

COMMON FIXED POINT THEOREMS IN D -METRIC SPACES WITH LOCAL BOUNDEDNESS

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In this paper, we improved the result of Rhoades. That is, we proved some common fixed point theorems for more general selfmappings with a condition which is weaker than the boundedness on a D -metric space.

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1. INTRODUCTION

In 1994, Dien³ established that a pair of mappings satisfying both the Banach contraction principle and Caristi's condition in a complete metric space has a common fixed point.

Recently, Dhage² introduced the concept of the D -metric space and obtained beautiful fixed point theorems, and Rhoades⁶ improved the result of Dhage². Let X be a bounded complete D -metric space and T a selfmap of X satisfying

$$D(Tx, Ty, Tz) \leq q \max \{D(x, y, z), D(x, Tx, z), D(y, Ty, z), D(x, Ty, z), D(y, Tx, z)\}$$

for all $x, y, z \in X, 0 \leq q < 1$. Then T has a unique fixed point p in X and T is continuous at p .

In this paper, we improved the result of Rhoades⁶. That is, we proved some common fixed point theorems for more general selfmappings with a condition (see, (2.2)) which is weaker than the boundedness of X . These results are also generalizations of the well known fixed point theorems which have been established by Ćirić¹, Dhage², and Dien³.

2. PRELIMINARIES

Throughout this paper, we denote by N the set of all positive integers and by R the set of all real numbers.

Dhage² introduced the following D -metric space.

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*Definition 2.1*² — Let X be a non-empty set. A D -metric on X is a function $D : X \times X \times X \rightarrow R$ such that

- (i) $D(x, y, z) \geq 0$ for all $x, y, z \in X$, and equality holds if and only if $x = y = z$,
- (ii) $D(x, y, z) = D(x, z, y) = D(y, x, z) = D(y, z, x) = D(z, x, y) = D(z, y, x)$ for all $x, y, z \in X$

and (iii) $D(x, y, z) \leq D(x, y, a) + D(x, a, z) + D(a, y, z)$ for all $x, y, z, a \in X$ (tetrahedral inequality).

If D is a D -metric on X , then the pair (X, D) is called a D -metric space.

Definition 2.2 — Let (X, d) be a metric space and A, B be subsets of X .

$$\delta_d(A, B) = \sup \{d(x, y) \mid x \in A, y \in B\}.$$

We denote $\delta_d(A, A)$ by $\delta_d(A)$. Let X be a D -metric space and A, B, C be subsets of X . Define

$$\delta_D(A, B, C) = \sup \{D(x, y, z) \mid x \in A, y \in B, z \in C\}.$$

We denote $\delta_D(A, A, A)$ by $\delta_D(A)$ and call it the diameter of A (with respect to a D -metric). A subset B of X will be called bounded if $\delta_D(B)$ is finite.

Definition 2.8 — Let X be a D -metric space, S, T mappings from X into itself and let $\{x_n\}_{n=0}^\infty$ be a sequence in X such that $Sx_{n-1} = Tx_n$ for all $n \in N$. Then we denote $O_s(Tx_n) = \{Tx_p \mid p \geq n\}$ for each $n \in N$.

*Definition 2.4*² — A sequence $\{x_n\}$ in a D -metric space X converges to $x \in X$ if for an arbitrary $\epsilon > 0$, there exists a positive integer n_0 such that for all $n > m > n_0$, $D(x_m, x_n, x) < \epsilon$.

*Definition 2.5*² — A sequence $\{x_n\}$ in a D -metric space X is D -Cauchy sequence if for an arbitrary $\epsilon > 0$ there exists a positive integer n_0 such that for all $p > n > m \geq n_0$, $D(x_m, x_n, x_p) < \epsilon$.

*Definition 2.6*² — A D -metric space X is complete if every D -Cauchy sequence $\{x_n\}$ in X converges in X .

*Definition 2.7*² — Let $x_0 \in X$ and $\epsilon > 0$ be given. Then we define the open ball $B(x_0, \epsilon)$ in X centered at x_0 of radius of ϵ by

$$B(x_0, \epsilon) = \{y \in X \mid D(x_0, y, y) < \epsilon \text{ if } y = x_0 \text{ and } \sup_{z \in X} D(x_0, y, z) < \epsilon \text{ if } y \neq x_0\}.$$

Then the collection of all open balls $\{B(x, \epsilon) : x \in X\}$ defines the topology on X denoted by τ . Throughout this paper we assume that the D -metric space X is equipped with the topology τ .

*Definition 2.8*⁵ — Let (X, d) be a metric space and $S, T : X \rightarrow X$ are mappings. Then the pair (S, T) is said to be compatible if and only if for every sequence $\{x_n\}$ in X such that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Sx_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Tx_n = u \text{ for some } u \in X,$$

it implies

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(STx_n, TSx_n) = 0.$$

Now we would like to define a concept of compatibility in a D -metric space corresponding to compatibility in a metric space (X, d) .

Definition 2.9 — Let X be a D -metric space and $S, T: X \rightarrow X$ are mappings. Then the pair (S, T) is said to be D -compatible if and only if

$$D(STx, STy, TSz) \leq \alpha \cdot D(Tx, Ty, Sz)$$

for all $x, y, z \in X$ and some $\alpha \in (0, \infty)$.

Using the definition of a D -metric on X and topology τ on X , we have the following lemma.

*Lemma 2.10*² — The D -metric for X is a continuous function on $X \times X \times X$ in the topology τ on X .

By employing method similar to Lemma 4.1 in [4], we have the following lemma.

Lemma 2.11 — Let X be a D -metric space and S, T be selfmappings of X satisfying there exists a sequence $\{x_n\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$ in X such that

$$Sx_n = Tx_{n+1} \text{ for } n = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots \quad \dots (2.1)$$

and

$$\delta_D(O_S(Tx_0)) < \infty. \quad \dots (2.2)$$

Then the followings are equivalent:

(2.3) for an arbitrary real number $\varepsilon > 0$, there exist $\varepsilon', \varepsilon''$ such that $0 < \varepsilon' < \varepsilon < \varepsilon''$ and $C(Tx, Ty, Tz) < \varepsilon''$ implies $D(Sx, Sy, Sz) < \varepsilon'$, where

$$C(Tx, Ty, Tz) = \max \{D(Tx, Ty, Tz), D(Tx, Sy, Tz), D(Ty, Sx, Tz), D(Tx, Sx, Tz), D(Ty, Sy, Tz)\}. \quad \dots (2.3)$$

(2.4) There exists an increasing upper semicontinuous $\varphi: R_+ \rightarrow R_+$ satisfying $\varphi(t) < t$ for each $t > 0$ such that

$$D(Sx, Sy, z) \leq \varphi(C(Tx, Ty, Tz)) \text{ for all } x, y, z \in X, \quad \dots (2.4)$$

where

$$R_+ = \{u \in R \mid 0 \leq u\}.$$

PROOF : It is clear that (2.4) implies (2.3). Conversely, suppose that (2.3) holds. Define $\varphi: R_+ \rightarrow R_+$ by

$$\varphi(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{9}x & 0 \leq x < 1, \\ \frac{1}{9}(x + [x]) & [x] \leq x < [x] + 1, 1 \leq x, \\ \frac{3}{8}(x + [x]) & x = 1 + [x], 1 \leq x, \end{cases}$$

where $[x]$ is the greatest integer not exceeding x . Then (2.4) follows easily from (2.3) and definition of φ .

Lemma 2.12 — Let X be a D -metric space and let S, T be selfmappings of X satisfying (2.1), (2.2) and (2.3). Then $\{Tx_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$ is a D -Cauchy sequence.

PROOF : Let

$$\gamma_n = \delta_D (O_S (Tx_n)), \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

Then from the Definition 2.3 and (2.2), we obtain $\gamma_1 < \infty$. Since $\{\gamma_n\}$ is a decreasing sequence of nonnegative real numbers, there exists a nonnegative real number ε such that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \gamma_n = \varepsilon.$$

By Lemma 2.11, $\gamma_{n+1} \leq \varphi(\gamma_n)$. It is enough to prove that $\varepsilon = 0$. If not, then, from Lemma 2.11, we have $\varepsilon \leq \varphi(\varepsilon) < \varepsilon$. This is a contradiction. Hence $\varepsilon = 0$. Therefore, $\{Tx_n\}$ is a D -Cauchy sequence.

3. MAIN RESULTS

Theorem 3.1 — Let X be a complete D -metric space and let S, T be selfmappings of X satisfying (2.2), (2.3),

$$SX \subseteq TX, \tag{3.1}$$

$$T \text{ is continuous, and} \tag{3.2}$$

$$(S, T) \text{ is a pair of } D\text{-compatible.} \tag{3.3}$$

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

PROOF : From condition (3.1), we obtain condition (2.1), i.e. there exists a sequence

$\{x_n\}_{n=0}^\infty$ in X such that

$$Sx_n = Tx_{n+1} \text{ for } n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

Then by Lemma 2.12, $\{Tx_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$ is a D -Cauchy sequence. Since X is a complete D -metric space, $\{Tx_n\}$ converges to $u \in X$. From the condition (2.1), $\{Sx_n\}$ is also convergent to u . We shall prove that u is a unique common fixed point of S and T . Since T is continuous, we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} TSx_n = Tu.$$

Since for all $n, m, r \in N$ with $n < m < r$,

$$D(STx_n, STx_m, TSx_r) \leq \alpha \cdot D(Tx_n, Tx_m, Sx_r),$$

from (3.2), (3.3) and Lemma 2.10, we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} STx_n = Tu.$$

Suppose that $Tu \neq u$. Let $\varepsilon = D(u, u, Tu)$. Then $0 < \varepsilon$. Now

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} C(Tx_n, Tx_n, TSx_n) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \{ \max [D(Tx_n, Tx_n, TSx_n), \\ &D(Tx_n, Sx_n, TSx_n), D(Tx_n, Sx_n, TSx_n), D(Tx_n, Sx_n, TSx_n)] \} \\ &= D(u, u, Tu). \end{aligned}$$

Since

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} C(Tx_n, Tx_n, TSx_n) = D(u, u, Tu) = \varepsilon > 0,$$

by Lemma 2.11, $\varepsilon \leq \varphi(\varepsilon) < \varepsilon$, which is a contradiction. Therefore, $Tu = u$. Suppose that $Su \neq u$. Since

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} C(Tu, Tx_n, TSx_n) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \{ \max \\ &[D(Tu, Tx_n, TSx_n), D(Tu, Sx_n, TSx_n), D(Tx_n, Su, TSx_n), \\ &D(Tu, Su, TSx_n), D(Tx_n, Sx_n, TSx_n)] \} \\ &= D(u, u, Su) := \varepsilon > 0, \end{aligned}$$

by Lemma 2.11, $\varepsilon \leq \varphi(\varepsilon) < \varepsilon$, which is a contradiction. Hence $Su = u$. To prove uniqueness, let u_1 and u_2 be two common fixed points of S and T , and suppose $u_1 \neq u_2$. Then

$$C(Tu_1, Tu_1, Tu_2) = D(u_1, u_1, u_2) := \varepsilon > 0.$$

Then by Lemma 2.11,

$$\varepsilon = D(Su_1, Su_1, Su_2) = D(u_1, u_1, u_2) \leq \varphi(\varepsilon) < \varepsilon.$$

This is a contradiction. Therefore, S and T have a unique common fixed point in X .

Corollary 3.2 — Let X be a complete D -metric space and let S, T be selfmappings of X satisfying (2.2), (3.1), (3.2), (3.3) and

$$\begin{aligned} D(Sx, Sy, Sz) &\leq q \cdot \max \\ &\{D(Tx, Ty, Tz), D(Tx, Sy, Tz), D(Ty, Sx, Tz), D(Tx, Sx, Tz), D(Ty, Sy, Tz)\}, \quad \dots \end{aligned} \quad (3.4)$$

for all $x, y, z \in X$ and for some $q \in [0, 1)$. Then S and T have a unique common fixed point in X .

PROOF : Since the condition (3.4) implies (2.3), the result follows from Theorem 3.1.

Remark : In Corollary 3.2, letting $T = I_X$ (where I_X is an identity mapping on X), we can easily prove the Theorem 1 of Rhoades⁶.

In Theorem 3.1, letting $T = I_X$ (where I_X is an identity mapping on X), we have the following corollary.

Corollary 3.3 — Let X be a complete D -metric space and S be a selfmapping of X satisfying (2.2) and

for an arbitrary real number $\varepsilon > 0$, there exist $\varepsilon', \varepsilon''$ such that $0 < \varepsilon' < \varepsilon < \varepsilon''$ and $C(x, y, z) < \varepsilon''$ implies $D(Sx, Sy, Sz) < \varepsilon'$ where

$$C(x, y, z) = \max \{D(x, y, z), D(x, Sy, z), D(y, Sx, z), D(x, Sx, z), D(y, Sy, z)\}. \quad \dots (3.5)$$

Then S has a unique fixed point in X .

Theorem 3.4 — Let X be a complete D -metric space and S, T be selfmappings of X satisfying (2.3), (3.2) and (3.3) there exists a nonempty closed bounded subset A of X such that $SA \subseteq TA \subseteq A$.

Then S and T have a unique common fixed point in X (3.6)

PROOF : By method similar to Theorem 3.1, the result follows.

Theorem 3.5 — Let X be a metric space with a metric d and S, T be selfmappings of X satisfying $SX \subseteq TX$ and for an arbitrary real number $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists $\varepsilon', \varepsilon''$ such that $0 < \varepsilon' < \varepsilon < \varepsilon''$ and $C(Tx, Ty) < \varepsilon''$ implies $d(Sx, Sy) < \varepsilon'$, where

$$C(Tx, Ty) = \max \{d(Tx, Ty), d(Tx, Sy), d(Ty, Sx), d(Tx, Sx), d(Ty, Sy)\} \quad \dots (3.7)$$

$$\delta_d(O_S(Tx_0)) < \infty. \quad \dots (3.8)$$

Then $\{Tx_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ is a Cauchy sequence.

PROOF : By method similar to Lemma 2.12, the result follows.

Corollary 3.6³ — Let (X, d) be a complete metric space and S, T be selfmappings of X satisfying (3.1), (3.2), (3.7), (3.8) and

(S, T) is a pair of compatible. ... (3.9)

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

PROOF : Using Theorem 3.5, the result follows by method similar to Theorem 3.1.

Corollary 3.7 — Let (X, d) be a complete metric space S, T be selfmappings of X satisfying (3.1), (3.2), (3.8), (3.9) and

$$d(Sx, Sy) \leq q \cdot \max \{d(Tx, Ty), d(Tx, Sy), d(Ty, Sx), d(Tx, Sx), d(Ty, Sy)\}$$

for all $x, y \in X$ and for some $q \in [0, 1)$. Then S and T have a unique common fixed point in X .

PROOF : Since the condition (3.10) implies (3.7), the result follows from Corollary 3.6.

In Corollary 3.6, letting $T = I_X$ we have the following corollary.

Corollary 3.8 — Let (X, d) be a complete metric space and let S be a selfmapping of X satisfying (3.8) and for an arbitrary real number $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists $\varepsilon', \varepsilon''$ such that $0 < \varepsilon' < \varepsilon < \varepsilon''$ and $C(x, y) < \varepsilon''$ implies $d(Sx, Sy) < \varepsilon'$, where

$$C(x, y) = \max \{d(x, y), d(x, Sy), d(y, Sx), d(x, Sx), d(y, Sy)\}.$$

Then S has a unique fixed point in X .

Remark : Finally, we also obtain Theorem 1 of Ciric [1] from Corollary 3.8. Thus, our main results are extensions of some well-known theorems^{1, 3&6}.

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