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Homoclinic classes with shadowing

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Abstract

We show that for C^1 generic diffeomorphisms, an isolated homoclinic class is shadow-able if and only if it is a hyperbolic basic set.

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1 Introduction

Let M be a closed C^∞ manifold, and denote by d the distance on M induced from the Riemannian metric $\|\cdot\|$ on the tangent bundle TM . Denote by $\text{Diff}(M)$ the space of diffeomorphisms of M endowed with the C^1 -topology. Let $f \in \text{Diff}(M)$. For $\delta > 0$, a sequence of points $\{x_i\}_{i=a}^b$ ($-\infty \leq a < b \leq \infty$) in M is called a δ -pseudo orbit of f if $d(f(x_i), x_{i+1}) < \delta$ for all $a \leq i \leq b - 1$. A closed f -invariant set $\Lambda \subset M$ is said to be *chain transitive* if for any points $x, y \rightsquigarrow \Lambda$ and $\delta > 0$, there is a δ -pseudo orbit $\{x_i\}_{i=a_\delta}^{b_\delta} \subset \Lambda$ of f such that $x_{a_\delta} = x$ and $x_{b_\delta} = y$. For given $x, y \in M$, we write $x \rightsquigarrow y$ if for any $\delta > 0$, there is a δ -pseudo orbit $\{x_i\}_{i=a}^b$ ($a < b$) of f such that $x_a = x$ and $x_b = y$. Write $x \boxtimes y$ if $x \rightsquigarrow y$ and $y \rightsquigarrow x$. The set of points $\{x \in M : x \boxtimes x\}$ is called the *chain recurrent set* of f and is denoted by $\mathcal{R}(f)$. If we denote the set of periodic points of f by $P(f)$, then $P(f) \subset \Omega(f) \subset \mathcal{R}(f)$, where $\Omega(f)$ is the non-wandering set of f . The relation \boxtimes on $\mathcal{R}(f)$ induces an equivalence relation, whose classes are called *chain components* of f . Every chain component of f is a closed f -invariant set.

Denote by $f|_\Lambda$ the restriction of f to the set Λ . We say that $f|_\Lambda$ has the *shadowing property* (or, Λ is *shadowable* for f) if for any $\epsilon > 0$ there is $\delta > 0$ such that for any δ -pseudo orbit $\{x_i\}_{i \in \mathbb{Z}} \subset \Lambda$ of f there is $y \in M$ such that $d(f^i(y), x_i) < \epsilon$, for $i \in \mathbb{Z}$.

It is well known that if p is a hyperbolic periodic point of f with period k then the sets

$$W^s(p) = \left\{ x \in M : f^{kn}(x) \rightarrow p \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty \right\} \text{ and}$$
$$W^u(p) = \left\{ x \in M : f^{-kn}(x) \rightarrow p \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty \right\}$$

are C^1 -injectively immersed submanifolds of M . Every point in the transversal intersection $(W^s(p) \pitchfork W^u(p))$ of $W^s(p)$ and $W^u(p)$ is called the *homoclinic point of f associated to p* . The closure of the homoclinic points of f associated to p is called the *homoclinic class* of f and it is denoted by $H_f(p)$.

Note that the homoclinic class $H_f(p)$ is a subset of the chain component $C_f(p)$ of f containing p . We consider only the hyperbolic periodic orbits of saddle type. We say

that two hyperbolic periodic points p and q are *homoclinically related*, and write $p \sim q$, if $W^s(p) \cap W^u(q) \neq \emptyset$ and $W^u(p) \cap W^s(q) \neq \emptyset$. We know that if $p \sim q$ then $\text{index}(p) = \text{index}(q)$. Here $\text{index}(p)$ denotes the dimension of the stable manifold $W^s(p)$ of p . By Smale's transverse homoclinic theorem, we know that the closure of the set of homoclinically related points with a hyperbolic periodic point p is the homoclinic class $H_f(p)$ of f associated to p .

We say that Λ is *hyperbolic* if the tangent bundle $T_\Lambda M$ has a Df -invariant splitting $E^s \oplus E^u$ and there exist constants $C > 0$ and $0 < \lambda < 1$ such that

$$\|D_x f^n|_{E_x^s}\| \leq C\lambda^n \text{ and } \|D_x f^{-n}|_{E_x^u}\| \leq C\lambda^n$$

for all $x \in \Lambda$ and $n \geq 0$. It is well-known that if Λ is hyperbolic, then Λ is shadowable.

We say that Λ is *isolated* (or *locally maximal*) if there is a compact neighborhood U of Λ such that $\bigcap_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} f^n(U) = \Lambda$. We say that a subset $\mathcal{G} \subset \text{Diff}(M)$ is *residual* if \mathcal{G} contains the intersection of a countable family of open and dense subsets of $\text{Diff}(M)$; in this case, \mathcal{G} is dense in $\text{Diff}(M)$. A property "P" is said to be (C^1) -*generic* if "P" holds for all diffeo-morphisms which belong to a residual subset of $\text{Diff}(M)$. We use the terminology "for C^1 generic f " to express "there is a residual subset $\mathcal{G} \subset \text{Diff}(M)$ such that for any $f \in \mathcal{G}$...".

In [1], Abdenur and Díaz posed the following conjecture:

Conjecture. For C^1 generic f , f is shadowable if and only if it is hyperbolic.

In this article, we give a partial answer to the above conjecture. First, we show that C^1 -generically, the chain recurrent set is hyperbolic if and only if it has the shadowing property. Next, we prove that C^1 -generically, the isolated homoclinic class containing a hyperbolic periodic point is shadowable if and only if it is hyperbolic.

It is explained in [2] that every C^1 -generic diffeomorphism comes in one of two types: *tame diffeomorphisms*, which have a finite number of homoclinic classes and whose nonwandering sets admit partitions into a finite number of disjoint transitive sets; and *wild diffeomorphisms*, which have an infinite number of homoclinic classes and whose nonwandering sets admit no such partitions. It is easy to show that if a diffeomorphism has a finite number of chain components, then every chain component is locally maximal, and therefore, every chain component of a tame diffeomorphism is locally maximal. Hence, we can get the following result.

Theorem 1.1 For C^1 generic f , if f is tame then the following two conditions are equivalent:

- (a) $\mathcal{R}(f)$ is hyperbolic,
- (b) $\mathcal{R}(f)$ is shadowable.

We say that a closed f -invariant set Λ is *basic*, if Λ is isolated, $f|_\Lambda$ is transitive and the periodic orbits are dense in Λ . The main result of this article is the following.

Theorem 1.2 For C^1 generic f , the isolated homoclinic class $H_f(p)$ of f containing a hyperbolic periodic point p is shadowable if and only if it is a hyperbolic basic set.

A similar result for locally maximal chain transitive sets was proved in [3]. More precisely, it is proved that C^1 -generically, every locally maximal chain transitive set is hyperbolic if it is shadowable.

2 Proof of Theorem 1.2

Let M and $f \in \text{Diff}(M)$ be as before. In this section, to prove Theorem 1.2, we use the techniques developed by Mañé [4]. Let $\Lambda_f(f)$ be the closure of the set of hyperbolic periodic points of f with index j ($0 \leq j \leq \dim M$). If there is a C^1 -neighborhood $\mathcal{U}(f)$ of f such that for any $g \in \mathcal{U}(f)$, any periodic points of g are hyperbolic, then f satisfies both Axiom A and the no-cycle condition. To prove our result, we first note that if p is homoclinically related to q , then $H_f(p) = H_f(q)$.

Lemma 2.1 *Suppose that f has the shadowing property on $H_f(p)$. Then for any hyperbolic periodic point $q \in H_f(p)$, $W^s(p) \cap W^u(q) \neq \emptyset$, and $W^u(p) \cap W^s(q) \neq \emptyset$.*

Proof. We will only show that $W^s(p) \cap W^u(q) \neq \emptyset$. Since p and q are hyperbolic saddles, there are $\epsilon(p) > 0$ and $\epsilon(q) > 0$ such that

- both $W_{\epsilon(p)}^s(p)$ and $W_{\epsilon(q)}^u(q)$ are C^1 -embedded disks,
- if $d(f^n(x), f^n(p)) < \epsilon(p)$ for $n \geq 0$, then $x \in W_{\epsilon(p)}^s(p)$,
- if $d(f^n(x), f^n(q)) < \epsilon(q)$ for $n \leq 0$ then $x \in W_{\epsilon(q)}^u(q)$.

Set $\epsilon = \min\{\epsilon(p), \epsilon(q)\}$, and let $0 < \delta = \delta(\epsilon) < \epsilon$ be a number which satisfies the shadowing property of $f|_{H_f(p)}$ with respect to ϵ . To simplify, we assume that $f(p) = p$ and $f(q) = q$. Since $H_f(p) = \overline{\{q \in P(f) : q \sim p\}}$, we can choose a hyperbolic periodic point γ such that γ is homoclinically related to p , and $d(q, \gamma) < \delta/2$. For $x \in W^s(p) \pitchfork W^u(\gamma)$, choose $n_1 > 0$ and $n_2 > 0$ such that

$$d(f^{n_1}(x), p) < \delta/4 \text{ and } d(f^{-n_2}(x), \gamma) < \delta/4.$$

Thus

$$d(f^{-n_2}(x), q) < d(f^{-n_2}(x), \gamma) + d(\gamma, q) < \delta/2.$$

Therefore, we can construct a δ -pseudo orbit;

$$\xi = \{\dots, q, f^{-n_2+1}(x), \dots, f^{-1}(x), x, f(x), \dots, f^{n_1-1}(x), p, \dots\}.$$

Then we have $\zeta \subset H_f(p)$. Since f has the shadowing property on $H_f(p)$, there is a point $y \in M$ such that $d(f^i(y), x_i) < \epsilon$, for $i \in \mathbb{Z}$. Thus

$$f^{n_1+l}(y) \in W_\epsilon^s(p) \text{ and } f^{-n_2-l}(y) \in W_\epsilon^u(q), \quad \text{for } l > 0.$$

Therefore, $y \in f^{-n_1-l}(W_\epsilon^s(p)) \cap f^{n_2+l}(W_\epsilon^u(q))$. This means $y \in W^s(p) \cap W^u(q)$, and so $W^s(p) \cap W^u(q) \neq \emptyset$.

Lemma 2.2 *There is a residual set $\mathcal{G}_1 \subset \text{Diff}(M)$ such that $f \in \mathcal{G}_1$ satisfies the following properties:*

(a) Every periodic point of f is hyperbolic and all their invariant manifolds are intersect transversely (Kupka-Smale).

(b) $C_f(p) = H_f(p)$, where p is a hyperbolic periodic point ([5]).

Lemma 2.3 *There is a residual set $\mathcal{G}_2 \subset \text{Diff}(M)$ such that if $f \in \mathcal{G}_2$, and f has the shadowing property on $H_f(p)$, then for any hyperbolic periodic point $q \in H_f(p)$,*

$$W^s(p) \pitchfork W^u(q) \neq \emptyset, \quad \text{and} \quad W^u(p) \pitchfork W^s(q) \neq \emptyset.$$

Proof. Let \mathcal{G}_2 be as in Lemma 2.2(a), and let $f \in \mathcal{G}_2$. Take a hyperbolic saddle point $q \in H_f(p) \cap P(f)$. Since f has the shadowing property on $H_f(p)$, we know that $W^s(p) \cap W^u(q) \neq \emptyset$ and $W^u(p) \cap W^s(q) \neq \emptyset$ by Lemma 2.1. Since $f \in \mathcal{G}_2$, we know that

$$W^s(p) \pitchfork W^u(q) \neq \emptyset, \quad \text{and} \quad W^u(p) \pitchfork W^s(q) \neq \emptyset.$$

Proposition 2.4 *For C^1 generic f , if the homoclinic class $H_f(p)$ is isolated and shadowable, then there exist constants $m > 0$ and $0 < \lambda < 1$ such that for any periodic point $q \in H_f(p)$, $\text{index}(q) = \dim W^s(q)$,*

$$\prod_{i=0}^{\pi(q)-1} \left\| Df^m|_{E^s(f^{im}(q))} \right\| < \lambda^{\pi(q)}, \quad \prod_{i=0}^{\pi(q)-1} \left\| Df^m|_{E^u(f^{im}(q))} \right\| < \lambda^{\pi(q)}$$

and

$$\left\| Df^m|_{E^s(q)} \right\| \cdot \left\| Df^{-m}|_{E^u(f^m(q))} \right\| < \lambda^2,$$

where $\pi(q)$ denotes the period of q .

We introduce the following notion which was introduced in [6]. For $\eta > 0$ and $f \in \text{Diff}(M)$, a C^1 curve γ is called an η -*simply periodic curve* of f if

- γ is diffeomorphic to $[0,1]$ and its two end points are hyperbolic periodic points of f ,
- γ is periodic with period $\pi(\gamma)$, i.e., $f^{\pi(\gamma)}(\gamma) = \gamma$, and $l(f^i(\gamma)) < \eta$ for any $0 \leq i \leq \pi(\gamma) - 1$, where $l(\gamma)$ denotes the length of γ .
- γ is normally hyperbolic.

Let p be a periodic point of f . For $\delta \in (0,1)$, we say p has a δ -*weak eigenvalue* if $Df^{\pi(p)}(p)$ has an eigenvalue μ such that $(1 - \delta)^{\pi(p)} < \mu < (1 + \delta)^{\pi(p)}$.

Lemma 2.5 [6] *There is a residual set $\mathcal{G}_3 \subset \text{Diff}(M)$ such that for any $f \in \mathcal{G}_3$, any hyperbolic periodic point p of f , and*

(a) *for any $\eta > 0$, if for any C^1 neighborhood $\mathcal{U}(f)$ of f , some $g \in \mathcal{U}(f)$ has an η -simply periodic curve γ such that two endpoints of γ are homoclinic related with p_g , then f has an 2η -simply periodic curve α such that two endpoints of α are homoclinically related with p ;*

(b) *for any $\delta > 0$, if f has a periodic point $q \sim p$ with δ -weak eigenvalue, then f has a periodic point $q' \sim p$ with δ -weak eigenvalue, whose eigenvalues are all real.*

The following lemma shows that the map $f \mapsto C_f(p)$ is upper semi-continuous.

Lemma 2.6 *For any $\epsilon > 0$, there is $\delta > 0$ such that if $d_1(f, g) < \delta$ then $C_g(p_g) \subset B_\epsilon(C_f(p))$, where d_1 denotes the C^1 -metric on $\text{Diff}(M)$.*

Proof. See [[7], Lemma].

Let $H_f(p)$ be the homoclinic class of f associated to p . It is known that the map $f \mapsto H_f(p)$ is lower semi-continuous. Thus by Lemma 2.3(b), there is a residual set \mathcal{R} in $\text{Diff}(M)$ such that for any f in \mathcal{R} , the map $f \mapsto H_f(p)(= C_f(p))$ is semi-continuous.

Remark 2.7 *There is a residual set $\mathcal{G}_4 \subset \text{Diff}(M)$ such that for any $f \in \mathcal{G}_4$, we have the following property. Let $C_f(p)$ be the isolated chain component of f containing p in an open set U in M . If $C_f(p)$ is semi-continuous, then for any $\epsilon > 0$, there is $\delta > 0$ such that if $d_1(f, g) < \delta$ then $C_g(p_g) \subset B_\epsilon(C_f(p))$ and $C_f(p) \subset B_\epsilon(C_g(p_g))$, where d_1 is the C^1 metric on M .*

Let p be a hyperbolic periodic point $f \in \text{Diff}(M)$.

Remark 2.8 [6] *There is a residual set $\mathcal{G}_5 \subset \text{Diff}(M)$ such that for any $f \in \mathcal{G}_5$ and any $\delta > 0$, if every periodic point $q \sim p$ has no 2δ -weak eigenvalue, then there is a C^1 neighborhood $\mathcal{U}(f)$ of f such that for any $g \in \mathcal{U}(f)$ every periodic point q which is homoclinically related to p_g has no δ -weak eigenvalue, where p_g is the continuation of p .*

Lemma 2.9 *There is a residual set $\mathcal{G}_6 \subset \text{Diff}(M)$ such that if $f \in \mathcal{G}_6$, and the isolated homoclinic class $H_f(p)$ is shadowable, then there is a $\delta > 0$ such that every periodic point $q \in H_f(p)$ has no δ -weak eigenvalue.*

Proof. Let $\mathcal{G}_6 = \bigcap_{i=1}^5 \mathcal{G}_i$ and let $f \in \mathcal{G}_6$. Assume that f has the shadowing property on the homoclinic class $H_f(p)$. Note that $H_f(p) = C_f(p)$. Suppose that for any $\delta > 0$ there is a hyperbolic periodic point $q \in C_f(p)$ such that q has a δ -weak eigenvalue. Since f has the shadowing property on $C_f(p)$, for the point $q \in C_f(p) \cap P(f)$, we see that $q \sim p$ by Lemma 2.3. Let U be an isolated neighborhood of $C_f(p)$, and let $\eta > 0$ be a sufficiently small constant such that $B_{2\eta}(C_f(p)) \subset U$. Then for any C^1 -neighborhood $\mathcal{U}(f)$ of f , there is $g \in \mathcal{U}(f)$ such that g has an $\eta/2$ -simply periodic curve \mathcal{I}_q , whose endpoints are homoclinically related to p_g , and $\eta/2$ -simply periodic curve $\mathcal{I}_q \subset C_g(p_g) \subset B_{2\eta}(C_f(p))$ (for more details, see Theorem B in [8]). Then we know that for some $l > 0$, \mathcal{I}_q is a g^l -invariant small curve containing p_g (q is the center of \mathcal{I}_q), where $q \sim p_g$. By Lemma 2.5(a), for the above $\eta > 0$ f has a η -simply periodic curve \mathcal{J}_q such that the endpoints of \mathcal{J}_q are homoclinically related to p . Then we see that

$$\mathcal{J}_q \subset B_{2\eta}(C_f(p)) \subset U.$$

Then for some $l' > 0$, \mathcal{J}_p is a $f^{l'}$ -invariant small curve center at q . To simplify, we denote $f^{l'}$ by f . Since $C_f(p)$ is an isolated in U , we have

$$\mathcal{J}_q \subset \bigcap_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} f^n(B_{2\eta}(C_f(p))) \subseteq \bigcap_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} f^n(U) = C_f(p).$$

Since \mathcal{J}_q is a simple periodic curve of f , $f|_{\mathcal{J}_q}$ is the identity map. Since f has the shadowing property on $C_f(p)$, f must have the shadowing property on \mathcal{J}_q . But it is a contradiction. Thus every periodic point $q \in H_f(p)$ has no δ -weak eigenvalue.

Proof of Proposition 2.4. Let $f \in \mathcal{G}_6$, and suppose that there is a nonhyperbolic periodic point $q \in H_f(p)$. Then q has a δ -weak eigenvalue. This contradicts Lemma 2.9, and completes the proof of Proposition 2.4 by Mañé [4].

Proof of Theorem 1.2. Let $f \in \mathcal{G}_6$, and let $C_f(p)$ be isolated in an open set U . Assume that f has the shadowing property on $C_f(p)$. Then $C_f(p)$ satisfy the assumptions of Proposition 2.4. Since f has the shadowing property on $C_f(p)$, $C_f(p)$ is hyperbolic by the main result in [9]. Consequently, we have proved that C^1 -generically, $H_f(p)$ is a hyperbolic basic set.

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