

FIXED POINT THEOREMS FOR EXPANSIVE MAPPINGS IN D-METRIC SPACES

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In this paper, we define expansive mappings in the setting of D -metric spaces analogous to expansive mappings (Iseki⁸) in complete metric spaces. We also extend the results of Hid kaneko¹ for two mappings in the setting of D -metric spaces.

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INTRODUCTION

In 1992, a new structure of a generalised metric space was introduced by Dhage² on the lines of ordinary metric space defined as under:

Let R denote the real line and X denote a nonempty set. Let $D : X \times X \times X \rightarrow R$ be a function satisfying the following properties :

- (i) $D(x, y, z) \geq 0$ for all $x, y, z \in X$, equality holds if and only if $x = y = z$.
- (ii) $D(x, y, z) = D(y, x, z) = \dots$ (symmetry).
- (iii) $D(x, y, z) \leq D(x, y, a) + D(x, a, z) + D(a, y, z)$ for all $x, y, z, a \in X$. (rectangle inequality).

Then the function D is called a D -metric (also called a generalised metric) on X . The set X together with a D -metric D is called a D -metric space denoted by (X, D) . Generally, the usual ordinary metric is called the distance function. D -metric is called diameter function of the points of X (Dhage²).

In 1963, Ghaler⁴ introduced the concept of a 2-metric space. Recall (Ghaler⁴) that a function $d : X \times X \times X \rightarrow R$ is called a 2-metric on X satisfying the properties (ii), (iii) above and (i)' :

- (i)' For each distinct pair $x, y \in X$, there exists $z \in X$ such that

$d(x, y, z) \neq 0$ and $d(x, y, z) = 0$ if any two elements of the triplet x, y, z are equal.

A number of fixed point theorems have been proved for 2-metric spaces. However, Hsiao⁵ showed that all such theorems are trivial in the sense that the iterations of f are all collinear. Fortunately, in case of D -metric spaces the situation is not alike.

In this paper, we define expansive mappings in the setting of D -metric spaces analogous to expansive mappings (Iseki⁸) in complete metric spaces. We also extend the results of Hideaki Kaneko¹ for two mappings in the setting of D -metric spaces.

PRELIMINARIES

Definition 2.1 (Dhage²) — A sequence $\{x_n\}$ of points of a D -metric space X is said to be D -convergent and converges to a point $x \in X$, if for every $\varepsilon > 0$ there exists an $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ such that for all $m, n \geq n_0, D(x_m, x_n, x) < \varepsilon$.

Definition 2.2 (Dhage²) — A sequence $\{x_n\}$ of points of a D -metric space X is said to be D -Cauchy if for $\varepsilon > 0$ there exists an $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ such that for all $m > n, p \geq n_0, D(x_m, x_n, x_p) < \varepsilon$.

A complete D -metric space X is one in which every D -Cauchy sequence $\{x_n\}$ in X converges to a point x in X . A mapping $T : X \rightarrow X$ is said to be continuous if and only if $Tx_n \rightarrow Tx$ whenever $x_n \rightarrow x$ (Dhage²).

Definition 2.3 (Dhage²) — Let $x_n \in X$ be fixed and $\varepsilon < 0$ be given. We define an open ball $B(x_0, \varepsilon)$ in X with centre at x_0 of radius ε by $B(x_0, \varepsilon) = \bigcap_{z \in X} \{y, z \in X : D(x_0, y, z) < \varepsilon\}$

Then the collection of all open balls $\{B(x, \varepsilon) : x \in X\}$ defines the topology on X denoted by τ . A D -metric space X is said to be precompact if there exists a finite number of elements x_1, \dots, x_n in X such that $X \subset \bigcup_{i=1}^n B(x_i, \varepsilon)$. If X is a compact D -metric space, then every sequence

has a convergent subsequence and every continuous real function on X attains its maximum or minimum on it. In the sequel, we assume that X is equipped with the topology τ which is the same topology of D -metric space.

The following lemma is useful in the sequel :-

Lemma 2.1 (Dhage²) — The D -metric ‘ D ’ is a continuous function on X^3 in the topology of D -metric convergence.

MAIN RESULTS

Theorem 3.1 — Let X be a complete D -metric space. If there exists a constant $a > 1$ such that

$$D(Tx, Ty, Tz) \geq a D(x, y, z) \quad \forall x, y, z \in X \quad \dots (1)$$

and T is surjective, then T has a unique fixed point.

PROOF : Under the assumption, it is clear that T is injective. Let G be the inverse mapping of T . Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} D(x, y, z) &= D(TT^{-1}x, TT^{-1}y, TT^{-1}z) \\ &\geq a D(T^{-1}x, T^{-1}y, T^{-1}z) = a D(Gx, Gy, Gz) \end{aligned}$$

or
$$D(x, y, z) \geq a D(Gx, Gy, Gz)$$

which implies $D(Gx, Gy, Gz) \leq \frac{1}{a} D(x, y, z)$

or $D(Gx, Gy, Gz) \leq h D(x, y, z)$ for $h < 1, h = \frac{1}{a}$.

Therefore, applying Theorem 2 (Dhage and Rhoades³), we conclude that G has a unique fixed point x_0 . Hence, $G(x_0) = x_0 = T(G(x_0)) = Tx_0$. This gives that x_0 is also a unique fixed point of T . This completes the proof.

Theorem 3.2 — *Let X be a compact D -metric space. If T is a continuous bijective selfmap on X and there exists a real number $a > 1$ satisfying*

$$D(Tx, T^2x, T^3x) \geq a D(x, Tx, T^2x), \text{ for all } x \in X, x \neq Tx \quad \dots (2)$$

Then T has a fixed point.

PROOF : We define $x_n = T^n x_0$ as $Tx_n = x_{n+1}$. Since T is bijective, there exists T^{-1} such that $T^{-1}x_{n+1} = x_n$. Let $G = T^{-1}$. Clearly G is continuous. We assume that $x_n \neq x_{n+1}$ for all n , otherwise G has a fixed point.

From (2), we get

$$D(Gx_n, G^2x_n, G^3x_n) \geq a D(x_n, Gx_n, G^2x_n) \quad \dots (3)$$

Now we consider

$$\begin{aligned} D(Gx_n, G^2x_n, G^3x_n) &= D(x_{n-1}, G(Gx_n), G(G^2x_n)) \\ &= D(x_{n-1}, Gx_{n-1}, G(Gx_{n-1})) \\ &= D(x_{n-1}, x_{n-2}, x_{n-3}) \end{aligned}$$

Also $D(x_n, Gx_n, G^2x_n) = D(x_n, x_{n-1}, x_{n-2})$

Using these values, (3) becomes

$$D(x_{n-1}, x_{n-2}, x_{n-3}) \geq a D(x_n, x_{n-1}, x_{n-2})$$

or $D(x_n, x_{n-1}, x_{n-2}) \leq h D(x_{n-1}, x_{n-2}, x_{n-3}),$ for $0 < h < 1, h = \frac{1}{a}$

or $D(x_{n-2}, x_{n-1}, x_n) \leq h D(x_{n-3}, x_{n-2}, x_{n-1})$

or $D(x_n, x_{n+1}, x_{n+2}) \leq h D(x_{n-1}, x_n, x_{n+1})$

or $D(x_n, x_{n+1}, x_{n+2}) \leq h D(x_{n-1}, x_n, x_{n+1}) \leq h^2 D(x_{n-2}, x_{n-1}, x_n)$

$$\dots \leq h^n D(x_0, x_1, x_2).$$

which shows that $\{D(x_n, x_{n+1}, x_{n+2})\}$ is a monotone decreasing positive sequence with limit zero. Since X is compact, there exists a convergent subsequence $\{x_{n_k}\}$ of $\{x_n\}$ and let z denote the limit of x_{n_k} .

Therefore
$$z = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} x_{n_k}$$

Also
$$Gz = G\left(\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} x_{n_k}\right) = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} G(x_{n_k}) = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} x_{n_{k-1}}$$

Since D is continuous, therefore we get

$$\begin{aligned} D(z, Gz, G^2 z) &= D\left(\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} x_{n_k}, \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} x_{n_{k-1}}, \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} x_{n_{k-2}}\right) \\ &= \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} D(x_{n_k}, x_{n_{k-1}}, x_{n_{k-2}}), \end{aligned}$$

which is zero as it is a monotone decreasing positive sequence with limit zero. Hence $D(z, Gz, G^2 z) = 0$, which implies that $z = Gz = G^2 z \Rightarrow z = Gz$. This shows that z is fixed point of G . Also $G(z) = z = T(Gz) = Tz$. Hence, z is also a fixed point of T . This completes the proof.

PAIR OF MAPPINGS IN D-METRIC SPACES

Kaneko¹ proved a theorem for a pair of mappings. We extend his result in D -metric spaces, thus defining an expansive condition for a pair of mappings in theorem 4.2 below.

Theorem 4.1 — *Let (X, D) be a complete D -metric space. Let S, T and G be three onto selfmaps of X . Let there exist $q > 1$ such that*

$$D(Sx, Ty, Gz) \geq q D(x, y, z) \text{ for all } x, y, z \in X \quad \dots (4)$$

Then $S = T$ and $S = G$.

PROOF : Assume on the contrary that either $S \neq T$ or $S \neq G$.

(i) Let $S \neq T$. Then for some $x \in X$

$$Sx \neq Tx \Rightarrow x \notin T^{-1}(Sx).$$

Therefore, $y \in T^{-1}(Sx)$ gives $Sx = Ty$ (4i)

(ii) Let $S \neq G$. Then for some $x \in X$

$$Sx \neq Gx \Rightarrow x \notin G^{-1}(Sx).$$

Therefore, $z \in G^{-1}(Sx)$ gives $Gz = Sx$ (4ii)

Consequently, we get $Sx = Ty$ and $Sx = Gz$. Hence, $D(Sx, Ty, Gz) = 0$.

Hence inequality (4) becomes

$$0 \geq q D(x, y, z) \text{ where } q > 1,$$

which is not possible since x, y, z are distinct. Hence our assumption is wrong. This proves the theorem.

Theorem 4.2 — *Let (X, D) be a complete D-metric space. Let S be a surjective and T an injective selfmaps of X satisfying the following condition. There exists $q > 1$ such that*

$$D(Sx, Sy, Sz) \geq q D(Tx, Ty, Tz) \quad \dots (5)$$

for all $x, y, z \in X$. If S and T commute each other, then there exists a unique common fixed point of S and T .

PROOF : Under the assumption it is clear that S is injective. For each $x, y, z \in X$

$$D(x, y, z) = D(S(S^{-1}x), S(S^{-1}y), S(S^{-1}z))$$

$$\geq q D(T(S^{-1}x), T(S^{-1}y), T(S^{-1}z))$$

Hence,
$$D(x, y, z) \geq q D(T(S^{-1}x), T(S^{-1}y), T(S^{-1}z))$$

or
$$D(x, y, z) \geq q D(ToS^{-1}x, ToS^{-1}y, ToS^{-1}z)$$

or
$$D(ToS^{-1}x, ToS^{-1}y, ToS^{-1}z) \leq hD(x, y, z), \quad 0 < h < 1, \text{ where } h = \frac{1}{q}.$$

Then $D(Gx, Gy, Gz) \leq hD(x, y, z)$, where $G = ToS^{-1}$. By Theorem 2 (Dhage and Rhoades³), there exists a unique element $x_0 \in X$ such that $Gx_0 = x_0$ or $ToS^{-1}x_0 = x_0$. It follows that $S(T(S^{-1}x_0)) = Sx_0$. Since S and T commute, therefore

$$T(S(S^{-1}x_0)) = Sx_0 \text{ which gives } Tx_0 = Sx_0.$$

Put $y = z = S^{-1}x_0$ and replace x by x_0 in (5), we get

$$D(Sx_0, S(S^{-1}x_0), S(S^{-1}x_0)) \geq q D(Tx_0, T(S^{-1}x_0), T(S^{-1}x_0))$$

or
$$D(Sx_0, x_0, x_0) \geq q D(Tx_0, x_0, x_0) = q D(Sx_0, x_0, x_0).$$

Since $q > 1$, hence $D(Sx_0, x_0, x_0) = 0$. This gives $Sx_0 = x_0$. Hence, $Sx_0 = Tx_0 = x_0$. This completes the proof.

Remark 1 : If S is assumed to be bijective, then there is no need to assume that T be injective.

Remark 2 : If x is a fixed point of S , then it is also a fixed point of T without any assumption about the commutativity of S and T .

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