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GENERALIZED $\alpha - \psi$ -GERAGHTY MULTIVALUED MAPPINGS ON b -METRIC SPACES ENDOWED WITH A GRAPH

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ABSTRACT. In this paper, we provide some conditions for the existence of a coincidence point of single-valued and multivalued mappings involving generalized $\alpha - \psi$ -Geraghty contractions endowed with a graph. Our main results improve the existing results in the corresponding literature. We also present examples to support the obtained results.

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1. INTRODUCTION

The study of b -metric spaces was initiated in the works of Bakhtin, Heinonen, and Czerwik [6, 8]. Afterwards, several articles which deal with fixed point theorems for single-valued and multivalued mappings in the class of b -metric spaces appeared in [2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 10] and related references therein.

Definition 1.1. [9] *Let X be a nonempty set and $s \geq 1$ be a given real number. A mapping $d: X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ is said to be a b -metric and the pair (X, d) is called a b -metric space if, for all $x, y, z \in X$, the following conditions are satisfied:*

- (bM_1) $d(x, y) = 0$ if and only if $x = y$;
- (bM_2) $d(x, y) = d(y, x)$;
- (bM_3) $d(x, z) \leq s[d(x, y) + d(y, z)]$.

Remark 1.1. *Since a metric space turns into a b -metric space by taking the constant $s = 1$, the class of b -metric spaces is larger than the class of metric spaces.*

The following example shows that there exists a b -metric which is not a metric.

Example 1.1. *Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$ with $0 < a < 2b < c$ and $d: X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ be defined by*

$$d(a, b) = b, \quad d(a, c) = \frac{b}{2} \quad \text{and} \quad d(b, c) = c,$$

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with $d(x, x) = 0$ and $d(x, y) = d(y, x)$ for all $x, y \in X$. Notice that d is not a metric since $d(b, c) > d(a, b) + d(a, c)$. However, it is easy to see that d is a b -metric space with coefficient $s \geq 2$.

Let \mathbb{N} be the set of positive integers. A sequence $\{x_n\}$ in a b -metric space X is said to be convergent if and only if there exists $x \in X$ such that $d(x_n, x) \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. In this case, we write $\rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x$. A sequence $\{x_n\}$ in a b -metric space X is said to be Cauchy if and only if $d(x_n, x_m) \rightarrow 0$ as $m, n \rightarrow \infty$. A b -metric space (X, d) is complete if every Cauchy sequence in X converges. In general, a b -metric is not continuous. The famous Banach contraction principle [7] infers that every contraction on a complete metric space has a unique fixed point. Jachymski [11] introduced the notion of a Banach G -contraction to generalize the Banach contraction principle as follows. Let (M, d) be a metric space. Consider Δ the diagonal of the Cartesian product $M \times M$ and G a directed graph such that the set $V(G)$ of its vertices coincides with M and the set $E(G)$ of its edges contains all loops; that is, $E(G) \supseteq \Delta$. Assume that G has no parallel edges. A mapping $f : M \rightarrow M$ is called a Banach G -contraction if:

(i) for every $x, y \in X$,

$$(x, y) \in E(G) \Rightarrow (f(x), f(y)) \in E(G)$$

(ii) there exists $0 < \alpha < 1$ such that for all $x, y \in X$,

$$(x, y) \in E(G) \Rightarrow d(f(x), f(y)) \leq \alpha d(x, y)$$

Now, let (X, d) be a b -metric space. Take $P_{b,cl}(X)$ the set of bounded and closed sets in X . For $x \in X$ and $A, B \in P_{b,cl}(X)$, as in [8], we define

$$D(x, A) = \inf_{a \in A} d(x, a),$$

$$D(A, B) = \sup_{a \in A} D(a, B).$$

Define a mapping $H : P_{b,cl}(X) \times P_{b,cl}(X) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ such that

$$H(A, B) = \max\{\sup_{x \in A} d(x, B), \sup_{y \in B} d(y, A)\},$$

for every $A, B \in CB(X)$. Then the mapping H forms a b -metric. H is called as the Hausdorff b -metric induced by the b -metric d . The proof of the following lemmas can be found in [8].

Lemma 1.1. *Let (X, d) be a b -metric space. For any $A, B \in P_{b,cl}(X)$ and any $x, y \in X$, we have the following:*

- (1) $D(x, B) \leq d(x, b)$ for any $b \in B$,
- (2) $D(x, B) \leq H(A, B)$,
- (3) $D(x, A) \leq s(d(x, y) + D(y, B))$.

Lemma 1.2. *Let A and B be nonempty closed and bounded subsets of a b -metric space (X, d) . Choose $q > 1$. Then for all $a \in A$, there exists $b \in B$ such that $d(a, b) \leq qH(A, B)$.*

Definition 1.2. [16] *Let X be a nonempty set and $G = (V(G), E(G))$ be a graph such that $V(G) = X$. $T : X \rightarrow P_{b,cl}(X)$ is said to be graph preserving if it satisfies the following:*

$$\text{if } (x, y) \in E(G), \text{ then } (u, v) \in E(G) \text{ for all } u \in Tx \text{ and } v \in Ty.$$

Definition 1.3. [16] *Let X be a nonempty set and $G = (V(G), E(G))$ be a graph such that $V(G) = X$. $T : X \rightarrow P_{b,cl}(X)$ is said to be g -graph preserving if it satisfies the following: for $x, y \in X$,*

$$\text{if } (g(x), g(y)) \in E(G), \text{ then } (u, v) \in E(G) \text{ for all } u \in Tx \text{ and } v \in Ty.$$

Let Φ be set of all increasing and continuous functions $\phi : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ satisfying

$$\phi(ct) \leq c\phi(t) \quad \text{for all } c > 1.$$

Let $s \geq 1$. We denote by \mathcal{F}_s the family of all functions $\beta : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \frac{1}{s^2})$.

The notation of an $\alpha - \psi$ -Geraghty contraction-type multivalued mapping in the setting of metric spaces was introduced by Karapinar and Samet [12, 13, 14]. Newly, Afshari et al. [1] proved some results on generalized $\alpha - \psi$ -Geraghty contraction-type multivalued mappings. Precisely, they have proved the following theorem.

Theorem 1.1. *Let (X, d) be a complete b -metric space with a coefficient $s \geq 1$. Let $T : X \rightarrow P_{b,cl}(X)$ be a multivalued mapping. Suppose that there exists $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ such that*

$$\alpha(x, y)\psi(s^3H(Tx, Ty)) \leq \beta(\psi(M(x, y)))\psi(M(x, y)) + L\phi(N(x, y)),$$

for all $x, y \in X$, where $\beta \in \mathcal{F}_s$ and $\psi, \phi \in \Phi$ with

$$M(x, y) = \max\{d(x, y), D(x, Tx), D(y, Ty), \frac{D(x, Ty) + D(y, Tx)}{2s}\}$$

$$\text{and } N(x, y) = \min\{D(x, Tx), D(y, Ty)\}.$$

Suppose also that

- (i) T is α -admissible;
- (ii) there exists $x_0 \in X$ and $x_1 \in Tx_0$ such that $\alpha(x_0, x_1) \geq 1$;
- (iii) T is continuous or X is α -regular.

Then T has a fixed point.

Mention that the concept of α -regularity is stated as follows.

Definition 1.4. [15] *Let (X, d) be a b -metric space and $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$. X is said α -regular, if for every sequence $\{x_n\}$ in X such that $\alpha(x_n, x_{n+1}) \geq 1$ for all n and $x_n \rightarrow x \in X$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$, then there exists a subsequence $\{x_{n_k}\}$ of $\{x_n\}$ such that $\alpha(x_{n_k}, x) \geq 1$ for all k .*

In this paper, we improve Theorem 1.1 by proving the existence of a coincidence point of single-valued and multivalued mappings in the class of b -metric spaces endowed with a graph, but without the function α . We do not need the assumption that T is continuous to establish our main results.

2. AUXILIARY RESULTS: THE CASE $s = 1$

Here, we treat the case $s = 1$. First, let Ψ be the set of all increasing and continuous functions $\psi : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ satisfying:

- (i) $\psi(r + t) \leq \psi(r) + \psi(t)$ for all $r, t > 0$;
- (ii) $\psi(ct) \leq c\psi(t)$ for all $c > 1$;
- (iii) $\psi(0) = 0$.

Definition 2.1. *Let (X, d) be a metric space and $G = (V(G), E(G))$ be a graph such that $V(G) = X$ and the set $E(G)$ of its edges contains all loops, that is, $E(G) \supseteq \Delta$. For $g : X \rightarrow X$ and $T : X \rightarrow P_{b,cl}(X)$, T is said to be a generalized g -Geraghty-type G -multivalued mapping provided that*

- (i) T is g -graph preserving;

(ii) for every $x, y \in X$ such that $(g(x), g(y)) \in E(G)$, whenever there exists some $L \geq 0$ such that for

$$M(g(x), g(y)) = \max\{d(g(x), g(y)), D(g(x), Tx), D(g(y), Ty), \frac{D(g(x), Ty) + D(g(y), Tx)}{2}\} \tag{1}$$

$$\text{and } N(g(x), g(y)) = \min\{D(g(x), Tx), D(g(y), Ty)\}, \tag{2}$$

we have

$$\psi(H(Tx, Ty)) \leq \theta(\psi(M(g(x), g(y))))\psi(M(g(x), g(y))) + L\phi(N(g(x), g(y))), \tag{3}$$

where $\theta \in \mathcal{F}_1$ and $\psi, \phi \in \Psi$.

Lemma 2.1. Let (X, d) be a metric space with a directed graph G . Assume that $g : X \rightarrow X$ is a surjective map and $T : X \rightarrow P_{b,cl}(X)$ is a generalized g -Geraghty-type G -multivalued mapping in (X, d) . Suppose also that

- (i) there exists $x_0 \in X$ such that $(g(x_0), u) \in E(G)$ for some $u \in Tx_0$;
- (ii) if $(g(x), g(y)) \in E(G)$, then $(z, w) \in E(G)$ for all $z \in Tx$ and $w \in Ty$.

Then there exists a sequence $\{x_k\}_{k \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}}$ in X such that for each $k \in \mathbb{N}$, we have

$$\begin{cases} g(x_k) \in Tx_{k-1} \\ (g(x_{k-1}), g(x_k)) \in E(G) \\ \{g(x_k)\} \text{ is a Cauchy sequence in } X. \end{cases}$$

Proof. Since g is surjective, there exists $x_1 \in X$ such that $g(x_1) \in Tx_0$ and $(g(x_0), g(x_1)) \in E(G)$. Let $q = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\theta(\psi(d(g(x_0), g(x_1))))}}$. We have $q > 1$. Then

$$0 < D(g(x_1), Tx_1) \leq H(Tx_0, Tx_1) < qH(Tx_0, Tx_1).$$

By Lemma 1.2, again g is surjective, so there exists $x_2 \in X$ such that $g(x_2) \in Tx_1$ and

$$\begin{aligned} \psi(d(g(x_1), g(x_2))) &< \psi(qH(Tx_0, Tx_1)) \leq q\psi(H(Tx_0, Tx_1)) \\ &\leq q\theta(\psi(M(g(x_0), g(x_1))))\psi(M(g(x_0), g(x_1))) + qL\phi(N(g(x_0), g(x_1))), \end{aligned} \tag{4}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} M(g(x_0), g(x_1)) &= \max\{d(g(x_0), g(x_1)), D(g(x_0), Tx_0), D(g(x_1), Tx_1), \\ &\quad \frac{D(g(x_0), Tg(x_1)) + D(g(x_1), Tx_0)}{2}\} \\ &\leq \max\{d(g(x_0), g(x_1)), D(g(x_1), Tx_1), \frac{D(g(x_0), Tx_1)}{2}\} \\ &\leq \max\{d(g(x_0), g(x_1)), D(g(x_1), Tx_1), \frac{D(g(x_0), Tx_1)}{2}\} \end{aligned} \tag{5}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} N(g(x_0), g(x_1)) &= \min\{D(g(x_0), Tx_0), D(g(x_1), Tx_1)\} \\ &\leq \min\{d(g(x_0), g(x_1)), d(g(x_1), g(x_1))\} = 0. \end{aligned} \tag{6}$$

In view of

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{D(g(x_0), Tx_1)}{2} &\leq \frac{[d(g(x_0), g(x_1)) + D(g(x_1), Tx_1)]}{2} \\ &\leq \max\{d(g(x_0), g(x_1)), D(g(x_1), Tx_1)\}, \end{aligned}$$

we get

$$M(x_0, x_1) \leq \max\{d(g(x_0), g(x_1)), D(g(x_1), Tx_1)\}.$$

If $\max\{d(g(x_0), g(x_1)), D(g(x_1), Tx_1)\} = D(g(x_1), Tx_1)$, then by (4), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \psi(D(g(x_1), Tx_1)) &\leq \psi(d(g(x_1), g(x_2))) \\ &< \sqrt{\theta(\psi(D(g(x_1), Tx_1)))}\psi(D(g(x_1), Tx_1)) < \psi(D(g(x_1), Tx_1)), \end{aligned}$$

which is a contradiction. Hence, we obtain $\max\{d(g(x_0), g(x_1)), D(g(x_1), Tx_1)\} = d(g(x_0), g(x_1))$ and so by (4),

$$\psi(d(g(x_1), g(x_2))) \leq \sqrt{\theta(\psi(d(g(x_0), g(x_1))))}\psi(d(g(x_0), g(x_1))). \quad (7)$$

Having in mind that $\psi \in \Psi$ and $\sqrt{\theta(\psi(d(g(x_0), g(x_1))))} < 1$, so we get

$$\begin{aligned} \psi\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{\theta(\psi(d(g(x_0), g(x_1))))}}d(g(x_1), g(x_2))\right) \\ \leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{\theta(\psi(d(g(x_0), g(x_1))))}}\psi(d(g(x_1), g(x_2))) < \psi(d(g(x_0), g(x_1))). \end{aligned} \quad (8)$$

Since ψ is increasing, we have

$$d(g(x_1), g(x_2)) \leq \sqrt{\theta(\psi(d(g(x_0), g(x_1))))}d(g(x_0), g(x_1)).$$

Recall that $g(x_2) \in Tx_1$ and $g(x_1) \notin Tx_1$, so it is clear that $g(x_2) \neq g(x_1)$. Choose

$$q_1 = \frac{\sqrt{\theta(\psi(d(g(x_0), g(x_1))))}\psi(d(g(x_0), g(x_1)))}{\psi(d(g(x_1), g(x_2)))}.$$

By (5) and (7), we have $q_1 > 1$. If $g(x_2) \in Tx_2$, then x_2 is a coincidence point of g and T . Assume that $g(x_2) \notin Tx_2$. We get

$$0 < \psi(d(g(x_2), Tx_2)) \leq \psi(H(Tx_1, Tx_2)) < q_1\psi(H(Tx_1, Tx_2)).$$

Hence, there exists $g(x_3) \in Tg(x_2)$ such that

$$\begin{aligned} \psi(d(g(x_2), g(x_3))) &< q_1\psi(H(Tx_1, Tx_2)) \\ &\leq q_1\theta(\psi(M(g(x_1), g(x_2))))\psi(M(g(x_1), g(x_2))) + q_1L\phi(N(g(x_1), g(x_2))). \end{aligned}$$

Similarly, $M(g(x_1), g(x_2)) \leq d(g(x_1), g(x_2))$ and $N(g(x_1), g(x_2)) = 0$. By (7) and a property of (θ) , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \psi(d(g(x_2), g(x_3))) &\leq \sqrt{\theta(\psi(d(g(x_1), g(x_2))))}\psi(d(g(x_1), g(x_2))) \\ &\leq \sqrt{\theta(\psi(d(g(x_1), g(x_2))))}\sqrt{\theta(\psi(d(g(x_0), g(x_1))))}\psi(d(g(x_0), g(x_1))). \end{aligned} \quad (9)$$

By (7) and that assumption that $\sqrt{\theta(\psi(d(g(x_0), g(x_1))))} < 1$, we have

$$\psi(d(g(x_1), g(x_2))) \leq \psi(d(g(x_0), g(x_1))).$$

The function θ is increasing, by (9), we obtain

$$\psi(d(g(x_2), g(x_3))) \leq (\sqrt{\theta(\psi(d(g(x_0), g(x_1))))})^2\psi(d(g(x_0), g(x_1))). \quad (11)$$

Again, by (8),

$$d(g(x_2), g(x_3)) \leq (\sqrt{\theta(\psi(d(g(x_0), g(x_1))))})^2d(g(x_0), g(x_1))$$

It is clear that $g(x_2) \neq g(x_1)$. Take

$$q_2 = \frac{(\sqrt{\theta(\psi(d(x_0, x_0)))})^2 \psi(d(g(x_0), g(x_1)))}{\psi(d(g(x_2), g(x_3)))}$$

Then $q_2 > 1$. If $g(x_3) \in Tx_3$, then x_3 is a coincidence point of g and T . Assume that $g(x_3) \notin Tx_3$. Then

$$0 < \psi(d(g(x_3), Tx_3)) \leq \psi(H(Tx_2, Tx_3)) < q_2 \psi(H(Tx_2, Tx_3)).$$

Thus there exists $g(x_4) \in Tx_3$ such that

$$\begin{aligned} \psi(d(g(x_3), g(x_4))) &< q_2 \psi(H(Tx_2, Tx_3)) \\ &\leq q_2 \theta(\psi(M(g(x_2), g(x_3)))) \psi(M(g(x_2), g(x_3))) + q_2 L \phi(N(g(x_2), g(x_3))) \end{aligned} \tag{12}$$

Similarly, $M(g(x_2), g(x_3)) \leq d(g(x_2), g(x_3))$ and $N(g(x_2), g(x_3)) = 0$. So, by (12),

$$\begin{aligned} \psi(d(g(x_3), g(x_4))) &\leq \sqrt{\theta(\psi(d(g(x_2), g(x_3))))} \psi(d(g(x_2), g(x_3))) \\ &\leq \sqrt{\theta(\psi(d(g(x_2), g(x_3))))} (\sqrt{\theta(\psi(d(g(x_0), g(x_1))))})^2 \psi(d(g(x_0), g(x_1))). \end{aligned} \tag{13}$$

By (11) and the assumption $\sqrt{\theta(\psi(d(g(x_0), g(x_1))))}^2 < 1$, we have

$$\psi(d(g(x_2), g(x_3))) \leq \psi(d(g(x_0), g(x_1))).$$

Again, θ is increasing, so using (13),

$$d(g(x_3), g(x_4)) \leq (\sqrt{\theta(\psi(d(g(x_0), g(x_1))))})^3 d(g(x_0), g(x_1)).$$

It is clear that $g(x_3) \neq g(x_2)$. Put

$$q_3 = \frac{(\sqrt{\theta(\psi(d(g(x_0), g(x_1))))})^3 \psi(d(g(x_0), g(x_1)))}{\psi(d(g(x_2), g(x_3)))}$$

Then $q_3 > 1$. By continuing this process, we are arrived to construct a sequence $\{x_n\}$ in X such that $g(x_n) \in Tx_{n-1}$, $g(x_n) \neq g(x_{n-1})$ and

$$d(g(x_n), g(x_{n+1})) < (\sqrt{\theta(\psi(d(g(x_0), g(x_1))))})^n d(g(x_0), g(x_1))$$

for all n . Let $t = \sqrt{\theta(\psi(d(g(x_0), g(x_1))))}$, then $0 < t < 1$. For $n < m$, by the triangle inequality

$$\begin{aligned} d(g(x_n), g(x_m)) &\leq d(g(x_n), g(x_{n+1})) + d(g(x_{n+1}), g(x_{n+2})) + \dots \\ &\quad + d(g(x_{m-2}), g(x_{m-1})) + d(g(x_{m-1}), g(x_m)) \\ &\leq t^n (1 + t + t^2 + \dots) d(g(x_0), g(x_1)) \\ &= \left(\frac{t^n}{1-t}\right) d(g(x_0), g(x_1)) \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, for $n < m$, we obtain

$$d(g(x_n), g(x_m)) \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

We deduce

$$\lim_{m, n \rightarrow \infty} d(g(x_n), g(x_m)) = 0.$$

Thus $\{g(x_n)\}$ is a Cauchy sequence in (X, d) . The proof is completed. □

The following hypothesis is required for the rest.

Hypothesis (A): For any sequence $\{x_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ in X , if $x_n \rightarrow x$ and $(x_n, x_{n+1}) \in E(G)$ for $n \in \mathbb{N}$, then there is a subsequence $\{x_{n_k}\}_{n_k \in \mathbb{N}}$ such that $(x_{n_k}, x) \in E(G)$ for $n_k \in \mathbb{N}$.

Theorem 2.1. Let (X, d) be a complete metric space with a directed graph G . Assume that $g : X \rightarrow X$ is a surjective map and $T : X \rightarrow P_{b,cl}(X)$ is g -graph preserving. Suppose that T is a generalized g -Geraghty-type G -multivalued mapping in (X, d) . Assume also that

- (i) there exists $x_0 \in X$ such that $(g(x_0), u) \in E(G)$ for some $u \in Tx_0$;
- (ii) if $(g(x), g(y)) \in E(G)$, then $(z, w) \in E(G)$ for all $z \in Tx, w \in Ty$;
- (iii) the hypothesis (A) holds.

Then there exists $u \in X$ such that $g(u) \in Tu$, that is, u is a coincidence point of g and T .

Proof. By (i), let $x_0 \in X$ be such that $(g(x_0), g(x_1)) \in E(G)$ for some $g(x_1) \in Tx_0$. From Lemma 2.1, there exists a sequence $\{x_k\}_{k \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}}$ in X such that for each $k \in \mathbb{N}$,

$$g(x_k) \in Tx_{k-1} \quad \text{and} \quad (g(x_{k-1}), g(x_k)) \in E(G).$$

$\{g(x_k)\}$ is also a Cauchy sequence in X . Since X is complete, the sequence $\{g(x_k)\}$ converges to a point w for some $w \in X$. Let $u \in X$ be such that $g(u) = w$. In view of (iii), there is a subsequence $\{g(x_{k_n})\}$ such that $(g(x_k), g(u)) \in E(G)$ for any $n \in \mathbb{N}$. We claim that $g(u) \in Tu$. We have

$$\begin{aligned} \psi(D(g(u), Tu)) &\leq \psi(d(g(u), g(x_{k_n})) + D(g(x_{k_n}), Tu)) \\ &\leq \psi(d(g(u), g(x_{k_n}))) + \psi(D(g(x_{k_n}), Tu)) \\ &\leq \psi(d(g(u), g(x_{k_n}))) + \psi(H(Tx_{k_n}, Tu)) \\ &\leq \psi(d(g(u), g(x_{k_n}))) + \theta(\psi(M(g(x_{k_n}), g(u))))\psi(M(g(x_{k_n}), g(u))) \\ &\quad + L\phi(N(g(x_{k_n}), g(u))). \end{aligned}$$

Referring to (5) and (6),

$$M(g(x_{k_n}), g(u)) \leq d(g(x_{k_n}), g(u)) \quad \text{and} \quad N(g(x_{k_n}), g(u)) = 0.$$

Since $\{g(x_{k_n})\}$ is subsequence of $\{g(x_k)\}$, it converges to $g(u)$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$, so $D(g(u), Tu) = 0$. Since Tu is closed, we conclude that $g(u) \in Tu$, that is, u is a coincidence point of g and T . \square

Example 2.1. Let $X = [0, 1]$ be endowed with the usual metric d . Consider the directed graph G defined by $V(G) = X$ and

$$E(G) = \{(x, x), (0, \frac{1}{2}), (\frac{1}{2}, 0), (0, \frac{1}{4}), (\frac{1}{4}, 0), (\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{4}), (\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{2}) : x \in X\}.$$

Let $T : X \rightarrow P_{b,cl}(X)$ be defined by

$$Tx = \begin{cases} \{\frac{1}{4}\} & \text{if } x = 1, \\ \{0, \frac{1}{2}\} & \text{if } x \in (0, 1) - \{\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\}, \\ \{\frac{1}{2}\} & \text{if } x \in \{0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\}. \end{cases}$$

Let $g : X \rightarrow X$ be defined by $g(x) = x^2$. Consider $\psi(t) = t$ and $\theta(t) = \frac{t+1}{t+2}$. Then it is easy to check that T is a g -Geraghty-type G -multivalued mapping. It is straightforward to check that the conditions (i), (ii), and (iii) of Theorem 2.1 are satisfied. On the other hand, if $(g(x), g(y)) \in E(G)$, then $H(Tg(x), Tg(y)) = 0$. Hence, if for all $x, y \in X$ such that $(g(x), g(y)) \in E(G)$, then

$$\psi(H(Tx, Ty)) \leq \theta(\psi(M(g(x), g(y))))\psi(M(g(x), g(y))) + L\phi(N(g(x), g(y))).$$

By Theorem 2.1, there exists $u \in X$ such that $g(u) \in Tu$. In this example, $u = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$.

3. MAIN RESULTS: THE CASE $s > 1$

Here, we consider the case $s > 1$. First, we introduce the notion of a g -Geraghty-type G -contraction multivalued mapping in the setting of b -metric spaces.

Definition 3.1. Let (X, d) be a b -metric space with a directed graph G and with a coefficient $s > 1$. Let $T : X \rightarrow P_{b,cl}(X)$ be a multivalued mapping. We say that T is a generalized g -Geraghty-type G -contraction multivalued mapping in the b -metric space (X, d) provided that

- (i) T is g -graph preserving;
- (ii) for every $x, y \in X$ such that $(g(x), g(y)) \in E(G)$, whenever there exists some $L \geq 0$ such that for

$$M(x, y) = \max\{d(g(x), g(y)), D(g(x), Tx), D(g(y), Ty), \frac{D(g(x), Ty) + D(g(y), Tx)}{2s}\}$$
(14)

$$\text{and } N(g(x), g(y)) = \min\{D(g(x), Tx), D(g(y), Ty)\},$$
(15)

we have

$$\psi(s^3 H(Tx, Ty)) \leq \beta(\psi(M(g(x), g(y))))\psi(M(g(x), g(y))) + L\phi(N(g(x), g(y))),$$
(16)

for all $x, y \in X$, where $\beta \in \mathcal{F}_s$ and $\psi, \phi \in \Psi$.

Remark 3.1. The functions belonging to \mathcal{F} are strictly smaller than $\frac{1}{s^2}$. Then, the expression $\beta(\psi(M(g(x), g(y))))$ in (16) satisfies

$$\beta(\psi(M(g(x), g(y)))) < \frac{1}{s^2} \text{ for all } x, y \in X \text{ with } x \neq y.$$

Lemma 3.1. Let (X, d) be a b -metric space with a directed graph G and with a coefficient $s > 1$. Assume that $g : X \rightarrow X$ is a surjective map and $T : X \rightarrow P_{b,cl}(X)$ is g -graph preserving. Suppose also that T is a generalized g -Geraghty-type G -contraction multivalued mapping in (X, d) . Assume that

- (i) there exists $x_0 \in X$ such that $(g(x_0), u) \in E(G)$ for some $u \in Tx_0$;
- (ii) if $(g(x), g(y)) \in E(G)$, then $(z, w) \in E(G)$ for all $z \in Tx$ and $w \in Ty$.

Then there exists a sequence $\{x_k\}_{k \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}}$ in X such that for each $k \in \mathbb{N}$, we have

$$\begin{cases} g(x_k) \in Tx_{k-1} \\ (g(x_{k-1}), g(x_k)) \in E(G) \\ \{g(x_k)\} \text{ is a Cauchy sequence in } X. \end{cases}$$

Proof. Since g is surjective, there exists $x_1 \in X$ such that $g(x_1) \in Tx_0$ and $(g(x_0), g(x_1)) \in E(G)$. Let us take a real q such that $1 < q < s$. Then

$$0 < D(g(x_1), Tx_1) \leq H(Tx_0, Tx_1) < qH(Tx_0, Tx_1).$$

Hence, By Lemma 1.2 and regarding again as g is surjective, there exists $x_2 \in X$ such that $g(x_2) \in Tx_1$ and

$$\begin{aligned} \psi(d(g(x_1), g(x_2))) &< \psi(qH(Tx_0, Tx_1)) \leq q\psi(s^3 H(Tx_0, Tx_1)) \\ &\leq q\beta(\psi(M(g(x_0), g(x_1))))\psi(M(g(x_0), g(x_1))) + qL\phi(N(g(x_0), g(x_1))) \\ &< \frac{q}{s^2}\psi(M(g(x_0), g(x_1))) + qL\phi(N(g(x_0), g(x_1))), \end{aligned}$$
(17)

where

$$\begin{aligned} M(g(x_0), g(x_1)) &= \max\{d(g(x_0), g(x_1)), D(g(x_0), Tx_0), D(g(x_1), Tx_1), \\ &\quad \frac{D(g(x_0), Tx_1) + D(g(x_1), Tx_0)}{2s}\} \\ &\leq \max\{d(g(x_0), g(x_1)), D(g(x_1), Tx_1), \frac{D(g(x_0), Tx_1)}{2s}\} \\ &\leq \max\{d(g(x_0), g(x_1)), D(g(x_1), Tx_1), \frac{D(g(x_0), Tx_1)}{2s}\} \end{aligned} \quad (18)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} N(g(x_0), g(x_1)) &= \min\{D(g(x_0), Tx_0), D(g(x_1), Tx_0)\} \\ &\leq \min\{d(g(x_0), g(x_1)), d(g(x_1), g(x_1))\} = 0. \end{aligned} \quad (19)$$

Since

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{D(g(x_0), Tx_1)}{2s} &\leq \frac{[d(g(x_0), g(x_1)) + D(g(x_1), Tx_1)]}{2s} \\ &\leq \max\{d(g(x_0), g(x_1)), D(g(x_1), Tx_1)\}, \end{aligned}$$

we get

$$M(x_0, x_1) \leq \max\{d(g(x_0), g(x_1)), D(g(x_1), Tx_1)\}.$$

If $\max\{d(g(x_0), g(x_1)), D(g(x_1), Tx_1)\} = D(g(x_1), Tx_1)$, then by (17), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \psi(D(g(x_1), Tx_1)) &\leq \psi(d(g(x_1), g(x_2))) \\ &< \frac{q}{s^2} \psi(D(g(x_1), Tx_1)) < \psi(D(g(x_1), Tx_1)), \end{aligned}$$

which is a contradiction. Hence, $\max\{d(g(x_0), g(x_1)), D(g(x_1), Tx_1)\} = d(g(x_0), g(x_1))$, and so by (17),

$$\psi(d(g(x_1), g(x_2))) \leq \frac{q}{s^2} \psi(d(g(x_0), g(x_1))). \quad (20)$$

Since $\psi \in \Psi$ and $\frac{q}{s^2} < 1$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \psi\left(\frac{s^2}{q} d(g(x_1), g(x_2))\right) \\ \leq \frac{s^2}{q} \psi(d(g(x_1), g(x_2))) \leq \psi(d(g(x_0), g(x_1))). \end{aligned} \quad (21)$$

The function ψ is increasing, so

$$d(g(x_1), g(x_2)) \leq \frac{q}{s^2} d(g(x_0), g(x_1)).$$

Recall that $g(x_2) \in Tx_1$ and $g(x_1) \notin Tx_1$, so it is clear that $g(x_2) \neq g(x_1)$. Put

$$q_1 = \frac{q}{s^2} \frac{\psi(d(g(x_0), g(x_1)))}{\psi(d(g(x_1), g(x_2)))}.$$

By (18) and (20), we have $q_1 > 1$. If $g(x_2) \in Tx_2$, then x_2 is a coincidence point of g and T . Assume that $g(x_2) \notin Tx_2$. Then,

$$0 < \psi(d(g(x_2), Tx_2)) \leq \psi(H(Tx_1, Tx_2)) < q_1 \psi(H(Tx_1, Tx_2)).$$

Hence, there exists $g(x_3) \in Tx_2$ such that

$$\begin{aligned} \psi(d(g(x_2), g(x_3))) &< q_1\psi(s^3H(Tx_1, Tx_2)) \\ &\leq q_1\beta(\psi(M(g(x_1), g(x_2))))\psi(M(g(x_1), g(x_2))) + q_1L\phi(N(g(x_1), g(x_2))). \end{aligned}$$

Similarly, $M(g(x_1), g(x_2)) \leq d(g(x_1), g(x_2))$ and $N(g(x_1), g(x_2)) = 0$. So, in addition to (20), by a property of (β) , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \psi(d(g(x_2), g(x_3))) &\leq \frac{q}{s^2} \frac{\psi(d(g(x_0), g(x_1)))}{\psi(d(g(x_1), g(x_2)))} \psi(d(g(x_1), g(x_2))) \\ &= \left(\frac{q}{s^2}\right)^2 \psi(d(g(x_0), g(x_1))). \end{aligned} \tag{22}$$

Again, by (21), we obtain

$$d(g(x_2), g(x_3)) \leq \left(\frac{q}{s^2}\right)^2 d(g(x_0), g(x_1))$$

It is clear that $g(x_2) \neq g(x_3)$. Let

$$q_2 = \frac{\left(\frac{q}{s^2}\right)^2 \psi(d(g(x_0), g(x_1)))}{\psi(d(g(x_2), g(x_3)))}.$$

Then $q_2 > 1$. If $g(x_3) \in Tx_3$, then x_3 is a coincidence point of g and T . Assume that $g(x_3) \notin Tx_3$. Then,

$$0 < \psi(d(g(x_3), Tx_3)) \leq \psi(H(Tx_2, Tx_3)) < q_2\psi(s^3H(Tx_2, Tx_3)).$$

Thus, there exists $g(x_4) \in Tx_3$ such that

$$\begin{aligned} \psi(d(g(x_3), g(x_4))) &< q_2\psi(s^3H(Tx_2, Tx_3)) \\ &\leq q_2\beta(\psi(M(g(x_2), g(x_3))))\psi(M(g(x_2), g(x_3))) + q_2L\phi(N(g(x_2), g(x_3))) \end{aligned} \tag{23}$$

Similarly $M(g(x_2), g(x_3)) \leq d(g(x_2), g(x_3))$ and $N(g(x_2), g(x_3)) = 0$. So, by (12),

$$\begin{aligned} \psi(d(g(x_3), g(x_4))) &\leq \frac{q_2}{s^2} \psi(d(g(x_2), g(x_3))) \leq \frac{\left(\frac{q}{s^2}\right)^3 \psi(d(g(x_0), g(x_1)))}{\psi(d(g(x_2), g(x_3)))} \psi(d(g(x_2), g(x_3))) \\ &= \left(\frac{q}{s^2}\right)^3 \psi(d(g(x_0), g(x_1))). \end{aligned} \tag{24}$$

Again, by (21),

$$d(g(x_3), g(x_4)) \leq \left(\frac{q}{s^2}\right)^3 d(g(x_0), g(x_1)).$$

Put

$$q_3 = \frac{\left(\frac{q}{s^2}\right)^3 \psi(d(g(x_0), g(x_1)))}{\psi(d(g(x_3), g(x_4)))}.$$

Then $q_3 > 1$. By continuing this process, we are arrived to construct a sequence $\{g(x_n)\}$ in X such that $g(x_n) \in Tx_{n-1}$ and $g(x_n) \neq g(x_{n-1})$. Also,

$$d(g(x_n), g(x_{n+1})) < \left(\frac{q}{s^2}\right)^n \psi(d(g(x_0), g(x_1)))$$

for all n . Now, using the triangle inequality, we write for $n < m$

$$\begin{aligned} d(g(x_n), g(x_m)) &\leq sd(g(x_n), g(x_{n+1})) + s^2 d(g(x_{n+1}), g(x_{n+2})) + \dots \\ &\quad + s^{m-n-2} [d(g(x_{m-2}), g(x_{m-1})) + d(g(x_{m-1}), g(x_m))] \\ &\leq s \left(\frac{q}{s^2}\right)^n (1 + s \left(\frac{q}{s^2}\right) + s^2 \left(\frac{q}{s^2}\right)^2 + \dots) d(g(x_0), g(x_1)) \\ &= \left[\frac{s \left(\frac{q}{s^2}\right)^n}{1 - s \left(\frac{q}{s^2}\right)} \right] d(g(x_0), g(x_1)) \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, by symmetry

$$\lim_{m, n \rightarrow \infty} d(g(x_n), g(x_m)) = 0.$$

We deduce that $\{g(x_n)\}$ is a Cauchy sequence in (X, d) . □

Our main result is stated as follows.

Theorem 3.1. *Let (X, d) be a complete b -metric space with a directed graph G and with a coefficient $s > 1$. Suppose that $g : X \rightarrow X$ is a surjective map and $T : X \rightarrow P_{b,cl}(X)$ is g -graph preserving. Assume also that T is a generalized g -Geraghty-type G -contraction multivalued mapping in (X, d) . Suppose that*

- (i) *there exists $x_0 \in X$ such that $(g(x_0), u) \in E(G)$ for some $u \in Tx_0$;*
- (ii) *if $(g(x), g(y)) \in E(G)$, then $(z, w) \in E(G)$ for all $z \in Tx$ and $w \in Ty$;*
- (iii) *(A) holds.*

Then there exists $u \in X$ such that $g(u) \in Tu$, that is, u is a coincidence point of g and T .

Proof. By (i), choose $x_0 \in X$ such that $(g(x_0), g(x_1)) \in E(G)$ for some $g(x_1) \in Tx_0$. By Lemma 3.1, there exists a sequence $\{x_k\}_{k \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}}$ in X such that for each $k \in \mathbb{N}$

$$g(x_k) \in Tx_{k-1}, \quad (g(x_{k-1}), g(x_k)) \in E(G),$$

and $\{g(x_k)\}$ is a Cauchy sequence in X . The b -metric space (X, d) is complete, so the sequence $\{g(x_k)\}$ converges to a point w for some $w \in X$. g is surjective, then there exists $u \in X$ such that $g(u) = w$. In view that (A) holds, there is a subsequence $\{g(x_{k_n})\}$ such that $(g(x_k), g(u)) \in E(G)$ for any $n \in \mathbb{N}$. We claim that $g(u) \in Tu$. We have

$$\begin{aligned} \psi(D(g(u), Tu)) &\leq \psi(sd(g(u), g(x_{k_n})) + s^3 D(g(x_{k_n}), Tu)) \\ &\leq \psi(sd(g(u), g(x_{k_n}))) + \psi(s^3 H(Tx_{k_n}, Tu)) \\ &\leq s(\psi(d(g(u), g(x_{k_n})))) + \beta(\psi(M(g(x_{k_n}), g(u)))) \psi(M(g(x_{k_n}), g(u))) \\ &\quad + L\phi(N(g(x_{k_n}), g(u))). \end{aligned}$$

By (18) and (19), we obtain

$$M(g(x_{k_n}), g(u)) \leq d(g(x_{k_n}), g(u)) \quad \text{and} \quad N(g(x_{k_n}), g(u)) = 0.$$

Because $\{g(x_{k_n})\}$ is a subsequence of $\{g(x_k)\}$, so it converges to $g(u)$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. Thus $D(g(u), Tu) = 0$. Having in mind that Tu is closed, we conclude that $g(u) \in Tu$. □

4. CONSEQUENCES

Taking $L = 1$ and $\psi(t) = t$ in (16), we obtain the following result.

Corollary 4.1. *Let (X, d) be a complete b -metric space with a directed graph G and with a coefficient $s > 1$. Assume that $g : X \rightarrow X$ is a surjective map and $T : X \rightarrow P_{b,cl}(X)$ is*

g -graph preserving satisfying the following:

if for all $x, y \in X$ with $(g(x), g(y)) \in E(G)$, then

$$s^3 H(Tx, Ty) \leq \beta(M(g(x), g(y)))M(g(x), g(y)).$$

Suppose also that

(i) there exists $x_0 \in X$ such that $(g(x_0), u) \in E(G)$ for some $u \in Tx_0$;

(ii) if $(g(x), g(y)) \in E(G)$, then $(z, w) \in E(G)$ for all $z \in Tx, w \in Ty$;

(iii) (A) holds.

Then there exists $u \in X$ such that $g(u) \in Tu$.

Corollary 4.2. Let (X, d) be a complete b -metric space with a directed graph G and with a coefficient $s > 1$. Assume that $g : X \rightarrow X$ is a surjective map and $T : X \rightarrow P_{b,d}(X)$ is g -graph preserving satisfying the following:

for all $x, y \in X$, if $(g(x), g(y)) \in E(G)$, then

$$\psi(s^3 H(Tx, Ty)) \leq \beta(\psi((d(g(x), g(y))))\psi(d(g(x), g(y))) + L\phi(N(g(x), g(y))),$$

for all $x, y \in X$, where $\beta \in \mathcal{F}$ and $\psi, \phi \in \Psi$ and

$$\text{and } N(x, y) = \min\{d(x, Tx), d(y, Ty)\}. \quad (25)$$

Suppose also that

(i) there exists $x_0 \in X$ such that $(g(x_0), u) \in E(G)$ for some $u \in Tx_0$;

(ii) if $(g(x), g(y)) \in E(G)$, then $(z, w) \in E(G)$ for all $z \in Tx, w \in Ty$;

(iii) (A) holds.

Then there exists $u \in X$ such that $g(u) \in Tu$.

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