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## A GENERALIZED CONTRACTION PRINCIPLE WITH CONTROL FUNCTION ON *M*-METRIC SPACES

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**Abstract.** *M*-metric spaces were introduced by Asadi *et al.* [3] in 2014 as a part of the study of denotational semantics of data flow networks. In this paper, we prove a generalized contraction principle functions  $\varphi$  and  $\psi$  on *M*-metric spaces. The theorems we prove generalize many previously obtained results.

### 1. INTRODUCTION

The notion of metric space was introduced by Fréchet [8] in 1906. Later, many authors attempted to generalize the notion of metric space such as pseudo metric space, quasi metric space, semi metric spaces. In this paper, we consider another generalization of a metric space, so called *M*-metric space. This notion was introduced by Asadi *et al.* (see e.g. [3, 4, 5, 13]) to solve some difficulties in domain theory of computer science. The concept of the metric space was applied to domain theory problems by Khan [9] in 1974. By using Baire metric, Khan [9] modeled a parallel computation consisting of a set that sends unending streams of information. Basically, he modeled a

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computation program that was based on an infinite sequence, but in computer science, an infinite sequence corresponding to unterminated programs. During the last decades many authors focused on a generalization of Banach contraction mapping principle. After the appearance of partial metric spaces as a place for distinct research work in to flow analysis, non-symmetric topology and domain theory [11, 12], some authors started to generalize this principle to these spaces [1, 2, 14, 16]. In this paper we prove fixed point theorem for a wide general type contractive mappings in M-metric spaces and hence generalize some previously obtained results such as those in [6, 7, 10, 15].

The following notations are useful in the sequel.

(1) 
$$m_{xy} := \min\{m(x,x), m(y,y)\} = m(x,x) \lor m(y,y),$$

(2)  $M_{xy} := \max\{m(x, x), m(y, y)\} = m(x, x) \land m(y, y).$ 

**Definition 1.1.** ([3]) Let X be a non empty set. A function  $m: X \times X \to \mathbb{R}^+$ is called a *m*-metric if the following conditions are satisfied:

(m1)  $m(x,x) = m(y,y) = m(x,y) \iff x = y,$ (m2)  $m_{xy} \leq m(x,y),$ (m3) m(x, y) = m(y, x),(m4)  $(m(x,y) - m_{xy}) \le (m(x,z) - m_{xz}) + (m(z,y) - m_{zy}).$ 

Then the pair (X, m) is called a *M*-metric space.

### **Remark 1.2.** ([3]) For every $x, y \in X$

- (1)  $0 \le M_{xy} + m_{xy} = m(x, x) + m(y, y),$
- (2)  $0 \le M_{xy} m_{xy} = |m(x, x) m(y, y)|,$ (3)  $M_{xy} m_{xy} \le (M_{xz} m_{xz}) + (M_{zy} m_{zy}).$

The next examples state that  $m^s$  and  $m^w$  are ordinary metric.

**Example 1.3.** ([3]) Let m be a m-metric. Put

(1)  $m^w(x,y) = m(x,y) - 2m_{xy} + M_{xy}$ , (2)  $m^{s}(x,y) = m(x,y) - m_{xy}$  when  $x \neq y$  and  $m^{s}(x,y) = 0$  if x = y.

Then  $m^w$  and  $m^s$  are ordinary metrics.

In the following example we present an example of a *m*-metric which is not *p*-metric.

# **Remark 1.4.** ([3]) For every $x, y \in X$

(1)  $m(x,y) - M_{xy} \le m^w(x,y) \le m(x,y) + M_{xy},$ (2)  $(m(x,y) - M_{xy}) \le m^s(x,y) \le m(x,y).$ 

**Example 1.5.** ([3]) Let  $X = \{1, 2, 3\}$ . Define

$$m(1,2) = m(2,1) = m(1,1) = 8,$$

 $m(1,3) = m(3,1) = m(3,2) = m(2,3) = 7, \quad m(2,2) = 9, \quad m(3,3) = 5,$ 

so *m* is *m*-metric but *m* is not *p*-metric. Since  $m(2,2) \not\leq m(1,2)$  means *m* is not *p*-metric. If  $D(x,y) = m(x,y) - m_{x,y}$ , then  $m(1,2) = m_{1,2} = 8$  but it means D(1,2) = 0 while  $1 \neq 2$  which means *D* is not metric.

**Example 1.6.** ([3]) Let (X, d) be a metric space and  $\phi : [0, \infty) \to [\phi(0), \infty)$  be an one to one and nondecreasing or strictly increasing mapping with  $\phi(0) \ge 0$  is defined, such that

$$\phi(x+y) \le \phi(x) + \phi(y) - \phi(0), \quad \forall x, y \ge 0.$$

Then  $m(x, y) = \phi(d(x, y))$  is a *m*-metric.

**Example 1.7.** ([3]) Let (X, d) be a metric space. Then m(x, y) = ad(x, y) + b where a, b > 0 is a *m*-metric, because put  $\phi(t) = at + b$ .

**Lemma 1.8.** ([3]) Every p-metric is an M-metric.

#### 2. Topology for M-metric space

It is clear that each *m*-metric *p* on X generates a  $T_0$  topology  $\tau_m$  on X. The set

$$\{B_m(x,\varepsilon): x \in X, \ \varepsilon > 0\},\$$

where

$$B_m(x,\varepsilon) = \{ y \in X : m(x,y) < m_{x,y} + \varepsilon \},\$$

for all  $x \in X$  and  $\varepsilon > 0$ , forms the base of  $\tau_m$ .

**Definition 2.1.** ([3]) Let (X, m) be a *M*-metric space. Then:

(1) A sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in a *M*-metric space (X, m) converges to a point  $x \in X$  if and only if

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} (m(x_n, x) - m_{x_n, x}) = 0.$$
(2.1)

(2) A sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in a *M*-metric space (X, m) is called a *m*-Cauchy sequence if

$$\lim_{n,m\to\infty} (m(x_n, x_m) - m_{x_n, x_m}) \quad \text{and} \quad \lim_{n,m\to\infty} (M_{x_n, x_m} - m_{x_n, x_m})$$
(2.2)

are exist and finite.

(3) A *M*-metric space (X, m) is said to be complete if every *m*-Cauchy sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in X converges, with respect to  $\tau_m$ , to a point  $x \in X$  such that

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} (m(x_n, x) - m_{x_n, x}) = 0 \text{ and } \lim_{n \to \infty} (M_{x_n, x} - m_{x_n, x}) = 0.$$

**Lemma 2.2.** ([3]) Let (X, m) be a *M*-metric space. Then:

- (1)  $\{x_n\}$  is a m-Cauchy sequence in (X,m) if and only if it is a Cauchy sequence in the metric space  $(X,m^w)$ .
- (2) A M-metric space (X,m) is complete if and only if the metric space  $(X,m^w)$  is complete. Furthermore,

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} m^w(x_n, x) = 0$$
  
$$\iff \left[\lim_{n \to \infty} (m(x_n, x) - m_{x_n, x}) = 0 \text{ and } \lim_{n \to \infty} (M_{x_n, x} - m_{x_n, x}) = 0\right].$$

Likewise above definition holds also for  $m^s$ .

**Lemma 2.3.** ([3]) Assume that  $x_n \to x$  and  $y_n \to y$  as  $n \to \infty$  in a *M*-metric space (X, m). Then

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} (m(x_n, y_n) - m_{x_n, y_n}) = m(x, y) - m_{xy}.$$

*Proof.* We have

$$|(m(x_n, y_n) - m_{x_n, y_n}) - (m(x, y) - m_{x, y})| \le (m(x_n, x) - m_{x_n, x}) + (m(y, y_n) - m_{y, y_n}).$$

From Lemma 2.3 we can deduce the following lemma.

**Lemma 2.4.** ([3]) Assume that  $x_n \to x$  as  $n \to \infty$  in a M-metric space (X,m). Then

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} (m(x_n, y) - m_{x_n, y}) = m(x, y) - m_{x, y},$$

for all  $y \in X$ .

**Lemma 2.5.** ([3]) Assume that  $x_n \to x$  and  $x_n \to y$  as  $n \to \infty$  in a *M*-metric space (X,m). Then  $m(x,y) = m_{xy}$ . Further if m(x,x) = m(y,y), then x = y.

Proof. By Lemma 2.3, we have

$$0 = \lim_{n \to \infty} (m(x_n, x_n) - m_{x_n, x_n}) = m(x, y) - m_{xy}.$$

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### 3. Main result

**Theorem 3.1.** Let (X, m) be a complete *M*-metric space and  $T : X \to X$  be a self-mapping satisfying

$$\psi(m(Tx,Ty)) \le \psi(m(x,y)) - \phi(m(x,y)), \quad \forall x,y \in X,$$
(3.1)

where  $\psi, \phi : [0, \infty) \to [0, \infty)$  are both continuous and monotone nondecreasing function with  $\psi(t) = \phi(t) = 0$  if and only if t = 0. Then T has a unique fixed point.

*Proof.* Fix  $x_0 \in X$  and define  $x_n = T^n x_0$  for every  $n = 1, 2, 3, \cdots$ . We shall prove that

$$m(x_n, x_{n+1}) \to 0$$
 as  $n \to \infty$ .

We have

$$\psi(m(x_n, x_{n+1})) = \psi(m(Tx_{n-1}, Tx_n))$$
  

$$\leq \psi(m(x_{n-1}, x_n)) - \phi(m(x_{n-1}, x_n)).$$
(3.2)

So we have

$$\psi(m(x_n, x_{n+1})) \le \psi(m(x_{n-1}, x_n)).$$

Together with that  $\psi$  is nondecreasing implies that the sequence  $\{m(x_n, x_{n+1})\}$  is monotone decreasing and hence there is an  $m \ge 0$  such that

 $m(x_n, x_{n+1}) \to m$  as  $n \to \infty$ .

Letting  $n \to \infty$  in (3.2) and by continuity of  $\psi$  and  $\phi$  we obtain

 $\psi(m) \le \psi(m) - \phi(m).$ 

Which is a contradiction unless m = 0. Hence,

 $m(x_n, x_{n+1}) \to 0$  as  $n \to \infty$ .

Now we want to show that  $\{x_n\}$  is an *m*-Cauchy sequence in (X, m) so by Lemma 2.2 we will prove that  $\{x_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence in  $(X, m^w)$ . But we have

(1) 
$$\lim_{n \to \infty} m(x_n, x_{n+1}) = 0,$$
  
(2)  $0 \le m_{x_n, x_{n+1}} \le m(x_n, x_{n+1}) \Rightarrow \lim_{n \to \infty} m_{x_n, x_{n+1}} = 0,$   
(3)  $m_{x_n, x_{n+1}} = \min\{m(x_n, x_n), m(x_{n+1}, x_{n+1})\} \Rightarrow \lim_{n \to \infty} m(x_n, x_n) = 0$ 

On the other hand

$$m_{x_n, x_m} = \min\{m(x_n, x_n), m(x_m, x_m)\} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \lim_{n, m \to \infty} m_{x_n, x_m} = 0$$

and

$$M_{x_n, x_m} = \max\{m(x_n, x_n), m(x_m, x_m)\} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \lim_{n, m \to \infty} M_{x_n, x_m} = 0.$$

Assume that  $\{x_n\}$  is not Cauchy in  $(X, m^w)$ . Then there exist some  $\epsilon > 0$  for sub sequences  $\{x_{l_k}\}$  and  $\{x_{n_k}\}$  of  $\{x_n\}$  with  $n_k > l_k > k$  such that

$$m^w(x_{l_k}, x_{n_k}) \ge \epsilon$$

Now corresponding to  $l_k$ , we can choose  $n_k$  such that it is the smallest integer with  $n_k > l_k$  and satisfying above inequality. Hence

$$m^w(x_{l_k}, x_{n_k-1}) < \epsilon.$$

So we have

$$\begin{aligned} \epsilon &\leq m^{w}(x_{l_{k}}, x_{n_{k}}) \\ &\leq m^{w}(x_{l_{k}}, x_{n_{k}-1}) + m^{w}(x_{n_{k}-1}, x_{n_{k}}) \\ &< \epsilon + m^{w}(x_{n_{k}-1}, x_{n_{k}}). \end{aligned}$$
(3.3)

We know that

$$m^{w}(x_{n_{k}-1}, x_{n_{k}}) = m(x_{n_{k}-1}, x_{n_{k}}) - 2m_{x_{n_{k}-1}, x_{n_{k}}} + M_{x_{n_{k}-1}, x_{n_{k}}}.$$
 (3.4)

Now by (3.3) and (3.4), we have

$$\lim_{k \to \infty} m^w(x_{n_k-1}, x_{n_k}) = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \lim_{k \to \infty} m^w(x_{l_k}, x_{n_k}) = \epsilon.$$
(3.5)

Again,

$$m^{w}(x_{n_{k}}, x_{l_{k}}) \le m^{w}(x_{n_{k}}, x_{n_{k}-1}) + m^{w}(x_{n_{k}-1}, x_{l_{k}-1}) + m^{w}(x_{l_{k}-1}, x_{l_{k}}), \quad (3.6)$$

$$m^{w}(x_{n_{k}-1}, x_{l_{k}-1}) \leq m^{w}(x_{n_{k}-1}, x_{n_{k}}) + m^{w}(x_{n_{k}}, x_{l_{k}}) + m^{w}(x_{l_{k}}, x_{l_{k}-1}).$$
(3.7)

Letting  $k \to \infty$  in the above inequalities (3.6) and (3.7), we have

$$\lim_{k \to \infty} m^w(x_{n_k-1}, x_{l_k-1}) = \epsilon,$$

so we have

$$\lim_{k \to \infty} m(x_{n_k-1}, x_{l_k-1}) = \lim_{k \to \infty} (m(x_{n_k-1}, x_{n_k-1} - 2m_{x_{n_k-1}, x_{n_k-1}} + M_{x_{n_k-1}, x_{n_k-1}}) = \lim_{k \to \infty} m^w(x_{n_k-1}, x_{n_k-1}) = \epsilon.$$

Now by (3.1), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \psi(\epsilon) &= \lim_{k \to \infty} \psi(m(x_{n_k}, x_{l_k})) \\ &\leq \lim_{k \to \infty} [\psi(m(x_{n_k-1}, x_{l_k-1})) - \phi(m(x_{n_k-1}, x_{l_k-1}))], \end{aligned}$$

therefore

$$\psi(\epsilon) \le \psi(\epsilon) - \phi(\epsilon).$$

Which is a contradiction, thus  $\{x_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence in complete metric space  $(X, m^w)$  and so  $\{x_n\}$  is an *m*-Cauchy sequence in complete *M*-metric space (X, m). Hence there exist some  $v \in X$  such that

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} (m(x_n, v) - m_{x_n, v}) = 0$$

But we have  $\lim_{n\to\infty} m_{x_n,v} = 0$ , hence  $\lim_{n\to\infty} m(x_n, v) = 0$  and by Remark 1.2, m(v, v) = 0. Now we want to show that v is the fixed point of T. By (3.1) we have

$$0 \le \psi(m(Tv, Tv)) \le \psi(m(v, v)) - \phi(m(v, v)) = \psi(0) - \phi(0) = 0.$$

And hence

$$\psi(m(Tv,Tv)) = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad m(Tv,Tv) = 0$$

On the other hand

$$\psi(m(x_n, Tv)) \le \psi(m(x_{n-1}, v)) - \phi(m(x_{n-1}, v)).$$

Then letting  $n \to \infty$  above and making use of Lemma 2.4 and continuity of functions  $\psi$  and  $\phi$  we have

$$m(v,Tv) = 0.$$

Hence, we have

$$m(v,v) = m(Tv,Tv) = m(v,Tv) = 0$$

so by (m1) we have Tv = v. Now let  $u, v \in X$  and both of them are the fixed points of T. We have m(u, u) = m(v, v) = 0, because if m(v, v) > 0, by (3.1)

$$\psi(m(v,v)) = \psi(m(Tv,Tv)) \le \psi(m(v,v)) - \phi(m(v,v)) < \psi(m(v,v))$$

and since  $\psi$  is monotone nondecreasing we get m(v, v) < m(v, v), which is contradiction. Similarly we obtain m(u, u) = 0.

On the other hand, if m(v, u) > 0 then by (3.1) we have

$$\psi(m(v,u)) = \psi(m(Tv,Tu)) \le \psi(m(v,u)) - \phi(m(v,u)) < \psi(m(v,u)),$$

again by monotone nondecreasing of  $\psi$  we have m(v, u) < m(v, u), which is contradiction. Thus m(v, u) = 0. Now we get

$$m(v,v) = m(u,u) = m(v,u) = 0$$

Hence by (m1) u = v.

**Remark 3.2.** If we take  $\phi(t) = (1 - k)\psi(t)$ , where 0 < k < 1, then we obtain the *M*-metric generalization of the result in [10].

**Remark 3.3.** If we take  $\psi(t) = t$ , then we obtain the *M*-metric generalization for the weakly contractive fixed point theorem in [15].

**Remark 3.4.** All of Theorems and Lemmas are satisfying in p-metric and metric spaces, since by Lemma 1.8 every p-metric and metric spaces are M-metric space.

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