J}_p$ is the identity map, by Remark 2.1,  $g_1$  is not weak measure-expansive. This is a contradiction.

For a closed f-invariant set  $\Lambda \subset M$ , a diffeomorphism f satisfies a local star on  $\Lambda$  if there are a  $C^1$  neighborhood  $\mathcal{U}$  of f and a neighborhood U of  $\Lambda$  such that for any  $g \in \mathcal{U}$ , every  $p \in Per(f) \cap \Lambda_g (= \bigcap_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} g^n(U))$ is hyperbolic.

LEMMA 2.4. Let  $\Lambda \subset M$  be a closed set. If  $\Lambda$  is robustly weak measure-expansive then f satisfies a local star on  $\Lambda$ .

*Proof.* Since  $\Lambda$  is robustly weak measure-expansive, by Lemma 2.3, every periodic point in  $\Lambda$  is hyperbolic. This means that f satisfies a local star on  $\Lambda$ .  $\square$ 

End of Proof of Theorem 1.1 Since  $\Lambda$  is robustly weak measureexpansive, by Lemma 2.4, f satisfies a local star on  $\Lambda$ . As the result of [5],  $\Lambda$  is hyperbolic. 

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