

## FIXED POINT THEOREMS FOR $\alpha$ -CONTRACTIVE MAPPINGS

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ABSTRACT. In this paper, we prove the existence of the common fixed point with different conditions for  $\alpha$ - $\psi$ -contractive mappings. And, we generalize the weakly Zamfirescu maps into the modified weakly Zamfirescu maps.

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### 1. INTRODUCTION

The Banach contraction principle [3] is the simplest and one of the most versatile elementary results in fixed point theory. B. Samet, C. Vetro and P. Vetro introduced a new concept of  $\alpha$ - $\psi$ -contractive type mappings and established various fixed point theorems for such mappings in complete metric spaces (see [7]). We prove the existence of the common fixed point for two mappings with different conditions. The concept of contractive maps was generalized by Dugundji and Granas [5]. The class of mappings was introduced by Kannan [6] in 1968. In 2010, this concept has been generalized by Ariza-Ruiza and Jimenez-Melado [1]. In 1972, Chaterjea [4] considered a type of contractive condition similar to that of Kannan, but independent of it. Ariza-Ruiz in [2] generalized it to the weakly Zamfirescu mappings. A class of maps introduced by Zamfirescu [8], and was generalized by Ariza-Ruiz [2]. In this paper, we study the modified weakly Zamfirescu mappings.

**Definition 1.1** ([7]). Let  $T : X \rightarrow X$  and  $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ .  $T$  is said to be  $\alpha$ -admissible if

$$x, y \in X, \quad \alpha(x, y) \geq 1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \alpha(Tx, Ty) \geq 1.$$

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**Theorem 1.2** ([7]). *Let  $(X, d)$  be a complete metric space and  $T : X \rightarrow X$  be an  $\alpha - \psi$ -contractive mapping satisfies*

- (i)  *$T$  is  $\alpha$ -admissible;*
- (ii) *there exists  $x_0 \in X$  such that  $\alpha(x_0, Tx_0) \geq 1$ ;*
- (iii)  *$T$  is continuous.*

*Then,  $T$  has a fixed point, that is, there exists  $x^* \in X$  such that  $Tx^* = x^*$ .*

## 2. MAIN RESULT

Denote with  $\Psi$  the family of onto, nondecreasing and continuous functions  $\psi : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  such that

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \psi^n(t) < \infty,$$

for all  $t > 0$ , where  $\psi^n$  is the  $n$ -th iterate of  $\psi$ .

**Lemma 2.1.** *For every function  $\psi : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ , the following holds.*

*If  $\psi$  is nondecreasing, then for all  $t > 0$ ,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \psi^n(t) = 0$  implies that*

$$\psi(t) < t.$$

*Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space and  $T : X \rightarrow X$  be a given mapping. Also let  $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  and  $\psi \in \Psi$  are two functions.*

**Theorem 2.2.** *Let  $(X, d)$  be a complete metric space and  $S, T : X \rightarrow X$  be mappings satisfy the following conditions:*

- (i) *for  $x, y \in X$ ,  $\alpha(x, y) \geq 1 \Rightarrow \alpha(Sx, Ty) \geq 1$  or  $\alpha(Tx, Sy) \geq 1$ ;*
- (ii) *there exists  $x_0 \in X$  such that  $\alpha(x_0, Sx_0) \geq 1$ ;*
- (iii)  *$S$  and  $T$  are continuous;*
- (iv)  *$\alpha(x, y)d(Sx, Ty) \leq \psi(d(x, y))$ ,  $\alpha(y, x)d(Sx, Ty) \leq \psi(d(x, y))$  for all  $x, y \in X$ .*

*Then,  $S$  and  $T$  have a common fixed point.*

*Proof.* Let  $x_0 \in X$  such that  $\alpha(x_0, Sx_0) \geq 1$ . Define the sequences  $\{x_{2n+1}\}$  and  $\{x_{2n}\}$  in  $X$  by

$$\begin{aligned} x_{2n+1} &= Sx_{2n}, & x_{2n} &= Tx_{2n-1} & n &= 1, 2, \dots, \\ \alpha(x_0, x_1) &= \alpha(x_0, Sx_0) \geq 1 & \Rightarrow & & \alpha(x_1, x_2) &= \alpha(Sx_0, TSx_0) \geq 1. \\ \alpha(x_1, x_2) &\geq 1 & \Rightarrow & & \alpha(x_2, x_3) &= \alpha(Tx_1, Sx_2) \geq 1. \end{aligned}$$

By induction, we get

$$\alpha(x_n, x_{n+1}) \geq 1 \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N},$$

$$\begin{aligned} d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2}) &= d(Sx_{2n}, Tx_{2n+1}) \\ &\leq \alpha(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1})d(Sx_{2n}, Tx_{2n+1}) \\ &\leq \psi d(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}), \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} d(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}) &= d(Tx_{2n-1}, Sx_{2n}) \\ &\leq \alpha(x_{2n-1}, x_{2n})d(Tx_{2n-1}, Sx_{2n}) \\ &\leq \psi(d(x_{2n-1}, x_{2n})), \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} d(x_{2n-1}, x_{2n}) &= d(Sx_{2n-2}, Tx_{2n-1}) \\ &\leq \alpha(x_{2n-2}, x_{2n-1})d(Sx_{2n-2}, Tx_{2n-1}) \\ &\leq \psi d(x_{2n-2}, x_{2n-1}). \end{aligned}$$

By induction, we get  $d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2}) \leq \psi^{2n+1}d(x_0, x_1)$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

In general, we have  $d(x_n, x_{n+1}) \leq \psi^n d(x_0, x_1)$  for all  $n$ .

Fix  $\epsilon > 0$  and let  $n(\epsilon) \in \mathbb{N}$  such that

$$\sum_{n \geq n(\epsilon)} \psi^n(d(x_0, x_1)) < \epsilon.$$

Let  $m, n \in \mathbb{N}$  with  $m > n > n(\epsilon)$ . Using the triangular inequality, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} d(x_n, x_m) &\leq \sum_{k=n}^{m-1} d(x_k, x_{k+1}) \\ &\leq \sum_{k=n}^{m-1} \psi^k(d(x_0, x_1)) \\ &\leq \sum_{n \geq n(\epsilon)} \psi^n(d(x_0, x_1)). \end{aligned}$$

Thus we proved that  $\{x_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence in the metric space  $(X, d)$ . Since  $X$  is complete,  $x_n \rightarrow x$  for some  $x \in X$ . We claim that  $x$  is the required common fixed point of  $S$  and  $T$ . To justify our claim, we

proceed as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} d(Sx, x_{2n}) &= d(Sx, Tx_{2n-1}) \\ &\leq \alpha(x, x_{2n})d(Sx, Tx_{2n-1}) \\ &\leq \psi(d(x, x_{2n-1})), \end{aligned}$$

when  $n \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $d(Sx, x) \leq \psi(d(x, x)) = \psi(0) = 0$  gives  $Sx = x$ . Similarly,

$$\begin{aligned} d(Tx, x_{2n+1}) &= d(Tx, Sx_{2n}) \\ &\leq \alpha(x, x_{2n})d(Tx, Sx_{2n}) \\ &\leq \psi(d(x, x_{2n})), \end{aligned}$$

when  $n \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $d(Tx, x) \leq \psi(d(x, x)) = \psi(0) = 0$  gives  $Tx = x$ . Thus  $x$  is the common fixed point of  $S$  and  $T$ .  $\square$

**Example 2.3.** Let  $X = \mathbb{R}$  endowed with the standard metric  $d(x, y) = |x - y|$  for all  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$ . Define the mappings  $S, T : X \rightarrow X$  by  $Tx = \frac{x}{2}$  and  $Sx = \frac{x}{3}$ .

Now, we define the mapping  $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  by

$$\alpha(x, y) = \begin{cases} 1 & y \leq \frac{5x}{6}, x, y \in [0, 1], \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Clearly  $S$  and  $T$  satisfy condition (iv) of the previous theorem with  $\psi(t) = \frac{t}{2}$  for all  $x, y \in X$ . Moreover, there exists  $x_0 \in X$  such that  $\alpha(x_0, Sx_0) \geq 1$ . In fact, for  $x_0 = 1$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha(1, S1) &= \alpha\left(1, \frac{1}{3}\right) \\ &= 1. \end{aligned}$$

The maps  $S$  and  $T$  are continuous and also satisfy condition (i) of the previous theorem. consequently,  $S$  and  $T$  have a common fixed point. In this example 0 is a common fixed point of  $S$  and  $T$ .

We say  $f : X \rightarrow X$  is contractive if there exists  $\alpha \in [0, 1]$  such that, for all  $x, y \in X$ ,

$$d(f(x), f(y)) \leq \alpha d(x, y).$$

([6])  $f : X \rightarrow X$  is Kannan map, if there exists  $\alpha \in [0, 1]$  such that, for all  $x, y \in X$ ,

$$d(f(x), f(y)) \leq \frac{\alpha}{2}[d(x, f(x)) + d(y, f(y))].$$

([4])  $f : X \rightarrow X$  is Chatterjea map, if there exists  $\alpha \in [0, 1]$  such that, for all  $x, y \in X$ ,

$$d(f(x), f(y)) \leq \frac{\alpha}{2}[d(x, f(y)) + d(y, f(x))].$$

([8])  $f : X \rightarrow X$  is Zamfirescu map, if there exists  $\alpha \in [0, 1]$  such that, for all  $x, y \in X$ ,

$$d(f(x), f(y)) \leq \alpha M_f(x, y),$$

where

$$M_f(x, y) = \max \left\{ d(x, y), \frac{1}{2}[d(x, f(y)) + d(y, f(x))] \right. \\ \left. , \frac{1}{2}[d(x, f(x)) + d(y, f(y))] \right\}.$$

([5])  $f : X \rightarrow X$  is a weakly contractive map, if there exists  $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow [0, 1]$ , satisfies

$$\theta(a, b) := \sup \{ \alpha(x, y) : a \leq d(x, y) \leq b \} < 1,$$

for every  $0 < a \leq b$ , such that, for all  $x, y \in D$ ,

$$d(f(x), f(y)) \leq \alpha(x, y)d(x, y).$$

([1])  $f : X \rightarrow X$  is a weakly Kannan map, if there exists  $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow [0, 1]$ , satisfies

$$\theta(a, b) := \sup \{ \kappa(x, y) : a \leq d(x, y) \leq b \} < 1,$$

for every  $0 < a \leq b$ , such that, for all  $x, y \in D$ ,

$$d(f(x), f(y)) \leq \frac{\kappa(x, y)}{2} [d(x, f(x)) + d(y, f(y))].$$

for all  $x, y \in D$ .

([1])  $f : X \rightarrow X$  is a weakly Chatterjea map, if there exists  $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow [0, 1]$ , satisfies

$$\theta(a, b) := \sup \{ \xi(x, y) : a \leq d(x, y) \leq b \} < 1,$$

for all  $0 < a \leq b$ , such that, for all  $x, y \in D$ ,

$$d(f(x), f(y)) \leq \frac{\xi(x, y)}{2} [d(x, f(y)) + d(y, f(x))].$$

for all  $x, y \in D$ .

([8])  $f : X \rightarrow X$  is a weakly Zamfirescu map, if there exists  $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow [0, 1]$ , satisfies

$$\theta(a, b) := \sup \{ \alpha(x, y) : a \leq d(x, y) \leq b \} < 1,$$

for every  $0 < a \leq b$ , such that, for all  $x, y \in D$ ,

$$d(f(x), f(y)) \leq \alpha(x, y)M_f(x, y), \quad (Z_w),$$

for all  $x, y \in D$ , where

$$M_f(x, y) = \max \left\{ d(x, y), \frac{1}{2}[d(x, f(y)) + d(y, f(x))] \right. \\ \left. , \frac{1}{2}[d(x, f(x)) + d(y, f(y))] \right\}.$$

We define the modified weakly Zamfirescu maps in the following method. Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space and  $f : X \rightarrow X$  be a given mapping. If there exists a function  $\beta : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  such that

$$\beta(x, y)d(fx, fy) \leq \alpha(x, y)M_f(x, y), \quad (Z_{mw}),$$

A self-mapping  $f$  on a metric space  $(X, d)$  is said to be asymptotically regular at  $x_0 \in X$  if  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(f^n(x_0), f^{n+1}(x_0)) = 0$ .

**Definition 2.4.** Let  $f : X \rightarrow X$  and  $\beta : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ . We say  $f$  is  $\beta$ -admissible if

$$x, y \in X, \quad \beta(x, y) \geq 1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \beta(fx, fy) \geq 1.$$

**Theorem 2.5.** Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space. If  $f : X \rightarrow X$  is a modified weakly Zamfirescu map, such that  $f$  satisfies the following conditions:

- (i)  $f$  is  $\beta$ -admissible;
- (ii) there exists  $x_0 \in X$  such that  $\beta(x_0, fx_0) \geq 1$ ,

then,  $f$  is asymptotically regular at each point in  $X$ .

*Proof.* Let  $x_0 \in X$  such that  $\beta(x_0, fx_0) \geq 1$ . Define the picard iterates  $x_n = f(x_{n-1}) = f^n(x_0)$  for  $n = 1, 2, \dots$ . We first prove that for all  $n \geq 1$ ,

$$(2.1) \quad d(x_n, x_{n+1}) \leq \alpha(x_{n-1}, x_n)d(x_{n-1}, x_n),$$

where  $\alpha$  is the function associated to  $f$  by the condition  $(Z_{mw})$ .

We have

$$\beta(x_0, x_1) = \beta(x_0, fx_0) \geq 1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \beta(fx_0, fx_1) = \beta(x_1, x_2) \geq 1.$$

By induction, we get  $\beta(x_{n-1}, x_n) \geq 1$ , for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Observe that, for all  $n \geq 1$

$$\begin{aligned} M_f(x_{n-1}, x_n) &= \max \left\{ d(x_{n-1}, x_n), \frac{1}{2}[d(x_{n-1}, f(x_{n-1})) + d(x_n, f(x_n))] \right. \\ &\quad \left. , \frac{1}{2}[d(x_{n-1}, f(x_n)) + d(x_n, f(x_{n-1}))] \right\} \\ &= \max \left\{ d(x_{n-1}, x_n), \frac{1}{2}[d(x_{n-1}, x_n) + d(x_n, x_{n+1})] \right. \\ &\quad \left. , \frac{1}{2}[d(x_{n-1}, x_{n+1}) + d(x_n, x_n)] \right\} \\ &= \max \left\{ d(x_{n-1}, x_n), \frac{1}{2}[d(x_{n-1}, x_n) + d(x_n, x_{n+1})] \right. \\ &\quad \left. , \frac{1}{2}d(x_{n-1}, x_{n+1}) \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

To complete the proof of (2.1), we shall appeal to condition  $(Z_{mw})$ , and hence, we consider the following three cases:

Case 1. If  $M_f(x_{n-1}, x_n) = d(x_{n-1}, x_n)$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} d(x_n, x_{n+1}) &\leq \beta(x_{n-1}, x_n)d(f(x_{n-1}), f(x_n)) \\ &\leq \alpha(x_{n-1}, x_n)d(x_{n-1}, x_n). \end{aligned}$$

Case 2. If  $M_f(x_{n-1}, x_n) = \frac{1}{2}[d(x_{n-1}, x_n) + d(x_n, x_{n+1})]$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \beta(x_{n-1}, x_n)d(x_n, x_{n+1}) &\leq \alpha(x_{n-1}, x_n) \frac{[d(x_{n-1}, x_n) + d(x_n, x_{n+1})]}{2}, \\ d(x_n, x_{n+1}) &\leq \frac{\alpha(x_{n-1}, x_n)}{2\beta(x_{n-1}, x_n) - \alpha(x_{n-1}, x_n)} d(x_{n-1}, x_n) \\ &\leq \alpha(x_{n-1}, x_n)d(x_{n-1}, x_n). \end{aligned}$$

Case 3. If  $M_f(x_{n-1}, x_n) = \frac{1}{2}d(x_{n-1}, x_{n+1})$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \beta(x_{n-1}, x_n)d(x_n, x_{n+1}) &\leq \frac{\alpha(x_{n-1}, x_n)}{2} \frac{1}{2}d(x_{n-1}, x_{n+1}) \\ &\leq \frac{\alpha(x_{n-1}, x_n)}{2} [d(x_{n-1}, x_n) + d(x_n, x_{n+1})], \end{aligned}$$

i.e.,

$$\begin{aligned} d(x_n, x_{n+1}) &\leq \frac{\alpha(x_{n-1}, x_n)}{2\beta(x_{n-1}, x_n) - \alpha(x_{n-1}, x_n)} d(x_{n-1}, x_n) \\ &\leq \alpha(x_{n-1}, x_n)d(x_{n-1}, x_n). \end{aligned}$$

Thus, relation (2.1) is proved.

As a consequence, we obtain that the sequence  $\{d(x_n, x_{n+1})\}$  is non

increasing, since  $0 \leq \alpha(x_{n-1}, x_n) \leq 1$ . Then, it is convergent to the real number

$$d = \inf\{d(x_{n-1}, x_n) : n = 1, 2, \dots\}.$$

It suffices to prove that  $d = 0$ . Suppose that  $d > 0$  and get a contradiction. For any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , we have

$$0 < d \leq d(x_n, x_{n+1}) \leq d(x_0, x_1),$$

and the definition of  $\theta = \theta(d, d(x_0, x_1))$ , results  $\alpha(x_{n-1}, x_n) \leq \theta$ . This, together with (2.1) gives

$$d \leq d(x_n, x_{n+1}) \leq \theta^n d(x_0, x_1),$$

for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , which is impossible since  $d > 0$  and  $0 \leq \theta < 1$ . Therefore,  $f$  is asymptotically regular at  $x_0$ .  $\square$

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