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# **DECOMPOSITION THEOREM ON G-SPACES**

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### Abstract

In this paper, we introduce the weak G-expansivity which is a generalization of both expansivity and G-expansivity. Also, we define G-stable and G-unstable sets of a homeomorphism on a metric G-space X and investigate properties of them. Finally, we consider the decomposition theorem on G-spaces.

## 1. Introduction

Let X be a topological space, G be a topological group, and  $\theta: G \times X \to X$  be a map. The triple  $(X, G, \theta)$  is called a *topological G-space* if the following three conditions are satisfied:

(1)  $\theta(e, x) = x$  for all  $x \in X$ , where e is the identity of G;

(2)  $\theta(g, \theta(h, x)) = \theta(gh, x)$  for all  $x \in X$  and for all  $g, h \in G$ ;

(3)  $\theta$  is continuous.

Here, gh is the group operation on G. Simply, we denote  $\theta(g, x)$  by gx and X is usually said to be a *topological G-space*.

For any subset A of X, G(A) is denoted by the set  $\{ga : g \in G, a \in A\}$ . G(x) is called a *G-orbit* of x. A subset A of X is called *G-invariant* if G(A) = A. A map  $f : X \to X$  on a *G*-space X is said to be *pseudoequivariant* provided that f(G(x)) = G(f(x)) for all  $x \in X$ , and f is said to be *equivariant* provided that f(gx) = gf(x) for all  $x \in X$  and  $g \in G$ .

N. Aoki has proved the following topological decomposition theorem in 1983 ([1]), which is an extension of Smale's spectral decomposition theorem and Bowen's decomposition theorem in dynamical systems. All undefined notions can be found in [2].

**Theorem 1.1** ([1]). Let  $f: X \to X$  be a homeomorphism on a compact metric space X and let CR(f) be the chain recurrent set. If  $f|_{CR(f)}: CR(f) \to CR(f)$  is an expansive homeomorphism with the shadowing property, then

(1) CR(f) contains a finite sequence  $B_i$   $(1 \le i \le k)$  of f-invariant closed subsets such that

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- (a)  $CR(f) = \bigcup_{i=1}^{k} B_i$  (disjoint union);
- (b)  $f|_{B_i}: B_i \to B_i$  is topologically transitive,
- (2) for each  $B_i$ , there exist a subset  $X_p$  of  $B_i$  and a > 0 such that
  - (a)  $f^a(X_p) = X_p;$
  - (b)  $X_p \cap f^j(X_p) = \emptyset \ (0 < j < a);$
  - (c)  $f^a|_{X_p} \colon X_p \to X_p$  is topologically mixing;
  - (d)  $B_i = \bigcup_{j=0}^{a-1} f^j(X_p).$

A point  $x \in X$  is called a *G*-periodic point of f if there exist an integer n > 0 and  $g \in G$  such that  $f^n(x) = gx$ . A point  $x \in X$  is called a *G*-nonwandering point of f if for every open neighborhood U of x, there exist n > 0 and  $g \in G$  such that  $gf^n(U) \cap U \neq \emptyset$ .  $Per_G(f)$  (resp.  $\Omega_G(f)$ ) is denoted by the set of all *G*-periodic (resp. *G*-nonwandering) points of f.

For a homeomorphism f on a metric G-space X, a sequence  $\{x_i \in X : i \in \mathbb{Z}\}$  is called a  $(\delta, G)$ -*pseudo orbit* for f provided that for each i, there exists  $g_i \in G$  such that  $d(g_i f(x_i), x_{i+1}) < \delta$ . A  $(\delta, G)$ -pseudo orbit  $\{x_i\}$  for f is said to be  $\epsilon$ -traced by a point  $x \in X$  provided that for each i, there exists  $g_i \in G$  such that  $d(f^i(x), g_i x_i) < \epsilon$ .

DEFINITION 1.2 ([5]). A homeomorphism  $f: X \to X$  has the *G*-shadowing property (GSP) provided that for any  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists  $\delta > 0$  such that every  $(\delta, G)$ -pseudo orbit  $\{x_i\}$  in X for f is  $\epsilon$ -traced by a point  $x \in X$ .

REMARK 1.3. It was proved by E. Shah that, when X is a compact metric G-space and the orbit map  $\pi: X \to X/G$  is a covering map, a pseudoequivariant homeomorphism f on X has the GSP if and only if the induced map  $\hat{f}: X/G \to X/G$  has the shadowing property ([5]).

If a pseudoequivariant continuous onto map  $f: X \to X$  has the GSP where X is a compact metric G-space with G compact, then  $f|_{\Omega_G(f)}$  has the GSP ([5]).

The main purpose of this paper is to prove the following theorems on compact metric G-spaces.

**Theorem A.** Let X be a compact metric G-space with G compact. If  $f: X \to X$ is a pseudoequivariant G-expansive homeomorphism with the GSP, then  $\Omega_G(f)$  contains a finite sequence  $B_i$   $(1 \le i \le n)$  of f-invariant, G-invariant, and closed subsets such that

- (1)  $f|_{\Omega_G(f)}$  is topologically *G*-transitive;
- (2)  $\Omega_G(f) = \bigcup_{i=1}^n B_i$  (disjoint union);
- (3)  $f|_{B_i}$  has the GSP.

A homeomorphism  $f: X \to X$  is said to be *topologically G-mixing* provided that for every nonempty open subsets U and V of X, there exists an integer N such that

for each  $n \ge N$ , there is  $g_n \in G$  satisfying  $g_n f^n(U) \cap V \neq \emptyset$ .

**Theorem B.** Let  $f|_{\Omega_G(f)}$ :  $\Omega_G(f) \to \Omega_G(f)$  be a *G*-expansive homeomorphism with the GSP. Then, for any *f*-invariant, *G*-invariant, open and closed subset  $B \subset \Omega_G(f)$  such that  $f|_B \colon B \to B$  is topologically *G*-transitive, there are  $X_p \subset B$  and a > 0 such that

- (1)  $f^a(X_p) = X_p;$
- (2)  $X_p \cap f^j(X_p) = \emptyset \ (0 < j < a);$
- (3)  $f^a|_{X_p} \colon X_p \to X_p$  is topologically *G*-mixing;
- (4)  $B = \bigcup_{i=0}^{a-1} f^{i}(X_p).$

DEFINITION 1.4. A homeomorphism  $f: X \to X$  on a metric *G*-space *X* is said to be *weak G-expansive* provided that there exists  $\delta > 0$  such that for every  $x, y \in X$ with  $G(x) \neq G(y)$  if  $u \in G(x)$  and  $v \in G(y)$ , there exists  $n = n(u, v) \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that

$$d(f^n(u), f^n(v)) > \delta.$$

The constant  $\delta$  is called a *weak G-expansive constant* for f.

The weak *G*-expansivity is a generalization of both expansivity and *G*-expansivity. Here, *G*-expansivity has been defined by R. Das ([4]). A homeomorphism  $f: X \to X$ is said to be *G*-expansive provided that there exists  $\delta > 0$  such that for every  $x, y \in X$ with  $G(x) \neq G(y)$ , there exists  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that

$$d(f^n(u), f^n(v)) > \delta$$
 for all  $u \in G(x), v \in G(y)$ .

The constant  $\delta$  is called a *G*-expansive constant for *f*.

REMARK 1.5. R. Das proved that there is no implication between G-expansivity and expansivity by giving counterexamples ([4]).

EXAMPLE 1.6 ([4]). Consider the compact space  $X = \{1/n, 1-1/n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  with the usual metric and let the topological group  $G = \{-1, 1\}$  act on X with the action  $\theta$  defined by  $\theta(1, x) = x$  and  $\theta(-1, x) = 1 - x$ . Define a homeomorphism  $f : X \to X$  by

 $f(x) = \begin{cases} x & \text{if } x = 0, 1; \\ \text{next to the right of } x & \text{if } x \in X \setminus \{0, 1\}. \end{cases}$ 

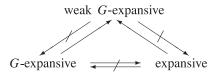
Then f is an expansive map with expansive constant  $\delta$  (0 <  $\delta$  < 1/6). But, it is easy to see that for x,  $y \in X \setminus \{1/2\}$  with  $G(x) \neq G(y)$ , there is no  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that

$$|f^n(u) - f^n(v)| > \delta$$
 for all  $u \in G(x), v \in G(y)$ ,

whatever  $\delta > 0$  may be. This means that f is not G-expansive.

EXAMPLE 1.7 ([4]). Consider the compact space  $X = \bigcup_{i=1}^{n} C_i$  with the usual metric, where each  $C_i$  is the circle in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  with center the origin and radius *i*. Denote G = SO(2) by the set of all  $2 \times 2$  matrices whose determinants are  $\pm 1$  and define an action  $\theta: G \times X \to X$  by the usual rotations on *X*. Then the identity map on *X* is *G*-expansive with *G*-expansive constant  $\delta$  ( $0 < \delta < 1$ ).

Therefore, all properties of the following diagram are distinguished as we see in Examples 1.6 and 1.7:



DEFINITION 1.8. Let  $f: X \to X$  be a homeomorphism of a metric *G*-space *X*. We define a *local G-stable set*  $W^s_{\epsilon}(x)$  and a *local G-unstable set*  $W^u_{\epsilon}(x)$  by

$$W^{s}_{\epsilon}(x) = \{ y \in X : \text{ for each } n \ge 0,$$
  
there is  $g_{n} \in G$  such that  $d(f^{n}(g_{n}x), f^{n}(y)) \le \epsilon \},$   
 $W^{u}_{\epsilon}(x) = \{ y \in X : \text{ for each } n \ge 0$   
there is  $g_{n} \in G$  such that  $d(f^{-n}(g_{n}x), f^{-n}(y)) \le \epsilon \}.$ 

We modify results of [3] into the following results by weakening the condition "equivariant" into "pseudoequivariant" and deleting the condition "invariant metric". A metric *d* on a *G*-space *X* is called an *invariant metric* provided that d(x, y) = d(gx, gy) for all  $x, y \in X$  and  $g \in G$ .

REMARK 1.9. Let X be a compact metric G-space with G compact. If  $f: X \to X$  is a weak G-expansive pseudoequivariant homeomorphism with weak G-expansive constant  $\delta > 0$ , then for every  $\gamma > 0$ , there is N > 0 such that for each  $x \in X$  and for each  $n \ge N$ ,

$$f^n(W^s_{\delta}(x)) \subset W^s_{\nu}(f^n(x))$$

and

$$f^{-n}(W^u_{\delta}(x)) \subset W^u_{\gamma}(f^{-n}(x)).$$

Proof. We shall prove only the case of a local *G*-stable set because the other case can be proved similarly. To do it, suppose that there exists  $\gamma > 0$  such that for all N > 0, there are  $x \in X$  and  $n \ge N$  satisfying

$$f^n(W^s_{\delta}(x)) \not\subset W^s_{\nu}(f^n(x)).$$

Let N > 0. Then there are  $x_1 \in X$  and  $n \ge N$  satisfying

$$f^n(W^s_{\delta}(x_1)) \not\subset W^s_{\nu}(f^n(x_1)),$$

that is, there exists  $y_1 \in W^s_{\delta}(x_1)$  such that  $f^n(y_1) \notin W^s_{\gamma}(f^n(x_1))$ . So there exists  $i \ge 0$  such that for every  $h \in G$ ,

$$d(f^{i}(hf^{n}(x_{1})), f^{i}(f^{n}(y_{1}))) > \gamma.$$

Because f is pseudoequivariant, there exists  $i \ge 0$  such that for every  $g \in G$ ,

$$d(gf^{i+n}(x_1), f^{i+n}(y_1)) > \gamma.$$

Take  $m_1 = i + n$  and choose  $N = m_1 + 1$ .

Continuing the process, we can find sequences  $m_n > 0$ ,  $x_n$ , and  $y_n \in X$  such that (1)  $y_n \in W^s_{\delta}(x_n)$ ;

- (2)  $d(hf^{m_n}(x_n), f^{m_n}(y_n)) > \gamma$  for all  $h \in G$ ;
- (3)  $\lim_{n\to\infty} m_n = \infty$ .

It follows from  $y_n \in W^s_{\delta}(x_n)$  that for each  $i \geq -m_n$ , there exists  $g_{i+m_n} \in G$  such that

$$d(f^{i+m_n}(g_{i+m_n}x_n), f^{i+m_n}(y_n)) \leq \delta.$$

Since f is pseudoequivariant, for each  $g_{i+m_n}$ , there exists  $h_{i+m_n} \in G$  such that

$$d(f^{i}(h_{i+m_{n}}f^{m_{n}}(x_{n})), f^{i}(f^{m_{n}}(y_{n}))) = d(f^{i+m_{n}}(g_{i+m_{n}}x_{n}), f^{i+m_{n}}(y_{n}))$$

Hence, for each  $i \geq -m_n$ ,

$$d(f^{i}(h_{i+m_{n}}f^{m_{n}}(x_{n})), f^{i}(f^{m_{n}}(y_{n}))) \leq \delta.$$

If  $f^{m_n}(x_n) \to x$ ,  $f^{m_n}(y_n) \to y$ , and  $h_{i+m_n} \to h$  as  $n \to \infty$ , then

$$d(f^{i}(hx), f^{i}(y)) \leq \delta$$
 for all  $i \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

Since  $\delta$  is a weak *G*-expansive constant for *f*, G(x) = G(y). But  $d(hx, y) = \lim_{n \to \infty} d(hf^{m_n}(x_n), f^{m_n}(y_n)) \ge \gamma > 0$  for all  $h \in G$  by (2). Thus  $hx \ne y$  for all  $h \in G$ , and hence  $G(x) \ne G(y)$ . This is a contradiction.

For a homeomorphism f on a compact metric G-space, we define the following:

 $W^{s}(x) = \left\{ y \in X : \text{ there exists a sequence } g_{n} \in G \text{ such that} \\ \lim_{n \to \infty} d(f^{n}(g_{n}x), f^{n}(y) = 0 \right\};$  $W^{u}(x) = \left\{ y \in X : \text{ there exists a sequence } g_{n} \in G \text{ such that} \right\}$ 

$$\lim_{n\to\infty} d(f^{-n}(g_nx), f^{-n}(y) = 0\}$$

 $W^{s}(x)$  (resp.  $W^{u}(x)$ ) is called a *G*-stable set (resp. *G*-unstable set).

REMARK 1.10. Let X be a compact metric G-space with G compact. If  $f: X \to X$  is a weak G-expansive pseudoequivariant homeomorphism with weak G-expansive constant  $\delta > 0$ , then for each  $\epsilon$  with  $0 < \epsilon < \delta$ ,

$$W^{s}(x) = \bigcup_{n \ge 0} f^{-n}(W^{s}_{\epsilon}(f^{n}(x)));$$
$$W^{u}(x) = \bigcup_{n \ge 0} f^{n}(W^{s}_{\epsilon}(f^{-n}(x))).$$

Proof. (C): Let  $y \in W^s(x)$  and  $0 < \epsilon < \delta$ . Then there exists N > 0 such that for each  $n \ge N$ , we can choose  $g_n \in G$  satisfying

$$d(f^n(g_nx), f^n(y)) \le \epsilon.$$

Thus,

$$d(f^i(f^N(g_{i+N}x)), f^i(f^N(y))) \le \epsilon$$
 for all  $i \ge 0$ .

Since f is pseudoequivariant,  $f^N(y) \in W^s_{\epsilon}(f^N(x))$ . Therefore,

$$y \in f^{-N}(W^s_{\epsilon}(f^N(x))) \subset \bigcup_{n \ge 0} f^{-n}(W^s_{\epsilon}(f^n(x))).$$

(⊃): Let  $y \in f^{-n}(W^s_{\epsilon}(f^n(x)))$  for some  $n \ge 0$ . Then  $f^n(y) \in W^s_{\epsilon}(f^n(x))$ . It follows from Remark 1.9 that for every  $\gamma > 0$  there exists N > 0 such that for each  $x \in X$  and  $m \ge N$ ,

$$f^{m+n}(y) \in f^m(W^s_{\epsilon}(f^n(x))) \subset W^s_{\nu}(f^{m+n}(x)).$$

So for each  $n \ge N$ , we can find  $g_n \in G$  such that

$$d(f^{m+n}(g_n x), f^{m+n}(y)) \le \gamma.$$

Since f is pseudoequivariant,  $y \in W^s(x)$ . The proof is completed. The case of a G-unstable set can be proved similarly.

#### 2. Decomposition theorems

First we prepare the following four lemmas to show Theorem A.

**Lemma 2.1** ([3]). Let  $(X, G, \theta)$  be a compact metric G-space with G compact. Then for any  $\epsilon > 0$ , there is a finite open cover  $\mathcal{U} = \{U_1, \ldots, U_s\}$  of X such that  $\operatorname{diam}(g\overline{U_i}) \leq \epsilon$  for all  $g \in G$  and i with  $1 \leq i \leq s$ . In Lemma 2.1, notice that, for each  $g \in G$ , the open cover  $\{gU : U \in \mathcal{U}\}$  of X satisfies diam $(hg\overline{U_i}) \leq \epsilon$  for all  $h \in G$  and i with  $1 \leq i \leq s$ .

**Lemma 2.2.** Let X be a compact metric G-space with G compact. If U is a finite open cover of X, then there exists  $\delta > 0$  such that for each subset A of X with diam $(A) \leq \delta$ ,  $A \subset gU$  for some  $U \in U$  and  $g \in G$ .

Proof. Suppose not. Then for every n > 0 there exists a subset  $A_n$  of X such that diam $(A_n) \le 1/n$  and  $A_n \not\subset gU$  for all  $U \in \mathcal{U}$  and  $g \in G$ . Choose  $x_n \in A_n$  for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Since X is compact, there exist a subsequence  $\{x_{n_i}\}$  of  $\{x_n\}$  such that  $x_{n_i} \to x$ . We fix  $g \in G$ . Then there is  $U \in \mathcal{U}$  with  $x \in gU$ . Since  $X \setminus gU$  is compact,  $d(x, X \setminus gU) > 0$ . Put  $\epsilon = d(x, X \setminus gU)$  and take  $n_i > 0$  such that  $1/n_i < \epsilon/2$  and  $d(x_{n_i}, x) < \epsilon/2$ . Then for any  $y \in A_{n_i}$ ,

$$d(y, x) \leq d(y, x_{n_i}) + d(x_{n_i}, x) \leq \frac{1}{n_i} + \frac{\epsilon}{2} < \epsilon.$$

So  $y \in gU$ . Therefore,  $A_{n_i} \subset gU$ . This is a contradiction.

**Lemma 2.3.** Let X be a compact metric G-space with G compact. Then for any  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists  $\delta > 0$  ( $\delta < \epsilon$ ) such that

$$d(x, y) < \delta \implies d(gx, gy) < \epsilon \text{ for all } g \in G.$$

Proof. Let  $\epsilon > 0$ . Then it follows from Lemma 2.1 that, for any positive  $\epsilon_1 < \epsilon$ , there is a finite open cover  $\mathcal{U}$  such that diam $(g\overline{\mathcal{U}}) \leq \epsilon_1$  for all  $g \in G$  and  $U \in \mathcal{U}$ . Also, by Lemma 2.2, there is a constant  $\delta = \delta(\mathcal{U}) > 0$  such that for any subset A with diam $(A) \leq \delta$ ,  $A \subset gU$  for some  $g \in G$  and  $U \in U$ . Let x and y in X with  $d(x, y) < \delta$ . Then  $x, y \in g_0 U_0$  for some  $g_0 \in G$  and  $U_0 \in \mathcal{U}$ . Note that  $\{g_0 U : U \in \mathcal{U}\}$  is an open cover of X. For any  $g \in G$ , take  $g_1 \in G$  such that  $g_1 = gg_0$ . Then, by Lemma 2.1, diam $(gg_0\overline{U}) \leq \epsilon_1$ , that is, diam $(g_1\overline{U}) \leq \epsilon_1 < \epsilon$  for all  $U \in \mathcal{U}$ . Since  $gx, gy \in gg_0 U_0 = g_1 U_0$ ,  $d(gx, gy) < \epsilon$ .

**Lemma 2.4.** Let X be a compact metric G-space with G compact and let f be a pseudoequivariant homeomorphism on X. Then f has the GSP if and only if for any  $\epsilon > 0$ , we can find  $\delta > 0$  such that for every  $(\delta, G)$ -pseudo orbit  $\{x_i\}$  of X for f, there exist  $x \in X$  and  $h_i \in G$  satisfying

$$d(f^{i}(h_{i}x), x_{i}) < \epsilon \text{ for all } i \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

Proof. Suppose that *f* has the GSP and let  $\epsilon > 0$ . Then, by Lemma 2.3, there exists  $\epsilon_0 > 0$  ( $\epsilon_0 < \epsilon$ ) such that for each *x*,  $y \in X$ ,

$$d(x, y) < \epsilon_0 \implies d(gx, gy) < \epsilon \text{ for all } g \in G.$$

Let  $\delta$  be the constant corresponding to  $\epsilon_0$  in the definition of the GSP. Then every  $(\delta, G)$ -pseudo orbit  $\{x_i\}$  of X for f is  $\epsilon_0$ -traced by a point  $x \in X$ , that is, for each i, there exists  $g_i \in G$  such that

$$d(f^{i}(x), g_{i}x_{i}) < \epsilon_{0}$$
 for all  $i \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

Since f is pseudoequivariant, for each  $g_i \in G$ , there exists  $h_i \in G$  such that

$$g_i^{-1}f^i(x) = f^i(h_i x)$$

Moreover,  $d(g_i^{-1}f^i(x), x_i) < \epsilon$  and hence  $d(f^i(h_i x), x_i) < \epsilon$  for all  $i \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

The converse can be proved similarly.

We have ([5]) that  $f(\Omega_G(f)) = \Omega_G(f)$  and  $CR_G(f) = \Omega_G(f)$  for a pseudoequivariant homeomorphism f with GSP on a compact metric G-space X where G is compact.

For  $x, y \in X$  and  $\delta > 0$ , x is said to be  $(\delta, G)$ -related to y (denoted by  $x \stackrel{\delta}{\sim}_G y$ ) if there exist finite  $(\delta, G)$ -pseudo orbits  $\{x = x_0, x_1, \dots, x_k = y\}$  and  $\{y = y_0, y_1, \dots, y_n = x\}$ for f. If for every  $\delta > 0$ , x is  $(\delta, G)$ -related to y, then x is said to be *G*-related to y (denoted by  $x \sim_G y$ ). A point x is said to be a *G*-chain recurrent point of fif  $x \sim_G x$ .  $CR_G(f)$  is denoted by the set of all *G*-chain recurrent points of f. A homeomorphism  $f: X \to X$  is called topologically *G*-transitive provided that for every nonempty open subsets U and V of X, there exist an integer n > 0 and  $g \in G$  such that  $gf^n(U) \cap V \neq \emptyset$ .

**Proof of Theorem A.** Since the pseudoequivariant homeomorphism f satisfies the GSP,  $CR_G(f) = \Omega_G(f)$ . Thus  $\Omega_G(f) = \bigcup_{\lambda} B_{\lambda}$  where each  $B_{\lambda}$  is an equivalence class under the relation  $\sim_G$  which is defined in  $CR_G(f)$ .

**Claim 1.** Each  $B_{\lambda}$  is closed in  $\Omega_G(f)$ .

Proof. Let  $x \in \overline{B_{\lambda}}$ . Then we can find a sequence  $\{x_i\}$  in  $B_{\lambda}$  which converges to x. Let  $\alpha > 0$  be given. Then there exists a finite open cover  $\{U_1, \ldots, U_s\}$  of X such that

$$\operatorname{diam}(g\overline{U_i}) \leq \frac{\alpha}{2}$$
 for all  $g \in G$  and  $i$  with  $1 \leq i \leq s$ 

by Lemma 2.1. So  $f(x) \in U_i$  for some *i*. Choose an  $\epsilon_0$ -neighborhood  $N_{\epsilon_0}(f(x))$  of f(x) such that  $N_{\epsilon_0}(f(x)) \subset U_i$ . Then since *f* is uniformly continuous, there exists  $\delta_0 > 0$  such that

$$d(x, y) < \delta_0 \implies d(f(x), f(y)) < \epsilon_0.$$

Because  $\{x_i\}$  converges to x, there is J > 0 such that  $d(x_J, x) < \min\{\alpha/2, \delta_0\}$ . From the fact that  $x_J \in CR_G(f)$ , we can find a  $(\alpha/2, G)$ -pseudo orbit

$${x_J = y_0, y_1, \ldots, y_{k-1}, y_k = x_J}.$$

So  $d(gf(y_0), y_1) < \alpha/2$  for some  $g \in G$ . Also  $d(f(y_0), f(x)) < \epsilon_0$  and hence  $d(gf(y_0), gf(x)) < \alpha/2$ . Thus,

$$d(gf(x), y_1) \le d(gf(x), gf(y_0)) + d(gf(y_0), y_1) < \frac{\alpha}{2} + \frac{\alpha}{2} = \alpha.$$

Therefore,  $\{x, y_1, \ldots, y_k = x_J\}$  is an  $(\alpha, G)$ -pseudo orbit. It is clear that there is an  $(\alpha, G)$ -pseudo orbit from  $x_J$  to x by the uniform continuity of f. It follows from  $x \stackrel{\alpha}{\sim}_G x_J$  that  $x \stackrel{\alpha}{\sim}_G x_i$  for all i because each  $x_i \in B_{\lambda}$ . Since  $\alpha$  is arbitrary,  $x \in B_{\lambda}$ . Therefore,  $B_{\lambda}$  is closed.

**Claim 2.** Each  $B_{\lambda}$  is *f*-invariant.

Proof. To prove this, we firstly show that  $x \sim_G f(x)$  for all  $x \in \Omega_G(f)$ . Let  $\alpha > 0$ . Then there is  $\delta > 0$  ( $\delta < \alpha$ ) such that

$$d(a, b) < \delta \implies d(f^2(a), f^2(b)) < \alpha.$$

Since  $x \in \Omega_G(f)$ , there are n > 0 and  $g \in G$  such that

$$gf^n(N_{\delta}(x)) \cap N_{\delta}(x) \neq \emptyset$$

where  $N_{\delta}(x)$  is a  $\delta$ -neighborhood of x. Then there exists  $z \in N_{\delta}(x)$  such that  $gf^n(z) \in N_{\delta}(x)$ . Hence

$${f(x), f^{2}(z), \ldots, f^{n-1}(z), x}$$

is an  $(\alpha, G)$ -pseudo orbit and thus,  $x \sim_G f(x)$ . Since f is a homeomorphism, we can show that  $x \sim_G f^{-1}(x)$  for all  $x \in \Omega_G(f)$  similarly. Therefore,  $f(B_{\lambda}) = B_{\lambda}$  for each  $\lambda$ .

**Claim 3.**  $Per_G(f)$  is dense in  $\Omega_G(f)$ .

Proof. Let  $\alpha > 0$  be a *G*-expansive constant for *f* and take  $\epsilon < \alpha/2$ . Since *f* has the GSP, there exists  $\delta > 0$  ( $\delta < \epsilon$ ) such that every ( $\delta$ , *G*)-pseudo orbit is  $\epsilon$ -traced by a point in *X*. Since *f* is uniformly continuous, there exists a positive constant  $\gamma < \delta$ such that if  $d(a, b) < \gamma$ , then  $d(f(a), f(b)) < \delta$ . Let  $p \in \Omega_G(f)$ . Then for every  $\gamma$ -neighborhood  $N_{\gamma}(p)$  of *p*, there exist an integer n > 0 and  $g \in G$  such that

$$gf^n(N_{\gamma}(p)) \cap N_{\gamma}(p) \neq \emptyset.$$

Choose a point  $y \in gf^n(N_{\gamma}(p)) \cap N_{\gamma}(p)$ . Since  $f^{-n}(g^{-1}y) \in N_{\gamma}(p)$ ,

$$d(f(p), f(f^{-n}(g^{-1}y))) < \delta.$$

Hence

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$$x_0 = p, x_1 = f^{-n+1}(g^{-1}y), x_2 = f^{-n+2}(g^{-1}y), ..., x_{n-1} = f^{-1}(g^{-1}y), x_n = p, ...}$$

is a  $(\delta, G)$ -pseudo orbit for f. Since f has the GSP, it follows from Lemma 2.4 that, for each  $i \in \mathbb{Z}$ , there exist  $x \in X$  and  $g_i \in G$  such that

$$d(f^{i}(g_{i}x), x_{i}) < \epsilon$$
 for all  $i \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

Thus,

$$d(f^{k}(f^{n}(g_{k+n}x)), f^{k}(g_{k}x)) \leq d(f^{k}(f^{n}(g_{k+n}x)), x_{k+n}) + d(x_{k+n}, f^{k}(g_{k}x))$$
$$= d(f^{k}(f^{n}(g_{k+n}x)), x_{k+n}) + d(x_{k}, f^{k}(g_{k}x))$$
$$< 2\epsilon < \alpha$$

for all k. Since  $\alpha$  is a G-expansive constant for f,

$$G(f^n(x)) = G(x),$$

and hence

$$g_0 x \in Per_G(f) \cap N_{\epsilon}(p)$$

where  $N_{\epsilon}(p)$  is an  $\epsilon$ -neighborhood of p. Therefore,  $Per_G(f)$  is dense in  $\Omega_G(f)$ .

**Claim 4.** Each  $B_{\lambda}$  is open in  $\Omega_G(f)$ .

Proof. Let  $\alpha > 0$  be a G-expansive constant for f and let  $\epsilon < \alpha$ . Denote

$$N_{\delta}(B_{\lambda}) = \{ y \in \Omega_G(f) : d(y, B_{\lambda}) < \delta \}$$

where  $\delta$  is the constant corresponding to  $\epsilon$  in the definition of the GSP for  $f|_{\Omega_G(f)}$ . Then for a point  $p \in N_{\delta}(B_{\lambda}) \cap Per_G(f)$ , there exists  $y \in B_{\lambda}$  such that

$$d(y, p) < \delta$$
.

Since  $f|_{\Omega_G(f)}$  has the GSP, it follows from Remark 1.10 that

$$W^u(p) \cap W^s(y) \neq \emptyset$$

and

$$W^{s}(p) \cap W^{u}(y) \neq \emptyset.$$

Here,  $W^{s}(p)$  and  $W^{u}(p)$  are defined on  $\Omega_{G}(f)$ . So, there exists  $y_{0} \in B_{\lambda}$  (in particular,

 $y_0$  belongs to the  $\alpha$ -limit set  $\alpha(y)$  such that  $y_0 \sim p$ , that is,  $p \in B_{\lambda}$ . Therefore,

$$B_{\lambda} \supset \overline{N_{\delta}(B_{\lambda}) \cap Per_G(f)} \supset N_{\delta}(B_{\lambda}) \cap \overline{Per_G(f)} = N_{\delta}(B_{\lambda}),$$

that is,  $B_{\lambda}$  is open in  $\Omega_G(f)$ .

Since X is compact and  $\Omega_G(f)$  is a closed subset of X,  $\Omega_G(f)$  can be covered by finitely many  $B_{\lambda}$ 's, that is,  $\Omega_G(f) = \bigcup_{i=1}^n B_i$ .

Claim 5. Each  $B_i$  is G-invariant.

Proof. Let  $x \in B_i$ ,  $g \in G$ , and  $\delta > 0$ . We shall show that  $gx \in B_i$ . Since  $x \in B_i$ , there exists a  $(\delta, G)$ -pseudo orbit  $\{x_0 = x, x_1, \dots, x_{n-1}, x_n = x\}$ . Then  $d(g_0 f(x), x_1) < \delta$ for some  $g_0 \in G$ . Since f is pseudoequivariant, we can take  $h \in G$  such that  $g_0 f(x) = hf(gx)$ . Thus  $\{gx, x_1, \dots, x_{n-1}, x_n = x\}$  is a  $(\delta, G)$ -pseudo orbit. By Lemma 2.3, there exists  $\gamma > 0$  ( $\gamma < \delta$ ) such that

$$d(x, y) < \gamma \implies d(gx, gy) < \delta$$
 for all  $g \in G$ .

Let  $\{x_0 = x, x_1, \dots, x_{n-1}, x_n = x\}$  be a  $(\gamma, G)$ -pseudo orbit. Then

$$d(g_{n-1}f(x_{n-1}), x) < \gamma$$
 for some  $g_{n-1} \in G$ 

and hence  $d(gg_{n-1}f(x_{n-1}), gx) < \delta$ . Thus  $\{x_0 = x, x_1, \dots, x_{n-1}, gx\}$  is a  $(\delta, G)$ -pseudo orbit. Since  $\delta$  is arbitrary,  $gx \sim_G x$ . Therefore,  $gx \in B_i$ .

**Claim 6.**  $f|_{B_i}$  has the GSP.

Proof. Let  $0 < \epsilon < \min\{d(B_i, B_j): i \neq j, 1 \le i, j \le n\}$  be given. Since  $f|_{\Omega_G(f)}$  has the GSP, there exists  $\delta < \epsilon$  such that every  $(\delta, G)$ -pseudo orbit  $\{x_k\} \subset B_i$  is  $\epsilon$ -traced by a point  $x \in \Omega_G(f)$ . This means that, for each k, there exists  $g_k \in G$  such that

$$d(f^k(x), g_k x_k) < \epsilon.$$

Since  $B_i$  is G-invariant and  $x_0 \in B_i$ ,  $g_0 x_0 \in B_i$ . Therefore  $x \in B_i$ .

**Claim 7.**  $f|_{B_i}$  is topologically *G*-transitive.

Proof. Let U and V be nonempty open subsets of  $B_i$ . Take  $x \in U$  and  $y \in V$ . Then  $x \sim_G y$ . Let  $N_{\epsilon}(x)$  and  $N_{\epsilon}(y)$  be  $\epsilon$ -neighborhoods of x and y respectively such that  $N_{\epsilon}(x) \subset U$  and  $N_{\epsilon}(y) \subset V$ . Choose a positive  $\epsilon_1 < \epsilon$  such that

$$d(a, b) < \epsilon_1 \implies d(ga, gb) < \epsilon \text{ for all } g \in G.$$

Since  $f|_{B_i}$  has the GSP, there exists  $\delta_1 > 0$  such that every  $(\delta_1, G)$ -pseudo orbit in  $B_i$  is  $\epsilon_1$ -traced by a point in  $B_i$ . Thus, a  $(\delta_1, G)$ -pseudo orbit  $\{x_0 = x, \ldots, x_n = y\} \subset B_i$  from x to y is  $\epsilon_1$ -traced by a point  $z \in B_i$ . In particular,

$$d(z, g_0 x) < \epsilon_1$$
 and  $d(f^n(z), g_n y) < \epsilon_1$  for some  $g_0, g_n \in G$ 

Since  $d(g_0^{-1}z, x) < \epsilon$  and  $d(g_n^{-1}f^n(z), y) < \epsilon$ ,

$$g_0^{-1}z \in N_\epsilon(x) \subset U$$

and

$$g_n^{-1}f^n(z) \subset N_{\epsilon}(y) \subset V.$$

Since  $f^n(g_0^{-1}z) \in f^n(U)$  and f is pseudoequivariant,

$$g_1 f^n(z) \in f^n(U)$$
 for some  $g_1 \in G$ .

Choose  $g \in G$  such that  $gg_1 = g_n^{-1}$ . Then  $g_n^{-1}f^n(z) \in gf^n(U)$ . Therefore,  $gf^n(U) \cap V \neq \emptyset$ .

We next prepare the following three lemmas to complete Theorem B.

**Lemma 2.5.** Let  $f: X \to X$  be a pseudoequivariant homeomorphism on a compact metric G-space X with G compact. Then

$$W^i(x) = W^i(p)$$
 for any  $x \in W^i(p)$   $(i = s, u)$ .

Proof. We shall prove only the case i = s. Let  $y \in W^s(x)$  and let  $\epsilon > 0$ . Since  $y \in W^s(x)$ , there exists  $N_1 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $n \ge N_1$  implies that

$$d(f^n(h_nx), f^n(y)) < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$$
 for some  $h_n \in G$ .

Let  $\delta > 0$  be the constant satisfying the following:

$$d(x, y) < \delta \implies d(gx, gy) < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$$
 for all  $g \in G$ .

Since  $x \in W^{s}(p)$ , there exists  $N_{2} \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $n \geq N_{2}$  implies that

$$d(f^n(g'_n p), f^n(x)) < \delta$$
 for some  $g'_n \in G$ .

Hence for some  $h'_n \in G$  with  $h'_n f^n(x) = f^n(h_n x)$ ,

$$d(h'_n f^n(g'_n p), h'_n f^n(x)) < \frac{\epsilon}{2}.$$

Since  $h'_n f^n(g'_n p) = f^n(g_n p)$  for some  $g_n \in G$ ,

$$d(f^n(g_np), f^n(h_nx)) < \frac{\epsilon}{2}.$$

Take  $N = \max\{N_1, N_2\}$ . Then  $n \ge N$  implies that

$$d(f^{n}(g_{n}p), f^{n}(y)) \leq d(f^{n}(g_{n}p), f^{n}(h_{n}x)) + d(f^{n}(h_{n}x), f^{n}(y)) < \epsilon.$$

Therefore,  $W^{s}(x) \subset W^{s}(p)$ . Similarly, one can prove  $W^{s}(p) \subset W^{s}(x)$ .

**Lemma 2.6.** Let  $f: X \to X$  be a pseudoequivariant homeomorphism on a compact metric G-space X with G compact and let  $x \in W^i(p)$ . Then

$$gx \in W^{\iota}(p)$$
 for every  $g \in G$ ,

and hence

$$G(W^{i}(p)) = W^{i}(p) \quad (i = s, u).$$

Proof. Let  $x \in W^s(p)$ ,  $g \in G$  and let  $\epsilon > 0$ . Then there is  $\delta > 0$  such that if  $d(x, y) < \delta$ , then  $d(gx, gy) < \epsilon$  for all  $g \in G$ . Since for each  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ , we have  $g_n \in G$  such that

$$\lim_{n\to\infty} d(f^n(g_np), f^n(x))) = 0,$$

that is, there exists  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  such that

$$n \ge N \implies d(f^n(g_n p), f^n(x)) < \delta.$$

Hence, for  $h'_n \in G$  with  $h'_n f^n(x) = f^n(gx)$ ,

$$d(h'_n f^n(g_n p), h'_n f^n(x)) < \epsilon.$$

Let  $h'_n f^n(g_n p) = f^n(h_n p)$ . Then

$$d(f^n(h_n p), f^n(gx)) < \epsilon.$$

Therefore,  $gx \in W^{s}(p)$ . Similarly, one can prove the statement for the case i = u.

**Lemma 2.7.** Let  $f: X \to X$  be a pseudoequivariant homeomorphism on a compact metric G-space X with G compact. Then for any  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists a positive

constant  $\delta < \epsilon$  satisfying the following: if  $x \in W^u_{\delta}(y)$ , then for all  $g \in G$ ,

(1) 
$$gx \in W^u_{\epsilon}(y)$$

and

(2) 
$$gy \in W^u_{\epsilon}(x).$$

Proof. Let  $\epsilon > 0$ . Then, by Lemma 2.3, there exists a positive constant  $\delta < \epsilon$  such that

$$d(x, y) < \delta \implies d(gx, gy) < \epsilon \text{ for all } g \in G.$$

Let  $x \in W^u_{\delta}(y)$  and let  $g \in G$ . Then for each  $n \ge 0$ , there exists  $g_n \in G$  such that

$$d(f^{-n}(x), f^{-n}(g_n y)) < \delta.$$

(1) Take  $g'_n \in G$  such that  $g'_n f^{-n}(x) = f^{-n}(gx)$ . Then

$$d(f^{-n}(gx), g'_n f^{-n}(g_n y)) < \epsilon.$$

Since f is pseudoequivariant,  $gx \in W^u_{\epsilon}(y)$ .

(2) Take  $g'_n \in G$  such that  $g'_n f^{-n}(g_n y) = f^{-n}(gy)$ . Then

$$d(g'_n f^{-n}(x), f^{-n}(gy)) < \epsilon.$$

Since f is pseudoequivariant,  $gy \in W^u_{\epsilon}(x)$  for all  $g \in G$ .

**Proof of Theorem B.** Let  $\epsilon > 0$  be a constant which is less than the *G*-expansive constant for  $f|_B$  and let  $\delta > 0$  ( $\delta < \epsilon$ ) be the constant corresponding to  $\epsilon$  in the definition of the GSP. Let  $X_p = \overline{W^u(p) \cap B}$  for  $p \in B \cap Per_G(f)$ . We can see directly from Lemmas 2.3 and 2.6 that  $X_p$  is *G*-invariant, that is, if  $x \in X_p$ , then  $gx \in X_p$  for all  $g \in G$ .

**Claim 1.**  $X_p$  is open in B.

Proof. Since  $p \in Per_G(f)$ , we have an integer m > 0 and  $g_1 \in G$  such that  $g_1 f^m(p) = p$ . Denote  $N_{\delta}(X_p) = \{y \in B : d(y, X_p) < \delta\}$ . Let  $q \in N_{\delta}(X_p) \cap Per_G(f)$ . Then there is  $x \in W^u(p) \cap B$  with  $d(q, x) < \delta$ . Note that  $g_2 f^n(q) = q$  for some integer n > 0 and  $g_2 \in G$ . Since  $f|_B$  has the GSP, the  $(\delta, G)$ -pseudo orbit

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$$f^{-2}(x), f^{-1}(x), q, f(q), f^{2}(q), ...}$$

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is  $\epsilon$ -traced by a point  $x' \in B$ , that is, for each  $t \in \mathbb{Z}$ , there exists  $h_t \in G$  such that (a)  $d(x', h_0 q) < \epsilon$ ;

- (b)  $d(f^{t}(x'), h_{t}f^{t}(q)) < \epsilon \ (t > 0);$
- (c)  $d(f^{-t}(x'), h_{-t}f^{-t}(x)) < \epsilon \ (t > 0).$

Hence, it follows from Remark 1.10 that  $x' \in W^s(q) \cap W^u(x) \cap B$ .

Since f is pseudoequivariant and  $p \in Per_G(f)$ , for each  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ , we have  $g_{kmn} \in G$  such that  $f^{kmn}(g_{kmn}p) = p$ . Since  $W^u(x) = W^u(p) = W^u(g_{kmn}p)$  by Lemmas 2.5 and 2.6,

$$f^{kmn}(x') \in f^{kmn}(W^u(g_{kmn}p)) = W^u(f^{kmn}(g_{kmn}p)) = W^u(p).$$

Since  $q \in W^{s}(x')$ , for each  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ , one can find  $h_{kmn} \in G$  such that

$$\lim_{k\to\infty} d(h_{kmn}f^{kmn}(x'), f^{kmn}(q)) = 0.$$

Take  $i_{kmn} \in G$  such that  $i_{kmn}(h_{kmn})^{-1} f^{kmn}(q) = q$ . Then

$$\lim_{k \to \infty} d(i_{kmn} f^{kmn}(x'), i_{kmn}(h_{kmn})^{-1} f^{kmn}(q)) = \lim_{k \to \infty} d(i_{kmn} f^{kmn}(x'), q) = 0$$

Hence,  $q \in \overline{W^u(p) \cap B} = X_p$  because  $i_{kmn} f^{kmn}(x') \in W^u(p)$  for each  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$  by Lemma 2.6. Therefore,

$$X_p \supset \overline{N_{\delta}(X_p) \cap Per_G(f)} \supset N_{\delta}(X_p) \cap \overline{Per_G(f)} = N_{\delta}(X_p),$$

that is,  $X_p$  is open in B.

Note that  $f(X_p) = f(\overline{W^u(p) \cap B}) = \overline{f(W^u(p)) \cap f(B)} = \overline{W^u(f(p)) \cap B} = X_{f(p)}$ . Since  $X_p = X_{gp}$  for any  $g \in G$  and  $g_1 f^m(p) = p$ ,

$$f^{m}(X_{p}) = X_{f^{m}(p)} = X_{g_{1}f^{m}(p)} = X_{p}$$

Take the smallest integer a > 0 such that  $a \le m$  and  $f^a(X_p) = X_p$ .

**Claim 2.**  $B = \bigcup_{i=0}^{a-1} f^i(X_p).$ 

Proof. Let  $y \in B$ . Since  $f|_B$  is topologically *G*-transitive, for each 1/n-neighborhood  $N_{1/n}(y)$  of *y*, there are k > 0 and  $h_n \in G$  such that  $h_n N_{1/n}(y) \cap f^k(X_p) \neq \emptyset$ . So  $h_n N_{1/n}(y) \cap \left(\bigcup_{j=0}^{a-1} f^j(X_p)\right) \neq \emptyset$  for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . We may assume that  $h_n \to h \in G$  because *G* is compact. Since  $\bigcup_{j=0}^{a-1} f^j(X_p)$  is closed in *B*,  $hy \in \bigcup_{j=0}^{a-1} f^j(X_p)$ . Since  $G(f^j(X_p)) = G(X_{f^j(p)}) = X_{f^j(p)} = f^j(X_p)$ , we have  $y \in \bigcup_{j=0}^{a-1} f^j(X_p)$ .

**Claim 3.**  $X_p = X_q$  for  $q \in X_p \cap Per_G(f)$ .

Proof. Let  $q \in X_p \cap Per_G(f)$  and suppose *m* and *n* are *G*-periodic numbers of *p* and *q* respectively. Since  $N_{\delta}(X_p) = X_p$  for the constant  $\delta > 0$  in the above of Claim 1,  $W^u_{\delta}(q) \subset X_p$ . We firstly show that  $p \in X_q$ . Suppose that  $p \notin X_q$ . Then  $d(K, X_q) > 0$  where  $K = X_p \setminus X_q$ . Since  $q \in X_p = \overline{W^u(p) \cap B}$ , there exists  $z \in W^u(p) \cap B$  such that  $d(z, q) < d(K, X_q)$ . Since  $z \in X_p$  and  $z \notin K$ ,  $z \in X_q$ . Furthermore, for each  $j \in \mathbb{Z}$ , there exists  $g'_{mni} \in G$  such that

$$\lim_{j \to \infty} d(f^{-mnj}(z), f^{-mnj}(g'_{mnj}p)) = 0.$$

For each  $j \in \mathbb{Z}$ , choose  $g_{mnj} \in G$  with  $g_{mnj}f^{-mnj}(g'_{mnj}p) = p$ . Then we have

$$\lim_{j\to\infty}d(g_{mnj}f^{-mnj}(z), p)=0.$$

So  $g_{mnj}f^{-mnj}(z) \notin X_q$  for sufficiently large *j*. Hence,

$$h_{mnj}z \notin f^{mnj}(X_q) = X_q$$

for  $h_{mnj} \in G$  with  $g_{mnj} f^{-mnj}(z) = f^{-mnj}(h_{mnj}z)$ . Thus,  $z \notin X_q$ . This is a contradiction. Therefore,  $p \in X_q$ .

Let  $y \in W^u(q)$  and let  $0 < \delta_1 < \delta_2 < \delta_3 = \delta$  such that

$$d(x, y) < \delta_i \implies d(gx, gy) < \delta_{i+1}$$
 for all  $g \in G$   $(i = 1, 2)$ .

Then there exists  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  such that if  $k \ge N$ , then  $d(f^{-k}(y), f^{-k}(h_k q) < \delta_1$  for some  $h_k \in G$ . Choose  $j \in \mathbb{N}$  with  $mnj \ge N$ . Then

$$d((f^{-i} \circ f^{-mnj})(y), (f^{-i} \circ f^{-mnj})(h_{mnj+i}q)) < \delta_1 \text{ for all } i \ge 0,$$

that is,

$$f^{-mnj}(y) \in W^u_{\delta_1}(f^{-mnj}(q)).$$

By Lemma 2.7 (2),  $gf^{-mnj}(q) \in W^u_{\delta_2}(f^{-mnj}(y))$  for all  $g \in G$ . Since  $q \in Per_G(f)$ , we have  $q \in W^u_{\delta_2}(f^{-mnj}(y))$ . Again, by Lemma 2.7 (2),  $gf^{-mnj}(y) \in W^u_{\delta}(q)$  for all  $g \in G$ . In particular,  $f^{-mnj}(y) \in W^u_{\delta}(q)$ . This means that  $y \in f^{mnj}(W^u_{\delta}(q))$  for some  $j \ge 0$ . So  $W^u(q) \subset \bigcup_{j>0} f^{mnj}(W^u_{\delta}(q))$ . Therefore,

$$X_q = \overline{W^u(q) \cap B} \subset \overline{\bigcup_{j \ge 0} f^{mnj}(W^u_\delta(q)) \cap B} \subset \overline{X_p \cap B} = X_p \cap B = X_p.$$

Similarly, we have  $X_p \subset X_q$ .

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Claim 4.  $X_p \cap f^j(X_p) = \emptyset$  for 0 < j < a.

Proof. Suppose  $X_p \cap f^j(X_p) \neq \emptyset$  for some *j*. Since  $X_p \cap f^j(X_p)$  is open in *B*, we can find  $q \in X_p \cap f^j(X_p) \cap Per_G(f)$ . Then  $X_q = X_p = f^j(X_p)$ , which is a contradiction to the choice of the integer *a*.

**Claim 5.**  $f^a|_{X_p}$  is topologically *G*-mixing.

Proof. Let U and V be non-empty open subsets of  $X_p$  and let  $q \in V \cap Per_G(f)$ . Then  $f^{aj}(q) \in X_p \cap Per_G(f)$  for all  $j \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Since  $X_p = X_{f^{aj}(q)}$  for all  $j \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,

$$U \cap W^u(f^{aj}(q)) = U \cap (W^u(f^{aj}(q)) \cap B) \neq \emptyset$$
 for all  $j \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

Let n > 0 be a *G*-periodic number of *q*. Then for each *j* such that  $0 \le j \le n-1$ , there exists  $z_j \in U \cap W^u(f^{aj}(q))$ . Since *f* is pseudoequivariant, we may take this statement: for each  $t \in \mathbb{Z}$ , there exists  $h_t \in G$  such that

$$\lim_{t\to\infty} d(f^{-ant}(z_j), f^{aj}(h_t f^{-ant}(q))) = 0.$$

For each  $t \in \mathbb{Z}$ , choose  $g_t \in G$  such that  $g_t f^{aj}(h_t f^{-ant}(q)) = f^{aj}(q)$ . Then we have

$$\lim_{t\to\infty} d(g_t f^{-ant}(z_j), f^{aj}(q)) = 0,$$

and thus

$$\lim_{t\to\infty}g_tf^{-ant}(z_j)=f^{aj}(q).$$

Since  $f^{aj}(q) \in f^{aj}(V)$ , for each j with  $0 \le j \le n-1$ , we may choose  $N_j > 0$  such that for all  $t \ge N_j$ ,

$$g_t f^{-ant}(z_j) \in f^{aj}(V).$$

Let  $M = \max\{N_j : 0 \le j \le n-1\}$ . For each  $t \ge M$ , we get t = ns + j. If  $s \ge M$ , then

$$f^{-at}(i_s z_j) = f^{-aj}(g_s f^{-ans}(z_j)) \in V$$

for each  $i_s \in G$  such that  $f^{-ans-aj}(i_s z_j) = f^{-aj}(g_s f^{-ans}(z_j))$ . Hence,

$$i_s z_i \in f^{at}(V)$$
 if  $s \ge M$  (that is,  $t \ge nM$ ).

Thus, it follows from  $z_i \in U$  that there exists  $k_t \in G$  such that

$$k_t f^{at}(V) \cap U \neq \emptyset$$
 for each  $t \ge nM$ .

Therefore,  $f^a|_{X_p}$  is topologically *G*-mixing.

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