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## Multi-Valued Contraction Mappings in Complete Metric Spaces.

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Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space. For any nonempty subsets  $A, B$  of  $X$ , we define

$$D(A, B) = \inf\{d(a, b) \mid a \in A, b \in B\},$$

$$\delta(A, B) = \sup\{d(a, b) \mid a \in A, b \in B\},$$

$$H(A, B) = \max\left\{\sup\{D(a, B) \mid a \in A\}, \sup\{D(A, b) \mid b \in B\}\right\}.$$

Let  $CB(X)$  be the set of all nonempty closed and bounded subsets of  $X$ . The space  $CB(X)$  is a metric space with respect to the above defined distance  $H$  (see K. Kuratowski [1] p. 214). Then we have the following theorem which is a generalization of S. Reich result [2] (or see I. Rus [3]).

**THEOREM 1.** *Let  $(X, d)$  be a complete metric space, and let  $f: X \rightarrow CB(X)$  be a multi-valued mapping with the following condition: for every  $x, y \in X$ ,*

$$H(f(x), f(y)) \leq \alpha(D(x, f(x)) + D(y, f(y))) + \\ + \beta(D(x, f(y)) + D(y, f(x))) + \gamma D(x, y),$$

where  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma$  are non-negative and  $2\alpha + 2\beta + \gamma < 1$ . Then  $f$  has a fixed point, i.e. there is a point  $x$  such that  $x \in f(x)$ .

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PROOF. Let  $x_0$  be a point in  $X$ , and  $x_1 \in f(x_0)$ . If

$$H(f(x_0), f(x_1)) = 0,$$

then we have  $f(x_0) = f(x_1)$ , since  $H$  is a metric on  $CB(X)$ . Therefore we have  $x_1 \in f(x_1)$ . This contains the proof of the case  $\alpha = \beta = \gamma = 0$ .

Next we suppose  $0 < 2\alpha + 2\beta + \gamma$  and

$$H(f(x_0), f(x_1)) > 0.$$

Put  $p = (2\alpha + 2\beta + \gamma)^{\frac{1}{2}}$ , then  $0 < p < 1$ .

Let  $h = H(f(x_0), f(x_1))/p$ , then we have

$$h > H(f(x_0), f(x_1)).$$

By the definition of  $H$ , we have

$$h > H(f(x_0), f(x_1)) \geq D(x_1, f(x_1)).$$

Therefore there is a point  $x_2$  of  $f(x_1)$  such that

$$h > d(x_1, x_2).$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} d(x_1, x_2) &< p^{-1}H(f(x_0), f(x_1)) \\ &\leq p^{-1}\{\alpha[D(x_0, f(x_0)) + D(x_1, f(x_1))] \\ &\quad + \beta[D(x_0, f(x_1)) + D(x_1, f(x_0))] + \gamma D(x_0, x_1)\} \\ &\leq p^{-1}\{\alpha[d(x_0, x_1) + d(x_1, x_2)] \\ &\quad + \beta[d(x_0, x_2) + d(x_1, x_1)] + \gamma d(x_0, x_1)\} \\ &\leq p^{-1}\{\alpha[d(x_0, x_1) + d(x_1, x_2)] \\ &\quad + \beta[d(x_0, x_1) + d(x_1, x_2)] + \gamma d(x_0, x_1)\}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence we have

$$(p - (\alpha + \beta))d(x_1, x_2) < (\alpha + \beta + \gamma)d(x_0, x_1).$$

Therefore

$$\bar{d}(x_1, x_2) < q\bar{d}(x_0, x_1),$$

where  $q = (\alpha + \beta + \gamma)/(p - (\alpha + \beta))$  and  $0 < q < 1$ .

For  $x_1, x_2$ , we have two cases:

- 1)  $H(f(x_1), f(x_2)) = 0$ ,
- 2)  $H(f(x_1), f(x_2)) > 0$ .

If we have the first case, then  $x_2 \in f(x_2)$ , which completes the proof.

If  $H(f(x_1), f(x_2)) > 0$ , by a similar method, there is a point  $x_3$  of  $f(x_2)$  such that

$$\bar{d}(x_2, x_3) < q\bar{d}(x_1, x_2).$$

In general, if  $H(f(x_i), f(x_{i+1})) = 0$  for some  $i$ , then  $x_i \in f(x_i)$ . If, for all  $i$  ( $i = 0, 1, \dots$ ),  $H(f(x_i), f(x_{i+1})) > 0$ , there is a point  $x_{i+2} \in f(x_{i+1})$  satisfying

$$\bar{d}(x_{i+1}, x_{i+2}) < q\bar{d}(x_i, x_{i+1}).$$

Hence, for  $n > m$ ,

$$\bar{d}(x_n, x_m) \leq \frac{q^m}{1 - q} \bar{d}(x_0, x_1).$$

This shows that  $\{x_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence. The completeness of  $X$  implies the existence of the limit of  $\{x_n\}$ . Let  $x'$  be the limit of  $\{x_n\}$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} D(x', f(x')) &\leq d(x', x_{n+i}) + \bar{d}(x_{n+1}, f(x')) \\ &\leq \bar{d}(x', x_{n+1}) + H(f(x_n), f(x')). \end{aligned}$$

Hence, by the assumption, we have

$$\begin{aligned} (1) \quad D(x', f(x')) &\leq d(x', x_{n+1}) \\ &\quad + \alpha[D(x_n, f(x_n)) + D(x', f(x'))] \\ &\quad + \beta[D(x_n, f(x')) + D(x', f(x_n))] + \gamma D(x_n, x') \\ &\leq \bar{d}(x', x_{n+1}) + \alpha[\bar{d}(x_n, x_{n+1}) + D(x', f(x'))] \\ &\quad + \beta[D(x_n, f(x')) + \bar{d}(x', x_{n+1})] + \gamma \bar{d}(x_n, x'). \end{aligned}$$

Let  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , then (1) implies the following relation.

$$D(x', f(x')) \leq \alpha D(x', f(x')) + \beta D(x', f(x')) .$$

From  $1 - \alpha - \beta > 0$ , we have

$$D(x', f(x')) = 0 ,$$

which means  $x' \in f(x')$ . This completes the proof.

Let  $BN(X)$  be the set of all nonempty bounded subset of  $X$ . Then we have a fixed point theorem.

**THEOREM 2.** *Let  $(X, d)$  be a complete metric space. If  $f: X \rightarrow BN(X)$  is a multi-valued function which satisfies*

$$\begin{aligned} \delta(f(x), f(y)) &\leq \alpha [H(x, f(x)) + H(y, f(y))] \\ &\quad + \beta [H(x, f(y)) + H(y, f(x))] + \gamma d(x, y) , \end{aligned}$$

for every  $x, y$  in  $X$ , where  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma$  are non-negative and  $2\alpha + 4\beta + \gamma < 1$ , then  $f$  has a unique fixed point, i.e. for some  $x'$ ,  $f(x') = \{x'\}$ .

Theorem 2 is a generalization of S. Reich result [2]. The proof is due to an idea by S. Reich [2].

**PROOF.** If  $\alpha = \beta = \gamma = 0$ , then the result is trivial. We suppose  $0 < 2\alpha + 4\beta + \gamma$ . Now put  $p = (2\alpha + 4\beta + 1)^{\frac{1}{2}}$ . Then we have  $p < 1$ . Hence there is a single-valued function  $g: X \rightarrow X$  such that  $g(x)$  is a point  $y$  in  $f(x)$  which satisfies

$$d(x, y) = d(x, g(x)) \geq p H(x, f(x)) .$$

For such a function  $g$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} d(g(x), g(y)) &\leq \delta(f(x), f(y)) \\ &\leq \alpha [H(x, f(x)) + H(y, f(y))] \\ &\quad + \beta [H(x, f(y)) + H(y, f(x))] + \gamma d(x, y) \\ &\leq \alpha p^{-1} [d(x, g(x)) + d(y, g(y))] \\ &\quad + \beta p^{-1} [2d(x, y) + d(x, g(x)) + d(y, g(y))] + \gamma d(x, y) \\ &\leq (\alpha + \beta) p^{-1} [d(x, g(x)) + d(y, g(y))] + (2\beta p^{-1} + \gamma) d(x, y) . \end{aligned}$$

Hence we have

$$(2) \quad \begin{aligned} d(g(x), g(y)) \leq (\alpha + \beta)p^{-1}[d(x, g(x)) + d(y, g(y))] \\ + (2\beta p^{-1} + \gamma)d(x, y). \end{aligned}$$

The assumption  $2\alpha + 4\beta + \gamma < 1$  implies  $2(\alpha + \beta)p^{-1} + 2\beta p^{-1} + \gamma < 1$ . By a well known theorem,  $g$  has a fixed point  $x'$ , i.e.  $g(x') = x'$ . For the point  $x'$ ,

$$0 = (x', g(x')) \geq p H(x', f(x')).$$

Hence  $x' \in f(x')$ .

If  $z \in f(z)$ , and  $H(z, f(z)) > 0$ , then

$$\delta(f(y), f(y)) \leq 2(\alpha + \beta)H(y, f(y)) < H(y, f(y)),$$

which is impossible. Hence we have  $f(z) = \{z\}$ .

To show  $z = x'$ , consider

$$\delta(f(z), f(x')) \leq \beta[H(z, f(x')) + H(x', f(z))] + \gamma d(z, x') \leq (2\beta + \gamma)d(z, x').$$

Hence we have  $z = x'$ , which shows that  $f$  has a unique fixed point. The proof is complete.

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