

## FIXED POINT THEOREMS FOR $\alpha - \psi$ -QUASI CONTRACTIVE MAPPINGS IN METRIC-LIKE SPACES

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ABSTRACT. In this paper, we give fixed point theorems for  $\alpha - \psi$ -quasi contractions and  $\alpha - \psi - p$ -quasi contractions in complete metric-like spaces.

### 1. INTRODUCTION AND PRELIMINARIES

Fixed point theory became one of the most interesting area of research in the last fifty years. Many authors studied contractive type mappings on a complete metric space which are generalizations of Banach contraction principles. Recently, Samet et al. [17] introduced the notion of  $\alpha - \psi$  contractive mappings and established some fixed point theorems in complete metric spaces. Later some other authors generalized  $\alpha - \psi$  contractions ([5-7][9-14],[18]).

In last years, many generalizations of the concept of metric spaces are defined and some fixed point theorems was proved in these spaces. In particular, in 1994, Matthews introduced the notion of a partial metric space as a part of the study of denotational semantics of dataflow networks and showed that the Banach contraction principle can be generalized to the partial metric context for applications in program verification ([15]). Later on, many researchers studied fixed point theorems in partial metric spaces ([1],[2],[8],[16],[20]). Recently, Amini-Harandi generalized the partial metric spaces by introducing the metric-like spaces and proved some fixed point theorems in such spaces ([3]). After authors gave some fixed point theorems in metric-like spaces ([19]).

In this paper, we introduce the notion of  $\alpha - \psi$ -quasi contractive mappings in complete metric-like spaces and in last parts we give  $\alpha - \psi - p$ -quasi contraction in metric like spaces. Our results are generalisations of the many existing results in the literature.

First we give some definitions and facts about metric-like spaces.

**Definition 1.** ([3]) A mapping  $\sigma : X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ , where  $X$  is a nonempty set, is said to be metric-like on  $X$  if for any  $x, y, z \in X$ , the following three conditions hold true:

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- ( $\sigma 1$ )  $\sigma(x, y) = 0 \Rightarrow x = y$ ;  
 ( $\sigma 2$ )  $\sigma(x, y) = \sigma(y, x)$ ,  
 ( $\sigma 3$ )  $\sigma(x, z) \leq \sigma(x, y) + \sigma(y, z)$ .

The pair  $(X, \sigma)$  is called a metric-like space. Then a metric-like on  $X$  satisfies all of the conditions of a metric except that  $\sigma(x, x)$  may be positive for  $x \in X$ . Each metric-like  $\sigma$  on  $X$  generates a topology  $\tau_\sigma$  on  $X$  whose base is the family of open  $\sigma$ -balls

$$B_\sigma(x, \varepsilon) = \{y \in X : |\sigma(x, y) - \sigma(x, x)| < \varepsilon\}$$

for all  $x \in X$  and  $\varepsilon > 0$ .

Then the sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in the metric-like space  $(X, \sigma)$  converges to a point  $x \in X$  if and only if  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sigma(x_n, x) = \sigma(x, x)$ .

Let  $(X, \sigma)$  and  $(Y, \tau)$  be metric-like spaces and let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be a continuous mapping. Then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x \implies \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(x_n) = f(x).$$

A sequence  $\{x_n\}_{n=0}^\infty$  of elements of  $X$  is called  $\sigma$ -Cauchy if  $\lim_{n, m \rightarrow \infty} \sigma(x_n, x_m)$  exists and is finite. The metric-like space  $(X, \sigma)$  is called complete if for each  $\sigma$ -Cauchy sequence  $\{x_n\}_{n=0}^\infty$ , there is some  $x \in X$  such that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sigma(x_n, x) = \sigma(x, x) = \lim_{n, m \rightarrow \infty} \sigma(x_n, x_m).$$

Every partial metric space is a metric-like space. Below we give another example of a metric-like space.

**Example 1.** ([3]) Let  $X = \{0, 1\}$ , and let

$$\sigma(x, y) = \begin{cases} 2, & \text{if } x = y = 0 \\ 1, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Then  $(X, \sigma)$  is a metric-like space, but since  $\sigma(0, 0) \not\leq \sigma(0, 1)$ , then  $(X, \sigma)$  is not a partial metric space.

## 2. FIXED POINT RESULTS FOR $\alpha - \psi$ CONTRACTIVE MAPPINGS

Denote by  $\Psi$  the family of nondecreasing functions  $\psi : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  such that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \psi^n(t) = 0$  for all  $t > 0$ .

**Lemma 1.** If  $\psi \in \Psi$ , then the following are satisfied.

- (a)  $\psi(t) < t$  for all  $t > 0$   
 (b)  $\psi(0) = 0$   
 (c)  $\psi$  is right continuous at  $t = 0$ .

**Remark 1.** (a) If  $\psi : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  is nondecreasing such that  $\sum_{n=1}^\infty \psi^n(t) < \infty$  for each  $t > 0$ , then  $\psi \in \Psi$ .

(b) If  $\psi : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  is upper semicontinuous such that  $\psi(t) < t$  for all  $t > 0$ , then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \psi^n(t) = 0$  for all  $t > 0$ .

**Definition 2.** ([16]) Let  $T : X \rightarrow X$  and  $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ . We say that  $T$  is  $\alpha$ -admissible if

$$x, y \in X, \quad \alpha(x, y) \geq 1 \Rightarrow \alpha(Tx, Ty) \geq 1.$$

**Definition 3.** Let  $(X, \sigma)$  be a complete metric-like space and  $T : X \rightarrow X$  be a given mapping. We say that  $T$  is an  $\alpha - \psi$ -quasi contractive mapping if there exist  $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  and  $\psi \in \Psi$  such that

$$(1) \quad \alpha(x, y) \sigma(Tx, Ty) \leq \psi(M(x, y))$$

for all  $x, y \in X$  where

$$M(x, y) = \max \{ \sigma(x, y), \sigma(x, Tx), \sigma(y, Ty), \sigma(x, Ty), \sigma(y, Tx), \sigma(x, x), \sigma(y, y) \}.$$

**Theorem 2.** Let  $(X, \sigma)$  be a complete metric-like space and  $T : X \rightarrow X$  be an  $\alpha - \psi$ -quasi contractive mapping. Assume that there exists  $x_0 \in X$  such that  $O(x_0, \infty) = \{T^n x_0 : n = 0, 1, 2, \dots\}$  is bounded and

- (i)  $\alpha(T^i x_0, T^j x_0) \geq 1$  for all  $i, j \geq 0$  with  $i < j$ ,
- (ii)  $T$  is  $\sigma$ -continuous or

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \inf \alpha(T^n x_0, x) \geq 1$  for any cluster point  $x$  of  $\{T^n x_0\}$ .  
Then  $T$  has a fixed point.

*Proof.* Let  $x_0 \in X$  be such that  $O(x_0, \infty) = \{T^n x_0 : n = 0, 1, 2, \dots\}$  is bounded and  $\alpha(T^i x_0, T^j x_0) \geq 1$  for all  $i, j \geq 0$  with  $i < j$ . Define the sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $X$  by  $x_{n+1} = Tx_n$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ .

If  $x_n = x_{n+1}$  for some  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , then  $x^* = x_n$  is a fixed point of  $T$ .

Assume that  $x_n \neq x_{n+1}$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ .

Now we shall show  $\{x_n\}$  is a  $\sigma$ -Cauchy sequence.

Let  $\delta(x_n) = \text{diam}(\{Tx_n, Tx_{n+1}, \dots\})$  for  $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ . Since  $\delta(x_n) \leq \delta(x_0)$  and  $\delta(x_0) < \infty$

We assert that for  $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$

$$(2) \quad \delta(x_n) \leq \psi^n(\delta(x_0)).$$

For  $n = 0$ , (2) holds. Suppose that (2) holds for  $n = k$ . We will show that (2) holds when  $n = k + 1$ . Let  $Tx_{r-1}, Tx_{s-1} \in \{Tx_k, Tx_{k+1}, \dots\}$  for any  $r, s \geq k + 1$ . Then

$$(3) \quad \begin{aligned} \sigma(x_r, x_s) &= \sigma(Tx_{r-1}, Tx_{s-1}) \\ &\leq \alpha(x_{r-1}, x_{s-1}) \sigma(Tx_{r-1}, Tx_{s-1}) \\ &\leq \psi(M(x_r, x_s)) \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
M(x_r, x_s) &= \max \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \sigma(x_{r-1}, x_{s-1}), \sigma(x_{r-1}, Tx_{r-1}), \sigma(x_{s-1}, Tx_{s-1}), \\ \sigma(x_{r-1}, Tx_{s-1}), \sigma(x_{s-1}, Tx_{r-1}), \\ \sigma(x_{r-1}, x_{r-1}), \sigma(x_{s-1}, x_{s-1}) \end{array} \right\} \\
&= \max \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \sigma(Tx_r, Tx_s), \sigma(Tx_r, Tx_{r+1}), \sigma(Tx_s, Tx_{s+1}) \\ \sigma(Tx_r, Tx_{s+1}), \sigma(Tx_s, Tx_{r+1}), \\ \sigma(Tx_r, Tx_r), \sigma(Tx_s, Tx_s) \end{array} \right\} \\
&\leq \delta(x_k).
\end{aligned}$$

Then by (3),

$$\begin{aligned}
\sigma(x_r, x_s) &= \sigma(Tx_{r-1}, Tx_{s-1}) \leq \psi(\delta(x_k)) \\
&\leq \psi\left(\psi^k(\delta(x_0))\right) \\
&= \psi^{k+1}(\delta(x_0)).
\end{aligned}$$

Thus (2) is proved for  $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$

Hence from (2) we have  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \delta(x_n) = 0$ . Thus  $\{x_n\}$  is a  $\sigma$ -Cauchy sequence in  $(X, \sigma)$ . By the completeness of  $X$ , there exists  $z \in X$  such that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = z$ , that is,

$$(4) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sigma(x_n, z) = \sigma(z, z) = \lim_{n, m \rightarrow \infty} \sigma(x_n, x_m) = 0.$$

If  $T$  is  $\sigma$ -continuous,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sigma(Tx_n, Tz) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sigma(x_{n+1}, Tz) = \sigma(z, Tz) = 0.$$

This proves  $z$  is a fixed point.

If  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \inf \alpha(T^n x_0, x) \geq 1$  for any cluster point  $x$  of  $\{T^n x_0\}$ , there exists  $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $\alpha(x_n, z) \geq 1$ , for all  $n > n_0$ . Thus,

$$\begin{aligned}
\sigma(x_{n+1}, Tz) &\leq \sigma(Tx_n, Tz) \\
&\leq \alpha(x_n, z) \sigma(Tx_n, Tz) \\
(5) \quad &\leq \psi(M(x_n, z))
\end{aligned}$$

where

$$M(x_n, z) = \max \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \sigma(x_n, z), \sigma(x_n, Tx_n), \sigma(z, Tz), \sigma(x_n, Tz), \\ \sigma(z, Tx_n), \sigma(x_n, x_n), \sigma(z, z) \end{array} \right\}$$

If  $\sigma(z, Tz) > 0$ , using upper semicontinuity of  $\psi$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
\sigma(z, Tz) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup \sigma(x_{n+1}, Tz) \\
&\leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup \psi(M(x_n, z)) \\
&\leq \psi(\sigma(z, Tz)) \\
&< \sigma(z, Tz)
\end{aligned}$$

which is a contradiction. Thus, we obtain  $\sigma(Tz, z) = 0$ . So  $Tz = z$ .  $\square$

**Example 2.** Let  $X = \{0, 1, 2\}$ . Define  $\sigma : X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$  as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma(0, 0) &= 0 & \sigma(1, 1) &= 3 & \sigma(2, 2) &= 1 \\ \sigma(0, 1) &= \sigma(1, 0) = 7 & \sigma(0, 2) &= \sigma(2, 0) = 3 \\ \sigma(1, 2) &= \sigma(2, 1) = 4.\end{aligned}$$

Then  $(X, \sigma)$  is a complete metric-like space. Define the mapping  $T : X \rightarrow X$  by

$$T0 = 0, T1 = 2 \text{ and } T2 = 0$$

and  $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  by

$$\alpha(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{4}, & \text{if } (x, y) \neq (0, 0) \\ 1, & (x, y) = (0, 0) \end{cases}$$

Then  $T$  is an  $\alpha$ - $\psi$ -quasi contractive mapping with  $\psi(t) = \frac{t}{1+t}$ .

Moreover, there exists  $x_0 \in X$  such that  $\alpha(T^i x_0, T^j x_0) \geq 1$ , for all  $i, j \geq 0$  with  $i < j$ . So for  $x_0 = 0$ , we have

$$\alpha(T^i 0, T^j 0) = \alpha(0, 0) = 1.$$

Obviously (1) is satisfied for all  $x, y \in X$ .

All hypotheses of Theorem 2 are satisfied. Consequently  $T$  has a fixed point. And  $x_0 = 0$  is fixed point of  $T$ .

Taking in Theorem 2,  $\alpha(x, y) = 1$  for all  $x, y \in X$ , we obtain immediately the following corollaries.

**Corollary 3.** Let  $(X, \sigma)$  be a complete metric-like space and  $T : X \rightarrow X$  be a given mapping. Suppose that there exists a function  $\psi \in \Psi$  such that

$$\sigma(Tx, Ty) \leq \psi(M(x, y))$$

where

$$M(x, y) = \max \{ \sigma(x, y), \sigma(x, Tx), \sigma(y, Ty), \sigma(x, Ty), \sigma(y, Tx), \sigma(x, x), \sigma(y, y) \}$$

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

**Corollary 4.** Let  $(X, \sigma)$  be a complete metric-like space and  $T : X \rightarrow X$  be a given mapping. Suppose that there exists a constant  $c \in (0, 1)$  such that

$$\sigma(Tx, Ty) \leq cM(x, y)$$

where

$$M(x, y) = \max \{ \sigma(x, y), \sigma(x, Tx), \sigma(y, Ty), \sigma(x, Ty), \sigma(y, Tx), \sigma(x, x), \sigma(y, y) \}$$

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

### 3. FIXED POINT RESULTS FOR $\alpha - \psi - p$ -QUASI CONTRACTIVE MAPPINGS

In this section we give  $\alpha - \psi - p$ -quasi contraction in consideration of Amini-Harandi [4].

**Definition 4.** Let  $(X, \sigma)$  be a complete metric-like space and  $T : X \rightarrow X$  be a given mapping. We say that  $T$  is an  $\alpha - \psi - p$ -quasi contractive mapping if there exist  $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  and  $\psi \in \Psi$  such that

$$(6) \quad \alpha(x, y) \sigma(T^p x, T^p y) \leq \psi(M(x, y))$$

for all  $x, y \in X$  where

$$M(x, y) = \max \{ \sigma(T^i u, T^j v) : u, v \in \{x, y\}, 0 \leq i, j \leq p \text{ and } i + j < 2p \}.$$

**Theorem 5.** Let  $(X, \sigma)$  be a complete metric-like space and let  $p \in \mathbb{N}$ . Suppose that  $T : X \rightarrow X$  be an  $\alpha - \psi - p$ -quasi contractive map. Assume that there exists  $x_0 \in X$  such that  $O(x_0, \infty) = \{T^n x_0 : n = 0, 1, 2, \dots\}$  is bounded and

- (i) there exists  $x_0 \in X$  such that  $\alpha(T^i x_0, T^j x_0) \geq 1$  for all  $i, j \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ ,
- (ii)  $T^m : X \rightarrow X$  is  $\sigma$ -continuous for some  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ .

Then  $T$  has a fixed point.

*Proof.* Let  $x_0 \in X$  be such that  $O(x, \infty) = \{x, Tx, \dots\}$  is bounded and  $\alpha(T^i x_0, T^j x_0) \geq 1$  for all  $i, j \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ . Define the sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $X$  by  $x_{n+1} = Tx_n$  for all  $n \geq 0$ . Let  $n$  be a positive integer with  $n \geq p$ , and let  $i, j \in \{p, p+1, \dots, n\}$ . Since  $T$  is an  $\alpha - \psi - p$ -quasi contractive map, then

$$(7) \quad \begin{aligned} \sigma(T^i x, T^j x) &= \sigma(T^p T^{i-p} x, T^p T^{j-p} x) \\ &\leq \alpha(T^{i-p} x, T^{j-p} x) \sigma(T^p T^{i-p} x, T^p T^{j-p} x) \\ &\leq \psi \{ \max \{ \sigma(T^k T^{i-p} x, T^l T^{j-p} x) : 0 \leq k, l \leq p \text{ and } k + l < 2p \} \} \\ &\leq \psi(\delta[O(x, n)]) \end{aligned}$$

Hence by lemma 1 (a),

$$\sigma(T^i x, T^j x) < \delta[O(x, n)].$$

Thus for sufficiently large  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  there exist positive integers  $k, l$  with  $k < p$  and  $p \leq l \leq n$  such that

$$\sigma(T^k x, T^l x) = \delta[O(x, n)].$$

we show that  $\{T^n x\}$  is a  $\sigma$ -Cauchy sequence. Without loss of generality assume that  $p \leq n < m$ . Then, from (7)

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma(T^n x, T^m x) &= \sigma(T^p T^{n-p} x, T^{m-n+p} T^{n-p} x) \\ &\leq \alpha(T^{n-p} x, T^{m-n+p} x) \sigma(T^p T^{n-p} x, T^{m-n+p} T^{n-p} x) \\ &\leq \psi(\delta[O(T^{n-p} x, m-n+p)]). \end{aligned}$$

by (7), there exists positive integers  $k_1$  and  $l_1$  with  $k_1 < p$  and  $p \leq l_1 \leq m-n+p$  such that

$$\delta[O(T^{n-p} x, m-n+p)] = \sigma(T^{k_1} T^{n-p} x, T^{l_1} T^{n-p} x).$$

Similarly we have

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma(T^{k_1}T^{n-p}x, T^{l_1}T^{n-p}x) &= \sigma(T^{k_1+p}T^{n-2p}x, T^{l_1}T^{n-p}x) \\ &\leq \psi(\delta [O(T^{n-2p}x, m-n+2p)]).\end{aligned}$$

Thus,

$$\sigma(T^n x, T^m x) \leq \psi(\delta [O(T^{n-p}x, m-n+p)]) \leq \psi^2(\delta [O(T^{n-2p}x, m-n+2p)]).$$

Proceeding in this manner, we obtain

$$\sigma(T^n x, T^m x) \leq \psi^{\lfloor \frac{n}{p} \rfloor} \left( \delta \left[ O \left( T^{n - \lfloor \frac{n}{p} \rfloor p} x, m - n + \left\lfloor \frac{n}{p} \right\rfloor p \right) \right] \right) \leq \psi^{\lfloor \frac{n}{p} \rfloor} (\delta [O(x, m+p)]).$$

Hence

$$\sigma(T^n x, T^m x) \leq \psi^{\lfloor \frac{n}{p} \rfloor} (\delta [O(x, \infty)]).$$

By definition of  $\psi$ ,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sigma(T^n x, T^m x) = 0$ . Hence we conclude that  $\{T^n x\}$  is a  $\sigma$ -Cauchy sequence. By the completeness of  $X$ , there is some  $u \in X$  such that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sigma(T^n x, u) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sigma(T^n x, T^m x) = \sigma(u, u) = 0 \quad \text{for each } x \in X.$$

Now we show that  $Tu = u$ . By the continuity of  $T^m$ ,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sigma(T^{m+n}x, Tu) = \sigma(u, Tu) = 0.$$

Hence,  $u = Tu$ . □

**Example 3.** Let  $X = [0, \infty)$  and  $\sigma : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  be defined

$$\sigma(x, y) = \begin{cases} 0, & x = y \\ \max\{x, y\}, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Then,  $(X, \sigma)$  is a complete metric-like space. Let  $\mathbb{Q}$  and  $\mathbb{Q}'$  denote respectively the set of rational numbers and irrational numbers. Let  $T : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  and  $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  be defined by

$$T(x) = \begin{cases} \sqrt{2}, & x \in \mathbb{Q} \\ \sqrt{3}, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$\alpha(x, y) = \begin{cases} 1, & x \in \mathbb{Q}' \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Then  $T$  is an  $\alpha$ - $\psi$ -2-contractive mapping with  $\psi(t) = \frac{t}{1+t}$ .

Then  $T^2(x) = \sqrt{3}$  for each  $x \in X$ . Moreover  $T$  is discontinuous and  $T^2$  is continuous. Then all conditions of Theorem 5 are satisfied. And  $x = \sqrt{3}$  is fixed point of  $T$ .

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