

φ – Weak contractions in metric spaces

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Abstract

The existence of common fixed point for two mappings is proved in the metric space where one mapping is φ –weak contraction with respect to another mapping. The result generalizes a result of M. Abbas, M. Imdad, and D. Gopal [20].

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1. Introduction

Banach contraction principle is one of the great results of modern analysis. The application of this great result is obviously seen in a number of branches of Mathematics. Generalization of this principal has been a heavily investigated branch of research. In [1], Boyd and Wong proved that the constant k can be replaced by the use of an upper semi continuous function. In [4], Suzuki has proved a generalization of the same principal. In [5], this principle is also extended to Menger space. In this paper, a result is generalized to metric space given by M. Abbas, M. Imdad, and D. Gopal on fuzzy metric space [10].

Khan *et al.* gave a fixed point theorem with the help of control function which is also called an altering distance function.

Definition 1.1 [6] A function $\psi: [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ is called an altering distance function if it satisfies the following properties:

- (a) $\psi(0) = 0$,
- (b) ψ is continuous and monotonically non-decreasing.

Theorem 1.2: [6] Let (X, d) be a complete metric space. Let ψ be an altering distance function, and let $f: X \rightarrow X$ be a self-mapping which satisfies the following inequality:

$$\psi(d(fx, fy)) \leq c\psi(d(x, y))$$

for all $x, y \in X$ and for some $0 < c < 1$, then T has unique fixed point in X .

In fact Khan *et al.* proved a more general theorem [6, theorem 2] of which the above result is corollary.

Definition 1.3 [9] A mapping $T: X \rightarrow X$, where (X, d) is a metric space, is said to be weakly contractive if

$$d(Tx, Ty) \leq d(x, y) - \varphi(d(x, y))$$

where $x, y \in X$ and $\varphi: [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ is a continuous and non-decreasing function such that $\varphi(t) > 0$ if and only if $t > 0$.

Definition 1.4 [10] Let (X, d) be a metric space and $f: X \rightarrow X$ be a map. The map $T: X \rightarrow X$ is called a φ –weak contraction with respect to f if there exists a function $\varphi: [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ with $\varphi(r) > 0$ for $r > 0$ and $\varphi(0) = 0$ such that $d(Tx, Ty) \leq d(fx, fy) - \varphi(d(fx, fy))$

for every $x, y \in X$. If $f = I_x$ (an identity mapping on X), then T is called a φ –weak contraction.

Definition 1.5: [10] Let (X, d) be a metric space and f, T be two self-mappings on X . A point x in X is called a coincidence

point (common fixed point) of f and T if $fx = Tx$ ($fx = Tx = x$). Also the pair of mappings $f, T: X \rightarrow X$ are said to be weakly compatible if they commute on the set of coincidence points.

Theorem 1.6: [10] Let $(X, M, *)$ be a fuzzy metric space and $T: X \rightarrow X$ be a ψ – weak contraction with respect to self mapping f on X . If the range of f contains the range of T and $f(X)$ is a G –complete subspace of X , then f and T have coincidence point in X provided ψ is a continuous function.

Theorem 1.7: [9] If $T: X \rightarrow X$ is a weakly contractive mapping, where (X, d) be a complete metric space. Then T has a unique fixed point in X .

2. The Main Results

In this section, the two theorems are proved which follow as:

Theorem 2.1 Let (X, d) be a metric space and $T: X \rightarrow X$ be a φ –weak contraction with respect to self mapping f on X . If the range of f contains the range of T and $f(X)$ is a complete subspace of X , then f and T have coincidence point in X provided that φ is a continuous mapping.

Proof Let x_0 be an arbitrary point in X . Choose a point x_1 in X such that $Tx_0 = fx_1$. This is possible since the range of f contains the range of T . Continuing in this way, indefinitely, for every x_n in X one can find a x_{n+1} such that $y_n = Tx_n = fx_{n+1}$. Without loss of generality, one may assume that $y_{n+1} \neq y_n$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$, otherwise f and T have a common fixed point and there is nothing to prove.

In case $y_{n+1} = y_n$ we have,

$$\begin{aligned} d(y_n, y_{n+1}) &= d(Tx_n, Tx_{n+1}) \\ &\leq d(fx_n, fx_{n+1}) - \varphi(d(fx_n, fx_{n+1})) \end{aligned}$$

This implies

$$d(y_n, y_{n+1}) \leq d(y_{n-1}, y_n) - \varphi(d(y_{n-1}, y_n)). \quad (2.1)$$

Further this implies

$$d(y_n, y_{n+1}) < d(y_{n-1}, y_n). \quad (2.2)$$

It follows that the sequence $\{d(y_n, y_{n+1})\}$ is a decreasing sequence and consequently there exists $r \geq 0$ such that

$$d(y_n, y_{n+1}) \rightarrow r \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

Letting $n \rightarrow \infty$ in (2.1)

$$r \leq r - \varphi(r)$$

which is a contradiction unless $r = 0$.

Hence

$$d(y_n, y_{n+1}) \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty. \quad (2.3)$$

If possible, let $\{y_n\}$ be not a Cauchy sequence. Then there exists $\epsilon > 0$ for which one can find sub sequence $\{y_{m(k)}\}$ and $\{y_{n(k)}\}$ of $\{y_n\}$ with $n(k) > m(k) > k$ such that $d(y_{m(k)}, y_{n(k)}) \geq \epsilon$ (2.4). Further, let $n(k)$ is the smallest integer with $n(k) > m(k)$ and satisfying (2.3).

Then $d(y_{m(k)}, y_{n(k)-1}) \geq \epsilon$. (2.5)

Now $\epsilon \leq d(y_{m(k)}, y_{n(k)}) \leq d(y_{m(k)}, y_{n(k)-1}) + d(y_{n(k)-1}, y_{n(k)}) < \epsilon + d(y_{n(k)-1}, y_{n(k)})$.

Letting $k \rightarrow \infty$ $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} d(y_{m(k)}, y_{n(k)}) = \epsilon$. (2.6)

Again, $d(y_{n(k)}, y_{m(k)}) \leq d(y_{n(k)}, y_{n(k)-1}) + d(y_{n(k)-1}, y_{m(k)-1}) + d(y_{m(k)-1}, y_{m(k)})$. (2.7)

and $d(y_{n(k)-1}, y_{m(k)-1}) \leq d(y_{n(k)-1}, y_{n(k)}) + d(y_{n(k)}, y_{m(k)}) + d(y_{m(k)}, y_{m(k)-1})$. (2.8)

Letting $k \rightarrow \infty$ in these two above inequality and using (2.3), (2.6), we obtain, $d(y_{n(k)-1}, y_{m(k)-1}) \rightarrow \epsilon$ as $k \rightarrow \infty$. (2.9)

Now from (2.4), $\epsilon \leq d(y_{m(k)}, y_{n(k)}) = d(Tx_{m(k)}, Tx_{n(k)}) \leq d(fx_{m(k)}, fx_{n(k)}) - \varphi(d(fx_{m(k)}, fx_{n(k)}))$.

So, $\epsilon \leq d(y_{m(k)-1}, y_{n(k)-1}) - \varphi(d(y_{m(k)-1}, y_{n(k)-1}))$

Letting $k \rightarrow \infty$ implies that $\epsilon \leq \epsilon - \varphi(\epsilon)$ which is a again contradiction as $\epsilon > 0$. This contradiction shows that $\{y_n\}$ is Cauchy sequence in $f(X)$ and $f(X)$ is complete. So, it converges to some point $y \in f(X)$ i.e. $y_n \rightarrow y \in f(X)$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

Consequently one obtain a point p in X such that $fp = y$. Next to show p is coincidence point of f and T , we have $d(Tp, fx_{n+1}) = d(Tp, Tx_n) \leq d(fp, fx_n) - \varphi(d(fp, fx_n))$.

Letting, $n \rightarrow \infty$ we obtain, $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(Tp, fx_{n+1}) \leq 0$.

This implies $d(Tp, fp) \leq 0$.

This further implies $0 \leq d(Tp, fp) \leq 0$.

Hence $d(Tp, fp) \leq 0$. This implies that $Tp = fp$. This completes the proof of the theorem.

Theorem 2.2 Let (X, d) be a metric space and $T: X \rightarrow X$ be a φ -weak contraction with respect to another self mapping f on X . If the range of f contains the range of T and $f(X)$ is a complete metric subspace of X , then f and T have a common fixed point in X provided φ is continuous and the pair of mapping $\{f, T\}$ is weakly compatible.

Proof By theorem 2.1, we obtain p in X such that $Tp = fp = q$ (say). As the mappings are weak compatible. So $fTp = Tfp$. Obviously $Tq = fq$. Now we show that $fq = q$. If not, then $d(fq, q) = d(Tq, Tp) \leq d(fq, fp) - \varphi(d(fq, fp))$

$= d(fq, q) - \varphi(d(fq, q))$, a contradiction. Therefore $fq = q$ and $Tq = fq = q$. Now we prove the uniqueness of the theorem. For this let y be the another common fixed point of f and T . i.e. $fy = Ty = y$ $d(q, y) = d(Tq, Ty) \leq d(fq, fy) - \varphi(d(fq, fy)) = d(q, y) - \varphi(d(q, y))$, a contradiction. This completes the proof of the theorem.

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