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SOME APPLICATIONS OF FIXED POINT THEOREMS IN THE THEORY OF GENERALIZED ITERATED FUNCTIONS SYSTEMS

We introduce the notion of GIFS, which is a finite family of functions f_k : $X^m \to X$, where (X, d) is a metric space, $k \in \{1, 2, ...n\}$ and $m, n \in \mathbb{N}$. In case that (X, d) is a compact metric space and the functions f_k are contractions, we prove the existence of the attractor of such a GIFS and its continuous dependence in the f_k 's. Moreover, in case that the functions f_k are Lipschitz contractions, we prove again the existence of the attractor of such a GIFS and explore its properties (among them we give an upper bound for the Hausdorff-Pompeiu distance between the attractors of two such GIFSs, an upper bound for the Hausdorff-Pompeiu distance between the attractors of such a GIFS and an arbitrary compact set of X and we prove its continuous dependence in the f_k 's). Finally we present an example which shows that the notion of GIFS is indeed a generalization of the classical notion of IFS.

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