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Fixed point theorems on multi valued mappings in b-metric spaces

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Abstract

In this paper, we prove a fixed point theorem and a common fixed point theorem for multi valued mappings in complete b-metric spaces.

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Introduction and preliminaries

Fixed point theory plays one of the important roles in nonlinear analysis. It has been applied in physical sciences, Computing sciences and Engineering. In 1922, Stefan Banach proved a famous fixed point theorem for contractive mappings in complete metric spaces. Later, Czerwik (1993, 1998) has come up with b-metrics which generalized usual metric spaces. After his contribution, many results were presented in β -generalized weak contractive multifunctions and b-metric spaces (Alikhani et al. 2013; Boriceanu 2009; Mehemet and Kiziltunc 2013). The following definitions will be needed in the sequel:

Definition 1 Nadler (1969) Let X and Y be nonempty sets. T is said to be multi-valued mapping from X to Y if T is a function for X to the power set of Y . we denote a multi-valued map by:

$$T: X \rightarrow 2^Y.$$

Definition 2 Nadler (1969) A point of $x_0 \in X$ is said to be a fixed point of the multi-valued mapping T if $x_0 \in Tx_0$.

Example 3 Joseph (2013) Every single valued mapping can be viewed as a multi-valued mapping. Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be a single valued mapping. Define $T: X \rightarrow 2^Y$ by $Tx = \{f(x)\}$. Note that T is a multi-valued mapping iff for each $x \in X$, $Tx \subseteq Y$. Unless otherwise stated we always assume Tx is non-empty for each $x, y \in X$.

Definition 4 Banach (1922) Let (X, d) be a metric space. A map $T: X \rightarrow X$ is called contraction if there exists $0 \leq \lambda < 1$ such that $d(Tx, Ty) \leq \lambda d(x, y)$, for all $x, y \in X$.

Definition 5 Nadler (1969) Let (X, d) be a metric space. We define the Hausdorff metric on $CB(X)$ induced by d . That is

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

for all $A, B \in CB(X)$, where $CB(X)$ denotes the family of all nonempty closed and bounded subsets of X and $d(x, B) = \inf\{d(x, b) : b \in B\}$, for all $x \in X$.

Definition 6 Nadler (1969) Let (X, d) be a metric space. A map $T: X \rightarrow CB(X)$ is said to be multi valued contraction if there exists $0 \leq \lambda < 1$ such that $H(Tx, Ty) \leq \lambda d(x, y)$, for all $x, y \in X$

Lemma 7 Nadler (1969) If $A, B \in CB(X)$ and $a \in A$, then for each $\epsilon > 0$, there exists $b \in B$ such that $d(a, b) \leq H(A, B) + \epsilon$.

Definition 8 Aydi et al. (2012) Let X be a nonempty set and let $s \geq 1$ be a given real number. A function $d: X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ is called a b -metric provide that, for all $x, y, z \in X$,

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

A pair (X, d) is called a b -metric space.

Example 9 Boriceanu (2009) The space $l_p (0 < p < 1)$, $l_p = \{(x_n : \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |x_n|^p < \infty)\}$, together with the function $d: l_p \times l_p \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$.

Example 10 Boriceanu (2009) The space $L_p (0 < p < 1)$ for all real function $x(t), t \in [0, 1]$ such that $\int_0^1 |x(t)|^p dt < \infty$, is b -metric space if we take $d(x, y) = (\int_0^1 |x(t) - y(t)|^p dt)^{\frac{1}{p}}$.

Example 11 Aydi et al. (2012) Let $X = \{0, 1, 2\}$ and $d(2, 0) = d(0, 2) = m \geq 2$, $d(0, 1) = d(1, 2) = d(0, 1) = d(2, 1) = 1$ and $d(0, 0) = d(1, 1) = d(2, 2) = 0$. Then $d(x, y) \leq \frac{m}{2}[d(x, z) + d(z, y)]$ for all $x, y, z \in X$. If $m > 2$, the ordinary triangle inequality does not hold.

Definition 12 Boriceanu (2009) Let (X, d) be a b -metric space. Then a sequence (x_n) in X is called Cauchy sequence if and only if for all $\epsilon > 0$ there exists $n(\epsilon) \in \mathbb{N}$ such that for each $m, n \geq n(\epsilon)$ we have $d(x_n, x_m) < \epsilon$.

Definition 13 Boriceanu (2009) Let be a (X, d) b -metric space. Then a sequence (x_n) in X is called convergent sequence if and only if there exists $x \in X$ such that for all $\epsilon > 0$ there exists $n(\epsilon) \in \mathbb{N}$ such that for all $n \geq n(\epsilon)$ we have $d(x_n, x) < \epsilon$. In this case we write

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x$$

Our first result is the following theorem.

Main results

Definition 14 Let (X, d) be a b -metric space with constant $s \geq 1$. A map $T: X \rightarrow CB(X)$ is said to be multi valued generalized contraction if

$$\begin{aligned}
 H(Tx, Ty) \leq & a_1d(x, Tx) + a_2d(y, Ty) + a_3d(x, Ty) + a_4d(y, Tx) + a_5d(x, y) \\
 & + a_6 \frac{d(x, Tx)(1 + d(x, Tx))}{1 + d(x, y)}, \tag{1}
 \end{aligned}$$

for all $x, y \in X$ and $a_i \geq 0, \quad i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, 6$ with $a_1 + a_2 + 2sa_3 + a_4 + a_5 + a_6 < 1$.

Theorem 15 Let (X, d) be a complete b -metric space with constant $s \geq 1$. Let $T : X \rightarrow CB(X)$ be a multi valued generalized contraction mapping. Then T has a unique fixed point.

Proof Fix any $x \in X$. Define $x_0 = x$ and let $x_1 \in Tx_0$. By Lemma 7, we may choose $x_2 \in Tx_1$ such that $d(x_1, x_2) \leq H(Tx_0, Tx_1) + (a_1 + sa_3 + a_5 + a_6)$.

Now,

$$\begin{aligned}
 d(x_1, x_2) & \leq H(Tx_0, Tx_1) + (a_1 + sa_3 + a_5 + a_6) \\
 & \leq a_1d(x_0, Tx_0) + a_2d(x_1, Tx_1) + a_3d(x_0, Tx_1) + a_4d(x_1, Tx_0) \\
 & \quad + a_5d(x_0, x_1) + a_6 \frac{d(x_0, Tx_0)(1 + d(x_0, Tx_0))}{1 + d(x_0, x_1)} + (a_1 + sa_3 + a_5 + a_6) \\
 d(x_1, x_2) & \leq a_1d(x_0, x_1) + a_2d(x_1, x_2) + a_3d(x_0, x_2) + a_4d(x_1, x_1) + a_5d(x_0, x_1) \\
 & \quad + a_6d(x_0, x_1) + (a_1 + sa_3 + a_5 + a_6) \\
 & \leq (a_1 + a_5 + a_6)d(x_0, x_1) + a_2d(x_1, x_2) + a_3s[d(x_0, x_1) + d(x_1, x_2)] \\
 & \quad + (a_1 + sa_3 + a_5 + a_6) \\
 & \leq (a_1 + sa_3 + a_5 + a_6)d(x_0, x_1) + a_2d(x_1, x_2) + sa_3d(x_1, x_2) \\
 & \quad + (a_1 + sa_3 + a_5 + a_6) \\
 d(x_1, x_2) & \leq \frac{(a_1 + sa_3 + a_5 + a_6)}{1 - (a_2 + sa_3)} d(x_0, x_1) + \frac{(a_1 + sa_3 + a_5 + a_6)}{1 - (a_2 + sa_3)}
 \end{aligned}$$

By Lemma 7, there exist $x_3 \in Tx_2$ such that $d(x_2, x_3) \leq d(Tx_1, x_2) + \frac{(a_1+sa_3+a_5+a_6)^2}{1-(a_2+sa_3)}$.

Now,

$$\begin{aligned}
 d(x_2, x_3) & \leq H(Tx_1, x_2) + \frac{(a_1 + sa_3 + a_5 + a_6)^2}{1 - (a_2 + sa_3)} \\
 & \leq a_1d(x_1, Tx_1) + a_2d(x_1, Tx_2) + a_3d(x_1, Tx_2) \\
 & \quad + a_4d(x_2, Tx_1) + a_5d(x_1, x_2) + a_6d(x_1, x_2) + \frac{(a_1 + sa_3 + a_5 + a_6)^2}{1 - (a_2 + sa_3)} \\
 & \leq \frac{(a_1 + sa_3 + a_5 + a_6)}{1 - (a_2 + sa_3)} d(x_1, x_2) + \frac{(a_1 + sa_3 + a_5 + a_6)^2}{(1 - (a_2 + sa_3))^2} \\
 d(x_2, x_3) & \leq \left(\frac{(a_1 + sa_3 + a_5 + a_6)}{1 - (a_2 + sa_3)} \right)^2 d(x_0, x_1) + 2 \left[\frac{(a_1 + sa_3 + a_5 + a_6)}{(1 - (a_2 + sa_3))} \right]^2
 \end{aligned}$$

Continuing this process, we obtain by induction a sequence $\{x_n\}$ such that $x_n \in Tx_{n-1}, x_{n+1} \in Tx_n$ such that

$$d(x_n, x_{n+1}) \leq \frac{(a_1 + sa_3 + a_5 + a_6)}{1 - (a_2 + sa_3)} d(x_{n-1}, x_n) + \left[\frac{(a_1 + sa_3 + a_5 + a_6)}{(1 - (a_2 + sa_3))} \right]^n$$

for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and let $k = \frac{(a_1 + sa_3 + a_5 + a_6)}{1 - (a_2 + sa_3)}$

$$\begin{aligned} d(x_n, x_{n+1}) &\leq kd(x_{n-1}, x_n) + k^n \\ &\leq k \left[kd(x_{n-2}, x_{n-1}) + k^{n-1} \right] + k^n \\ &= k^2 d(x_{n-2}, x_{n-1}) + kk^{n-1} + k^n \\ &\vdots \\ d(x_n, x_{n+1}) &\leq k^n d(x_0, x_1) + nk^n \end{aligned}$$

Since $k < 1, \sum k^n$ and $\sum nk^n$ have same radius of convergence. Then, $\{x_n\}$ is a Cauchy sequence. But (X, d) is a complete b -metric space, it follows that $\{x_n\}_{n=0}^\infty$ is convergent.

$$u = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n.$$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned} d(u, Tu) &\leq s \left[d(u, x_{n+1}) + d(x_{n+1}, Tu) \right] \\ d(u, Tu) &\leq s \left[d(u, x_{n+1}) + d(Tx_n, Tu) \right] \end{aligned}$$

Using (1), we obtain,

$$\begin{aligned} d(u, Tu) &\leq s \left[d(u, x_{n+1}) \right] + s \left[a_1 d(x_n, Tx_n) + a_2 d(u, Tu) + a_3 d(x_n, Tu) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + a_4 d(u, Tx_n) + a_5 d(x_n, u) + a_6 d(x_n, u) \right]. \end{aligned}$$

As $n \rightarrow \infty,$

$$\begin{aligned} d(u, Tu) &\leq s \left[a_2 d(u, Tu) + a_3 d(u, Tu) \right] \\ (1 - (a_2s + a_3s)) d(u, Tu) &\leq 0. \end{aligned}$$

The above inequality is true unless $d(u, Tu) = 0$. Thus, $Tu = u$.

Now we show that u is the unique fixed point of T . Assume that v is another fixed point of T . Then we have $Tv = v$ and

$$\begin{aligned} d(u, v) &= d(Tu, Tv) \\ &\leq s \left[d(u, Tv) + d(v, Tu) \right] \end{aligned}$$

we obtain, $d(u, v) \leq 2sd(u, v)$. This implies that $u = v$. This completes the proof. □

Theorem 16 Let (X, d) be a complete b -metric space with constant $\lambda \geq 1$. Let $T, S: X \rightarrow CB(X)$ be a multi valued mapping satisfies the condition:

$$H(Tx, Sy) \leq a_1 d(x, Tx) + a_2 d(y, Sy) + a_3 d(x, Sy) + a_4 d(y, Tx) + a_5 d(x, y),$$

for all $x, y \in X$ and $a_i \geq 0, i = 1, 2, \dots, 5$, with $(a_1 + a_2)(\lambda + 1) + (a_3 + a_4)(\lambda^2 + \lambda) + 2\lambda a_5 < 2, a_1 + a_2 + a_3 + a_4 + a_5 < 1$. Then T and S have a unique common fixed point.

Proof Fix any $x \in X$. Define $x_0 = x$ and let $x_1 \in Tx_0, x_2 \in Sx_1$ such that $x_{2n+1} = Tx_{2n}, x_{2n+2} = Sx_{2n+1}$, By Lemma 7, we may choose $x_2 \in Sx_1$ such that $d(x_1, x_2) \leq H(Tx_0, Sx_1) + (a_1 + a_5 + \lambda a_3)$

$$\begin{aligned}
 d(x_1, x_2) &\leq a_1d(x_0, Tx_0) + a_2d(x_1, Sx_1) + a_3d(x_0, Sx_1) + a_4d(x_1, Tx_0) \\
 &\quad + a_5d(x_0, x_1) + (a_1 + a_5 + \lambda a_3) \\
 &= a_1d(x_0, x_1) + a_2d(x_1, x_2) + a_3d(x_0, x_2) \\
 &\quad + a_4d(x_0, x_1) + a_5d(x_0, x_1) + (a_1 + a_5 + \lambda a_3) \\
 &\leq a_1d(x_0, x_1) + a_2d(x_1, x_2) + a_3\lambda[d(x_0, x_1) + d(x_1, x_2)] \\
 &\quad + a_5d(x_0, x_1) + (a_1 + a_5 + \lambda a_3) \tag{2} \\
 d(x_1, x_2) &\leq (a_1 + \lambda a_3 + a_5)d(x_0, x_1) + (a_2 + \lambda a_3)d(x_1, x_2) + (a_1 + a_5 + \lambda a_3) \\
 d(x_1, x_2) &\leq \frac{(a_1 + a_5 + \lambda a_3)}{1 - (a_2 + \lambda a_3)}d(x_0, x_1) + \frac{(a_1 + a_5 + \lambda a_3)}{1 - (a_2 + \lambda a_3)}
 \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand and by symmetry, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 d(x_2, x_1) &= d(Sx_1, Tx_0) \\
 &\leq H(Sx_1, Tx_0) + (a_2 + a_5 + \lambda a_4) \\
 &\leq a_1d(x_1, Sx_1) + a_2d(x_0, Tx_0) + a_3d(x_1, Tx_0) + a_4d(x_0, Sx_1) \\
 &\quad + a_5d(x_1, x_0) + (a_2 + a_5 + \lambda a_4) \\
 &= a_1d(x_1, x_2) + a_2d(x_0, x_1) + a_3d(x_1, x_1) + a_4d(x_0, x_2) \\
 &\quad + a_5d(x_0, x_1) + (a_2 + a_5 + \lambda a_4) \tag{3} \\
 &\leq a_1d(x_1, x_2) + a_2d(x_0, x_1) + a_4[d(x_0, x_1) + d(x_1, x_2)] + a_5d(x_0, x_1) \\
 &\quad + (a_2 + a_5 + \lambda a_4) \\
 &= (a_2 + a_5 + \lambda a_4)d(x_0, x_1) + (a_1 + \lambda a_4)d(x_2, x_1)(a_2 + a_5 + \lambda a_4) \\
 d(x_2, x_1) &\leq \frac{(a_2 + a_5 + \lambda a_4)}{1 - (a_1 + \lambda a_4)}d(x_0, x_1) + \frac{(a_2 + a_5 + \lambda a_4)}{1 - (a_1 + \lambda a_4)}
 \end{aligned}$$

Adding inequalities (2) and (3), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 d(x_1, x_2) &\leq \frac{a_1 + a_2 + Sa_3 + Sa_4 + 2a_5}{2 - (a_1 + a_2 + Sa_3 + Sa_4)}d(x_0, x_1) + \frac{(a_1 + a_2 + Sa_3 + Sa_4 + 2a_5)}{2 - (a_1 + a_2 + Sa_3 + Sa_4)} \\
 \text{where, } k &= \frac{(a_1 + a_2 + \lambda a_3 + \lambda a_4 + 2a_5)}{2 - (a_1 + a_2 + \lambda a_3 + \lambda a_4)} < \frac{1}{\lambda}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Similarly, it can be shown that, there exists $x_3 \in Tx_2$ such that

$$\begin{aligned}
 d(x_3, x_2) &\leq H(Tx_2, Sx_1) + \left(\frac{a_1 + a_2 + \lambda a_3 + \lambda a_4 + 2a_5}{2 - (a_1 + a_2 + \lambda a_3 + \lambda a_4)} \right)^2 \\
 &\leq k^2d(x_1, x_0) + 2k^2
 \end{aligned}$$

Continuing this process, we obtain by induction a sequence $\{x_n\}$ such that $x_{2n+1} \in Tx_{2n}, x_{2n+2} \in Sx_{2n+1}$ such that

$$\begin{aligned}
 d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2}) &\leq Hd(Tx_{2n}, Sx_{2n+1}) + (a_1 + a_5 + \lambda a_3)^{2n+1} \\
 &\leq a_1 d(x_{2n}, Tx_{2n}) + a_2 d(x_{2n+1}, Sx_{2n+1}) + a_3 d(x_{2n}, Sx_{2n+1}) \\
 &\quad + a_4 d(x_{2n+1}, Tx_{2n}) + a_5 d(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}) + (a_1 + a_5 + \lambda a_3)^{2n+1} \quad (4) \\
 d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2}) &\leq \frac{(a_1 + a_5 + \lambda a_3)}{1 - (a_2 + \lambda a_3)} d(x_{2n}, x_{2n+2}) + \frac{(a_1 + a_5 + \lambda a_3)^{2n+1}}{(1 - (a_2 \lambda a_3))^{2n+1}}
 \end{aligned}$$

Also,

$$d(x_{2n+2}, x_{2n+1}) \leq \frac{(a_2 + a_5 + \lambda a_4)}{1 - (a_1 + \lambda a_4)} d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n}) + \frac{(a_2 + a_5 + \lambda a_4)^{2n+1}}{(1 - (a_2 \lambda a_3))^{2n+1}} \quad (5)$$

From (4) and (5)

$$d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2}) \leq kd(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n}) + k^{2n+1}$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}
 d(x_n, x_{n+1}) &\leq \frac{a_1 + a_2 + \lambda a_3 + \lambda a_4 + 2a_5}{2 - (a_1 + a_2 + \lambda a_3 + \lambda a_4)} d(x_{n-1}, x_n) \\
 &\quad + \left(\frac{a_1 + a_2 + \lambda a_3 + \lambda a_4 + 2a_5}{2 - (a_1 + a_2 + \lambda a_3 + \lambda a_4)} \right)^n
 \end{aligned}$$

for all $n \in \mathbf{N}$ and let $k = \frac{(a_1 + a_2 + \lambda a_3 + \lambda a_4 + 2a_5)}{2 - (a_1 + a_2 + \lambda a_3 + \lambda a_4)}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 d(x_n, x_{n+1}) &\leq kd(x_{n-1}, x_n) + k^n \\
 &\leq k(d(x_{n-2}, x_{n-1}) + k^{n-1}) + k^n \\
 &= k^2 d(x_{n-2}, x_{n-1}) + 2k^n \\
 &\leq \dots \dots \dots \\
 &\leq k^n d(x_0, x_1) + nk^n.
 \end{aligned}$$

Since $0 < k < 1$, $\sum k^n$ and $\sum nk^n$ have same radius of convergence. Then, $\{x_n\}$ is a Cauchy sequence. Since (X, d) is complete, there exists $z \in X$ such that $x_n \rightarrow z$.

We shall prove that z is a common fixed point of T and S .

$$\begin{aligned}
 d(z, Tz) &\leq \lambda[d(z, x_{2n+1}) + d(x_{2n+1}, Tz)] \\
 &\leq \lambda[d(z, x_{2n+1}) + H(x_{2n+1}, Tz)] \\
 d(z, Sz) &\leq \lambda[d(z, x_{2n+1}) + d(x_{2n+1}, Sz)] \\
 &\leq \lambda[d(z, x_{2n+1}) + H(x_{2n}, Sz)] \quad (6)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 H(x_{2n}, Sz) &\leq a_1 d(x_{2n}, Tx_{2n}) + a_2 d(z, Sz) + a_3 d(x_{2n}, Sz) + a_4 d(z, Tx_{2n}) \\
 &\quad + a_5 d(x_{2n}, z) \quad (7)
 \end{aligned}$$

Using (7) in (6) and letting as $n \rightarrow \infty$, we obtain,

$$\begin{aligned}
 d(z, Sz) &\leq \lambda d(z, z) + \lambda[a_1 d(z, z) + a_2 d(z, Sz) + a_3 d(z, Sz) + a_4 d(z, z) + a_5 d(z, z)] \\
 &= \lambda[a_2 d(z, Sz) + a_3 d(z, Sz)] \\
 &\leq \lambda(a_2 + a_3) d(z, Sz)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$[1 - \lambda(a_2 + a_3)]d(z, Sz) \leq 0.$$

$1 - \lambda(a_2 + a_3) \leq 0$ and $S(z)$ is closed. Thus, $S(z) = z$.

Similarly, $T(z) = z$.

We show that z is the unique fixed point of S and T . Now,

$$\begin{aligned} d(z, v) &\leq H(Tz, Sv) \\ &\leq a_1d(z, Tz) + a_2d(v, Sv) + a_3d(z, Sv) + a_4d(v, Tz) + a_5d(z, v) \\ &\leq a_3d(z, v) + a_4d(z, v) + a_5d(z, v). \end{aligned}$$

Since $[1 - (a_3 + a_4 + a_5)] > 0$, $d(z, v) = 0$. Hence, S and T have a unique common fixed point. □

Example 17 Let $X = \mathbf{R}$. We define $d : X \times X \rightarrow X$ by $d(x, y) = (|x - y|)$, for all $x, y \in X$. Then (X, d) is a complete b -metric space.

Define $T : X \rightarrow CB(X)$ by $Tx = \frac{x}{10}$, for all $x, y \in X$. Then,

$$H(Tx, Ty) = \frac{1}{10}d(x, y) \left[\text{where, } a_1 = a_2 = a_3 = a_4 = a_6 = 0, a_5 = \frac{1}{10} \right].$$

Therefore, $0 \in X$ is the unique fixed point of T .

Conclusion

Many authors have contributed some fixed point results for a self mappings in b -metric spaces. In this paper, we have proved the existence and uniqueness of fixed point results for a multivalued mappings in b -metric spaces. Our contraction mappings also generalize various known contractions like Hardy Roger contraction in the current literature.

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