

ON COINCIDENCE POINT THEOREM FOR MULTIVALUED MAPPINGS IN PROBABILISTIC METRIC SPACES

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Abstract

A coincidence point theorem for multivalued mappings in probabilistic metric spaces is proved, which is a generalization of the fixed point theorem proved by V.Radu [3].

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1. Introduction

T. L. Hicks proved in [2] a fixed point theorem for the so-called C -contraction in probabilistic metric spaces (S, \mathcal{F}, \min) . A mapping $f : S \rightarrow S$ is a C -contraction if there is a $k \in (0, 1)$ such that for every $p, q \in S$ and $x > 0$

$$F_{p,q}(x) > 1 - x \Rightarrow F_{fp,fq}(kx) > 1 - kx.$$

V. Radu proved [3] that $f : S \rightarrow S$ is a C -contraction on S , where (S, \mathcal{F}, T) is a complete Menger space with $T \geq T_m$, $T_m(a, b) = \max\{a +$

$b - 1, 0\}$ ($a, b \in [0, 1]$), if and only if f is a metric contraction on the metric space (S, β) ,

$$\beta(p, q) = \inf\{h; F_{p,q}(h^+) > 1 - h\}.$$

If $\sup_{x < 1} T(x, x) = 1$. V. Radu proved that a C -contraction $f : S \rightarrow S$ has a fixed point. In this paper, a generalization of this result for multivalued mappings will be proved.

2. Preliminaries

Let (S, \mathcal{F}, t) be a Menger space, $\emptyset \neq M \subset S$, $f : M \rightarrow M$ and $A : M \rightarrow 2^M$ (the family of nonempty subsets of M). The mapping A is f -strongly demi-compact if for every sequence $\{x_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ from M , such that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} F_{fx_n, y_n}(\epsilon) = 1$, for some sequence $\{y_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$, $y_n \in Ax_n$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and every $\epsilon > 0$, there exists a convergent subsequence $\{fx_{n_k}\}_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$.

A mapping $A : M \rightarrow 2^M$ is weakly commuting with $f : M \rightarrow M$ if for every $x \in M$

$$f(Ax) \subset A(fx).$$

A t -norm T is of the h -type if the family $\{T_p(x)\}_{p \in \mathbb{N}}$ is equicontinuous at the point $x = 1$, $T_1(x) = T(x, x)$, $T_p(x) = T(T_{p-1}(x), x)$, $p \geq 2$, $x \in [0, 1]$.

A nontrivial example of such a T -norm can be found in [1].

Let

$$\mathcal{M} = \left\{ \psi; \psi : \mathbf{R}_+ \rightarrow \mathbf{R}_+, \psi \text{ is nondecreasing and } \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \psi^n(u) < \infty, \right. \\ \left. \text{for every } u \in \mathbf{R}_+ \right\}.$$

By $2_c^{f(M)}$ we shall denote the family of all nonempty, closed subsets of $f(M)$.

3. A fixed point theorem

Theorem 1. *Let (S, \mathcal{F}, T) be a complete Menger space, $\sup_{x < 1} T(x, x) =$*

1, M a nonempty and closed subset of S , $f : M \rightarrow M$ a continuous mapping, $A, B : M \rightarrow 2_c^{f(M)}$ and $\psi \in \mathcal{M}$, so that the following implication holds for every $u, v \in M$ and every $\epsilon > 0$:

$$F_{f_u, f_v}(\epsilon) > 1 - \epsilon \Rightarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{for every } p \in Au \text{ there exists } q \in Bv \\ \text{such that } F_{p,q}(\psi(\epsilon)) > 1 - \psi(\epsilon) \text{ and} \\ \text{for every } p' \in Bv \text{ there exists } q' \in Au \\ \text{such that } F_{p',q'}(\psi(\epsilon)) > 1 - \psi(\epsilon). \end{array}$$

If A and B are weakly commuting with f and (a) or (b) are satisfied, then there exists $x \in M$ such that $fx \in Ax \cap Bx$, where

a) A or B are f -strongly demicompact.

b) t -norm T is of the h -type.

Proof. Let $x_0 \in M$ and $x_1 \in M$ be such that $fx_1 \in Ax_0$. If $s > 1$, then $F_{fx_0, fx_1}(s) > 1 - s$ and so there exists $x_2 \in M$ such that $F_{fx_1, fx_2}(\psi(s)) > 1 - \psi(s)$ and $fx_2 \in Bx_1$. Continuing in this way we obtain a sequence $\{x_n\}_{n \in \mathbf{N}}$ in M such that for every $n \in \mathbf{N}$

$$(i) \quad fx_{2n+1} \in Ax_{2n}, fx_{2n+2} \in Bx_{2n+1}$$

$$(ii) \quad F_{fx_n, fx_{n+1}}(\psi^n(s)) > 1 - \psi^n(s).$$

Since $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \psi^n(s) = 0$, from (ii) it is easy to prove that for every $\epsilon > 0$ and $\lambda \in (0, 1)$ there exists $n_1(\epsilon, \lambda) \in \mathbf{N}$ such that for every $n \geq n_1(\epsilon, \lambda)$ $F_{fx_n, fx_{n+1}}(\epsilon) > 1 - \lambda$. This means that for every $\epsilon > 0$

$$(1) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} F_{fx_n, fx_{n+1}}(\epsilon) = 1.$$

If we suppose that A is f -strongly demicompact, using

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} F_{fx_{2n}, fx_{2n+1}}(\epsilon) = 1 \text{ and } fx_{2n+1} \in Ax_{2n} \ (n \in \mathbf{N}),$$

we conclude that there exists a convergent subsequence $\{fx_{2n_k}\}_{k \in \mathbf{N}}$ of the sequence $\{fx_{2n}\}_{n \in \mathbf{N}}$.

We shall prove that if T is of the h -type, the sequence $\{fx_n\}_{n \in \mathbf{N}}$ is convergent.

Let $\epsilon > 0$ and $\lambda \in (0, 1)$. Since the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \psi^n(s)$ is convergent, there exists $n'(\epsilon, s) \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $\sum_{n \geq n'(\epsilon, s)} \psi^n(s) < \epsilon$. Then, for every $n \geq n'(\epsilon, s)$

$$F_{f_{x_{n+p+1}}, f_{x_n}}(\epsilon) \geq \underbrace{T(T(\dots T)}_{p\text{-times}}(F_{f_{x_{n+p+1}}, f_{x_{n+p}}}(\psi^{n+p}(s))), \\ F_{f_{x_{n+p}}, f_{x_{n+p-1}}}(\psi^{n+p-1}(s)), \dots, F_{f_{x_{n+1}}, f_{x_n}}(\psi^n(s))).$$

If $n \geq n''(\epsilon, s) = \max\{n(s), n'(\epsilon, s)\}$, where $\psi^n(s) < 1$, for $n \geq n(s)$, then

$$F_{f_{x_{n+p}}, f_{x_n}}(\epsilon) \geq \underbrace{T(T(\dots T)}_{p\text{-times}}(1 - \psi^{n+p}(s), 1 - \psi^{n+p-1}(s)), \dots, 1 - \psi^n(s)).$$

Hence

$$(2) \quad F_{f_{x_{n+p+1}}, f_{x_n}}(\epsilon) \geq T_p(1 - \psi^n(s))$$

for every $n \geq n''(\epsilon, s)$ and every $p \in \mathbb{N}$. Since the family $\{T_p(x)\}_{p \in \mathbb{N}}$ is equicontinuous at the point $x = 1$, for every $\lambda \in (0, 1)$ there exists $\delta(\lambda) \in (0, 1)$ such that $T_p(1 - \delta(\lambda)) > 1 - \lambda$, for every $p \in \mathbb{N}$. If $n'''(s, \lambda) \in \mathbb{N}$ is such that $\psi^n(s) < \delta(\lambda)$, for every $n \geq n'''(s, \lambda)$ it follows from (2) that

$$F_{f_{x_{n+p+1}}, f_{x_n}}(\epsilon) > 1 - \lambda$$

for every $n \geq \max\{n''(\epsilon, s), n'''(s, \lambda)\}$.

Since S is complete and M is closed we conclude that in both cases (a) and (b) there exists $x = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} f_{x_{2n_k}} \in M$. From (1) it follows that $x = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} f_{x_{2n_k+1}}$.

We shall prove that $fx \in Ax \cap Bx$. Since Ax and Bx are closed it remains to be proved that $fx \in \overline{Ax} \cap \overline{Bx}$ i.e. that for every $\epsilon > 0$ and $\lambda \in (0, 1)$ there exists $q(\epsilon, \lambda) \in Ax$ and $r(\epsilon, \lambda) \in Bx$ such that

$$(3) \quad q(\epsilon, \lambda) \in \mathcal{N}_{fx}(\epsilon, \lambda), \quad r(\epsilon, \lambda) \in \mathcal{N}_{fx}(\epsilon, \lambda).$$

Since $\sup_{x < 1} T(x, x) = 1$ it is easy to see that there exists $\delta(\lambda) \in (0, 1)$ such that

$$T(1 - \delta(\lambda), T(1 - \delta(\lambda), 1 - \delta(\lambda))) > 1 - \lambda.$$

From the continuity of f and $x = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} f x_{2n_k}$ it follows that there exists $k_1 \in \mathbf{N}$ such that

$$(4) \quad F_{f x, f f x_{2n_k}}\left(\frac{\epsilon}{3}\right) > 1 - \delta(\lambda), \text{ for every } k \geq k_1.$$

From (1) it follows that there exists $k_2 \in \mathbf{N}$ such that

$$(5) \quad F_{f f x_{2n_k}, f f x_{2n_k+1}}\left(\frac{\epsilon}{3}\right) > 1 - \delta(\lambda), \text{ for every } k \geq k_2.$$

Let $t_0 \in \mathbf{R}_+$ be such that $\psi(t_0) < \min\{\frac{\epsilon}{3}, \delta(\lambda)\}$ and $k_3 \in \mathbf{N}$ such that

$$(6) \quad f_{f x, f f x_{2n_k}}(t_0) > 1 - t_0, \text{ for every } k \geq k_3.$$

Since $f x_{2n_k+1} \in A x_{2n_k}$ ($k \in \mathbf{N}$) and A weakly commutes with f it follows that

$$(7) \quad f f x_{2n_k+1} \in f(A x_{2n_k}) \subset A f x_{2n_k} \text{ (} k \in \mathbf{N}\text{)}.$$

Using (6) and (7) we obtain that there exists $r(\epsilon, \lambda) \in Bx$ such that for $k \geq k_3$

$$F_{f f x_{2n_k+1}, r(\epsilon, \lambda)}(\psi(t_0)) > 1 - \psi(t_0)$$

which implies that

$$(8) \quad \begin{aligned} F_{f f x_{2n_k+1}, r(\epsilon, \lambda)}\left(\frac{\epsilon}{3}\right) &\geq F_{f f x_{2n_k+1}, r(\epsilon, \lambda)}(\psi(t_0)) > \\ &> 1 - \psi(t_0) > 1 - \delta(\lambda), \text{ for every } k \geq k_3. \end{aligned}$$

Hence, for $k \geq \max\{k_1, k_2, k_3\}$, using (4), (5) and (8) we obtain that

$$\begin{aligned} F_{f x, r(\epsilon, \lambda)}(\epsilon) &\geq T\left(F_{f x, f f x_{2n_k}}\left(\frac{\epsilon}{3}\right), T\left(F_{f f x_{2n_k}, f f x_{2n_k+1}}\left(\frac{\epsilon}{3}\right), \right. \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left. F_{f f x_{2n_k+1}, r(\epsilon, \lambda)}\left(\frac{\epsilon}{3}\right)\right)\right) > 1 - \lambda. \end{aligned}$$

This means that $r(\epsilon, \lambda) \in \mathcal{N}_{f x}(\epsilon, \lambda)$. From (1) and

$$x = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} f x_{2n_k} = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} f x_{2n_k+1} = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} f x_{2n_k+2}$$

we obtain that there exists $k'_1, k'_2, k'_3 \in \mathbf{N}$ such that

$$(9) \quad F_{fx, ffx_{2n_k+1}}\left(\frac{\epsilon}{3}\right) > 1 - \delta(\lambda), \quad \text{for every } k \geq k'_1$$

$$(10) \quad F_{ffx_{2n_k+1}, ffx_{2n_k+2}}\left(\frac{\epsilon}{3}\right) > 1 - \delta(\lambda), \quad \text{for every } k \geq k'_2$$

$$(11) \quad F_{fx, ffx_{2n_k+1}}(t_0) > 1 - t_0, \quad \text{for every } k \geq k'_3$$

Since $fx_{2n_k+2} \in Bx_{2n_k+1}$ ($k \in \mathbf{N}$) and B weakly commutes with f it follows that $ffx_{2n_k+2} \in f(Bx_{2n_k+1}) \subset B(fx_{2n_k+1})$. Hence, there exists $q(\epsilon, \lambda) \in Ax$ so that for every $k \geq k'_3$

$$F_{ffx_{2n_k+2}, q(\epsilon, \lambda)}(\psi(t_0)) > 1 - \psi(t_0)$$

which implies for $k \geq \max\{k'_1, k'_2, k'_3\}$

$$F_{fx, q(\epsilon, \lambda)}(\epsilon) \geq T(F_{fx, ffx_{2n_k+1}}\left(\frac{\epsilon}{3}\right),$$

$$T(F_{ffx_{2n_k+1}, ffx_{2n_k+2}}\left(\frac{\epsilon}{3}\right),$$

$$F_{ffx_{2n_k+2}, q(\epsilon, \lambda)}\left(\frac{\epsilon}{3}\right)) > 1 - \lambda.$$

Example. Let (M, d) be a separable metric space, (Ω, Σ, P) a probability space and S the space of all classes of measurable mappings from Ω into M . Then (S, \mathcal{F}, T_m) is a Menger space where

$$F_{X,Y}(u) = P(\{\omega; \omega \in \Omega, d(X(\omega), Y(\omega)) < u\}) \quad (u \in \mathbf{R}), X, Y \in S.$$

The Ky Fan metric in S is

$$d(X, Y) = \sup\{u; F_{X,Y}(u) < 1 - u, u > 0\}$$

and the (ϵ, λ) topology and the topology induced by d coincide.

Let $f : S \rightarrow S$ be a continuous mapping and $A, B : S \rightarrow 2_c^{f(M)}$ such that

$$D(AX, BY) \leq \psi(d(fX, fY)), \quad X, Y \in S,$$

where ψ is a strictly increasing mapping from \mathbf{R}_+ into \mathbf{R}_+ .

If $F_{fX, fY}(u) > 1 - u$ then $d(fX, fY) < u$ and since ψ is strictly increasing we have that $\psi(d(fX, fY)) < \psi(u)$. Hence

$$\sup_{U \in AX} \inf_{V \in BY} d(U, V) < \psi(u), \quad \sup_{V \in BY} \inf_{U \in AX} d(U, V) < \psi(u),$$

which implies that for every $U \in AX$ there exists $V \in BY$ such that $d(U, V) < \psi(u)$ and that for every $V' \in BY$ there exists $U' \in AX$ such that $d(U', V') < \psi(u)$. So

$$F_{U, V}(\psi(u)) > 1 - \psi(u) \quad \text{and} \quad F_{U', V'}(\psi(u)) > 1 - \psi(u).$$

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