

For small t , if x is a fixed point of f_t , obviously, $\frac{d}{dt}f_t(x) = v(f_t(x)) = 0$
 $\Rightarrow v(f_t(x)) = v(x) = 0, \Rightarrow x$ is a zero point of v .

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Since $f(t, x) = x + \int_0^t v(f(s, x)) ds$,

if $v(p) \neq 0$, for $|t| < \delta$, $\|x - p\| < \epsilon$, δ, ϵ small enough,
 $\int_0^t v(f(s, x)) ds \neq 0 \Rightarrow f(t, x) \neq x$.
 , in particular, $f(t, p) \neq p$.

For example, $0 \neq v(p) \in \mathbb{R}^1$, for $|t| < \delta$, $\|x - p\| < \epsilon$,
 $|v(f(s, x)) - v(p)| < \frac{|v(p)|}{2}, \Rightarrow$

$$\int_0^t v(f(s, x)) ds \neq 0 \Rightarrow f(t, x) \neq x. \Rightarrow f(t, p) \neq p.$$

This implies that $f(t, p) = p \Rightarrow v(p) = 0$. --- ①

Conversely, if $v(p) = 0$, consider the following differential equation

$$(*) \dots \frac{d}{dt} f(t, p) = v(f(t, p)).$$

$$f(0, p) = p.$$

Consider the diff eqn $\frac{d}{dt} f(t, x) = v(f(t, x)) \Rightarrow \exists$ a ^{unique} solution $f(t, x)$ for $|t| < \delta, \|p - x\| < \epsilon, f(t, x)|_{x=p}$ is the solution for (*) by uniqueness.

\Rightarrow Obviously, $f(t, p) = p$ is a solution for the equation,
 since LHS = $\frac{d}{dt} p = 0$ RHS = $v(f(t, p)) = v(p) = 0$.

(This gives an information on the behavior of f near p for $|t| < \delta$.)

\Rightarrow By the uniqueness, $f(t, p) = p$ is the solution, which implies $f_t(p) = p$ for $|t| < \delta$, δ small enough. --- ②

(See Spivak Vol I Chap. 5).

By ① & ②, for each point p s.t. $v(p) = 0$ or $f_t(p) = p$ for $|t| < \delta$,
 $v(p) = 0 \Leftrightarrow f_t(p) = p$.

Since such p is isolated, and M is compact, we have a finite # of such p 's. and we get $\epsilon > 0$ s.t. for $|t| < \epsilon$, the fixed points of f_t are exactly the zeros of v .

By using Taylor series, & $f(0, x) = x$,