

## A FIXED POINT THEOREM FOR CARISTI-MAPPINGS ON ORDERED T-METRIC SPACES

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**Abstract.** In this paper, we give a fixed point theorem for Caristi-mapping on ordered T-metric spaces.

### 1. INTRODUCTION

It is well known that the Banach contraction principle is a fundamental result in fixed point theory. After this classical result, many authors have extended, generalized and improved this theorem in different ways. For example, ultra metric spaces [4], fuzzy metric spaces [1] and uniform spaces [3]. Recently in [2], the authors have introduced the concept of  $T$ -metric spaces and utilized it to prove a common fixed point theorem for single valued operators in terms of a  $\omega$ - $T$ -distance. This paper is begun by some definitions and lemmas from [2].

### 2. PRELIMINARIES

In what follows,  $\mathbb{N}$  is the set of all natural numbers and  $\mathbb{R}^+$  is the set of all nonnegative real numbers.

A binary operation is a mapping  $\diamond : [0, \infty) \times [0, \infty) \longrightarrow [0, \infty)$  which satisfy the following conditions:

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- (i)  $\diamond$  is associative and commutative,
- (ii)  $\diamond$  is continuous,
- (iii)  $a \diamond 0 = a$  for all  $a \in [0, \infty)$ ,
- (iv)  $a \diamond b \leq c \diamond d$  whenever  $a \leq c$  and  $b \leq d$ , for each  $a, b, c, d \in [0, \infty)$ .

Let  $a, b \in [0, \infty)$ . Five typical examples of  $\diamond$  are:

- (a)  $a \diamond_1 b = \max\{a, b\}$ ,
- (b)  $a \diamond_2 b = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$ ,
- (c)  $a \diamond_3 b = a + b$ ,
- (d)  $a \diamond_4 b = ab + a + b$ ,
- (e)  $a \diamond_5 b = (\sqrt{a} + \sqrt{b})^2$ .

For  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}^+$ , straight forward calculations lead to the following relations among normed binary operations giving above

$$a \diamond_1 b \leq a \diamond_2 b \leq a \diamond_3 b \leq a \diamond_4 b$$

and

$$a \diamond_3 b \leq a \diamond_5 b.$$

**Lemma 2.1.** ([2]) *Let  $f : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  be a continuous, onto, and increasing map. If define  $a \diamond b = f^{-1}(f(a) + f(b))$  for each  $a, b \in [0, \infty)$ , then  $\diamond$  is a binary operation.*

**Example 2.2.** ([2])  *$f : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  defined by  $f(x) = e^x - 1$ . Then  $f$  is a continuous, onto and increasing map and  $a \diamond b = \text{Ln}(e^a + e^b - 1)$  for  $a, b \in [0, \infty)$  is a binary operation.*

We have the following simple lemma.

**Lemma 2.3.** ([2]) (i) *If  $r, r' \geq 0$ , then  $r \leq r \diamond r'$ .*  
(ii) *If  $\delta \in (0, r)$ , there exist  $\delta' \in (0, r)$  such that  $\delta' \diamond \delta < r$ .*  
(iii) *For every  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists  $\delta > 0$  such that  $\delta \diamond \delta < \varepsilon$ .*

**Definition 2.4.** ([2]) Let  $X$  be a nonempty set. A  $T$  - metric on  $X$  is a function  $T : X^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  that satisfies the following conditions: for  $x, y, z \in X$

- (i)  $T(x, y) \geq 0$  and  $T(x, y) = 0$  if and only if  $x = y$ ,
- (ii)  $T(x, y) = T(y, x)$ ,
- (iii)  $T(x, y) \leq T(x, z) \diamond T(z, y)$ .

The 3 - tuple  $(X, T, \diamond)$  is called a  $T$  - metric space.

**Example 2.5.** ([2]) (i) *Every ordinary metric  $d$  is a  $T$  - metric with  $a \diamond b = a + b$ .*

(ii) Let  $X = \mathbb{R}$  and  $T(x, y) = \sqrt{|x - y|}$  for every  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$ . If we take  $a \diamond b = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$ , then the function  $T$  is a  $T$ -metric on  $X$ .

(iii) Let  $X = \mathbb{R}$  and  $T(x, y) = (x - y)^2$  for  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$ . If we take  $a \diamond b = (\sqrt{a} + \sqrt{b})^2$ , then the function  $T$  is a  $T$ -metric on  $X$ .

**Remark 2.6.** ([2]) For fixed point  $0 \leq \alpha \leq \frac{\pi}{4}$  if there exist  $\beta, \gamma$  such that

$$0 \leq \alpha \leq \beta + \gamma < \frac{\pi}{2},$$

then

$$\tan \alpha \leq \tan \beta + \tan \gamma + \tan \beta \cdot \tan \gamma.$$

**Example 2.7.** ([2]) Let  $X = [0, 1]$  and  $T(x, y) = \tan\left(\frac{\pi}{4}|x - y|\right)$  for every  $x, y \in X$ . If we take  $a \diamond b = a + b + ab$ , then by Remark 2.6 we have

$$T(x, y) \leq T(x, z) \diamond T(z, y).$$

Therefore the function  $T$  is a  $T$ -metric on  $X$ .

**Definition 2.8.** ([2]) Let  $(X, T, \diamond)$  be a  $T$ -metric space,  $r > 0$  and  $A \subset X$ .

(1) The set  $B_T(x, r) = \{y \in X : T(x, y) < r\}$  is called a ball, centered at  $x$  and radius  $r$ .

(2) If for every  $x \in A$  there exists  $r > 0$  such that  $B_T(x, r) \subset A$ , then the set  $A$  is called open subset of  $X$ .

(3) A sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $X$  converges to  $x$  if  $T(x_n, x) \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  and write  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x$ . That is for each  $\varepsilon > 0$  there exists  $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $T(x_n, x) < \varepsilon$  for all  $n \geq n_0$ , then  $\{x_n\}$  converges to  $x$ .

(4) A sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $X$  is called a Cauchy sequence if for each  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists  $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $T(x_n, x_m) < \varepsilon$  for all  $n, m \geq n_0$ .

(5) The  $T$ -metric space  $(X, T, \diamond)$  is said to be complete if every Cauchy sequence in  $X$  is convergent in  $X$ .

Let  $\tau$  be the set of all open subsets of  $X$ , then  $\tau$  is a topology on  $X$  (induced by the  $T$ -metric  $T$ ).

**Lemma 2.9.** ([2]) Let  $(X, T, \diamond)$  be a  $T$ -metric space. If  $r > 0$ , then the ball  $B_T(x, r)$  is an open set.

**Lemma 2.10.** ([2]) Let  $(X, T, \diamond)$  be a  $T$ -metric space. If a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $X$  converges to  $x$ , then  $x$  is unique.

**Lemma 2.11.** ([2]) *Let  $(X, T, \diamond)$  be a  $T$ -metric space. Then every convergent sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $X$  is a Cauchy sequence.*

**Definition 2.12.** ([2]) Let  $(X, T, \diamond)$  be a  $T$ -metric space.  $T$  is said to be continuous if  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} T(x_n, y_n) = T(x, y)$ , whenever

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} T(x_n, x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} T(y_n, y) = 0.$$

**Lemma 2.13.** ([2]) *Let  $(X, T, \diamond)$  be a  $T$ -metric space. Then  $T$  is a continuous function.*

### 3. MAIN RESULTS

In this section, we establish a common fixed point theorem in ordered  $T$ -metric space.

**Definition 3.1.** Let  $(X, T, \diamond)$  be a  $T$ -metric space and  $\phi$  be a mapping from  $X$  to  $\mathbb{R}$ .

(i) Let  $S : X \rightarrow X$  be an arbitrary self-mapping on  $X$  such that

$$T(x, Sx) \leq \phi(x) - \phi(Sx) \text{ for all } x \in X,$$

where  $S$  is called a Caristi map on  $(X, T, \diamond)$ .

(ii) Let  $S, R : X \rightarrow X$  be two self-mappings on  $X$  such that

$$T(Sx, Rx) \leq \phi(Sx) - \phi(Rx) \text{ for all } x \in X,$$

where  $R$  is called a  $S$ -Caristi map on  $(X, T, \diamond)$ .

(iii) Define the relation  $\preceq$  on  $X$  ( induced by  $\phi$  ) as follows:

$$x \preceq y \iff T(x, y) \leq \phi(x) - \phi(y).$$

In the sequel, the operation  $\diamond : \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$  satisfies the property:

$$a \diamond b \leq a + b.$$

**Lemma 3.2.** *Let  $(X, T, \diamond)$  be a  $T$ -metric space and  $\phi$  be a mapping from  $X$  to  $\mathbb{R}$ . The  $\preceq$  induced by  $\phi$  is a (partial) order on  $X$ .*

*Proof.* (i) Obviously  $x \preceq x$ .

(ii) It is easy to see that if  $x \preceq y$  and  $y \preceq x$  then  $x = y$ .

(iii) Let  $x \preceq y$  then  $T(x, y) \leq \phi(x) - \phi(y)$ . Also, if  $y \preceq z$  then  $T(y, z) \leq \phi(y) - \phi(z)$ . From Definition 2.4 (iii), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
T(x, z) &\leq T(x, y) \diamond T(y, z) \\
&\leq T(x, y) + T(y, z) \\
&\leq \phi(x) - \phi(y) + \phi(y) - \phi(z) \\
&= \phi(x) - \phi(z).
\end{aligned}$$

So,  $x \preceq z$ . □

Now, let us present our main results.

**Theorem 3.3.** *Let  $(X, T, \diamond)$  be a complete  $T$ -metric space and  $\phi : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a lower semicontinuous function which is bounded below and  $\preceq$  be the order induced by  $\phi$ . Let  $S, R : X \rightarrow X$  be two selfmappings such that  $R$  is a  $S$ -Caristi map on  $(X, T)$ . If  $S(X)$  be a closed subspace of  $X$ , then there exists  $z \in X$  such that  $Sz = Rz$ .*

*Proof.* For each  $x \in X$ , define

$$H(x) = \{z \in X : Sz \preceq z\}$$

and

$$\alpha(x) = \inf\{\phi(Sx) : Sx \in H(x)\}. \quad (3.1)$$

Since  $Sx \in H(x)$ , then  $H(x) \neq \emptyset$ . From (3.1) we have  $\alpha(x) \leq \phi(Sx)$ . Take  $x \in X$ . We construct a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in the following way:

$$\begin{aligned}
x_1 &:= Sx, \\
Sx_{n+1} &\in H(x_n) \text{ such that } \phi(Sx_{n+1}) \leq \alpha(x_n) + \frac{1}{n}, \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}.
\end{aligned}$$

It is easy to see that

$$T(Sx_n, Sx_{n+1}) \leq \phi(Sx_n) - \phi(Sx_{n+1}) \quad (3.2)$$

and

$$\alpha(x_n) \leq \phi(Sx_{n+1}) \leq \alpha(x_n) + \frac{1}{n}, \text{ for every } n \in \mathbb{N}. \quad (3.3)$$

Note that (3.2) implies that  $\{\phi(Sx_n)\}$  is a decreasing sequence of real numbers, and it is bounded. Therefore, the sequence  $\{\phi(Sx_n)\}$  is convergent to some positive real number, say  $L$ . Thus regarding (3.3), we have

$$L = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \phi(Sx_n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \alpha(x_n). \quad (3.4)$$

From (3.3) and (3.4), for each  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ , there exists  $\mathbb{N}_k \in \mathbb{N}$  such that

$$\phi(Sx_n) \leq L + \frac{1}{k}, \text{ for all } n \geq \mathbb{N}_k. \quad (3.5)$$

Regarding the monotonicity of  $\{\phi(Sx_n)\}$ , for  $m \geq n \geq \mathbb{N}_k$ , we have

$$L \leq \phi(Sx_m) \leq \phi(Sx_n) \leq L + \frac{1}{k}. \quad (3.6)$$

Thus, we get that

$$\phi(Sx_n) - \phi(Sx_m) < \frac{1}{k}, \text{ for all } m \geq n \geq \mathbb{N}_k. \quad (3.7)$$

On the other hand, taking (3.2) into account, together with the triangle inequality, we observe that

$$\begin{aligned} T(Sx_n, Sx_m) &\leq T(Sx_n, Sx_{n+1}) \diamond T(Sx_{n+1}, Sx_{n+2}) \diamond \cdots \diamond T(Sx_{m-1}, Sx_m) \\ &\leq T(Sx_n, Sx_{n+1}) + T(Sx_{n+1}, Sx_{n+2}) + \cdots + T(Sx_{m-1}, Sx_m) \\ &\leq \phi(Sx_n) - \phi(Sx_{n+1}) + \phi(Sx_{n+1}) - \phi(Sx_{n+2}) + \cdots \\ &\quad + \phi(Sx_{m-1}) - \phi(Sx_m) \\ &= \phi(Sx_n) - \phi(Sx_m) \end{aligned} \quad (3.8)$$

for all  $m \geq n$ . That is

$$T(Sx_n, Sx_m) \leq \phi(Sx_n) - \phi(Sx_m)$$

and taking (3.7) into account, (3.8) turns into

$$T(Sx_n, Sx_m) \leq \phi(Sx_n) - \phi(Sx_m) < \frac{1}{k}, \text{ for all } m \geq n \geq \mathbb{N}_k. \quad (3.9)$$

Since the sequence  $\{\phi(Sx_n)\}$  is convergent, the right hand side of (3.9) tends to zero. Which means that  $\{Sx_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence in  $(X, T, \diamond)$ . Since  $(X, T, \diamond)$  is complete, the sequence  $\{Sx_n\}$  converges in  $(X, T, \diamond)$ , say  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} T(Sx_n, x^*) = 0$ . Since  $S(X)$  is a closed subspace of  $X$ , there exists  $z \in X$  such that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Rx_n = x^* = Sz$ .

On the other hand, with the triangle inequality, we observe that

$$\begin{aligned} T(Sx_n, Rz) &\leq T(Sx_n, Sz) \diamond T(Sz, Rz) \\ &\leq T(Sx_n, Sz) + T(Sz, Rz) \\ &\leq \phi(Sx_n) - \phi(Sz) + \phi(Sz) - \phi(Rz). \end{aligned}$$

That is

$$T(Sx_n, Rz) \leq \phi(Sx_n) - \phi(Rz).$$

Hence,  $Rz \in H(x_n)$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  which yields that  $\alpha(x_n) \leq \phi(Rz)$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . From (3.4), the inequality  $L \leq \phi(Rz)$  is obtained. Moreover, by lower semi-continuity of  $\phi$ , we have

$$\phi(Sz) \leq \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \phi(Sx_n) = L \leq \phi(Rz).$$

Since  $R$  is a  $S$ -Caristi map for each  $x \in X$ , then we have

$$T(Sz, Rz) \leq \phi(Sz) - \phi(Rz).$$

Thus  $\phi(Rz) \leq \phi(Sz)$  and we get that  $\phi(Sz) = \phi(Rz)$ . Hence  $T(Sz, Rz) \leq 0$  which implies that  $Sz = Rz$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 3.4.** *Let  $(X, T, \diamond)$  be a complete  $T$ -metric space and  $\phi : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a lower semicontinuous function which is bounded below and  $\leq$  be the order induced by  $\phi$ . Let  $R : X \rightarrow X$  be a Caristi selfmapping. Then  $R$  has a unique fixed point in  $X$ .*

*Proof.* If we take  $S = I$  (Identity map) in Theorem 3.3, we get that  $Rz = z$ . For the uniqueness, Suppose  $z'$  is another common fixed point of  $R$ . We have

$$T(z, z') = T(z, Rz') \leq \phi(z) - \phi(Rz') = \phi(z) - \phi(z').$$

Also

$$T(z', z) = T(z', Rz) \leq \phi(z') - \phi(Rz) = \phi(z') - \phi(z).$$

Therefore,  $2T(z', z) = 0$  which implies that  $z = z'$ .  $\square$

**Example 3.5.** *Let  $X = [0, 1]$  and  $T$  be the usual metric  $d(x, y) = |x - y|$  for every  $x, y \in [0, 1]$ . Define  $\phi : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  by  $\phi(x) = -2x$ . Let  $\leq$  be usual order on  $X$  and define*

$$x \leq y \iff T(x, y) \leq \phi(x) - \phi(y).$$

*It is easy to see that  $\leq$  is a partial order induced by  $\phi$  on  $X$ . Let  $R(x) = \frac{2x + 1}{3}$ , then obviously  $T(x, Rx) \leq \phi(x) - \phi(Rx)$  and all conditions of Corollary 3.4 are holds, also  $x = 1$  is the unique fixed point of  $R$ .*

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