

FIXED POINT THEOREMS THROUGH CONTRACTIVE TYPE MAPPINGS

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ABSTRACT

In this research article, some fixed point theorems in 2-metric spaces are established. It also introduces contraction type mappings in 2-metric spaces. The theorems are generalizations of some fixed point theorems of Pal and Maiti [2].

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INTRODUCTION

The notion of 2-metric space was introduced by Gähler [1] in 1963 as a generalization of area function for Euclidean triangles. Fixed point theory was first studied by Poincaré and developed by many mathematicians Brouwer, Banach, Schauder, Rhoades [4], etc. Let X be a non-empty set. A function $f : X \rightarrow X$ from X into itself is called a self-map on X . A point $z \in X$ is called a fixed point of self-map $f : X \rightarrow X$ if $f(z) = z$. Theorems concerning fixed points of self-maps are known as fixed point theorems. Most of the fixed point theorems were proved for contraction mappings. It is well known that every contraction on a metric space is continuous. The converse is not necessarily true. The identity mapping on $[0,1]$ simply serves the counter example.

In this present work, some of the fixed point theorems of Pal and Maiti are extended to a more generalized 2-metric space setting.

In what follows X stands for a 2-metric space.

1. PRELIMINARIES

This section is devoted to some basic definitions which are needed for the further study of this Article.

Definition 1.1: Let X be a non-empty set and $\lambda : X \times X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$. For all x, y, z and u in X , if λ satisfies the following conditions

- (a) $\lambda(x, y, z) = 0$ if at least two of x, y, z are equal
- (b) $\lambda(x, y, z) = \lambda(x, z, y) = \lambda(y, z, x) = \dots$
- (c) $\lambda(x, y, z) \leq \lambda(x, y, u) + \lambda(x, u, z) + \lambda(u, y, z)$

Then λ is called a 2-metric on X and the pair (X, λ) is called a 2-metric space.

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Definition 1.2: Let (X, λ) be a 2-metric space. A mapping $T : X \rightarrow X$ is said to be a *Contractive* if

$$\lambda(Tx, Ty, a) < \lambda(x, y, a) \text{ for all } x, y, a \text{ in } X.$$

Remark 1.3: It is well known that a contractive mapping on a complete metric space has a unique fixed point in X . But a contractive mapping on a complete 2-metric space (X, λ) neednot have a fixed point. It can be seen from the following example.

Example- 1.4: Let $X = \{x \in \mathbb{R} / x \geq 2\} = [2, \infty)$ with 2-metric defined by

$$\lambda(x, y, z) = \min \{|x - y|, |y - z|, |z - x|\}.$$

Define $f : X \rightarrow X$ by $f(x) = \frac{1}{x} \forall x \in X$.

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda(fx, fy, a) &= \lambda\left(\frac{1}{x}, \frac{1}{y}, a\right) \\ &= \min \left\{ \left| \frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{y} \right|, \left| \frac{1}{y} - a \right|, \left| \frac{1}{x} - a \right| \right\} \\ &< \min \{|x - y|, |y - a|, |a - x|\} \\ &= \lambda(x, y, a) \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow f$ is a contractive mapping on X , but it has no fixed point in X .

Definition 1.5: Let (X, λ) be a 2-metric space. A mapping $T : X \rightarrow X$ is said to be a *Generated Contractive* if

$$\lambda(Tx, Ty, a) < \max \left\{ \lambda(x, y, a), \lambda(x, Tx, a), \lambda(y, Ty, a), \frac{1}{2} [\lambda(x, Ty, a) + \lambda(y, Tx, a)] \right\} \text{ for all } x, y, a \text{ in } X.$$

Remark 1.6: A Generated contractive mapping is need not be contractive mapping. It can be seen from the following example.

Example 1.7: Let $X = [0, 6]$ with 2-metric defined as $\lambda(x, y, z) = \min \{|x - y|, |y - z|, |z - x|\}$ for all x, y, z in X .

We define a map $T : [0, 6] \rightarrow [0, 6]$ by $T(x) = \begin{cases} 3x & \text{if } x \in [0, 3] \\ 3x - 1 & \text{if } x \in (3, 6] \end{cases}$

Clearly T is generated contractive mapping.

$$\text{But } \lambda(T(3), T(5), 0) = \lambda(9, 14, 0) = 5 > \lambda(3, 5, 0)$$

$\Rightarrow T$ is not a contractive mapping.

Definition 1.8: A 2-metric space (X, λ) is said to be *2-compact* if every sequence in X has a convergent subsequence.

2. FIXED POINT THEOREMS FOR GENERATED CONTRACTIVE MAPPINGS

In this section we proved fixed point theorems for Generated Contractive type mappings.

The following Theorem-2.1 is a generalization of *Pal* and *Maiti* [2] in 2-metric space setting.

Theorem 2.1: Let T be a continuous generated contractive self-mapping on a compact 2-metric space X such that $\lambda(x, Ty, a) + \lambda(y, Tx, a) < 2\lambda(x, y, a)$ for all x, y, a in X . Then T has a unique fixed point in X .

Proof: Let $s_0 \in X$.

Define a sequence $\{s_n\}$ in X such that $s_n = T^n s_0$ when $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$

Consider $\lambda(x, Ty, a) + \lambda(y, Tx, a) < 2\lambda(x, y, a)$

Put $x = s_{n+1}$, $y = s_n$

$$\begin{aligned} & \lambda(s_{n+1}, Ts_n, a) + \lambda(s_n, Ts_{n+1}, a) < 2\lambda(s_{n+1}, s_n, a) \\ \Rightarrow & \lambda(s_{n+1}, s_{n+1}, a) + \lambda(s_n, s_{n+2}, a) < 2\lambda(s_{n+1}, s_n, a) \\ \Rightarrow & \lambda(s_n, s_{n+2}, a) < 2\lambda(s_{n+1}, s_n, a) \\ \Rightarrow & \frac{1}{2}\lambda(s_n, s_{n+2}, a) < \lambda(s_{n+1}, s_n, a) \dots \dots \dots (1) \end{aligned}$$

.Put $c_n = d(s_n, s_{n+1}, a)$

Since T is generated contractive,

$$\lambda(Tx, Ty, a) < \max \left\{ \lambda(x, y, a), \lambda(x, Tx, a), \lambda(y, Ty, a), \frac{1}{2}[\lambda(x, Ty, a) + \lambda(y, Tx, a)] \right\}$$

Put $x = s_{n+1}$, $y = s_n$

$$\begin{aligned} & \lambda(Ts_{n+1}, Ts_n, a) \\ & < \max \left\{ \lambda(s_{n+1}, s_n, a), \lambda(s_{n+1}, Ts_{n+1}, a), \lambda(s_n, Ts_n, a), \frac{1}{2}[\lambda(s_{n+1}, Ts_n, a) + \lambda(s_n, Ts_{n+1}, a)] \right\} \\ & = \max \left\{ \lambda(s_{n+1}, s_n, a), \lambda(s_{n+1}, s_{n+2}, a), \lambda(s_n, s_{n+1}, a), \frac{1}{2}[\lambda(s_{n+1}, s_{n+1}, a) + \lambda(s_n, s_{n+2}, a)] \right\} \\ \Rightarrow & \lambda(s_{n+2}, s_{n+1}, a) < \max \left\{ \lambda(s_{n+1}, s_n, a), \lambda(s_{n+1}, s_{n+2}, a), \frac{1}{2}\lambda(s_n, s_{n+2}, a) \right\} \end{aligned}$$

Let $M = \lambda(s_{n+1}, s_{n+2}, a)$

Then $\lambda(s_{n+1}, s_{n+2}, a) < \lambda(s_{n+1}, s_{n+2}, a)$

This is a contradiction.

So $M \neq \lambda(s_{n+1}, s_{n+2}, a)$

By (1), $M = \lambda(s_n, s_{n+1}, a)$

So we get $\lambda(s_{n+1}, s_{n+2}, a) < \lambda(s_n, s_{n+1}, a)$

$$\Rightarrow c_{n+1} < c_n$$

Similarly $c_{n+1} < c_n < c_{n-1} < \dots < c_0$

$\Rightarrow \{c_n\}$ is a monotonically decreasing and bounded sequence of nonnegative real numbers.

$\Rightarrow \{c_n\}$ Converges.

Suppose that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} c_n = l$

Since X is compact, $\{s_n\}$ has a convergent subsequence, say, $\{p_m\}$.

Let $\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} p_m = u$, where $u \in X$.

Since T is continuous and $\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} p_m = u$, we have $\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} Tp_m = Tu$
 $\Rightarrow \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} Tp_{m+1} = Tu$

Now we show that u is a fixed point of T . Assume that $u \neq Tu$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then } \lambda(u, Tu, a) &\leq \lambda(u, Tu, p_m) + \lambda(u, p_m, a) + \lambda(p_m, Tu, a) \\ &= \lambda(u, Tu, p_m) + \lambda(u, p_m, a) + \lambda(Tp_{m-1}, Tu, a) \\ &< \lambda(u, Tu, p_m) + \lambda(u, p_m, a) \\ &\quad + \max \left\{ \lambda(p_{m-1}, u, a), \lambda(p_{m-1}, Tp_{m-1}, a), \lambda(u, Tu, a), \frac{1}{2} [\lambda(p_{m-1}, Tu, a) + \lambda(u, Tp_{m-1}, a)] \right\} \\ &= \lambda(u, Tu, p_m) + \lambda(u, p_m, a) \\ &\quad + \max \left\{ \lambda(p_{m-1}, u, a), \lambda(p_{m-1}, p_m, a), \lambda(u, Tu, a), \frac{1}{2} [\lambda(p_{m-1}, Tu, a) + \lambda(u, p_m, a)] \right\} \end{aligned}$$

Letting $m \rightarrow \infty$

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda(u, Tu, a) &< \max \left\{ \lambda(u, Tu, a), \frac{1}{2} \lambda(u, Tu, a) \right\} \\ \lambda(u, Tu, a) &< \lambda(u, Tu, a) \end{aligned}$$

This is a contradiction.

Therefore our assumption is false.

Hence $Tu = u$.

$\Rightarrow u$ is a fixed point of T in X .

Now we show that it is unique.

Let v be another fixed point of T

i.e, $Tv = v$

Assume that $u \neq v$

Then $\lambda(u, v, a) = \lambda(Tu, Tv, a)$

$$\begin{aligned} &< \max \left\{ \lambda(u, v, a), \lambda(u, Tu, a), \lambda(v, Tv, a), \frac{1}{2} [\lambda(u, Tv, a) + \lambda(v, Tu, a)] \right\} \\ &= \max \left\{ \lambda(u, v, a), \lambda(u, u, a), \lambda(v, v, a), \frac{1}{2} [\lambda(u, v, a) + \lambda(v, u, a)] \right\} \\ &= \lambda(u, v, a) \\ \Rightarrow \lambda(u, v, a) &< \lambda(u, v, a) \end{aligned}$$

This is a contradiction.

Hence $u = v$.

$\Rightarrow T$ has a unique fixed point in X .

Theorem- 2.2: Let (X, λ) be a compact 2-metric space. Suppose that S and T are two continuous self-maps on a X such that

$$(1) \lambda(x, Ty, a) + \lambda(y, S \ x a) < 2\lambda(x, y, a)$$

$$(2) \lambda(S \ x Ty, a) < \max \left\{ \lambda(x, y, a), \lambda(x, S \ x a), \lambda(y, Ty, a), \frac{1}{2} [\lambda(x, Ty, a) + \lambda(y, S \ x a)] \right\}$$

for all x, y, a in X .

Then S and T have a unique common fixed point in X .

Proof: Let $p_0 \in X$.

Define a sequence $\{p_n\}$ in X such that $p_{2n+1} = Sp_{2n}$, where $n = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$

And $p_{2m} = Tp_{2m-1}$, where $m = 1, 2, 3, \dots$

Suppose that $\lambda_{2n} = \lambda(p_{2n}, p_{2n+1}, a)$, where $n = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$

$$\text{Consider } \lambda(x, Ty, a) + \lambda(y, S \ x a) < 2\lambda(x, y, a)$$

Put $x = p_{2n}$ and $y = p_{2n-1}$

$$\begin{aligned} & \lambda(p_{2n}, Tp_{2n-1}, a) + \lambda(p_{2n-1}, S \ p_{2n}, a) < 2\lambda(p_{2n}, p_{2n-1}, a) \\ \Rightarrow & \lambda(p_{2n}, p_{2n}, a) + \lambda(p_{2n-1}, p_{2n+1}, a) < 2\lambda(p_{2n}, p_{2n-1}, a) \\ \Rightarrow & \lambda(p_{2n-1}, p_{2n+1}, a) < 2\lambda(p_{2n}, p_{2n-1}, a) \\ \Rightarrow & \frac{1}{2} \lambda(p_{2n-1}, p_{2n+1}, a) < \lambda(p_{2n-1}, p_{2n}, a) \quad (1) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Now, consider } \lambda(S \ x Ty, a) < \max \left\{ \lambda(x, y, a), \lambda(x, S \ x a), \lambda(y, Ty, a), \frac{1}{2} [\lambda(x, Ty, a) + \lambda(y, S \ x a)] \right\}$$

Put $x = p_{2n}$ and $y = p_{2n-1}$

$$\begin{aligned} & \lambda(Sp_{2n}, Tp_{2n-1}, a) \\ & < \max \left\{ \lambda(p_{2n}, p_{2n-1}, a), \lambda(p_{2n}, S \ p_{2n}, a), \lambda(p_{2n-1}, Tp_{2n-1}, a), \frac{1}{2} [\lambda(p_{2n}, Tp_{2n-1}, a) + \lambda(p_{2n-1}, S \ p_{2n}, a)] \right\} \\ & = \max \left\{ \lambda(p_{2n}, p_{2n-1}, a), \lambda(p_{2n}, p_{2n+1}, a), \lambda(p_{2n-1}, p_{2n}, a), \frac{1}{2} [\lambda(p_{2n}, p_{2n}, a) + \lambda(p_{2n-1}, p_{2n+1}, a)] \right\} \\ \Rightarrow & \lambda(p_{2n+1}, p_{2n}, a) < \max \left\{ \lambda(p_{2n}, p_{2n-1}, a), \lambda(p_{2n}, p_{2n+1}, a), \frac{1}{2} \lambda(p_{2n-1}, p_{2n+1}, a) \right\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{If } \max \left\{ \lambda(p_{2n}, p_{2n-1}, a), \lambda(p_{2n}, p_{2n+1}, a), \frac{1}{2} \lambda(p_{2n-1}, p_{2n+1}, a) \right\} = \lambda(p_{2n}, p_{2n+1}, a)$$

$$\text{Then } \lambda(p_{2n}, p_{2n+1}, a) < \lambda(p_{2n}, p_{2n+1}, a)$$

This is a contradiction.

$$\text{So } \max \left\{ \lambda(p_{2n}, p_{2n-1}, a), \lambda(p_{2n}, p_{2n+1}, a), \frac{1}{2} \lambda(p_{2n-1}, p_{2n+1}, a) \right\} \neq \lambda(p_{2n}, p_{2n+1}, a)$$

By (1), we get

$$\max \left\{ \lambda(p_{2n}, p_{2n-1}, a), \lambda(p_{2n}, p_{2n+1}, a), \frac{1}{2} \lambda(p_{2n-1}, p_{2n+1}, a) \right\} = \lambda(p_{2n-1}, p_{2n}, a)$$

$$\Rightarrow d_{2n} < d_{2n-1}$$

Similarly $d_{2n} < d_{2n-1} < d_{2n-2} < \dots < d_0$

$$\Rightarrow \{d_{2n}\} \text{ is a monotonically decreasing and bounded sequence of nonnegative real numbers.}$$

$$\Rightarrow \{d_{2n}\} \text{ Converges.}$$

Suppose that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d_{2n} = l$

Since X is compact, every sequence in X has a convergent subsequence

So $\{p_n\}$ has a convergent subsequence in X .

Suppose that $\{p_{2n}\}$ is a convergent subsequence of $\{p_n\}$ in X and let $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} p_{2n} = u$, where $u \in X$.

Now we prove that u is a common fixed point of S and T .

Assume that $u \neq Su$

Since S is continuous on X and $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} p_{2n} = u$, we have $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Sp_{2n} = Su$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} p_{2n+1} = Su$$

Since T is continuous on X and $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} p_{2n+1} = Su$, we have $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Tp_{2n+1} = TSu$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Tp_{2n+1} = TSu$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} p_{2n+2} = TSu \text{ because } Tp_{2n+1} = p_{2n+2}$$

Then $\lambda(u, Su, a) \leq \lambda(u, Su, p_{2n}) + \lambda(u, p_{2n}, a) + \lambda(p_{2n}, Su, a)$

$$= \lambda(u, Su, p_{2n}) + \lambda(u, p_{2n}, a) + \lambda(Tp_{2n-1}, Su, a)$$

$$< \lambda(u, Sp_{2n}) + \lambda(u, p_{2n}, a)$$

$$+ \max \left\{ \lambda(u, p_{2n-1}, a), \lambda(u, Su, a), \lambda(p_{2n-1}, Tp_{2n-1}, a), \frac{1}{2} [\lambda(u, Tp_{2n-1}, a) + \lambda(p_{2n-1}, Su, a)] \right\}$$

$$= \lambda(u, Sp_{2n}) + \lambda(u, p_{2n}, a)$$

$$+ \max \left\{ \lambda(u, p_{2n-1}, a), \lambda(u, Su, a), \lambda(p_{2n-1}, p_{2n}, a), \frac{1}{2} [\lambda(u, p_{2n}, a) + \lambda(p_{2n-1}, Su, a)] \right\}$$

Letting $n \rightarrow \infty$

$$\lambda(u, Su, a) < \max \left\{ \lambda(u, Su, a), \frac{1}{2} \lambda(u, Su, a) \right\}$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda(u, Su, a) < \lambda(u, Su, a)$$

This is a contradiction. So our assumption is false.

Hence $Su = u$.

$$\Rightarrow u \text{ is a fixed point of } S \text{ in } X.$$

Consider $\lambda(x, Ty, a) + \lambda(y, Sx, a) < 2\lambda(x, y, a)$

Put $x = y = u$

$$\lambda(u, Tu, a) + \lambda(u, Su, a) < 2\lambda(u, u, a)$$

Since $Su = u$, $\lambda(u, Tu, a) < 0$.

But $\lambda(u, Tu, a) \geq 0$.

$$\Rightarrow \lambda(u, Tu, a) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow Tu = u$$

Hence u is a common fixed point of S and T in X .

Now we show that it is unique.

Let v be another fixed point of T

i.e, $Sv = Tv = v$

Assume that $u \neq v$

Then $\lambda(u, v, a) = \lambda(Su, Tv, a)$

$$\begin{aligned} &< \max \left\{ \lambda(u, v, a), \lambda(u, Sv, a), \lambda(v, Tv, a), \frac{1}{2} [\lambda(u, Tv, a) + \lambda(v, Su, a)] \right\} \\ &= \max \left\{ \lambda(u, v, a), \lambda(u, u, a), \lambda(v, v, a), \frac{1}{2} [\lambda(u, v, a) + \lambda(v, u, a)] \right\} \\ &= \lambda(u, v, a) \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda(u, v, a) < \lambda(u, v, a)$$

This is a contradiction.

Hence $u = v$.

Thus S and T have a unique common fixed point in X .

Remark-2.3: If we take $S = T$ in Theorem-2.2 then we obtain Theorem-2.1. So 2.2 is a further generalization of Theorem-2.1. A point is a unique fixed point of $T : X \rightarrow X$ iff it is unique fixed point of any positive power of T . This fact leads us to the following theorem and proof of the following is similar to the proof of previous theorem.

Theorem- 2.4: Let (X, λ) be a compact 2-metric space. Suppose that S and T are two continuous self-maps on X such that

$$(1) \lambda(x, T^q y, a) + \lambda(y, S^p x, a) < 2\lambda(x, y, a)$$

$$(2) \lambda(S^p x, T^q y, a) < \max \left\{ \lambda(x, y, a), \lambda(x, S^p x, a), \lambda(y, T^q y, a), \frac{1}{2} [\lambda(x, T^q y, a) + \lambda(y, S^p x, a)] \right\}$$

For all x, y, a in X and for all $p, q \in \mathbb{N}$.

Then S and T have a unique common fixed point in X .

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