



## GENERALIZED CONTRACTIONS VIA $\mathcal{Z}$ -CONTRACTION

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**Abstract.** In this article, we introduce the concept of contractive mapping, which is generally weak in metric spaces, and show the existence and uniqueness of the fixed point for such mapping in a metric space.

### 1. INTRODUCTION

The metric fixed point theory has been expanded, changed and presented in various forms from Banach's contraction principle (see [1, 2, 3, 11, 12]).

Samet et al. [19] introduced the concept of  $\alpha$ - $\psi$ -contractive mapping. It defines the concept of accepting  $\alpha$ -admissible and the use of the Bianchini Grandolfi gauge function [4], and the authors examined the existence and uniqueness of fixed points for mapping.

Khojasteh et al. [7] defines the concept of simulation and the new class defining function of nonlinear contraction, namely  $\mathcal{Z}$ -contractions which outlines Banach contraction principle and combines several known types of contractions. For other results on this interesting approach, see [5, 8, 9, 13, 14, 18].

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## 2. PRELIMINARIES

**Definition 2.1.** ([19]) Let  $\mathcal{Q} : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$  be a self-mapping and  $\alpha : \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{X} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  be a function.  $\mathcal{Q}$  is said to be  $\alpha$ -admissible if

$$\alpha(\mu, \rho) \geq 1 \Rightarrow \alpha(\mathcal{Q}\mu, \mathcal{Q}\rho) \geq 1, \quad \text{for all } \mu, \rho \in \mathcal{X}.$$

**Definition 2.2.** ([15]) Let  $\mathcal{Q} : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$  be a self-mapping and  $\alpha : \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{X} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  be a function.  $\mathcal{Q}$  is said to be  $\alpha$ -orbital admissible if

$$\alpha(\mu, \mathcal{Q}\mu) \geq 1 \Rightarrow \alpha(\mathcal{Q}\mu, \mathcal{Q}\mu) \geq 1.$$

Moreover,  $\mathcal{Q}$  is called triangular  $\alpha$ -orbital admissible if it satisfies the following conditions:

- (a)  $\mathcal{Q}$  is  $\alpha$ -orbital admissible.
- (b)  $\alpha(\mu, \rho) \geq 1$  and  $\alpha(\rho, \mathcal{Q}\rho) \geq 1 \Rightarrow \alpha(\mu, \mathcal{Q}\rho) \geq 1$ .

**Definition 2.3.** ([16]) If  $\phi^n(\eta) \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  for every  $\eta \in [0, \infty)$ , where  $\phi^n$  is the  $n$ -th iterate of  $\phi$  then an increasing function  $\phi : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  is a comparison.

Let  $\Psi$  be the family of functions  $\psi : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  satisfying the following conditions:

- (a)  $\psi$  is nondecreasing.
- (b)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \psi^n(\eta) < \infty$  for all  $\eta > 0$ , where  $\psi^n$  is the  $n$ -th iterate of  $\psi$ .

**Lemma 2.4.** ([16]) *If  $\psi \in \Psi$ , then the following hold:*

- (a)  $\{\psi^n(\eta)\}$  converges to 0 as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  for all  $\eta \in \mathbb{R}^+$ ;
- (b)  $\psi(\eta) < \eta$ , for any  $\eta \in \mathbb{R}^+$ ;
- (c)  $\psi$  is continuous at 0;
- (d) the series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \psi^n(\eta)$  converges for any  $\eta \in \mathbb{R}^+$ .

Karapinar and Samet [6] introduced a generalized  $\alpha$ - $\psi$  contractive type mapping which is defined by

$$\alpha(\mu, \rho)\Lambda(\mathcal{Q}\mu, \mathcal{Q}\rho) \leq \psi(\mathcal{M}(\mu, \rho)), \quad \text{for all } \mu, \rho \in \mathcal{X},$$

where

$$\mathcal{M}(\mu, \rho) = \max \left\{ \Lambda(\mu, \rho), \frac{\Lambda(\mu, \mathcal{Q}\mu) + \Lambda(\rho, \mathcal{Q}\rho)}{2}, \frac{\Lambda(\mu, \mathcal{Q}\rho) + \Lambda(\rho, \mathcal{Q}\mu)}{2} \right\},$$

$(\mathcal{X}, \Lambda)$  is a metric space,  $\mathcal{Q} : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$  is a given mapping,  $\alpha : \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{X} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  and  $\psi \in \Psi$ .

**Definition 2.5.** ([7]) A simulation function is a mapping  $\zeta : [0, \infty) \times [0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  satisfying the following conditions:

- ( $\zeta 1$ )  $\zeta(0, 0) = 0$ ;
- ( $\zeta 2$ )  $\zeta(\eta, \vartheta) < \vartheta - \eta$  for all  $\eta, \vartheta > 0$ ;
- ( $\zeta 3$ ) if  $\{\eta_n\}, \{\vartheta_n\}$  are sequences in  $(0, \infty)$  such that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \eta_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \vartheta_n > 0$ ,  
then

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\eta_n, \vartheta_n) < 0.$$

We denote the set of all simulation functions by  $\mathcal{Z}$ .

Let  $(\mathcal{X}, \Lambda)$  be a metric space,  $\mathcal{Q}$  be a self-mapping on  $\mathcal{X}$  and  $\zeta \in \mathcal{Z}$ . We say that  $\mathcal{Q}$  is a  $\mathcal{Z}$ -contraction with respect to  $\zeta$  [7], if

$$\zeta(\Lambda(\mathcal{Q}\mu, \mathcal{Q}\rho), \Lambda(\mu, \rho)) \geq 0, \quad \text{for all } \mu, \rho \in \mathcal{X}.$$

**Theorem 2.6.** ([7]) *Every  $\mathcal{Z}$ -contraction on a complete metric space has a unique fixed point.*

**Theorem 2.7.** ([10]) *Let  $(\mathcal{X}, \Lambda)$  be a complete metric space and let  $\mathcal{Q} : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$  be a mapping. Suppose that there exist a simulation function  $\zeta$  and a lower semi-continuous function  $\varphi : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  such that*

$$\zeta(\Lambda(\mathcal{Q}\mu, \mathcal{Q}\rho) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}\mu) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}\rho), \Lambda(\mu, \rho) + \varphi(\mu) + \varphi(\rho)) \geq 0,$$

for all  $\mu, \rho \in \mathcal{X}$ . Then  $\mathcal{Q}$  has a unique fixed point  $z$  such that  $\varphi(z) = 0$ .

### 3. MAIN RESULTS

**Theorem 3.1.** *Let  $(\mathcal{X}, \Lambda)$  be a complete metric space and let  $\mathcal{Q} : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$  be a mapping. Suppose that there exist a simulation function  $\zeta$  and  $\varphi : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ ,  $\psi \in \Psi$  and  $\alpha : \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{X} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  such that*

$$\zeta(\alpha(\mu, \rho)(\Lambda(\mathcal{Q}\mu, \mathcal{Q}\rho) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}\mu) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}\rho)), \psi(\mathcal{M}(\mu, \rho))) \geq 0, \tag{3.1}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathcal{M}(\mu, \rho) \\ &= \max \left\{ \Lambda(\mu, \rho) + \varphi(\mu) + \varphi(\rho), \Lambda(\mu, \mathcal{Q}\mu) + \varphi(\mu) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}\mu), \right. \\ & \quad \Lambda(\rho, \mathcal{Q}\rho) + \varphi(\rho) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}\rho), \\ & \quad \left. \frac{1}{2} \{ \Lambda(\mu, \mathcal{Q}\rho) + \varphi(\mu) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}\rho) + \Lambda(\rho, \mathcal{Q}\mu) + \varphi(\rho) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}\mu) \} \right\} \end{aligned} \tag{3.2}$$

and satisfies

- (1)  $\mathcal{Q}$  is triangular  $\alpha$ -orbital admissible;
- (2) there exists  $\mu_0 \in \mathcal{X}$  such that  $\alpha(\mu_0, \mathcal{Q}\mu_0) \geq 1$ ;
- (3)  $\mathcal{Q}$  is continuous.

Then there exists  $z \in \mathcal{X}$  such that  $z = \mathcal{Q}z$ .

*Proof.* From the condition (2), there exists  $u_0 \in \mathcal{X}$  such that  $\alpha(\mu_0, \mathcal{Q}\mu_0) \geq 1$ . Starting with this initial point  $u_0 \in \mathcal{X}$  an iterative sequence  $\{\mu_n\}$  is constructed by  $\mu_{n+1} = \mathcal{Q}\mu_n$  for all  $n \geq 0$ . If  $\mu_{m+1} = \mathcal{Q}\mu_m$  for some  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ , then  $\mu_m$  is a fixed point of  $\mathcal{Q}$ . Thus, to continue our proof. Suppose that  $\mu_n \neq \mu_{n+1}$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Using  $\mathcal{Q}$  is  $\alpha$ -orbital admissible, we obtain

$$\alpha(\mu_0, \mu_1) = \alpha(\mu_0, \mathcal{Q}\mu_0) \geq 1 \Rightarrow \alpha(\mathcal{Q}\mu_0, \mathcal{Q}\mu_1) = \alpha(\mu_1, \mu_2) \geq 1. \quad (3.3)$$

By induction, we get

$$\alpha(\mu_n, \mu_{n+1}) \geq 1, \quad \text{for all } n \in \mathbb{N}. \quad (3.4)$$

Using (3.1) and (3.4), it follows that for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \zeta(\alpha(\mu_n, \mu_{n-1})(\Lambda(\mathcal{Q}\mu_n, \mathcal{Q}\mu_{n-1}) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}\mu_n) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}\mu_{n-1})), \psi(\mathcal{M}(\mu_n, \mu_{n-1}))) \\ &= \zeta(\alpha(\mu_n, \mu_{n-1})(\Lambda(\mu_{n+1}, \mu_n) + \varphi(\mu_{n+1}) + \varphi(\mu_n)), \psi(\mathcal{M}(\mu_n, \mu_{n-1}))) \\ &< \psi(\mathcal{M}(\mu_n, \mu_{n-1})) - [\alpha(\mu_n, \mu_{n-1})(\Lambda(\mu_{n+1}, \mu_n) + \varphi(\mu_{n+1}) + \varphi(\mu_n))]. \end{aligned} \quad (3.5)$$

The above inequality shows that

$$\begin{aligned} \Lambda(\mu_{n+1}, \mu_n) + \varphi(\mu_{n+1}) + \varphi(\mu_n) &\leq \alpha(\mu_n, \mu_{n-1})(\Lambda(\mu_{n+1}, \mu_n) + \varphi(\mu_{n+1}) + \varphi(\mu_n)) \\ &< \psi(\mathcal{M}(\mu_n, \mu_{n-1})) \\ &< \mathcal{M}(\mu_n, \mu_{n-1}), \end{aligned} \quad (3.6)$$

for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , where

$$\begin{aligned} &\mathcal{M}(\mu_n, \mu_{n-1}) \\ &= \max \left\{ \Lambda(\mu_n, \mu_{n-1}) + \varphi(\mu_n) + \varphi(\mu_{n-1}), \Lambda(\mu_n, \mathcal{Q}\mu_n) + \varphi(\mu_n) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}\mu_n), \right. \\ &\quad \Lambda(\mu_{n-1}, \mathcal{Q}\mu_{n-1}) + \varphi(\mu_{n-1}) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}\mu_{n-1}), \\ &\quad \frac{1}{2} \{ \Lambda(\mu_n, \mathcal{Q}\mu_{n-1}) + \varphi(\mu_n) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}\mu_{n-1}) \\ &\quad \left. + \Lambda(\mu_{n-1}, \mathcal{Q}\mu_n) + \varphi(\mu_{n-1}) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}\mu_n) \} \right\} \\ &= \max \left\{ \Lambda(\mu_n, \mu_{n-1}) + \varphi(\mu_n) + \varphi(\mu_{n-1}), \Lambda(\mu_n, \mu_{n+1}) + \varphi(\mu_n) + \varphi(\mu_{n+1}), \right. \\ &\quad \Lambda(\mu_{n-1}, \mu_n) + \varphi(\mu_{n-1}) + \varphi(\mu_n), \\ &\quad \left. \frac{1}{2} \{ \Lambda(\mu_n, \mu_n) + \varphi(\mu_n) + \varphi(\mu_n) + \Lambda(\mu_{n-1}, \mu_{n+1}) + \varphi(\mu_{n-1}) + \varphi(\mu_{n+1}) \} \right\}. \end{aligned} \quad (3.7)$$

Since

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{2}\{\Lambda(\mu_n, \mu_n) + \varphi(\mu_n) + \varphi(\mu_n) + \Lambda(\mu_{n-1}, \mu_{n+1}) + \varphi(\mu_{n-1}) + \varphi(\mu_{n+1})\} \\ & \leq \frac{1}{2}\{\Lambda(\mu_n, \mu_{n+1}) + \varphi(\mu_n) + \varphi(\mu_{n+1}) + \Lambda(\mu_{n-1}, \mu_n) + \varphi(\mu_{n-1}) + \varphi(\mu_n)\} \\ & \leq \max\{\Lambda(\mu_n, \mu_{n+1}) + \varphi(\mu_n) + \varphi(\mu_{n+1}), \Lambda(\mu_{n-1}, \mu_n) + \varphi(\mu_{n-1}) + \varphi(\mu_n)\}, \end{aligned} \tag{3.8}$$

it follows from (3.6) that

$$\Lambda(\mu_{n+1}, \mu_n) + \varphi(\mu_{n+1}) + \varphi(\mu_n) < \mathcal{M}(\mu_n, \mu_{n-1}). \tag{3.9}$$

If  $\mathcal{M}(\mu_n, \mu_{n-1}) = \Lambda(\mu_{n+1}, \mu_n) + \varphi(\mu_{n+1}) + \varphi(\mu_n)$ , then it follows from inequality (3.9) that

$$\Lambda(\mu_{n+1}, \mu_n) + \varphi(\mu_{n+1}) + \varphi(\mu_n) < \Lambda(\mu_{n+1}, \mu_n) + \varphi(\mu_{n+1}) + \varphi(\mu_n),$$

which is a contradiction. Therefore, we have

$$\Lambda(\mu_{n+1}, \mu_n) + \varphi(\mu_{n+1}) + \varphi(\mu_n) \geq \Lambda(\mu_{n+1}, \mu_n) + \varphi(\mu_{n+1}) + \varphi(\mu_n),$$

for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , and so  $\mathcal{M}(\mu_n, \mu_{n-1}) = \Lambda(\mu_n, \mu_{n-1}) + \varphi(\mu_n) + \varphi(\mu_{n-1})$ . It follows from (3.6) that

$$\Lambda(\mu_{n+1}, \mu_n) + \varphi(\mu_{n+1}) + \varphi(\mu_n) < \Lambda(\mu_n, \mu_{n-1}) + \varphi(\mu_n) + \varphi(\mu_{n-1}),$$

which implies that  $\{\Lambda(\mu_n, \mu_{n-1}) + \varphi(\mu_n) + \varphi(\mu_{n-1})\}$  is a decreasing sequence and bounded below by zero. Moreover, the inequality (3.6) turns into

$$\begin{aligned} \Lambda(\mu_n, \mu_{n+1}) & \leq \alpha(\mu_n, \mu_{n-1})(\Lambda(\mu_{n+1}, \mu_n) + \varphi(\mu_{n+1}) + \varphi(\mu_n)) \\ & < \psi(\mathcal{M}(\mu_n, \mu_{n-1})) < \mathcal{M}(\mu_n, \mu_{n-1}) \\ & < \Lambda(\mu_n, \mu_{n-1}) + \varphi(\mu_n) + \varphi(\mu_{n-1}). \end{aligned} \tag{3.10}$$

Accordingly, there exists  $R \geq 0$  such that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} [\Lambda(\mu_n, \mu_{n-1}) + \varphi(\mu_n) + \varphi(\mu_{n-1})] = R \geq 0.$$

We will show that have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \Lambda(\mu_n, \mu_{n-1}) = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \varphi(\mu_n) = 0. \tag{3.11}$$

Suppose that  $R > 0$  from the inequality (3.10), we get

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} [\alpha(\mu_n, \mu_{n-1})(\Lambda(\mu_n, \mu_{n-1}) + \varphi(\mu_n) + \varphi(\mu_{n-1}))] = R \tag{3.12}$$

and

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathcal{M}(\mu_n, \mu_{n-1}) = R. \tag{3.13}$$

It follows from the condition ( $\zeta 3$ ), with

$$\vartheta_n = \alpha(\mu_n, \mu_{n-1})(\Lambda(\mu_{n+1}, \mu_n) + \varphi(\mu_{n+1}) + \varphi(\mu_n))$$

and

$$\eta_n = \mathcal{M}(\mu_n, \mu_{n-1})$$

that

$$0 \leq \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} [\alpha(\mu_n, \mu_{n-1})(\Lambda(\mu_{n+1}, \mu_n) + \varphi(\mu_{n+1}) + \varphi(\mu_n)), \mathcal{M}(\mu_n, \mu_{n-1})] < 0,$$

which is a contradiction. Therefore, we have  $R = 0$  and from (3.12), since  $\varphi \geq 0$ , equation (3.11) holds.

Finally, we will show that  $\{\mu_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence in  $\mathcal{X}$ . Using the method of Reduction ad absurdum. Suppose to the contrary that  $\{\mu_n\}$  is not a Cauchy sequence. Then there exists  $\varepsilon > 0$ , for all  $N \in \mathbb{N}$ , there exist  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}$  with  $n > m > N$  and  $\Lambda(\mu_m, \mu_n) > \varepsilon$ . On the other hand, from (3.11), there exists  $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that

$$\Lambda(\mu_n, \mu_{n+1}) < \varepsilon, \quad \text{for all } n > n_0. \quad (3.14)$$

We can find two subsequences  $\{\mu_{n_k}\}$  and  $\{\mu_{m_k}\}$  of  $\{\mu_n\}$  such that

$$n_0 \leq n_k \leq m_k \quad \text{and} \quad \Lambda(\mu_{m_k}, \mu_{n_k}) > \varepsilon, \quad \text{for all } k, \quad (3.15)$$

where  $m_k$  is the smallest index satisfying (3.15). Thus

$$\Lambda(\mu_{m_k-1}, \mu_{n_k}) < \varepsilon, \quad \text{for all } k. \quad (3.16)$$

On account of (3.14), (3.15), and the triangular inequality, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \varepsilon &< \Lambda(\mu_{m_k}, \mu_{n_k}) \\ &\leq \Lambda(\mu_{m_k}, \mu_{m_k-1}) + \Lambda(\mu_{m_k-1}, \mu_{n_k}) \\ &\leq \Lambda(\mu_{m_k}, \mu_{m_k-1}) + \varepsilon, \quad \text{for all } k. \end{aligned} \quad (3.17)$$

Taking  $k \rightarrow \infty$  and using equation (3.11), we obtain

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \Lambda(\mu_{m_k}, \mu_{n_k}) = \varepsilon. \quad (3.18)$$

Using the triangle inequality, we derive that

$$\Lambda(\mu_{m_k}, \mu_{n_k}) \leq \Lambda(\mu_{m_k}, \mu_{m_k+1}) + \Lambda(\mu_{m_k+1}, \mu_{n_k+1}) + \Lambda(\mu_{n_k+1}, \mu_{n_k}), \quad \text{for all } k.$$

So, we we have

$$\Lambda(\mu_{m_k+1}, \mu_{n_k+1}) \leq \Lambda(\mu_{m_k+1}, \mu_{m_k}) + \Lambda(\mu_{m_k}, \mu_{n_k}) + \Lambda(\mu_{n_k}, \mu_{n_k+1}), \quad \text{for all } k.$$

Combining the two inequalities above together with (3.11) and (3.17), we obtain

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \Lambda(\mu_{m_k+1}, \mu_{n_k+1}) = \varepsilon. \quad (3.19)$$

Using the same reasoning as above, we get

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \Lambda(\mu_{m_k}, \mu_{n_k+1}) = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \Lambda(\mu_{m_k+1}, \mu_{n_k}) = \varepsilon. \quad (3.20)$$

Since  $\mathcal{Q}$  is triangular  $\alpha$ -orbital admissible, we have

$$\alpha(\mu_{m_k}, \mu_{n_k}) \geq 1. \tag{3.21}$$

Using (3.1), (3.19) and (3.20), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \zeta(\alpha(\mu_{m_k}, \mu_{n_k})(\Lambda(\mathcal{Q}\mu_{m_k}, \mathcal{Q}\mu_{n_k}) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}\mu_{m_k}) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}\mu_{n_k})), \psi(\mathcal{M}(\mu_{m_k}, \mu_{n_k}))) \\ &= \zeta(\alpha(\mu_{m_k}, \mu_{n_k})(\Lambda(\mu_{m_k+1}, \mu_{n_k+1}) + \varphi(\mu_{m_k+1}) + \varphi(\mu_{n_k+1})), \psi(\mathcal{M}(\mu_{m_k}, \mu_{n_k}))) \\ &< \psi(\mathcal{M}(\mu_{m_k}, \mu_{n_k}, \Lambda, \mathcal{Q}, \varphi)) \\ &\quad - [\alpha(\mu_{m_k}, \mu_{n_k})(\Lambda(\mu_{m_k+1}, \mu_{n_k+1}) + \varphi(\mu_{m_k+1}) + \varphi(\mu_{n_k+1}))]. \end{aligned} \tag{3.22}$$

The above inequality shows that

$$\begin{aligned} &\Lambda(\mu_{m_k+1}, \mu_{n_k+1}) + \varphi(\mu_{m_k+1}) + \varphi(\mu_{n_k+1}) \\ &\leq \alpha(\mu_{m_k}, \mu_{n_k})(\Lambda(\mu_{m_k+1}, \mu_{n_k+1}) + \varphi(\mu_{m_k+1}) + \varphi(\mu_{n_k+1})) \\ &< \psi(\mathcal{M}(\mu_{m_k}, \mu_{n_k})) < \mathcal{M}(\mu_{m_k}, \mu_{n_k}), \end{aligned} \tag{3.23}$$

for all  $k \geq n_1$ , where

$$\begin{aligned} &\mathcal{M}(\mu_{m_k}, \mu_{n_k}) \\ &= \max \left\{ \Lambda(\mu_{m_k}, \mu_{n_k}) + \varphi(\mu_{m_k}) + \varphi(\mu_{n_k}), \Lambda(\mu_{m_k}, \mathcal{Q}\mu_{m_k}) + \varphi(\mu_{m_k}) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}\mu_{m_k}), \right. \\ &\quad \Lambda(\mu_{n_k}, \mathcal{Q}\mu_{n_k}) + \varphi(\mu_{n_k}) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}\mu_{n_k}), \\ &\quad \left. \frac{1}{2} \{ \Lambda(\mu_{m_k}, \mathcal{Q}\mu_{n_k}) + \varphi(\mu_{m_k}) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}\mu_{n_k}) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \Lambda(\mu_{n_k}, \mathcal{Q}\mu_{m_k}) + \varphi(\mu_{n_k}) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}\mu_{m_k}) \} \right\} \\ &= \max \left\{ \Lambda(\mu_{m_k}, \mu_{n_k}) + \varphi(\mu_{m_k}) + \varphi(\mu_{n_k}), \Lambda(\mu_{m_k}, \mu_{m_k+1}) + \varphi(\mu_{m_k}) + \varphi(\mu_{m_k+1}), \right. \\ &\quad \Lambda(\mu_{n_k}, \mu_{n_k+1}) + \varphi(\mu_{n_k}) + \varphi(\mu_{n_k+1}), \\ &\quad \left. \frac{1}{2} \{ \Lambda(\mu_{m_k}, \mu_{n_k+1}) + \varphi(\mu_{m_k}) + \varphi(\mu_{n_k+1}) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \Lambda(\mu_{n_k}, \mu_{m_k+1}) + \varphi(\mu_{n_k}) + \varphi(\mu_{m_k+1}) \} \right\}. \end{aligned} \tag{3.24}$$

Taking the limit as  $k \rightarrow \infty$  in (3.24) and using (3.11), (3.18), (3.19) and (3.20), we find that

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \mathcal{M}(\mu_{m_k}, \mu_{n_k}) = \varepsilon. \tag{3.25}$$

It follows from the condition  $(\zeta 3)$ , with

$$\vartheta_n = \alpha(\mu_{m_k}, \mu_{n_k})(\Lambda(\mu_{m_k+1}, \mu_{n_k+1}) + \varphi(\mu_{m_k+1}) + \varphi(\mu_{n_k+1})) \rightarrow \varepsilon$$

and  $\eta_n = \mathcal{M}(\mu_{m_k}, \mu_{n_k}) \rightarrow \varepsilon$  that

$$0 \leq \limsup_{k \rightarrow \infty} [\alpha(\mu_{m_k}, \mu_{n_k})(\Lambda(\mu_{m_{k+1}}, \mu_{n_{k+1}}) + \varphi(\mu_{m_{k+1}}) + \varphi(\mu_{n_{k+1}})), \mathcal{M}(\mu_{m_k}, \mu_{n_k})] < 0,$$

which is a contradiction. Therefore,  $\{\mu_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence. Owing to the fact that  $(\mathcal{X}, \Lambda)$  is a complete metric space, there exists  $z \in \mathcal{X}$  such that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \Lambda(\mu_n, z) = 0. \tag{3.26}$$

Since  $\mathcal{Q}$  is continuous, we derive from (3.26) that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \Lambda(\mu_{n+1}, \mathcal{Q}z) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \Lambda(\mathcal{Q}\mu_n, \mathcal{Q}z) = 0. \tag{3.27}$$

Taking into account (3.26), (3.27), and the uniqueness of the limit, we conclude that  $z$  is a fixed point of  $\mathcal{Q}$ , that is,  $z = \mathcal{Q}z$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 3.2.** *Let  $(\mathcal{X}, \Lambda)$  be a complete metric space and let  $\mathcal{Q} : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$  be a mapping. Suppose that there exist a simulation function  $\zeta$ , and  $\varphi : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ ,  $\psi \in \Psi$  and  $\alpha : \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{X} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  such that*

$$\zeta(\alpha(\mu, \rho)(\Lambda(\mathcal{Q}\mu, \mathcal{Q}\rho) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}\mu) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}\rho)), \psi(\mathcal{M}(\mu, \rho))) \geq 0, \tag{3.28}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathcal{M}(\mu, \rho) \\ &= \max \left\{ \Lambda(\mu, \rho) + \varphi(\mu) + \varphi(\rho), \Lambda(\mu, \mathcal{Q}\mu) + \varphi(\mu) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}\mu), \right. \\ & \quad \Lambda(\rho, \mathcal{Q}\rho) + \varphi(\rho) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}\rho), \\ & \quad \left. \frac{1}{2} \{ \Lambda(\mu, \mathcal{Q}\rho) + \varphi(\mu) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}\rho) + \Lambda(\rho, \mathcal{Q}\mu) + \varphi(\rho) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}\mu) \} \right\} \end{aligned} \tag{3.29}$$

and satisfies

- (1)  $\mathcal{Q}$  is triangular  $\alpha$ -orbital admissible;
- (2) there exists  $\mu_0 \in \mathcal{X}$  such that  $\alpha(\mu_0, \mathcal{Q}\mu_0) \geq 1$ ;
- (3) If  $\{\mu_n\}$  is a sequence in  $\mathcal{X}$  such that  $\alpha(\mu_n, \mu_{n+1}) \geq 1$  for all  $n$  and  $\mu_n \rightarrow \mu \in \mathcal{X}$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , then there exists a subsequence  $\{\mu_{n_k}\}$  of  $\{\mu_n\}$  such that  $\alpha(\mu_{n_k}, \mu) \geq 1$  for all  $k$ .

Then there exists  $z \in \mathcal{X}$  such that  $z = \mathcal{Q}z$ .

*Proof.* Similarly, in the proof of Theorem 3.1, we know that the sequence  $\{\mu_n\}$  defined by  $\mu_{n+1} = \mathcal{Q}\mu_n$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , is a Cauchy sequence in  $\mathcal{X}$ . Since  $(\mathcal{X}, \Lambda)$  is complete,  $\{\mu_n\}$  converges for some  $z \in \mathcal{X}$ . Since  $\varphi$  is lower semicontinuous, we have

$$\varphi(z) \leq \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \varphi(\mu_n) \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \varphi(\mu_n) = 0,$$



which implies

$$\varphi(z) = 0. \tag{3.30}$$

By (3.4) and condition (2), there exists a subsequence  $\{\mu_{n_k}\}$  of  $\{\mu_n\}$  such that  $\alpha(\mu_{n_k}, z) \geq 1$  for all  $k$ . Using (3.28), for all  $k$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \zeta(\alpha(\mu_{n_k}, z)(\Lambda(\mathcal{Q}\mu_{n_k}, \mathcal{Q}z) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}\mu_{n_k}) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}z)), \psi(\mathcal{Q}(\mu_{n_k}, z))) \\ &= \zeta(\alpha(\mu_{n_k}, z)(\Lambda(\mu_{n_k+1}, \mathcal{Q}z) + \varphi(\mu_{n_k+1}) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}z)), \psi(\mathcal{Q}(\mu_{n_k}, z))) \\ &< \psi(\mathcal{M}(\mu_{n_k}, z)) - [\alpha(\mu_{n_k}, z)(\Lambda(\mu_{n_k+1}, \mathcal{Q}z) + \varphi(\mu_{n_k+1}) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}z))]. \end{aligned}$$

This inequality shows that

$$\begin{aligned} &\Lambda(\mu_{n_k+1}, \mathcal{Q}z) + \varphi(\mu_{n_k+1}) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}z) \\ &\leq \alpha(\mu_{n_k}, z)(\Lambda(\mu_{n_k+1}, \mathcal{Q}z) + \varphi(\mu_{n_k+1}) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}z)) \\ &< \psi(\mathcal{M}(\mu_{n_k}, z)) \\ &< \mathcal{M}(\mu_{n_k}, z), \end{aligned} \tag{3.31}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} &\mathcal{M}(\mu_{n_k}, z) \\ &= \max \left\{ \Lambda(\mu_{n_k}, z) + \varphi(\mu_{n_k}) + \varphi(z), \Lambda(\mu_{n_k}, \mathcal{Q}\mu_{n_k}) + \varphi(\mu_{n_k}) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}\mu_{n_k}), \right. \\ &\quad \Lambda(z, \mathcal{Q}z) + \varphi(z) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}z), \\ &\quad \left. \frac{1}{2} \{ \Lambda(\mu_{n_k}, \mathcal{Q}z) + \varphi(\mu_{n_k}) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}z) + \Lambda(z, \mathcal{Q}\mu_{n_k}) + \varphi(z) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}\mu_{n_k}) \} \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

Taking  $k \rightarrow \infty$  in the above equality, we have

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \mathcal{M}(\mu_{n_k}, z) = \Lambda(z, \mathcal{Q}z) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}z). \tag{3.32}$$

Suppose that  $\Lambda(z, \mathcal{Q}z) > 0$ . Taking  $k \rightarrow \infty$ , using (3.31), (3.32) and the continuity of  $\varphi$ , we get

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \Lambda(\mu_{n_k+1}, \mathcal{Q}z) + \varphi(\mu_{n_k+1}) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}z) < \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \mathcal{M}(\mu_{n_k}, z). \tag{3.33}$$

So,

$$\Lambda(z, \mathcal{Q}z) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}z) < \Lambda(z, \mathcal{Q}z) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}z), \tag{3.34}$$

which is a contradiction, and hence,  $\Lambda(z, \mathcal{Q}z) = 0$ , that is,  $z = \mathcal{Q}z$  and  $\varphi(\mathcal{Q}z) = 0$ . Since  $z = \mathcal{Q}z$  this implies  $\varphi(z) = 0$ .  $\square$

The following theorem is for the uniqueness of the fixed point of the mapping  $\mathcal{Q}$ .

**Theorem 3.3.** *For all  $\mu, \rho \in \text{Fix}(\mathcal{Q})$ , we have  $\alpha(\mu, \rho) \geq 1$ , where  $\text{Fix}(\mathcal{Q})$  denotes the set of fixed points of  $\mathcal{Q}$ . If the hypotheses of Theorem 3.1 (resp., Theorem 3.2) are hold, then  $\mathcal{Q}$  has a unique fixed point in  $\mathcal{X}$ .*

*Proof.* Suppose  $z^*$  is another fixed point of  $\mathcal{Q}$ . Then  $z^* = \mathcal{Q}z^*$  and  $\varphi(z^*) = 0$ . From assumption, we have

$$\alpha(z, z^*) \geq 1. \quad (3.35)$$

It follows from equation (3.1) and (ζ2) that

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \zeta(\alpha(z, z^*)(\Lambda(\mathcal{Q}z, \mathcal{Q}z^*) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}z) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}z^*)), \psi(\mathcal{M}(z, z^*))) \\ &= \zeta(\alpha(z, z^*)(\Lambda(z, z^*) + \varphi(z) + \varphi(z^*)), \psi(\mathcal{M}(z, z^*))) \\ &< \psi(\mathcal{Q}(z, z^*)) - [\alpha(z, z^*)(\Lambda(z, z^*) + \varphi(z) + \varphi(z^*))], \end{aligned} \quad (3.36)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} &\mathcal{M}(z, z^*) \\ &= \max \left\{ \Lambda(z, z^*) + \varphi(z) + \varphi(z^*), \Lambda(z, \mathcal{Q}z) + \varphi(z) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}z), \right. \\ &\quad \left. \Lambda(z^*, \mathcal{Q}z^*) + \varphi(z^*) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}z^*), \right. \\ &\quad \left. \frac{1}{2} \{ \Lambda(z, \mathcal{Q}z^*) + \varphi(z) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}z^*) + \Lambda(z^*, \mathcal{Q}z) + \varphi(z^*) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}z) \} \right\} \\ &= \max \left\{ \Lambda(z, z^*) + \varphi(z) + \varphi(z^*), \Lambda(z, z) + \varphi(z) + \varphi(z), \right. \\ &\quad \left. \Lambda(z^*, z^*) + \varphi(z^*) + \varphi(z^*), \right. \\ &\quad \left. \frac{1}{2} \{ \Lambda(z, z^*) + \varphi(z) + \varphi(z^*) + \Lambda(z^*, z) + \varphi(z^*) + \varphi(z) \} \right\} \\ &= \Lambda(z^*, z). \end{aligned} \quad (3.37)$$

Using (3.36) and (3.37), we obtain

$$0 < \Lambda(z, z^*) - \alpha(z, z^*)\Lambda(z, z^*). \quad (3.38)$$

Therefore, we have

$$\Lambda(z, z^*) \leq \alpha(z, z^*)\Lambda(z, z^*) < \Lambda(z, z^*), \quad (3.39)$$

which is a contradiction. Thus  $z = z^*$ . This completes the proof for the uniqueness.  $\square$

#### 4. CONSEQUENCES

**Corollary 4.1.** *Let  $(\mathcal{X}, \Lambda)$  be a complete metric space and let  $\mathcal{Q} : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$  be a mapping. Suppose that there exist a function  $\varphi : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ ,  $\psi \in \Psi$  and  $\alpha : \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{X} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  such that*

$$\alpha(\mu, \rho)(\Lambda(\mathcal{Q}\mu, \mathcal{Q}\rho) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}\mu) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}\rho)) \leq \psi(\mathcal{M}(\mu, \rho)),$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathcal{M}(\mu, \rho) \\ &= \max \left\{ \Lambda(\mu, \rho) + \varphi(\mu) + \varphi(\rho), \Lambda(\mu, \mathcal{Q}\mu) + \varphi(\mu) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}\mu), \right. \\ & \quad \Lambda(\rho, \mathcal{Q}\rho) + \varphi(\rho) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}\rho), \\ & \quad \left. \frac{1}{2} \{ \Lambda(\mu, \mathcal{Q}\rho) + \varphi(\mu) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}\rho) + \Lambda(\rho, \mathcal{Q}\mu) + \varphi(\rho) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}\mu) \} \right\} \end{aligned}$$

and satisfies

- (1)  $\mathcal{Q}$  is triangular  $\alpha$ -orbital admissible;
- (2) there exists  $\mu_0 \in \mathcal{X}$  such that  $\alpha(\mu_0, \mathcal{Q}\mu_0) \geq 1$ ;
- (3)  $\mathcal{Q}$  is continuous.

Then there exists  $z \in \mathcal{X}$  such that  $z = \mathcal{Q}z$ .

*Proof.* By taking as simulation function

$$\zeta(\eta, \vartheta) = \psi(\vartheta) - \eta, \quad \text{for all } \eta, \vartheta \geq 0$$

and following the proof of Theorem 3.1, then we can prove the corollary.  $\square$

**Corollary 4.2.** *Let  $(\mathcal{X}, \Lambda)$  be a complete metric space and let  $\mathcal{Q} : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$  be a mapping. Suppose that there exist a function  $\varphi : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ ,  $\psi \in \Psi$  such that*

$$\Lambda(\mathcal{Q}\mu, \mathcal{Q}\rho) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}\mu) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}\rho) \leq \psi(\mathcal{M}(\mu, \rho)),$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathcal{M}(\mu, \rho) \\ &= \max \left\{ \Lambda(\mu, \rho) + \varphi(\mu) + \varphi(\rho), \Lambda(\mu, \mathcal{Q}\mu) + \varphi(\mu) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}\mu), \right. \\ & \quad \Lambda(\rho, \mathcal{Q}\rho) + \varphi(\rho) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}\rho), \\ & \quad \left. \frac{1}{2} \{ \Lambda(\mu, \mathcal{Q}\rho) + \varphi(\mu) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}\rho) + \Lambda(\rho, \mathcal{Q}\mu) + \varphi(\rho) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}\mu) \} \right\} \end{aligned}$$

and satisfies

- (1)  $\mathcal{Q}$  is triangular  $\alpha$ -orbital admissible;
- (2) there exists  $\mu_0 \in \mathcal{X}$  such that  $\alpha(\mu_0, \mathcal{Q}\mu_0) \geq 1$ ;
- (3)  $\mathcal{Q}$  is continuous.

Then there exists  $z \in \mathcal{X}$  such that  $z = \mathcal{Q}z$ .

*Proof.* Take  $\alpha(\mu, \rho) = 1$  for all  $\mu, \rho \in \mathcal{X}$  in Corollary 4.1.  $\square$

We can easily prove the two corollaries from the Theorem 3.1.

**Corollary 4.3.** Let  $(\mathcal{X}, \Lambda)$  be a complete metric space and let  $\mathcal{Q} : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$  be a mapping. Suppose that there exist a simulation function  $\zeta, \varphi : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  and  $\alpha : \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{X} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  such that

$$\zeta(\alpha(\mu, \rho)(\Lambda(\mathcal{Q}\mu, \mathcal{Q}\rho) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}\mu) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}\rho)), \Lambda(\mathcal{Q}\mu, \mathcal{Q}\rho) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}\mu) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}\rho)) \geq 0,$$

and satisfies

- (1)  $\mathcal{Q}$  is triangular  $\alpha$ -orbital admissible;
- (2) there exists  $\mu_0 \in \mathcal{X}$  such that  $\alpha(\mu_0, \mathcal{Q}\mu_0) \geq 1$ ;
- (3)  $\mathcal{Q}$  is continuous.

Then there exists  $z \in \mathcal{X}$  such that  $z = \mathcal{Q}z$ .

**Corollary 4.4.** Let  $(\mathcal{X}, \Lambda)$  be a complete metric space and let  $\mathcal{Q} : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$  be a mapping. Suppose that there exist a simulation function  $\zeta, \varphi : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  and  $\alpha : \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{X} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  such that

$$\zeta(\alpha(\mu, \rho)(\Lambda(\mathcal{Q}\mu, \mathcal{Q}\rho) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}\mu) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}\rho)), \Lambda(\mathcal{Q}\mu, \mathcal{Q}\rho) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}\mu) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}\rho)) \geq 0,$$

and satisfies

- (1)  $\mathcal{Q}$  is triangular  $\alpha$ -orbital admissible;
- (2) there exists  $\mu_0 \in \mathcal{X}$  such that  $\alpha(\mu_0, \mathcal{Q}\mu_0) \geq 1$ ;
- (3) If  $\{\mu_n\}$  is a sequence in  $\mathcal{X}$  such that  $\alpha(\mu_n, \mu_{n+1}) \geq 1$  for all  $n$  and  $\mu_n \rightarrow \mu \in \mathcal{X}$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , then there exists a subsequence  $\{\mu_{n_k}\}$  of  $\{\mu_n\}$  such that  $\alpha(\mu_{n_k}, \mu) \geq 1$  for all  $k$ .

Then there exists  $z \in \mathcal{X}$  such that  $z = \mathcal{Q}z$ .

**Corollary 4.5.** Let  $(\mathcal{X}, \Lambda)$  be a complete metric space and let  $\mathcal{Q} : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$  be a mapping. Suppose that there exist a simulation function  $\zeta$  and  $\varphi : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  such that

$$\zeta(\Lambda(\mathcal{Q}\mu, \mathcal{Q}\rho) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}\mu) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}\rho), \Lambda(\mathcal{Q}\mu, \mathcal{Q}\rho) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}\mu) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}\rho)) \geq 0,$$

and satisfies

- (1)  $\mathcal{Q}$  is triangular  $\alpha$ -orbital admissible;
- (2) there exists  $\mu_0 \in \mathcal{X}$  such that  $\alpha(\mu_0, \mathcal{Q}\mu_0) \geq 1$ ;
- (3)  $\mathcal{Q}$  is continuous.

Then there exists  $z \in \mathcal{X}$  such that  $z = \mathcal{Q}z$ .

*Proof.* Take  $\alpha(\mu, \rho) = 1$  for all  $\mu, \rho \in \mathcal{X}$  in Corollary 4.3. □

**Corollary 4.6.** Let  $(\mathcal{X}, \Lambda)$  be a complete metric space and let  $\mathcal{Q} : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$  be a mapping. Suppose that there exist a simulation function  $\zeta$  and  $\varphi : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  such that

$$\zeta(\Lambda(\mathcal{Q}\mu, \mathcal{Q}\rho) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}\mu) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}\rho), \Lambda(\mathcal{Q}\mu, \mathcal{Q}\rho) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}\mu) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}\rho)) \geq 0,$$

and satisfies

- (1)  $\mathcal{Q}$  is triangular  $\alpha$ -orbital admissible;
- (2) there exists  $x_0 \in \mathcal{X}$  such that  $\alpha(\mu_0, \mathcal{Q}\mu_0) \geq 1$ ;
- (3) If  $\{\mu_n\}$  is a sequence in  $\mathcal{X}$  such that  $\alpha(\mu_n, \mu_{n+1}) \geq 1$  for all  $n$  and  $\mu_n \rightarrow \mu \in \mathcal{X}$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , then there exists a subsequence  $\{\mu_{n_k}\}$  of  $\{\mu_n\}$  such that  $\alpha(\mu_{n_k}, \mu) \geq 1$  for all  $k$ .

Then there exists  $z \in \mathcal{X}$  such that  $z = \mathcal{Q}z$ .

*Proof.* Take  $\alpha(\mu, \rho) = 1$  for all  $\mu, \rho \in \mathcal{X}$  in Corollary 4.4. □

5. ILLUSTRATIVE EXAMPLE

**Example 5.1.** Let  $\mathcal{X} = [0, \infty)$  and the metric be defined by the usual metric.

Let  $\psi(\eta) = \frac{5\eta}{4}$  for  $\eta > 0$ , and let

$$\varphi(\eta) = \begin{cases} \frac{\eta}{6}, & \text{if } 0 \leq \eta \leq 1, \\ \frac{\eta}{6} + \frac{1}{6}, & \text{if } 1 \leq \eta \leq 6, \\ \eta, & \text{if } \eta \geq 6. \end{cases}$$

Then  $\psi \in \Psi$ ,  $\varphi$  is lower semicontinuous, and  $\frac{\eta}{6} \leq \varphi(\eta) \leq \eta$ ,  $\eta \geq 0$ .

The mapping  $\mathcal{Q} : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$  is defined by  $\mathcal{Q}\mu = \frac{3\mu^2}{6 + 6\mu}$ . Define a function  $\alpha : \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{X} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  by

$$\alpha(\mu, \rho) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } 0 \leq \mu, \rho \leq 6, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Let  $\zeta(\mu, \rho) = \lambda\rho - \mu$ ,  $\lambda \in [0, 1)$ . We now show that Theorem 3.1 holds. Without loss of generality, assume that  $\mu \geq \rho$ . Then we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{2} \{ \Lambda(\mu, \mathcal{Q}\rho) + \varphi(\mu) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}\rho) + \Lambda(\rho, \mathcal{Q}\mu) + \varphi(\rho) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}\mu) \} \\ & \geq \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \Lambda(\mu, \mathcal{Q}\rho) + \frac{\mu}{6} + \frac{\mathcal{Q}\rho}{6} + \Lambda(\rho, \mathcal{Q}\mu) + \frac{\rho}{6} + \frac{\mathcal{Q}\mu}{6} \right\} \\ & \geq \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \frac{1}{6} \{ \Lambda(\mu, \mathcal{Q}\rho) + \mu + \mathcal{Q}\rho + \Lambda(\rho, \mathcal{Q}\mu) + \rho + \mathcal{Q}\mu \} \right\} \\ & = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{6} \left( \mu + \frac{\mu^2}{1 + \mu} \right), & \text{if } \rho \leq \frac{3\mu^2}{6 + 6\mu} \\ \frac{1}{6} (\mu + \rho), & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \\ & > \frac{1}{6}\mu. \end{aligned}$$

Also, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
& \mathcal{M}(\mu, \rho) \\
&= \max \left\{ \Lambda(\mu, \rho) + \varphi(\mu) + \varphi(\rho), \Lambda(\mu, \mathcal{Q}\mu) + \varphi(\mu) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}\mu), \right. \\
&\quad \left. \Lambda(\rho, \mathcal{Q}\rho) + \varphi(\rho) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}\rho), \right. \\
&\quad \left. \frac{1}{2} \{ \Lambda(\mu, \mathcal{Q}\rho) + \varphi(\mu) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}\rho) + \Lambda(\rho, \mathcal{Q}\mu) + \varphi(\rho) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}\mu) \} \right\} \\
&\geq \frac{1}{6} \max \left\{ \Lambda(\mu, \rho) + \mu + \rho, \Lambda(\mu, \mathcal{Q}\mu) + \mu + \mathcal{Q}\mu, \right. \\
&\quad \left. \Lambda(\rho, \mathcal{Q}\rho) + \rho + \mathcal{Q}\rho, \right. \\
&\quad \left. \frac{1}{2} \{ \Lambda(\mu, \mathcal{Q}\rho) + \mu + \mathcal{Q}\rho + \Lambda(\rho, \mathcal{Q}\mu) + \rho + \mathcal{Q}\mu \} \right\} \\
&= \frac{1}{6} \max \left\{ 2\mu, 2\mu, 2\rho, \frac{1}{6}\mu \right\} \\
&= \frac{1}{3}\mu
\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
\alpha(\mu, \rho)(\Lambda(\mathcal{Q}\mu, \mathcal{Q}\rho) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}\mu) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}\rho)) &\leq \Lambda(\mathcal{Q}\mu, \mathcal{Q}\rho) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}\mu) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}\rho) \\
&\leq \Lambda(\mathcal{Q}\mu, \mathcal{Q}\rho) + \mathcal{Q}\mu + \mathcal{Q}\rho \\
&\leq \left| \frac{3\mu^2}{6+6\mu} - \frac{3\rho^2}{6+6\rho} \right| + \frac{3\mu^2}{6+6\mu} + \frac{3\rho^2}{6+6\rho} \\
&= \frac{\mu^2}{1+\mu}.
\end{aligned}$$

Hence, for  $\lambda \in [0, 1)$  we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
& \zeta(\alpha(\mu, \rho)(\Lambda(\mathcal{Q}\mu, \mathcal{Q}\rho) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}\mu) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}\rho)), \psi(\mathcal{M}(\mu, \rho))) \\
&= \lambda\psi(\mathcal{M}(\mu, \rho)) - \alpha(\mu, \rho)(\Lambda(\mathcal{Q}\mu, \mathcal{Q}\rho) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}\mu) + \varphi(\mathcal{Q}\rho)) \\
&\geq \frac{5}{4}\lambda \left( \frac{1}{3}\mu \right) - \frac{\mu^2}{1+\mu} \\
&= \frac{5\lambda\mu}{12} - \frac{\mu^2}{1+\mu} \geq 0.
\end{aligned}$$

Thus, all the conditions of Theorem 3.1 are satisfied, then  $\mathcal{Q}$  has a unique fixed point which is 0.

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