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Generalizations on contractive mappings in metric spaces

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Abstract

We present new results on generalizations on metric spaces. New results are given on contractions in metric spaces and their fuzzy sets.

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1. Introduction

In this paper we initiate the study of fixed point theory for fuzzy contraction mappings in the settings of b -dislocated metric spaces.

2. Definitions and terminologies

Definition 2.1 [20] Let X be a nonempty set. A mapping $d_l : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ is called a dislocated metric or d_l -metric if the following conditions hold for any $x, y, z \in X$

- (i) If $d_l(x, y) = 0$, then $x = y$
- (ii) $d_l(x, y) = d_l(y, x)$,
- (iii) $d_l(x, z) \leq d_l(x, y) + d_l(y, z)$

The pair (X, d_l) is called a dislocated metric space or a d_l -metric space.

Note that when $x = y$, $d_l(x, y)$ may not be 0.

Example: If $X = \mathbb{R}^+ \cup \{0\}$, then $d_l(x, y) = x + y$ defines a d_l -metric on X .

Definition 2.2 [4] Let X be a nonempty set and let $s \geq 1$ be given real number. A function $d : X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ is said to be a b -metric if and only if for all $x, y, z \in X$ the following conditions are satisfied:

- 1. $d(x, y) = 0$ if and only if $x = y$;
- 2. $d(x, y) = d(y, x)$;
- 3. $d(x, z) \leq s[d(x, y) + d(y, z)]$

The pair (X, d) is called a b -metric space with parameter s .

Definition 2.3 [18] Let X be a nonempty set. A mapping $b_d : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ is called a b -dislocated metric or b_d -metric if the following conditions hold for any $x, y, z \in X$:

- (b_{d_1}) If $b_d(x, y) = 0$, then $x = y$
- (b_{d_2}) $b_d(x, y) = b_d(y, x)$,
- (b_{d_3}) $b_d(x, z) \leq s(b_d(x, y) + b_d(y, z))$

The pair (X, b_d) is called a b -dislocated metric space or a b_d -metric space. It should be noted that the class of b_d -metric spaces is effectively larger than that of d_l -metric spaces, since a b_d -metric is a d_l -metric when $s = 1$.

In general a b_d -metric need not be a d_l -metric, as the following Example shows.

Example 1.8 Let $X = [0, +\infty)$. Define the function $b_d : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ by $b_d(x, y) = (x + y)^2$. Then (X, b_d) is a b_d -metric space with constant $s = 2$. It is easy to see that (X, b_d) is not a b -metric or d_l -metric space.

In [18] showed that each b_d -metric on X generates a topology τ_{b_d} whose base is the family of open b_d -balls $B_{b_d}(x, \varepsilon) = \{y \in X : b_d(x, y) < \varepsilon\}$.

Also in [18] are presented some topological properties of b_d -metric spaces; (X, b_d, τ_{b_d}) is a Hausdorff space and first countable.

Definition 2.4 Let (X, b_d) a b_d -metric space, and $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ be a sequence of points in X . A point $x \in X$ is said to be the limit of the sequence $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ if $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_d(x_n, x) = 0$ and we say that the sequence $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is b_d -convergent to x and denote it by $x_n \rightarrow x$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

The limit of a b_d -convergent sequence in a b_d -metric space is unique [18, Proposition 1.27].

Definition 2.5 [18] A sequence $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ in a b_d -metric space (X, b_d) is called a b_d -Cauchy sequence iff, given $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ such that for all $n, m > n_0$, we have $b_d(x_n, x_m) < \varepsilon$ or $\lim_{n, m \rightarrow \infty} b_d(x_n, x_m) = 0$.

Every b_d -convergent sequence in a b_d -metric space is a b_d -Cauchy sequence.

Remark 2.6 The sequence $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ in a b_d -metric space (X, b_d) is called a b_d -Cauchy sequence iff $\lim_{n, m \rightarrow \infty} b_d(x_n, x_{n+p}) = 0$ for all $p \in \mathbb{N}^*$.

Definition 2.7 A b_d -metric space (X, b_d) is called complete if every b_d -Cauchy sequence in X is b_d -convergent.

In general a b_d -metric is not continuous, as in Example 1.31 in [18] showed.

Lemma 2.8 [18, Lemma 1.32] Let (X, b_d) be a b_d -metric space with $s \geq 1$, and suppose that $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ and $(y_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ are b_d -convergent to x, y respectively. Then, we have

$$\frac{1}{s^2} b_d(x, y) \leq \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n, y_n) \leq \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_d(x_n, y_n) \leq s^2 b_d(x, y)$$

In particular, if $b_d(x, y) = 0$, then we have $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_d(x_n, y_n) = 0 = b_d(x, y)$.

Moreover, for each $z \in X$ we have

$$\frac{1}{s} b_d(x, z) \leq \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_d(x_n, z) \leq \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_d(x_n, z) \leq s b_d(x, z)$$

In particular, if $b_d(x, z) = 0$, then we have $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_d(x_n, z) = 0 = b_d(x, z)$.

Lemma 2.9 Let (X, b_d) be a b_d -metric space with parameter S and $(x_n)_{n \in N}$ a sequence in X such that:

$$b_d(x_{n+1}, x_{n+2}) \leq q b_d(x_n, x_{n+1}) \text{ for all } n \in N \text{ where } 0 \leq q < 1. \text{ Then the sequence } (x_n)_{n \in N} \text{ is } b_d\text{-Cauchy sequence in } X \text{ provided that } sq < 1.$$

Proof. For any $n \in N$ we have that:

$$b_d(x_{n+1}, x_{n+2}) \leq q b_d(x_n, x_{n+1}) \leq q^2 b_d(x_{n-1}, x_n) \leq \dots \leq q^{n+1} b_d(x_0, x_1)$$

For all $p \in N$

$$\begin{aligned} b_d(x_n, x_{n+p}) &\leq s b_d(x_n, x_{n+1}) + s^2 b_d(x_{n+1}, x_{n+2}) + \dots \\ &+ s^{p-1} b_d(x_{n+p-2}, x_{n+p-1}) + s^{p-1} b_d(x_{n+p-1}, x_{n+p}) \\ &\leq s q^n b_d(x_0, x_1) + s^2 q^{n+1} b_d(x_0, x_1) + \dots + s^{p-1} q^{n+p-2} b_d(x_0, x_1) \\ &+ s^{p-1} q^{n+p-1} b_d(x_0, x_1) \\ &= s q^n (1 + s q + s^2 q^2 + \dots + (s q)^{p-2} + s^{p-2} q^{p-1}) b_d(x_0, x_1) \\ &\leq s q^n [1 + s q + s^2 q^2 + \dots + (s q)^{p-2} + s^{p-1} q^{p-1}] b_d(x_0, x_1) \\ &= \frac{s q^n}{1 - s q} [1 - (s q)^p] b_d(x_0, x_1) \end{aligned}$$

Since $\frac{s q^n}{1 - s q} [1 - (s q)^p] b_d(x_0, x_1) \rightarrow 0$, as $n \rightarrow \infty$, the sequence $(x_n)_{n \in N}$

is b_d -Cauchy sequence in X .

We need the following Definitions and Lemmas according to [1].

Definition 2.10 Let (X, b_d) be a b_d -metric space with parameter S . The Hausdorff b_d -metric H on $C(X)$; the collection of all nonempty compact subsets of (X, b_d) is defined as follows:

$$H(A, B) = \begin{cases} \max\{\sup_{x \in A} d(x, B), \sup_{y \in B} d(y, A)\} & \text{if the maximum exists} \\ \infty, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

It is known [1] that $(C(X), H)$ is a complete b-metric space provided (X, b_d) is a complete b-metric space.

We cite the following Lemma:

Lemma 2.11 Let (X, b_d) be a b_d -metric space with parameter s and $A, B, C \in C(X)$.

Then:

- (i) $d(x, B) \leq d(x, y)$ for any $y \in B$,
- (ii) $d(A, B) \leq H(A, B)$
- (iii) $d(x, B) \leq H(A, B)$, $x \in A$,
- (iv) $H(A, C) \leq s[H(A, B) + H(B, C)]$
- (v) $d(x, A) \leq s[d(x, y) + d(y, A)]$, $x, y \in X$.

Let (X, b_d) be a b_d -metric space with parameter s and $A, B \in C(X)$. Then for all $b \in B$ there exists $a \in A$ such that:

$$d(a, b) \leq s H(A, B)$$

Let (X, b_d) be a b_d -metric space with parameter s . A fuzzy set in X is a function with domain in X and values in $[0,1]$. If A is a fuzzy set and $x \in X$, then the function-value $A(x)$ is called the *grade of membership* of x in A . The collection of all fuzzy sets in X denoted by $\mathcal{F}(X)$.

Let $A \in \mathcal{F}(X)$ and $\alpha \in [0,1]$. The α -level set of A , denoted by A_α , is defined by

$$A_\alpha = \{x \in X : A(x) \geq \alpha\} \text{ if } \alpha \in (0,1], A_0 = \overline{\{x \in X : A(x) > 0\}}$$

whenever \bar{B} is the closure of set (non-fuzzy) B with respect to topology induced by b-metric.

We consider a sub-collection of $\mathcal{F}(X)$ denoted by $\mathcal{H}(X)$; for any $A \in \mathcal{H}(X)$, its α -level set is a nonempty compact subset (non-fuzzy) of b_d -metric space (X, b_d) for each $\alpha \in [0,1]$ and $\sup_{x \in X} A(x) = 1$; named the collection of all *approximate quantities*.

Definition 2.12 Let (X, b_d) be a b_d -metric space with parameter s and let $A, B \in \mathcal{H}(X)$ and $\alpha \in [0,1]$. Then we define,

$$p_\alpha(A, B) = \inf\{d(x, y) : x \in A_\alpha, y \in B_\alpha\} = d(A_\alpha, B_\alpha)$$

$$D_\alpha(A, B) = H(A_\alpha, B_\alpha)$$

$$p(A, B) = \sup\{p_\alpha(A, B) : \alpha \in [0,1]\}$$

$$D(A, B) = \sup\{D_\alpha(A, B) : \alpha \in [0,1]\}.$$

It is easy to see that D is a b_d -metric with parameter s in

$\mathcal{H}(X)$, provided that (X, b_d) is a b_d -metric space with parameter s .

Definition 2.13 Let (X, b_d) be a b_d -metric space with parameter s .

The mapping T is said to be a *fuzzy mapping* if and only if is mapping from the set X into $\mathcal{H}(X)$, i.e., $T(x) \in \mathcal{H}(X)$ for each $x \in X$.

Definition 2.14 The point $z \in X$ is called fixed point for the fuzzy mapping T if and only if $\{z\} \subset T(z)$.

The analogues lemmas of Heilpern in settings of b_d -metric spaces are:

Lemma 2.15 Let $x \in X$, $A \in \mathcal{H}(X)$ and $\{x\}$ be a fuzzy set with membership function equal to characteristic function of the set $\{x\}$. Then $\{x\} \subset A$ if and only if $p_\alpha(x, A) = 0$ for each $\alpha \in [0,1]$.

Lemma 2.16 $p_\alpha(x, A) \leq s[d(x, y) + p_\alpha(y, A)]$ for all $x, y \in X$ and $A \in \mathcal{H}(X)$.

Lemma 2.17 If $\{x_0\} \subset A$, then $p_\alpha(x_0, B) \leq D_\alpha(A, B)$ for each $B \in \mathcal{H}(X)$.

Lemma 2.18 Let (X, b_d) be a complete b_d -metric space with parameter s , $T : X \rightarrow \mathcal{H}(X)$ be a fuzzy map and $x_0 \in X$. Then there exists $x_1 \in X$ such that $\{x_1\} \subset T(x_0)$.

Let (X, b_d) be a b-metric space with parameter s .

We consider a sub-collection of $\mathcal{F}(X)$ denoted by $\mathcal{H}^*(X)$ such that for any $A \in \mathcal{H}^*(X)$, its α -level set is a nonempty compact subset (non-fuzzy) of X for each $\alpha \in [0,1]$. It is obvious that each element $A \in \mathcal{H}(X)$ leads to $A \in \mathcal{H}^*(X)$ but the converse is not true.

3. Main results

Next, we introduce the improvements of the lemmas in Heilpern [6] as follows.

Lemma 3.1 Let (X, b_d) be a b_d -metric space with parameter s and $x \in X$, $A \in \mathcal{H}^*(X)$ and $\{x\}$ be a fuzzy set with membership function equal to characteristic function of the set $\{x\}$.

Then $\{x\} \subset A$ if and only if $p_\alpha(x, A) = 0$ for each $\alpha \in [0,1]$.

Lemma 3.2 $p_\alpha(x, A) \leq s[d(x, y) + p_\alpha(y, A)]$ for all $x, y \in X$ and $A \in \mathcal{H}^*(X)$.

The proof of this lemma is particular case of Lemma 2.4 (v)

Lemma 3.3 If $\{x_0\} \subset A$, then $p_\alpha(x_0, B) \leq D_\alpha(A, B)$ for each $B \in \mathcal{H}^*(X)$.

Lemma 3.4 Let (X, b_d) be a complete b_d -metric space with parameter s , $T : X \rightarrow \mathcal{F}^*(X)$ be a fuzzy map and $x_0 \in X$. Then there exists $x_1 \in X$ such that $\{x_1\} \subset T(x_0)$.

Theorem 3.5. Let (X, b_d) be a complete b_d -metric space with parameter s and with continuous b_d -metric in each coordinate, $T : X \rightarrow \mathcal{F}^*(X)$ be a fuzzy mapping such that:

$$D(Tx, Ty) \leq q[d(x, y)]$$

where q is real constant and $0 \leq q < \frac{1}{s}$. Then T has a fixed point.

Proof. For a arbitrary point $x_0 \in X$ there exists $x_1 \in X$ such that $\{x_1\} \subset T(x_0)$ and $x_2 \in X$ such that $\{x_2\} \subset T(x_1)$ and

$$d(x_1, x_2) \leq D(Tx_0, Tx_1) \leq qd(x_0, x_1)$$

Similarly, there exists $x_3 \in X$ such that

$$d(x_2, x_3) \leq D(Tx_1, Tx_2) \leq qd(x_1, x_2) \leq q^2(d(x_0, x_1))$$

So we construct a sequence $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ such that:

$$d(x_n, x_{n+1}) \leq q(d(x_{n-1}, x_n))$$

By Lemma 2.9 the above sequence is Cauchy in complete b-dislocated metric space (X, b_d) , so there exists a $z \in X$ such that

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = z$. By Lemmas 2.16 and 2.17 we get:

$$\begin{aligned} p_\alpha(z, Tz) &\leq s[d(z, x_n) + p_\alpha(x_n, Tz)] \\ &\leq s[d(z, x_n) + D_\alpha(Tx_{n-1}, Tz)] \\ &\leq s[d(z, x_n) + D(Tx_{n-1}, Tz)] \\ &\leq s[d(z, x_n) + d(x_{n-1}, z)] \end{aligned}$$

Since d is continuous, letting $n \rightarrow \infty$, we have $p_\alpha(z, Tz) = 0$ and By Lemma 2.15, $\{z\} \subset T(z)$.

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