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# SOME FIXED POINT THEOREMS FOR RATIONAL $(\alpha, \beta, Z)$ -CONTRACTION MAPPINGS UNDER SIMULATION FUNCTIONS AND CYCLIC $(\alpha, \beta)$ -ADMISSIBILITY

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**Abstract.** In this paper, we present some fixed point theorems for rational type contractive conditions in the setting of a complete metric space via a cyclic  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -admissible mapping imbedded in simulation function. Our results extend and generalize some previous works from the existing literature. We also give some examples to illustrate the obtained results.

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## 1. Introduction

Recently, Samet et al. [18] proved a generalization of Banach contraction principle by introducing the notion of  $\alpha - \psi$  contractive type mappings and  $\alpha$ -admissible mappings. This concept is further generalized by many authors ([3, 5, 6, 13]) by introducing generalized  $\alpha - \psi$  contractive type mapping and  $\alpha$ -admissible mapping in different metric spaces.

The concept of cyclic  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -admissible mapping was introduced by Alizadeh et al. [1] by generalizing the concept of  $\alpha$ -admissible mapping of Samet et al. [18]. They proved various fixed point theorems in the setting of metric spaces. Also, Khojasteh et al. [14] introduced the notion of z-contraction by defining the concept of simulation function. The concept of Khojasteh et al. [14] is further modified by Argoubi et al. [4]. They proved the existence of common fixed point results of a pair of nonlinear operators satisfying a certain contractive condition involving simulation functions, in the setting of ordered metric spaces. Afterward, several authors discussed the existence of fixed point by using the simulation function, for instance see ([2, 7, 9, 10, 11, 12, 15, 16, 17]).

In this paper, we consider rational  $(\alpha, \beta, Z)$  contraction mappings under simulation functions involving a cyclic  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -admissibility in a metric space. For this kind of contractions, we establish some fixed point results. Our results are generalization and extension of the results [9] and [16]. For more results of rational type contractions and Z-contraction we refer the paper in ([7, 8, 9, 11, 12, 16, 17]) and references cited therein.

Now we will give some basic definitions and results in metric spaces before presenting our main results.

#### 2. Preliminaries

Alizadeh et al. [1] introduced the notion of cyclic  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -admissible mapping which is defined as follows:

**Definition 2.1.** ([1]) Let X be a nonempty set, f be a self-mapping on X and  $\alpha, \beta: X \to [0, +\infty)$  be two mappings. We say that f is a cyclic  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -admissible mapping if  $x \in X$  with

$$\alpha(x) \ge 1 \Rightarrow \beta(f(x)) \ge 1$$

and

$$\beta(x) \ge 1 \Rightarrow \alpha(f(x)) \ge 1.$$
 (2.1)

In 2015, Khojasteh et al. [14] introduced the class of simulation functions as given below and by using this definition they proved the following theorem:

**Definition 2.2.** Let  $\zeta:[0,\infty)\times[0,\infty)\to\mathbb{R}$  be a mapping. Then  $\zeta$  is called a simulation function if it satisfies the following conditions:

- $(\zeta_1) \ \zeta(0,0) = 0;$
- $(\zeta_2)$   $\zeta(t,s) < s-t$  for all t,s>0;
- $(\zeta_3)$  if  $\{t_n\}$  and  $\{s_n\}$  are sequences in  $(0,\infty)$  such that  $\lim_{n\to\infty} t_n = \lim_{n\to\infty} s_n = l > 0$ , then  $\limsup_{n\to\infty} \zeta(t_n, s_n) < 0$ .

**Theorem 2.3.** ([14]) Let (X, d) be a complete metric space and  $T: X \to X$  be a Z-contraction mapping with respect to a simulation function  $\zeta$ , that is,

$$\zeta(d(Tx, Ty), d(x, y)) \ge 0,$$

for all  $x, y \in X$ . Then T has a unique fixed point.

It is worth mentioning that the Banach contraction is an example of Z-contraction by defining  $\zeta: [0,\infty) \times [0,\infty) \to \mathbb{R}$  via  $\zeta(t,s) = \gamma s - t$  for all  $s,t \in [0,\infty)$ , where  $\gamma \in [0,1)$ .

Argoubi et al.[4] modified the definition of [14] as follows:

**Definition 2.4.** A simulation function is a function  $\zeta : [0, \infty) \times [0, \infty) \to \mathbb{R}$  that satisfies the following conditions

- (1)  $\zeta(t,s) < s-t \text{ for all } t,s>0;$
- (2) if  $\{t_n\}$  and  $\{s_n\}$  are sequences in  $(0, \infty)$  such that  $\lim_{n\to\infty} t_n = \lim_{n\to\infty} s_n = l > 0$ , then  $\limsup_{n\to\infty} \zeta(t_n, s_n) < 0$ .

It is clear that any simulation function in the sense of Khojasteh et al. [14] (Definition 2.2) is also a simulation function in the sense of Argoubi et al. [4] (Definition 2.4). The following example is a simulation function in the sense of Argoubi et al. [4].

**Example 2.5.** Define a function  $\zeta:[0,\infty)\times[0,\infty)\to\mathbb{R}$  by

$$\zeta(t,s) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } (s, t) = (0, 0); \\ \lambda s - t, & \text{if otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

where  $\lambda \in (0,1)$ . Then  $\zeta$  is a simulation function

## 3. Main results

Now, we are ready to prove our result with the following definitions.

**Definition 3.1.** Let (X,d) be a complete metric space,  $T: X \to X$  be a mapping and  $\alpha, \beta: X \to [0,\infty)$  be two functions. Then T is said to be a rational  $(\alpha, \beta, Z)$ -contraction mapping if it satisfies the following conditions:

(1) T is cyclic  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -admissible,

(2) there exists a simulation function  $\zeta \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that

$$\alpha(x)\beta(y) \ge 1 \Rightarrow \zeta(d(Tx, Ty), M(x, y)) \ge 0, \tag{3.1}$$

holds for all  $x, y \in X$ , where

$$M(x,y) = \max \Big\{ d(x,y), \frac{d(x,Tx)d(y,Ty)}{1 + d(x,y)}, \frac{d(x,Tx)d(y,Ty)}{1 + d(Tx,Ty)} \Big\}.$$

**Theorem 3.2.** Let (X,d) be a complete metric space,  $T: X \to X$  be a mapping and  $\alpha, \beta: X \to [0,\infty)$  be two functions. Suppose that the following conditions hold:

- (1) T is a rational  $(\alpha, \beta, Z)$ -contraction mapping.
- (2) There exists an element  $x_0 \in X$  such that  $\alpha(x_0) \geq 1$  and  $\beta(x_0) \geq 1$ .
- (3) T is continuous.

Then T has a fixed point  $u \in X$ .

*Proof.* Assume that there exists  $x_0 \in X$  such that  $\alpha(x_0) \geq 1$ . We divide our proof into the following three steps:

Step 1. Define a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in X such that  $x_{n+1} = Tx_n$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ . If  $x_n = x_{n+1}$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ , then T has a fixed point and the proof is finished. Hence, we assume that  $x_n \neq x_{n+1}$  for some  $n \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ , that is  $d(x_n, x_{n+1}) \neq 0$  for  $n \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ . Since T is a cyclic  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -admissible mapping,  $\alpha(x_0) \geq 1$  and  $\beta(x_0) \geq 1$ ,

$$\beta(x_1) = \beta(Tx_0) \ge 1.$$

It implies that

$$\alpha(x_2) = \alpha(Tx_1) \ge 1.$$

And also, we have

$$\alpha(x_1) = \alpha(Tx_0) \ge 1.$$

It implies that

$$\beta(x_2) = \beta(Tx_1) \ge 1.$$

By the continuing the above process, we have  $\alpha(x_n) \geq 1$  and  $\beta(x_n) \geq 1$ , for all  $n \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ . Thus  $\alpha(x_n)\beta(x_{n+1}) \geq 1$ , for all  $n \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ . Therefore, we get

$$\zeta(d(Tx_n, Tx_{n+1}), M(x_n, x_{n+1})) \ge 0 \tag{3.2}$$

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

$$M(x_n, x_{n+1}) = \max \left\{ d(x_n, x_{n+1}), \frac{d(x_n, Tx_n)d(x_{n+1}, Tx_{n+1})}{1 + d(x_n, x_{n+1})}, \frac{d(x_n, Tx_n)d(x_{n+1}, Tx_{n+1})}{1 + d(Tx_n, Tx_{n+1})} \right\}$$

$$= \max \left\{ d(x_n, x_{n+1}), \frac{d(x_n, x_{n+1})d(x_{n+1}, x_{n+2})}{1 + d(x_n, x_{n+1})}, \frac{d(x_n, x_{n+1})d(x_{n+1}, x_{n+2})}{1 + d(x_{n+1}, x_{n+2})} \right\}$$

$$= \max\{d(x_n, x_{n+1}), d(x_{n+1}, x_{n+2})\}. \tag{3.3}$$

It follows that

$$\zeta(d(x_{n+1}, x_{n+2}), \max\{d(x_n, x_{n+1}), d(x_{n+1}, x_{n+2})\}) \ge 0.$$
(3.4)

 $(\zeta_2)$  of Definition 2.2 implies that

$$0 \leq \zeta(d(x_{n+1}, x_{n+2}), \max\{d(x_n, x_{n+1}), d(x_{n+1}, x_{n+2})\}) < \max\{d(x_n, x_{n+1}), d(x_{n+1}, x_{n+2})\} - d(x_{n+1}, x_{n+2}).$$

Thus, we conclude that

$$d(x_{n+1}, x_{n+2}) < \max\{d(x_n, x_{n+1}), d(x_{n+1}, x_{n+2})\}$$
(3.5)

for all  $n \ge 1$ . From (3.5), we have

$$d(x_{n+1}, x_{n+2}) < d(x_n, x_{n+1}) \text{ for all } n \ge 1.$$
 (3.6)

It follows that the sequence  $\{d(x_n, x_{n+1})\}$  is nonincreasing. Therefore, there exists  $r \geq 0$  such that

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} d(x_n, x_{n+1}) = r.$$

Note that if  $r \neq 0$ , that is r > 0, then by  $(\zeta_2)$  of Definition 2.2, we have

$$0 \le \limsup_{n \to \infty} \zeta(d(x_n, x_{n+1}), d(x_{n+1}, x_{n+2})) < 0,$$

which is a contradiction. This implies that r = 0, that is

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} d(x_n, x_{n+1}) = 0. (3.7)$$

**Step 2.** Now, we prove that  $\{x_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence. Suppose to the contrary, that is,  $\{x_n\}$  is not a Cauchy sequence. Then there exists  $\epsilon > 0$  and two subsequences  $\{x_{m_{(k)}}\}$  and  $\{x_{n_{(k)}}\}$  of  $\{x_n\}$  with  $m_{(k)} > n_{(k)} > k$  and  $m_{(k)}$  is the smallest index in  $\mathbb N$  such that

$$d(x_{n_{(k)}}, x_{m_{(k)}}) \ge \epsilon.$$

So,  $d(x_{n_{(k)}}, x_{m_{(k)-1}}) < \epsilon$ . Triangular inequality implies that

$$\epsilon \leq d(x_{n_{(k)}}, x_{m_{(k)}}) 
\leq d(x_{n_{(k)}}, x_{m_{(k)-1}}) + d(x_{m_{(k)-1}}, x_{m_{(k)}}) 
< \epsilon + d(x_{m_{(k)-1}}, x_{m_{(k)}}).$$

Taking  $k \to \infty$  in the above inequality and using (3.7), we get

$$\lim_{k \to \infty} d(x_{n_{(k)}}, x_{m_{(k)}}) = \epsilon. \tag{3.8}$$

Again, by triangular inequality, we have

$$\begin{array}{ll} d(x_{n_{(k)-1}},x_{m_{(k)-1}}) & \leq & d(x_{n_{(k)-1}},x_{n_k}) + d(x_{n_{(k)}},x_{m_{(k)}}) \\ & & + d(x_{m_{(k)}},x_{m_{(k)-1}}) \\ & \leq & d(x_{n_{(k)-1}},x_{n_k}) + d(x_{n_{(k)}},x_{n_{(k)-1}}) \\ & & + d(x_{n_{(k)-1}},x_{m_{(k)}}) + d(x_{m_{(k)}},x_{m_{(k)-1}}) \\ & \leq & 2d(x_{n_{(k)}},x_{n_{(k)-1}}) + d(x_{n_{(k)-1}},x_{m_{(k)-1}}) \\ & + d(x_{m_{(k)-1}},x_{m_{(k)}}) + d(x_{m_{(k)}},x_{m_{(k)-1}}) \\ & \leq & 2d(x_{n_{(k)}},x_{n_{(k)-1}}) + d(x_{m_{(k)-1}},x_{n_{(k)-1}}) \\ & + 2d(x_{m_{(k)-1}},x_{m_{(k)}}). \end{array}$$

Taking  $k \to \infty$  in the above inequality and using (3.7) and (3.8), we get

$$\lim_{k \to \infty} d(x_{n_{(k)}}, x_{m_{(k)}}) = \lim_{k \to \infty} d(x_{n_{(k)}-1}, x_{m_{(k)}-1})$$

$$= \epsilon.$$
(3.9)

Since  $\alpha(x_n) \geq 1$  and  $\beta(x_n) \geq 1$  for all n = 1, 2, 3, ..., we conclude that

$$\alpha(x_{n_{(k)}-1})\beta(x_{m_{(k)}-1}) \ge 1.$$

Since T is a rational  $(\alpha, \beta, Z)$ -contraction, we have

$$\zeta(d(Tx_{n_{(k)}-1}, Tx_{m_{(k)}-1}), M(x_{n_{(k)}-1}, x_{m_{(k)}-1})) \ge 0$$
(3.10)

for all  $x, y \in X$ , where

$$\begin{split} M(x_{n_{(k)-1}},x_{m_{(k)-1}}) &= & \max \left\{ d(x_{n_{(k)-1}},x_{m_{(k)-1}}), \\ & \frac{d(x_{n_{(k)-1}},Tx_{n_{(k)-1}})d(x_{m_{(k)-1}},Tx_{m_{(k)-1}})}{1+d(x_{n_{(k)-1}},Tx_{m_{(k)-1}})}, \\ & \frac{d(x_{n_{(k)-1}},Tx_{n_{(k)-1}})d(x_{m_{(k)-1}},Tx_{m_{(k)-1}})}{1+d(Tx_{n_{(k)-1}},Tx_{m_{(k)-1}})} \right\} \\ &= & \max \left\{ d(x_{n_{(k)-1}},x_{m_{(k)-1}}), \\ & \frac{d(x_{n_{(k)-1}},x_{n_{(k)}})d(x_{m_{(k)-1}},x_{m_{(k)}})}{1+d(x_{n_{(k)-1}},x_{m_{(k)}})}, \\ & \frac{d(x_{n_{(k)-1}},x_{n_{(k)}})d(x_{m_{(k)-1}},x_{m_{(k)}})}{1+d(x_{n_{(k)}},x_{m_{(k)}})} \right\} \\ &= & \max \{ d(x_{n_{(k)-1}},x_{m_{(k)-1}}), d(x_{n_{(k)-1}},x_{n_{(k)}}) \}. \end{split}$$

By (3.7) and (3.9), we conclude that

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} M(x_{n_{(k)-1}}, x_{m_{(k)-1}}) = \epsilon.$$
(3.11)

Note that by  $(\zeta_2)$  and  $(\zeta_3)$  of Definition 2.2, implies that

$$0 \le \limsup \zeta(d(Tx_{n_{(k)-1}}, Tx_{m_{(k)-1}}), M(x_{n_{(k)-1}}, x_{m_{(k)-1}})) < 0,$$

which is a contradiction. Thus  $\{x_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence.

**Step 3.** Finally, we prove that T has a fixed point. Since  $\{x_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence in the complete metric space X, there exists a  $x^* \in X$  such that  $x_n \to x^*$ . The continuity of T implies that  $Tx_{2n} \to Tx^*$ . Since  $x_{2n+1} = Tx_{2n}$  and  $x_{2n+1} \to x^*$ , by uniqueness of limit, we get  $Tx^* = x^*$ . So  $x^*$  is a fixed point of T. This completes the proof.

We begin our next result with the following definitions and notations.

**Definition 3.3.** We denote by  $\Psi$  the family of all nondecreasing functions  $\psi:[0,\infty)\to[0,\infty)$  such that

- $(\Psi_1)$   $\psi$  is a continuous;
- $(\Psi_2) \ \psi^{-1}(\{0\}) = 0.$

**Definition 3.4.** Let (X,d) be a complete metric space,  $T: X \to X$  be a mapping and  $\alpha, \beta: X \to [0,\infty)$  be two functions. Then T is said to be a generalized rational  $(\alpha, \beta, Z)$ -contraction mapping if T satisfies the following conditions:

- (1) T is a cyclic  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -admissible,
- (2) there exists a simulation function  $\zeta \in Z$  such that

$$\alpha(x)\beta(y) \ge 1 \Rightarrow \zeta(\psi(d(Tx, Ty)), \psi(m(x, y))) \ge 0 \tag{3.12}$$

hold for all  $x, y \in X$ , where

$$m(x,y) = \max \Big\{ d(y,Ty) \frac{1 + d(x,Tx)}{1 + d(x,y)}, \frac{d(x,Tx)d(x,Ty) + d(y,Ty)d(y,Tx)}{d(x,Ty) + d(y,Tx)} \Big\}.$$

From now on, let (X, d) be a metric space and let  $\alpha, \beta : X \to [0, \infty)$  be functions,  $\psi \in \Psi$  and  $\zeta \in Z$ .

**Theorem 3.5.** Let (X,d) be a complete metric space, and let  $T: X \to X$  be a generalized rational  $(\alpha, \beta, Z)$ - contraction mapping with respect to  $\zeta$ . Suppose that  $\alpha(x_0) \geq 1$  and  $\beta(x_0) \geq 1$ , where  $x_0 \in X$ . Assume that either

- (1) T is continuous or
- (2) if  $\{x_n\} \subset X$  is a sequence such that  $\lim_{n\to\infty} d(x_n,x) = 0$  and for all n = 1, 2, 3, ...,

$$\beta(x_n) \ge 1. \tag{3.13}$$

If  $T: X \to X$  is cyclic  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -admissible, then T has a fixed point in X. Further if  $\alpha(x)\beta(y) \geq 1$  for all fixed points x, y of T, then T has a unique fixed point.

Proof. Let  $x_0 \in X$  be a point such that  $\alpha(x_0) \geq 1$  and  $\beta(x_0) \geq 1$ . Define a sequence  $\{x_n\} \subset X$  by  $x_{n+1} = Tx_n$  for all  $n = 0, 1, 2, \ldots$  If  $x_n = x_{n_0+1}$  for some  $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ , then  $x_{n_0}$  is a fixed point of T, and proof is completed. Assume that  $x_n \neq x_{n+1}$  for all  $n = 0, 1, 2, \ldots$  Since T is cyclic  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -admissible and  $\alpha(x_0) \geq 1$ ,  $\beta(x_1) = \beta(Tx_0) \geq 1$ , we have  $\alpha(x_2) = \alpha(Tx_1) \geq 1$ . By continuing this process, we have  $\alpha(x_{2n}) \geq 1$  and  $\beta(x_{2n+1}) \geq 1$  for all  $n = 0, 1, 2, \ldots$  Again, since T is cyclic  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -admissible and  $\beta(x_0) \geq 1$ ,  $\alpha(x_1) = \alpha(Tx_0) \geq 1$  and  $\beta(x_2) = \beta(Tx_1) \geq 1$ .

Recursively, we obtain that

$$\beta(x_{2n}) \geq 1$$
 and  $\alpha(x_{2n+1}) \geq 1$ 

for all n = 0, 1, 2, ... Hence,

$$\alpha(x_n) \ge 1$$
 and  $\beta(x_n) \ge 1$ 

for all n = 0, 1, 2, ..., and hence

$$\alpha(x_{n-1})\beta(x_n) \geq 1$$
 for all  $n = 0, 1, 2, ...$ 

(3.14)

Now for all n = 1, 2, 3, ...,

$$m(x_{n-1}, x_n) = \max \left\{ d(x_n, Tx_n) \frac{1 + d(x_{n-1}, Tx_{n-1})}{1 + d(x_{n-1}, x_n)}, \frac{d(x_{n-1}, Tx_{n-1})d(x_{n-1}, Tx_n) + d(x_n, Tx_n)d(x_n, Tx_{n-1})}{d(x_{n-1}, Tx_n) + d(x_n, Tx_{n-1})} \right\}$$

$$= \max \left\{ d(x_n, x_{n+1}) \frac{1 + d(x_{n-1}, x_n)}{1 + d(x_{n-1}, x_n)}, \frac{d(x_{n-1}, x_n)d(x_{n-1}, x_{n+1}) + d(x_n, x_{n+1})d(x_n, x_n)}{d(x_{n-1}, x_{n+1}) + d(x_n, x_n)} \right\}$$

$$= \max \{ d(x_n, x_{n+1}), d(x_{n-1}, x_n) \}. \tag{3.14}$$

It follows from (3.12) and (3.14), we have

$$0 \leq \zeta(\psi(d(Tx_{n-1}, Tx_n)), \psi(m(x_{n-1}, x_n)))$$

$$= \zeta(\psi(d(x_n, x_{n+1})), \psi(\max\{d(x_n, x_{n+1}), d(x_{n-1}, x_n)\}))$$

$$< \psi(\max\{d(x_{n-1}, x_n), d(x_n, x_{n+1})\}) - \psi(d(x_n, x_{n+1})). \tag{3.15}$$

Consequently, we obtain that for all n = 1, 2, 3, ...,

$$\psi(d(x_n, x_{n+1})) < \psi(\max\{d(x_{n-1}, x_n), d(x_n, x_{n+1})\}).$$

If  $\max\{d(x_{n-1},x_n),d(x_n,x_{n+1})\}=d(x_n,x_{n+1})$  for some n, then

$$\psi(d(x_n, x_{n+1})) < \psi(d(x_n, x_{n+1})),$$

which is a contradiction. Hence  $\max\{d(x_{n-1},x_n),d(x_n,x_{n+1})\}=d(x_{n-1},x_n)$ for all n = 1, 2, 3... and hence from (3.15)

$$0 \leq \zeta(\psi(d(x_n, x_{n+1})), \psi(d(x_{n-1}, x_n)))$$

$$< \psi(d(x_{n-1}, x_n)) - \psi(d(x_n, x_{n+1})), \tag{3.16}$$

which implies

$$\psi(d(x_n, x_{n+1})) < \psi(d(x_{n-1}, x_n))$$

for all  $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$  Since  $\{\psi(d(x_{n-1}, x_n))\}$  is decreasing and bounded from below by 0, there exists  $r \geq 0$  such that

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \psi(d(x_n, x_{n-1})) = r.$$

Now, we show that  $\lim_{n\to\infty} \psi(d(x_n,x_{n-1})) = 0$ . On the contrary, assume that r > 0. Let  $t_n = \psi(d(x_n, x_{n+1}))$  and  $s_n = \psi(d(x_{n-1}, x_n))$ , for all n = 0 $1, 2, 3, \dots$  Then,  $\lim_{n\to\infty} s_n = \lim_{n\to\infty} t_n = r$ . From condition  $(\zeta_3)$  we have

$$0 \le \limsup_{n \to \infty} \zeta(\psi(d(x_n, x_{n+1})), \psi(d(x_{n-1}, x_n))) < 0,$$

which is a contradiction. Hence, we have r=0. Since  $\psi \in \Psi$ ,

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} d(x_n, x_{n-1}) = 0. {(3.17)}$$

We now show that  $\{x_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence. On contrary, let  $\{x_n\}$  be not a Cauchy sequence. Then there exists  $\epsilon > 0$  such that, for all k > 0 there exists m(k) > n(k) > k with

$$d(x_{m_{(k)}}, x_{n_{(k)}}) \ge \epsilon$$
 and  $d(x_{m_{(k)}-1}, x_{n_{(k)}}) < \epsilon$ .

Then, we have

$$\epsilon \leq d(x_{m_{(k)}}, x_{n_{(k)}}) 
\leq d(x_{m_{(k)}}, x_{m_{(k)}-1}) + d(x_{m_{(k)}-1}, x_{n_{(k)}}) 
< d(x_{m_{(k)}}, x_{m_{(k)}-1}) + \epsilon.$$

Letting  $k \to \infty$  in above inequality, we have

$$\lim_{k \to \infty} d(x_{m_{(k)}}, x_{n_{(k)}}) = \epsilon. \tag{3.18}$$

By using (3.17) and (3.18), we obtain

$$\lim_{k \to \infty} d(x_{m_{(k)}+1}, x_{n_{(k)}+1}) = \epsilon. \tag{3.19}$$

Since

$$\alpha(x_n) \ge 1$$
 and  $\beta(x_n) \ge 1$  for all  $n = 1, 2, 3, ...,$   
 $\alpha(x_{m_{(k)}})\beta(x_{n_{(k)}}) \ge 1$ , for all  $k = 1, 2, 3, ....$ 

We deduce that

$$\begin{split} &m(x_{m_{(k)}},x_{n_{(k)}})\\ &= \max\Big\{d(x_{n_{(k)}},Tx_{n_{(k)}})\frac{1+d(x_{m_{(k)}},Tx_{m_{(k)}})}{1+d(x_{m_{(k)}},x_{n_{(k)}})},\\ &\frac{d(x_{m_{(k)}},Tx_{m_{(k)}})d(x_{m_{(k)}},Tx_{n_{(k)}})+d(x_{n_{(k)}},Tx_{n_{(k)}})d(x_{n_{(k)}},Tx_{m_{(k)}})}{d(x_{m_{(k)}},Tx_{n_{(k)}})+d(x_{n_{(k)}},Tx_{m_{(k)}})}\Big\}\\ &= \max\Big\{d(x_{n_{(k)}},x_{n_{(k)}+1})\frac{1+d(x_{m_{(k)}},x_{m_{(k)}+1})}{1+d(x_{m_{(k)}},x_{n_{(k)}})},\\ &\frac{d(x_{m_{(k)}},x_{m_{(k)}+1})d(x_{m_{(k)}},x_{n_{(k)}+1})+d(x_{n_{(k)}},x_{n_{(k)}+1})d(x_{n_{(k)}},x_{m_{(k)}+1})}{d(x_{m_{(k)}},x_{n_{(k)}+1})+d(x_{n_{(k)}},x_{m_{(k)}+1})}\Big\}. \end{split}$$

Let  $s_k = \psi(m(x_{m_{(k)}}, x_{n_{(k)}}))$  and  $t_k = \psi(d(x_{m_{(k)}+1}, x_{n_{(k)}+1}))$ . Then it follows from (3.17), (3.18) and (3.19), we have

$$\lim_{k \to \infty} s_k = \lim_{k \to \infty} t_k = \psi(\epsilon). \tag{3.20}$$

Since  $\psi(\epsilon) > 0$ , it follows from condition  $(\zeta_3)$  that

$$0 \le \limsup_{n \to \infty} \zeta(\psi(d(x_{m_{(k)}+1}, x_{n_{(k)}+1})), \psi(m(x_{m_{(k)}}, x_{n_{(k)}}))) < 0,$$

which is a contradiction. Then  $\{x_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence. It follows from the completeness of X that there exists

$$x^* = \lim_{n \to \infty} x_n \in X. \tag{3.21}$$

If T is continuous, then  $\lim_{n\to\infty} x_n = Tx^*$  and so  $x^* = Tx^*$ . Assume that (3.13) holds. Than  $\alpha(x_n)\beta(x^*) \geq 1$  for all n = 0, 1, 2, ... We have

$$m(x_n, x^*) = \max \left\{ d(x^*, Tx^*) \frac{1 + d(x_n, Tx_n)}{1 + d(x_n, x^*)}, \frac{d(x_n, Tx_n)d(x_n, Tx^*) + d(x^*, Tx^*)d(x^*, Tx_n)}{d(x_n, Tx^*) + d(x^*, Tx_n)} \right\}$$

$$= \max \left\{ d(x^*, x_n) \frac{1 + d(x_n, x_{n+1})}{1 + d(x_n, x^*)}, d(x^*, Tx^*) \right\}.$$

Let  $s_n := \psi(m(x_n, x^*))$  and  $t_n := \psi(d(x_{n+1}, Tx^*))$ . Then,  $\lim_{n \to \infty} s_n = \lim_{n \to \infty} t_n = \psi(d(x^*, Tx^*))$ . Assume that  $\psi(d(x^*, Tx^*)) > 0$ . Then

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} s_n = \lim_{n \to \infty} t_n > 0,$$

it follows from  $(\zeta_3)$  that

$$0 \le \lim_{n \to \infty} \sup \zeta(\psi(d(x_{n+1}, Tx^*)), \psi(m(x_n, x^*))) < 0,$$

which is a contradiction.

Thus  $\psi(d(x^*, Tx^*)) = 0$ . From  $(\psi_2)$  we have  $d(x^*, Tx^*) = 0$ . Hence  $x^*$  is a fixed point of T.

We now show that the fixed point of T is unique under assumption that  $\alpha(x)\beta(y) \geq 1$  for all fixed points x, y of T.

Let  $y^*$  be another fixed point of T. Then  $\alpha(x^*)\beta(y^*) \geq 1$ . Hence from (3.12), we have

$$0 \le \zeta(\psi(d(Tx^*, Ty^*)), \psi(m(x^*, y^*)))$$
  
=  $\zeta(\psi(d(x^*, y^*)), \psi(d(x^*, y^*))).$  (3.22)

If  $d(x^*, y^*) > 0$ , then  $\psi(d(x^*, y^*)) > 0$ . Hence it follows from (3.22) and  $(\zeta_2)$  that

$$\begin{array}{lcl} 0 & \leq & \zeta(\psi(d(x^*,y^*)),\psi(d(x^*,y^*))) \\ & < & \psi(d(x^*,y^*)) - \psi(d(x^*,y^*)) = 0, \end{array}$$

which is a contradiction. Hence  $d(x^*, y^*) = 0$ , and hence T has a unique fixed point.

**Corollary 3.6.** Let (X,d) be a complete metric space and let  $T: X \to X$  be a generalized rational  $(\alpha, \beta, Z)$ -contraction mapping with respect to  $\zeta$  such that

$$\zeta(d(Tx, Ty), m(x, y)) \ge 0$$

for all  $x, y \in X$  with  $\alpha(x)\beta(y) \ge 1$ . Suppose that  $\alpha(x_0) \ge 1$  and  $\beta(x_0) \ge 1$ , where  $x_0 \in X$ . Assume that either

- (1) T is continuous or
- (2) if  $\{x_n\}$  is a sequence in X such that  $\lim_{n\to\infty} d(x_n, x) = 0$  and  $\beta(x_n) \ge 1$  for all n, then  $\beta(x) \ge 1$ .

If  $T: X \to X$  is cyclic  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -admissible, then T has a fixed point in X. Further if  $\alpha(x)\beta(y) \geq 1$  for all fixed points x, y of T, then T has a unique fixed point.

Note that the continuity of the mapping T in Theorem 3.2 can be dropped if we replace condition (3) by a suitable one as in the following result.

**Corollary 3.7.** Let (X,d) be a complete metric space,  $T: X \to X$  be a mapping and  $\alpha, \beta: X \to [0, +\infty)$  be two functions. Suppose that the following conditions hold:

- (1) T is a rational  $(\alpha, \beta, Z)$ -contraction mapping.
- (2) There exists an element  $x_0 \in X$  such that  $\alpha(x_0) \ge 1$  and  $\beta(x_0) \ge 1$ .
- (3) If  $\{x_n\}$  is a sequence in X converges to  $x \in X$  with  $\alpha(x_n) \ge 1$  (or  $\beta(x_n) \ge 1$ ) for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , then  $\beta(x) \ge 1$  (or  $\alpha(x) \ge 1$ ) for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

Then T has a fixed point.

By taking the function  $\beta: X \to [0, +\infty)$  to be  $\alpha$  in Theorem 3.2, we get the following Corollary:

**Corollary 3.8.** Let (X,d) be a complete metric space,  $T: X \to X$  be a mapping and  $\alpha: X \to [0,+\infty)$  be a function. Suppose that the following conditions hold:

(1) There exists  $\zeta \in Z$  such that if  $x, y \in X$  with  $\alpha(x)\alpha(y) \geq 1$ , then  $\zeta(d(Tx, Ty), M(x, y)) \geq 0$ , where

$$M(x,y) = \max\Big\{d(x,y), \frac{d(x,Tx)d(y,Ty)}{1+d(x,y)}, \frac{d(x,Tx)d(y,Ty)}{1+d(Tx,Ty)}\Big\}.$$

- (2) If  $x \in X$  with  $\alpha(x) \ge 1$ , then  $\alpha(Tx) \ge 1$ .
- (3) There exists  $x_0 \in X$  such that  $\alpha(x_0) \geq 1$ .
- (4) If  $\{x_n\}$  is a sequence in X converges to  $x \in X$  with  $\alpha(x_n) \ge 1$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , then  $\alpha(x) \ge 1$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

Then T has a fixed point.

**Example 3.9.** Let X = [-1, 1]. Define  $d: X \times X \to \mathbb{R}$  by d(x, y) = |x - y|. Also, define the mapping  $T: X \to X$  the two functions  $\alpha, \beta: X \to [0, \infty)$  and the function  $\zeta: [0, +\infty) \times [0, \infty) \to \mathbb{R}$  as follows:

$$T(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{x}{4}, & \text{if } x \in [0, 1], \\ 1/4, & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

$$\alpha(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{x+3}{2}, & \text{if } x \in [0,1], \\ 0, & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

$$\beta(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{x+5}{4}, & \text{if } x \in [0,1], \\ 0, & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

$$\zeta(t,s) = \frac{s}{s+1} - t.$$

Then, we have the following:

- (1) (X, d) is a complete metric space.
- (2)  $\zeta$  is a simulation function.
- (3) There exists  $x_0 \in X$  such that  $\alpha(x_0) \ge 1$  and  $\beta(x_0) \ge 1$ .
- (4) T is continuous.
- (5) T is cyclic  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -admissible mapping.
- (6) For  $x, y \in X$  with  $\alpha(x)\beta(y) \geq 1$ , we have

$$\zeta(d(Tx, Ty), M(x, y)) \ge 0,$$

where

$$M(x,y) = \max \Big\{ d(x,y), \frac{d(x,Tx)d(y,Ty)}{1 + d(x,y)}, \frac{d(x,Tx)d(y,Ty)}{1 + d(Tx,Ty)} \Big\}.$$

Indeed, the proof of (1), (2), (3) and (4) are clear. To prove (5), let  $x \in X$ . If  $\alpha(x) \ge 1$  then  $x \in [0,1]$ . So,

$$\beta(Tx) = \beta(x/4) = \frac{(x/4) + 5}{4} = \frac{x + 20}{16} \ge 1.$$

If  $\beta(x) \geq 1$ , then  $x \in [0, 1]$ . So,

$$\alpha(Tx) = \alpha(x/4) = \frac{(x/4) + 3}{2} = \frac{x + 12}{8} \ge 1.$$

So, T is cyclic  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -admissible. To prove (6), let  $x, y \in X$  with  $\alpha(x)\beta(x) \ge 1$ . Then  $x, y \in [0, 1]$ , therefore, we have

$$\zeta(d(Tx,Ty),M(x,y)) = \frac{M(x,y)}{1+M(x,y)} - d(Tx,Ty) 
\geq \frac{d(x,y)}{1+d(x,y)} - |T(x) - T(y)| 
= \frac{d(x,y)}{1+d(x,y)} - |x/4 - y/4| 
= \frac{|x-y|}{1+|x-y|} - |x/4 - y/4| 
= \frac{3|x-y| - |x-y|^2}{4[1+|x-y|]} \geq 0.$$

So, T is a rational  $(\alpha, \beta, Z)$ -contraction mapping. Hence this satisfies all the conditions of Theorem 3.2. So T has fixed point. Here 0 is the fixed point of T.

#### 4. Conclusion

In this paper, we establish some unique fixed point results for rational  $(\alpha, \beta, Z)$ -contraction mapping and generalized rational  $(\alpha, \beta, Z)$ -contraction mapping in the setting of complete metric space via a cyclic  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -admissible mapping imbedded in simulation function. Our results extend and generalize several results from the existing literature.

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