

COMMON FIXED POINTS FOR A COUNTABLE FAMILY OF NON-SELF MULTI-VALUED MAPPINGS ON METRICALLY CONVEX SPACES

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ABSTRACT. In this paper, we will consider some existence theorems of common fixed points for a countable family of non-self multi-valued mappings defined on a closed subset of a complete metrically convex space, and give more generalized common fixed point theorems for a countable family of single-valued mappings. The main results in this paper generalize and improve many common fixed point theorems for single valued or multi-valued mappings with contractive type conditions.

1. Introduction

There are many fixed point theorems for a single-valued self map of a closed subset of a Banach space. However, in many applications, the mapping under considerations is a not self-mapping of a closed subset. Assad ([2]) gave a sufficient condition for such single valued mapping to obtain a fixed point by proving a fixed point theorem for Kannan mappings on a Banach space and putting certain boundary conditions on mapping. Similar results for multi-valued mappings were obtained by Assad ([1]) and Assad and Kirk ([3]). On the other hand, many authors discussed common fixed point problems ([7-8, 12, 14]) for finite single or multi-valued mappings on a complete 2-metric convex space or a complete cone metric space. And some authors also discussed common fixed point problems ([4-6, 9-11, 13]) for a countable family of

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self-single-valued mappings or non-self-single-valued mappings with certain boundary conditions on a metric space or a metrically convex space. These results improve and generalize many previous works.

In this paper, we will discuss the existence problems of common fixed points for a countable family of non-self multi-valued mappings defined on a closed subset of a complete metrically convex space, and obtain some interesting results. The main results in this paper generalize and improve many common fixed point theorems for single valued or multi-valued mappings with contractive type conditions.

Through this paper, (X, d) (or X) denotes a complete metric space. Let $bc(X)$ and $k(X)$ denote the families of all bounded closed subsets and compact subsets of X , respectively. Let H denote the Hausdorff metric on $bc(X)$, that is, for each $A, B \in bc(X)$,

$$H(A, B) = \max \left\{ \sup_{x \in A} d(x, B), \sup_{y \in B} d(y, A) \right\},$$

where $d(x, A) = \inf_{y \in A} \{d(x, y)\}$.

DEFINITION 1.1. [4-6] A metric space (X, d) is said to be *metrically convex*, if for any $x, y \in X$ with $x \neq y$, there exists $z \in X$ such that $z \neq x$, $z \neq y$ and $d(x, z) + d(z, y) = d(x, y)$.

LEMMA 1.2. [3, 6] *If K is a nonempty closed subset of a complete metrically convex space (X, d) , then for any $x \in K$ and $y \notin K$, there exists $z \in \partial K$ such that $d(x, z) + d(z, y) = d(x, y)$.*

The following Lemma can be found in [13].

LEMMA 1.3. *If X is a complete metric space and $A, B \in bc(X)$, then*

- (i) *For any $\varepsilon > 0$ and any $a \in A$, there exists $b \in B$ such that $d(a, b) \leq H(A, B) + \varepsilon$;*
- (ii) *For any $\beta > 1$ and any $a \in A$, there exists $b \in B$ such that $d(a, b) \leq \beta H(A, B)$;*
- (iii) *If $A, B \in k(X)$, then for any $a \in A$, there exists $b \in B$ such that $d(a, b) \leq H(A, B)$.*

2. Main Theorems

We will discuss existence problems of common fixed points for a countable family of non-self multi-valued mappings defined on a nonempty closed subset of a complete metrically convex space, and give its generalized results.

THEOREM 2.1. *Let K be a nonempty closed subset of a complete metrically convex space (X, d) , $\{T_i : K \rightarrow bc(X)\}_{i \in \mathbb{N}}$ a countable family of non-self set-valued mappings with nonempty values such that for any $i, j \in \mathbb{N}$ with $i \neq j$, any $x, y \in K$ and any $u \in T_i x$, there exists $v \in T_j y$ satisfying*

$$(2.1) \quad d(u, v) \leq \lambda u_{i,j}(x, y),$$

where

$$u_{i,j}(x, y) \in \left\{ d(x, y), d(x, T_i x), d(y, T_j y), \frac{d(x, T_i x) + d(y, T_j y)}{2}, \frac{d(x, T_j y) + d(y, T_i x)}{2} \right\},$$

and $\lambda \in (0, \frac{1}{2})$ is a constant number. Furthermore, if $T_i(x) \subset K$ for all $i \in \mathbb{N}$ and $x \in \partial K$, then $\{T_i\}_{i \in \mathbb{N}}$ has a common fixed point in K . If the condition (2.1) holds for all $u \in T_i x$ and $v \in T_j y$, then $\{T_i\}_{i \in \mathbb{N}}$ has a unique common fixed point in K .

Proof. Take $x_0 \in K$. We will construct two sequences $\{x_n\}$ and $\{x'_n\}$ in the following way. Take an element $x'_1 \in T_1 x_0$. If $x'_1 \in K$, then put $x_1 = x'_1$; if $x'_1 \notin K$, then by Lemma 1.2 there exists $x_1 \in \partial K$ such that

$$d(x_0, x_1) + d(x_1, x'_1) = d(x_0, x'_1).$$

For $x'_1 \in T_1 x_0$, there exists $x'_2 \in T_2 x_1$ satisfying the condition (2.1). If $x'_2 \in K$, then put $x_2 = x'_2$; if $x'_2 \notin K$, then by Lemma 1.2 there exists $x_2 \in \partial K$ such that

$$d(x_1, x_2) + d(x_2, x'_2) = d(x_1, x'_2).$$

Continuing this way, we will obtain $\{x_n\}$ and $\{x'_n\}$ as follows:

(i) let $x'_1 \in T_1 x_0$ and for each $x'_n \in T_n x_{n-1}$, there exists $x'_{n+1} \in T_{n+1} x_n$ satisfying the condition (2.1) for all $n > 1$;

(ii) if $x'_n \in K$, then put $x_n = x'_n$;

(iii) if $x'_n \notin K$, then by Lemma 1.2 there exists $x_n \in \partial K$ such that $d(x_{n-1}, x_n) + d(x_n, x'_n) = d(x_{n-1}, x'_n)$.

Let $P = \{x_i \in \{x_n\} : x_i = x'_i\}$ and $Q = \{x_i \in \{x_n\} : x_i \neq x'_i\}$. If there exists $n \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $x_n \in Q$, then x_{n-1} and $x_{n+1} \in P$. In fact, if $x_{n-1} \in Q$, then $x_{n-1} \neq x'_{n-1}$. Hence $x_{n-1} \in \partial K$ and $x'_{n-1} \notin K$. So by the given boundary condition, we have that $x'_n \in T_n x_{n-1} \subset K$. On the other hand, since $x_n \in Q$, hence $x_n \in \partial K$ and $x'_n \notin K$ which is a contradiction. Similarly, we can prove that $x_{n+1} \in P$.

If $x'_1 = x_0$, then $x'_1 = x_0$ is a common fixed point of $\{T_i\}_{i \in \mathbb{N}}$, that is $x'_1 \in T_j x'_1$, for all $j \in \mathbb{N}$. In fact, for $x'_1 \in T_1 x_0$, there exists $v \in T_j x_0$

($j \neq 1$) satisfying (2.1), i.e., $d(x'_1, v) \leq \lambda u_{1,j}(x_0, x_0)$,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{where, } u_{1,j}(x_0, x_0) &\in \left\{ d(x_0, x_0), d(x_0, T_1x_0), d(x_0, T_jx_0), \right. \\ &\quad \left. \frac{d(x_0, T_1x_0) + d(x_0, T_jx_0)}{2}, \frac{d(x_0, T_jx_0) + d(x_0, T_1x_0)}{2} \right\} \\ &= \left\{ 0, d(x_0, T_jx_0), \frac{d(x_0, T_jx_0)}{2} \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

If $u_{1,j}(x_0, x_0) = 0$, then $d(x_0, v) \leq 0$ and so $v = x_0$.

If $u_{1,j}(x_0, x_0) = d(x_0, T_jx_0)$, then $d(x_0, v) \leq \lambda d(x_0, T_jx_0)$, and hence

$$d(x_0, v) \leq \lambda d(x_0, v).$$

Since $0 < \lambda < 1$, we have $d(x_0, v) = 0$, and therefore $v = x_0$.

If $u_{1,j}(x_0, x_0) = \frac{d(x_0, T_jx_0)}{2}$, then $d(x_0, v) \leq \frac{\lambda}{2} d(x_0, T_jx_0)$. Consequently we have $d(x_0, v) \leq \frac{\lambda}{2} d(x_0, v)$. Since $0 < \lambda < 1$, $d(x_0, v) = 0$, and so $v = x_0$.

In any case, we obtain that $v = x_0$, and so $x_0 \in T_jx_0$ for all $j \in \mathbb{N}$. This means that x_0 is a common fixed point of $\{T_i\}_{i \in \mathbb{N}}$. By the above fact, we can suppose that

$$x'_n \in T_nx_{n-1} \text{ and } x'_n \neq x_{n-1}, \quad n = 2, 3, \dots$$

By the properties of P and Q , we can estimate $d(x_n, x_{n+1})$ into three cases:

Case I. Suppose $x_n, x_{n+1} \in P$. Then we have

$$x_n = x'_n \in T_nx_{n-1} \text{ and } x_{n+1} = x'_{n+1} \in T_{n+1}x_n.$$

Hence we get by (2.1) that

$$d(x_n, x_{n+1}) = d(x'_n, x'_{n+1}) \leq \lambda u_{n,n+1}(x_{n-1}, x_n),$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{where, } u_{n,n+1}(x_{n-1}, x_n) &\in \left\{ d(x_{n-1}, x_n), d(x_{n-1}, T_nx_{n-1}), d(x_n, T_{n+1}x_n), \right. \\ &\quad \left. \frac{d(x_{n-1}, T_nx_{n-1}) + d(x_n, T_{n+1}x_n)}{2}, \frac{d(x_{n-1}, T_{n+1}x_n) + d(x_n, T_nx_{n-1})}{2} \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

If $u_{n,n+1}(x_{n-1}, x_n) = d(x_{n-1}, x_n)$, then

$$d(x_n, x_{n+1}) \leq \lambda d(x_{n-1}, x_n).$$

If $u_{n,n+1}(x_{n-1}, x_n) = d(x_{n-1}, T_nx_{n-1})$, then

$$d(x_n, x_{n+1}) \leq \lambda d(x_{n-1}, T_nx_{n-1}).$$

Since $x_n \in T_nx_{n-1}$, we have

$$d(x_n, x_{n+1}) \leq \lambda d(x_{n-1}, x_n).$$

If $u_{n,n+1}(x_{n-1}, x_n) = d(x_n, T_{n+1}x_n)$, then

$$d(x_n, x_{n+1}) \leq \lambda d(x_n, T_{n+1}x_n).$$

Since $x_{n+1} \in T_{n+1}x_n$, we obtain

$$d(x_n, x_{n+1}) \leq \lambda d(x_n, x_{n+1}),$$

and therefore $d(x_n, x_{n+1}) = 0$ since $\lambda < 1$, so we have

$$d(x_n, x_{n+1}) \leq \lambda d(x_{n-1}, x_n).$$

If $u_{n,n+1}(x_{n-1}, x_n) = \frac{d(x_{n-1}, T_n x_{n-1}) + d(x_n, T_{n+1} x_n)}{2}$, then we have

$$\begin{aligned} d(x_n, x_{n+1}) &\leq \frac{\lambda}{2} [d(x_{n-1}, x_n) + d(x_n, x_{n+1})] \\ &\leq \frac{\lambda}{2} d(x_{n-1}, x_n) + \frac{1}{2} d(x_n, x_{n+1}). \end{aligned}$$

Consequently we obtain that

$$d(x_n, x_{n+1}) \leq \lambda d(x_{n-1}, x_n).$$

If $u_{n,n+1}(x_{n-1}, x_n) = \frac{d(x_{n-1}, T_{n+1} x_n) + d(x_n, T_n x_{n-1})}{2}$, then we have

$$\begin{aligned} d(x_n, x_{n+1}) &\leq \frac{\lambda}{2} d(x_{n-1}, x_{n+1}) \leq \frac{\lambda}{2} [d(x_{n-1}, x_n) + d(x_n, x_{n+1})] \\ &\leq \frac{\lambda}{2} d(x_{n-1}, x_n) + \frac{1}{2} d(x_n, x_{n+1}) \end{aligned}$$

Hence we obtain that

$$d(x_n, x_{n+1}) \leq \lambda d(x_{n-1}, x_n).$$

Consequently we have

$$d(x_n, x_{n+1}) \leq \lambda d(x_{n-1}, x_n) \text{ for all } n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

Case II. Suppose $x_n \in P$ and $x_{n+1} \in Q$. Then we have

$$x_n = x'_n \in T_n x_{n-1} \text{ and } x_{n+1} \neq x'_{n+1} \in T_{n+1} x_n.$$

Hence by (2.1), we get

$$d(x_n, x'_{n+1}) = d(x'_n, x'_{n+1}) \leq \lambda u_{n,n+1}(x_{n-1}, x_n),$$

where, $u_{n,n+1}(x_{n-1}, x_n) \in \left\{ d(x_{n-1}, x_n), d(x_{n-1}, T_n x_{n-1}), d(x_n, T_{n+1} x_n), \right.$

$$\left. \frac{d(x_{n-1}, T_n x_{n-1}) + d(x_n, T_{n+1} x_n)}{2}, \frac{d(x_{n-1}, T_{n+1} x_n) + d(x_n, T_n x_{n-1})}{2} \right\}.$$

If $u_{n,n+1}(x_{n-1}, x_n) = d(x_{n-1}, x_n)$, then

$$d(x_n, x'_{n+1}) \leq \lambda d(x_{n-1}, x_n).$$

Since $d(x_n, x_{n+1}) + d(x_{n+1}, x'_{n+1}) = d(x_n, x'_{n+1})$, we have

$$d(x_n, x_{n+1}) \leq d(x_n, x'_{n+1}) \leq \lambda d(x_{n-1}, x_n).$$

If $u_{n,n+1}(x_{n-1}, x_n) = d(x_{n-1}, T_n x_{n-1})$, then

$$d(x_n, x'_{n+1}) \leq \lambda d(x_{n-1}, T_n x_{n-1}) \leq \lambda d(x_{n-1}, x_n).$$

Since $d(x_n, x_{n+1}) + d(x_{n+1}, x'_{n+1}) = d(x_n, x'_{n+1})$, we have

$$d(x_n, x_{n+1}) \leq d(x_n, x'_{n+1}) \leq \lambda d(x_{n-1}, x_n).$$

If $u_{n,n+1}(x_{n-1}, x_n) = d(x_n, T_{n+1} x_n)$, then

$$d(x_n, x'_{n+1}) \leq \lambda d(x_n, T_{n+1} x_n) \leq \lambda d(x_n, x'_{n+1}).$$

Since $\lambda < 1$, we have $d(x_n, x'_{n+1}) = 0$ and so $d(x_n, x_{n+1}) = 0$. Hence we have

$$d(x_n, x_{n+1}) \leq d(x_n, x'_{n+1}) \leq \lambda d(x_{n-1}, x_n).$$

If $u_{n,n+1}(x_{n-1}, x_n) = \frac{d(x_{n-1}, T_n x_{n-1}) + d(x_n, T_{n+1} x_n)}{2}$, then

$$\begin{aligned} d(x_n, x'_{n+1}) &\leq \frac{\lambda}{2} [d(x_{n-1}, T_n x_{n-1}) + d(x_n, T_{n+1} x_n)] \\ &\leq \frac{\lambda}{2} [d(x_{n-1}, x_n) + d(x_n, x'_{n+1})] \\ &\leq \frac{\lambda}{2} d(x_{n-1}, x_n) + \frac{1}{2} d(x_n, x'_{n+1}). \end{aligned}$$

So we have

$$d(x_n, x_{n+1}) \leq d(x_n, x'_{n+1}) \leq \lambda d(x_{n-1}, x_n).$$

If $u_{n,n+1}(x_{n-1}, x_n) = \frac{d(x_{n-1}, T_{n+1} x_n) + d(x_n, T_n x_{n-1})}{2}$, then

$$\begin{aligned} d(x_n, x'_{n+1}) &\leq \frac{\lambda}{2} [d(x_{n-1}, T_{n+1} x_n) + d(x_n, T_n x_{n-1})] \\ &\leq \frac{\lambda}{2} d(x_{n-1}, x'_{n+1}) \leq \frac{\lambda}{2} [d(x_{n-1}, x_n) + d(x_n, x'_{n+1})] \\ &\leq \frac{\lambda}{2} d(x_{n-1}, x_n) + \frac{1}{2} d(x_n, x'_{n+1}). \end{aligned}$$

So we have

$$d(x_n, x_{n+1}) \leq d(x_n, x'_{n+1}) \leq \lambda d(x_{n-1}, x_n).$$

Consequently, we have

$$d(x_n, x_{n+1}) \leq d(x_n, x'_{n+1}) \leq \lambda d(x_{n-1}, x_n) \quad \text{for all } n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

Case III. Suppose $x_n \in Q$ and $x_{n+1} \in P$. Then we have $x_{n-1} \in P$ by the property of P and Q , and so $x_n \neq x'_n \in T_n x_{n-1}$ and $x_{n+1} = x'_{n+1} \in T_{n+1} x_n$. By (2.1), we get

$$d(x'_n, x_{n+1}) = d(x'_n, x'_{n+1}) \leq \lambda u_{n,n+1}(x_{n-1}, x_n),$$

where, $u_{n,n+1}(x_{n-1}, x_n) \in \left\{ d(x_{n-1}, x_n), d(x_{n-1}, T_n x_{n-1}), d(x_n, T_{n+1} x_n), \frac{d(x_{n-1}, T_n x_{n-1}) + d(x_n, T_{n+1} x_n)}{2}, \frac{d(x_{n-1}, T_{n+1} x_n) + d(x_n, T_n x_{n-1})}{2} \right\}$.

Here we will give two properties:

(a) $d(x_{n-1}, x_n) + d(x_n, x'_n) = d(x_{n-1}, x'_n)$ since $x_n \in Q$.

(b) since $d(x_n, x_{n+1}) \leq d(x_n, x'_n) + d(x'_n, x_{n+1})$
 $\leq d(x_{n-1}, x_n) + d(x_n, x'_n) + d(x'_n, x_{n+1})$
 $= d(x_{n-1}, x'_n) + d(x'_n, x_{n+1})$.

So we have

$$d(x_n, x_{n+1}) - d(x_{n-1}, x'_n) \leq d(x'_n, x_{n+1}).$$

If $u_{n,n+1}(x_{n-1}, x_n) = d(x_{n-1}, x_n)$, then

$$d(x'_n, x_{n+1}) \leq \lambda d(x_{n-1}, x_n).$$

Hence by (b), we have

$$d(x_n, x_{n+1}) - d(x_{n-1}, x'_n) \leq \lambda d(x_{n-1}, x_n).$$

So by (a), we get

$$d(x_n, x_{n+1}) \leq (1 + \lambda)d(x_{n-1}, x'_n).$$

By Case II, we have

$$d(x_n, x_{n+1}) \leq \lambda(1 + \lambda)d(x_{n-2}, x_{n-1}).$$

If $u_{n,n+1}(x_{n-1}, x_n) = d(x_{n-1}, T_n x_{n-1})$, then

$$d(x'_n, x_{n+1}) \leq \lambda d(x_{n-1}, T_n x_{n-1}) \leq \lambda d(x_{n-1}, x'_n).$$

Hence by (b) and Case II, we obtain

$$d(x_n, x_{n+1}) \leq \lambda(1 + \lambda)d(x_{n-2}, x_{n-1}).$$

If $u_{n,n+1}(x_{n-1}, x_n) = d(x_n, T_{n+1} x_n)$, then

$$d(x'_n, x_{n+1}) \leq \lambda d(x_n, T_{n+1} x_n) \leq \lambda d(x_n, x_{n+1}).$$

By (b), we get

$$(1 - \lambda)d(x_n, x_{n+1}) \leq d(x_{n-1}, x'_n).$$

So by Case II again, we obtain

$$d(x_n, x_{n+1}) \leq \frac{\lambda}{(1-\lambda)} d(x_{n-2}, x_{n-1}).$$

If $u_{n,n+1}(x_{n-1}, x_n) = \frac{d(x_{n-1}, T_n x_{n-1}) + d(x_n, T_{n+1} x_n)}{2}$, then

$$\begin{aligned} d(x'_n, x_{n+1}) &\leq \frac{\lambda}{2} [d(x_{n-1}, T_n x_{n-1}) + d(x_n, T_{n+1} x_n)] \\ &\leq \frac{\lambda}{2} [d(x_{n-1}, x'_n) + d(x_n, x_{n+1})]. \end{aligned}$$

By (b), we obtain

$$d(x_n, x_{n+1}) - d(x_{n-1}, x'_n) \leq \frac{\lambda}{2} [d(x_{n-1}, x'_n) + d(x_n, x_{n+1})].$$

Hence

$$d(x_n, x_{n+1}) \leq \frac{2+\lambda}{2-\lambda} d(x_{n-1}, x'_n),$$

and so by Case II again, we obtain that

$$d(x_n, x_{n+1}) \leq \frac{(2+\lambda)\lambda}{2-\lambda} d(x_{n-2}, x_{n-1}).$$

If $u_{n,n+1}(x_{n-1}, x_n) = \frac{d(x_{n-1}, T_{n+1} x_n) + d(x_n, T_n x_{n-1})}{2}$, then

$$\begin{aligned} d(x'_n, x_{n+1}) &\leq \frac{\lambda}{2} [d(x_{n-1}, T_{n+1} x_n) + d(x_n, T_n x_{n-1})] \\ &\leq \frac{\lambda}{2} [d(x_{n-1}, x_{n+1}) + d(x_n, x'_n)] \\ &\leq \frac{\lambda}{2} [d(x_{n-1}, x_n) + d(x_n, x_{n+1}) + d(x_n, x'_n)]. \end{aligned}$$

Hence by (a) and (b), we have that

$$d(x_n, x_{n+1}) - d(x_{n-1}, x'_n) \leq \frac{\lambda}{2} [d(x_{n-1}, x'_n) + d(x_n, x_{n+1})],$$

and so

$$d(x_n, x_{n+1}) \leq \frac{2+\lambda}{2-\lambda} d(x_{n-1}, x'_n).$$

By Case II, we obtain

$$d(x_n, x_{n+1}) \leq \frac{(2+\lambda)\lambda}{2-\lambda} d(x_{n-2}, x_{n-1}).$$

In any cases, we have

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

$$\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, n \geq 2.$$

So from Case I, Case II and Case III, we have

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

$$\times \max\{d(x_{n-1}, x_n), d(x_{n-2}, x_{n-1})\}, \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}, n \geq 2.$$

It is easy to check that

$$\max\left\{\lambda, \lambda(1 + \lambda), \frac{\lambda}{1 - \lambda}, \frac{(2 + \lambda)\lambda}{2 - \lambda}\right\} = \frac{\lambda}{1 - \lambda},$$

and

$$d(x_n, x_{n+1}) \leq h \max\{d(x_{n-1}, x_n), d(x_{n-2}, x_{n-1})\}$$

for all $n \in \mathbb{N}, n \geq 2$, where $h = \frac{\lambda}{1-\lambda}$. Clearly h is an increasing function on $\lambda \in (0, 1)$, and $h < 1$ if and only if $\lambda \in (0, \frac{1}{2})$. Hence we know that $0 < h < 1$ and we have

$$d(x_n, x_{n+1}) \leq h^{\frac{n}{2}-1} \max\{d(x_2, x_1), d(x_1, x_0)\},$$

for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and $n \geq 2$. Let $\delta = h^{-1} \max\{d(x_2, x_1), d(x_1, x_0)\}$. Then for $m > n \geq N \geq 2$,

$$d(x_n, x_m) \leq \sum_{i=n}^{m-1} d(x_i, x_{i+1}) \leq \sum_{i=N}^{\infty} d(x_i, x_{i+1}) \leq \sum_{i=N}^{\infty} \left(h^{\frac{1}{2}}\right)^i \delta.$$

Hence $\{x_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is a Cauchy sequence. Since X is complete, $\{x_n\}$ has a limit x^* . But K is closed and $x_n \in K$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$, and hence $x^* \in K$. By the properties of P and Q , we can see that there exists an infinite subsequence $\{x_{n_k+1}\}$ of $\{x_n\}$ such that $x_{n_k+1} \in P$, and so $x_{n_k+1} = x'_{n_k+1} \in T_{n_k+1}x_{n_k}$.

Now we prove that x^* is a common fixed point of $\{T_i\}_{i \in \mathbb{N}}$. In fact, for any fixed $i \in \mathbb{N}$, we can take k large enough such that $n_k > i$ and $x_{n_k+1} \in P$. For $x_{n_k+1} = x'_{n_k+1} \in T_{n_k+1}x_{n_k}$, there exists $v \in T_i x^*$ satisfying (2.1), i.e.,

$$d(x_{n_k+1}, v) = d(x'_{n_k+1}, v) \leq \lambda u_{n_k+1, i}(x_{n_k}, x^*),$$

where, $u_{n_k+1, i}(x_{n_k}, x^*) \in \left\{d(x_{n_k}, x^*), d(x_{n_k}, T_{n_k+1}x_{n_k}), d(x^*, T_i x^*), \frac{d(x_{n_k}, T_{n_k+1}x_{n_k}) + d(x^*, T_i x^*)}{2}, \frac{d(x_{n_k}, T_i x^*) + d(x^*, T_{n_k+1}x_{n_k})}{2}\right\}$.

If $u_{n_k+1,i}(x_{n_k}, x^*) = d(x_{n_k}, x^*)$, then

$$d(x_{n_k+1}, v) = d(x'_{n_k+1}, v) \leq \lambda d(x_{n_k}, x^*).$$

Let $k \rightarrow \infty$. Then $d(x^*, v) \leq \lambda d(x^*, x^*) = 0$, and so $d(x^*, v) = 0$, that is, $v = x^*$.

If $u_{n_k+1,i}(x_{n_k}, x^*) = d(x_{n_k}, T_{n_k+1}x_{n_k})$, then

$$d(x_{n_k+1}, v) = d(x'_{n_k+1}, v) \leq \lambda d(x_{n_k}, T_{n_k+1}x_{n_k}) \leq \lambda d(x_{n_k}, x_{n_k+1}).$$

Let $k \rightarrow \infty$. Then $d(x^*, v) \leq \lambda d(x^*, x^*) = 0$, and so $d(x^*, v) = 0$, that is, $v = x^*$.

If $u_{n_k+1,i}(x_{n_k}, x^*) = d(x^*, T_i x^*)$, then

$$d(x_{n_k+1}, v) = d(x'_{n_k+1}, v) \leq \lambda d(x^*, T_i x^*) \leq d(x^*, v).$$

Let $k \rightarrow \infty$. Then $d(x^*, v) \leq \lambda d(x^*, v)$, and so $d(x^*, v) = 0$ since $\lambda < 1$, so $v = x^*$.

If $u_{n_k+1,i}(x_{n_k}, x^*) = \frac{d(x_{n_k}, T_{n_k+1}x_{n_k}) + d(x^*, T_i x^*)}{2}$, then

$$\begin{aligned} d(x_{n_k+1}, v) &\leq \frac{\lambda}{2} [d(x_{n_k}, T_{n_k+1}x_{n_k}) + d(x^*, T_i x^*)] \\ &\leq \frac{\lambda}{2} [d(x_{n_k}, x_{n_k+1}) + d(x^*, v)]. \end{aligned}$$

Let $k \rightarrow \infty$. Then $d(x^*, v) \leq \frac{\lambda}{2} d(x^*, v)$, and so $d(x^*, v) = 0$ since $\lambda < 1$, so $v = x^*$.

If $u_{n_k+1,i}(x_{n_k}, x^*) = \frac{d(x_{n_k}, T_i x^*) + d(x^*, T_{n_k+1}x_{n_k})}{2}$, then

$$\begin{aligned} d(x_{n_k+1}, v) &\leq \frac{\lambda}{2} [d(x_{n_k}, T_i x^*) + d(x^*, T_{n_k+1}x_{n_k})] \\ &\leq \frac{\lambda}{2} [d(x_{n_k}, v) + d(x^*, x_{n_k+1})]. \end{aligned}$$

Let $k \rightarrow \infty$. Then $d(x^*, v) \leq \frac{\lambda}{2} d(x^*, v)$, and so $d(x^*, v) = 0$ since $\lambda < 1$, so $v = x^*$.

In any cases, we have that $v = x^*$, and so $x^* \in T_i x^*$. This means that x^* is a common fixed point of $\{T_i\}_{i \in \mathbb{N}}$.

If the condition (2.1) holds for all $i, j \in \mathbb{N}$ with $i \neq j$, $x, y \in K$, $u \in T_i x$ and $v \in T_j y$, then $\{T_i\}_{i \in \mathbb{N}}$ has a unique common fixed point. In fact, If x^* and y^* are all common fixed points of $\{T_i\}_{i \in \mathbb{N}}$ in K , then since $x^* \in T_1 x^*$ and $y^* \in T_2 y^*$, we have that

$$d(x^*, y^*) \leq \lambda u_{1,2}(x^*, y^*),$$

where, $u_{1,2}(x^*, y^*) \in \left\{ d(x^*, y^*), d(x^*, T_1x^*), d(y^*, T_2y^*), \frac{d(x^*, T_1x^*) + d(y^*, T_2y^*)}{2}, \frac{d(x^*, T_2y^*) + d(y^*, T_1x^*)}{2} \right\}$.

If $u_{1,2}(x^*, y^*) = d(x^*, y^*)$, then

$$d(x^*, y^*) \leq \lambda d(x^*, y^*),$$

and so $d(x^*, y^*) = 0$ since $\lambda < 1$. So $x^* = y^*$.

If $u_{1,2}(x^*, y^*) = d(x^*, T_1x^*)$, then

$$d(x^*, y^*) \leq \lambda d(x^*, T_1x^*) \leq \lambda d(x^*, x^*) = 0,$$

and so $x^* = y^*$.

If $u_{1,2}(x^*, y^*) = d(y^*, T_2y^*)$, then

$$d(x^*, y^*) \leq \lambda d(y^*, T_2y^*) \leq \lambda d(y^*, y^*) = 0,$$

and so $x^* = y^*$.

If $u_{1,2}(x^*, y^*) = \frac{d(x^*, T_1x^*) + d(y^*, T_2y^*)}{2}$, then

$$d(x^*, y^*) \leq \frac{\lambda}{2} [d(x^*, T_1x^*) + d(y^*, T_2y^*)] \leq \frac{\lambda}{2} [d(x^*, x^*) + d(y^*, y^*)] = 0,$$

and so $x^* = y^*$.

If $u_{1,2}(x^*, y^*) = \frac{d(x^*, T_2y^*) + d(y^*, T_1x^*)}{2}$, then

$$\begin{aligned} d(x^*, y^*) &\leq \frac{\lambda}{2} [d(x^*, T_2y^*) + d(y^*, T_1x^*)] \\ &\leq \frac{\lambda}{2} [d(x^*, y^*) + d(y^*, x^*)] \\ &= \lambda d(x^*, y^*), \end{aligned}$$

and $d(x^*, y^*) = 0$ since $\lambda < 1$. So $x^* = y^*$.

Hence we know that $x^* = y^*$ in any situation. So the common fixed points of $\{T_i\}_{i \in \mathbb{N}}$ are unique. \square

REMARK 2.2. When $\{T_i\}_{i \in \mathbb{N}}$ are all single mappings, the sequence $\{x'_n\}$ can be constructed by the next way without using the condition (2.1): $x'_n = T_n x_{n-1}$ for all $n \geq 1$, see [9, 11]. Hence we can see that the our technique here is very different from that in [9, 11], and I think this is a new method.

From Theorem 2.1, we can easily obtain the following common fixed point theorem for a countable family of non-self single-valued mappings defined on a nonempty closed subset of a metrically convex space.

THEOREM 2.3. *Let K be a nonempty closed subset of a complete metrically convex space (X, d) , $\{T_i : K \rightarrow X\}_{i \in \mathbb{N}}$ a countable family of non-self single-valued mappings such that for any $i, j \in \mathbb{N}$ with $i \neq j$, and any $x, y \in K$ satisfies*

$$(2.2) \quad d(T_i x, T_j y) \leq \lambda u_{i,j}(x, y),$$

where, $u_{i,j}(x, y) \in \left\{ d(x, y), d(x, T_i x), d(y, T_j y), \frac{d(x, T_i x) + d(y, T_j y)}{2}, \frac{d(x, T_j y) + d(y, T_i x)}{2} \right\}$

and $\lambda \in (0, \frac{1}{2})$ is a constant number. Furthermore, if $T_i(x) \in K$ for all $i \in \mathbb{N}$ and $x \in \partial K$, then $\{T_i\}_{i \in \mathbb{N}}$ have a unique common fixed point in K .

We can obtain the following more general common fixed point theorem.

THEOREM 2.4. *Let K be a nonempty closed subset of a complete metrically convex space (X, d) , $\{T_{i,j} : X \rightarrow X\}_{i,j \in \mathbb{N}}$ a family of non-self single-valued mappings, $\{m_{i,j}\}_{i,j \in \mathbb{N}}$ a family of positive integral numbers such that there exists a constant number $\lambda \in (0, \frac{1}{2})$ such that for each $x, y \in X$ and $i_1, i_2, j \in \mathbb{N}$ with $i_1 \neq i_2$,*

$$(2.3) \quad d(T_{i_1,j}^{m_{i_1,j}} x, T_{i_2,j}^{m_{i_2,j}} y) \leq \lambda u_{i_1,i_2,j}(x, y),$$

where, $u_{i_1,i_2,j}(x, y) \in \left\{ d(x, y), d(x, T_{i_1,j}^{m_{i_1,j}} x), d(y, T_{i_2,j}^{m_{i_2,j}} y), \frac{d(x, T_{i_1,j}^{m_{i_1,j}} x) + d(y, T_{i_2,j}^{m_{i_2,j}} y)}{2}, \frac{d(x, T_{i_2,j}^{m_{i_2,j}} y) + d(y, T_{i_1,j}^{m_{i_1,j}} x)}{2} \right\}$. Furthermore, suppose (a) for each $i, j \in \mathbb{N}$, $T_{i,j}^{m_{i,j}}(\partial K) \subset K$, (b) for each $i_1, i_2, \mu, \nu \in \mathbb{N}$ with $\mu \neq \nu$, $T_{i_1,\mu} T_{i_2,\nu} = T_{i_2,\nu} T_{i_1,\mu}$. Then $\{T_{i,j}\}_{i,j \in \mathbb{N}}$ has a unique common fixed point in K .

Proof. Fix $j \in \mathbb{N}$, and let $S_{i,j} = T_{i,j}^{m_{i,j}}$, then $\{S_{i,j}\}_{i \in \mathbb{N}}$ satisfies all of the assumptions of Theorem 2.3. Hence $\{S_{i,j}\}_{i \in \mathbb{N}}$ has a unique common fixed point p_j in K . Now, we will prove that p_j is also a unique common fixed point of $\{T_{i,j}\}_{i \in \mathbb{N}}$. In fact, for any fixed $i \in \mathbb{N}$,

$$S_{i,j}(T_{i,j}(p_j)) = T_{i,j}^{m_{i,j}}(T_{i,j}(p_j)) = T_{i,j}(T_{i,j}^{m_{i,j}}(p_j)) = T_{i,j}(S_{i,j}(p_j)) = T_{i,j}(p_j).$$

This means that $T_{i,j}(p_j)$ is a fixed point of $S_{i,j}$. For any $k \in \mathbb{N}$ with $k \neq i$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} d(T_{i,j}(p_j), S_{k,j}(T_{i,j}(p_j))) &= d(S_{i,j}(T_{i,j}(p_j))), \\ S_{k,j}(T_{i,j}(p_j)) &\leq \lambda u_{i,k,j}(T_{i,j}(p_j), T_{i,j}(p_j)), \end{aligned}$$

where,

$$\begin{aligned} & u_{i,k,j}(T_{i,j}(p_j), T_{i,j}(p_j)) \\ & \in \left\{ d(T_{i,j}(p_j), T_{i,j}(p_j)), d(T_{i,j}(p_j), S_{i,j}(T_{i,j}(p_j))), d(T_{i,j}(p_j), S_{k,j}(T_{i,j}(p_j))), \right. \\ & \quad \left. \frac{d(T_{i,j}(p_j), S_{i,j}(T_{i,j}(p_j))) + d(T_{i,j}(p_j), S_{k,j}(T_{i,j}(p_j)))}{2} \right\} \\ & = \left\{ 0, d(T_{i,j}(p_j), S_{k,j}(T_{i,j}(p_j))), \frac{d(T_{i,j}(p_j), S_{k,j}(T_{i,j}(p_j)))}{2} \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

If $u_{i,k,j}(T_{i,j}(p_j), T_{i,j}(p_j)) = 0$, then

$$d(T_{i,j}(p_j), S_{k,j}(T_{i,j}(p_j))) \leq \lambda 0 = 0,$$

and hence $d(T_{i,j}(p_j), S_{k,j}(T_{i,j}(p_j))) = 0$, i.e., $T_{i,j}(p_j) = S_{k,j}(T_{i,j}(p_j))$.

If $u_{i,k,j}(T_{i,j}(p_j), T_{i,j}(p_j)) = d(T_{i,j}(p_j), S_{k,j}(T_{i,j}(p_j)))$, then

$$d(T_{i,j}(p_j), S_{k,j}(T_{i,j}(p_j))) \leq \lambda d(T_{i,j}(p_j), S_{k,j}(T_{i,j}(p_j))),$$

and so $T_{i,j}(p_j) = S_{k,j}(T_{i,j}(p_j))$.

If $u_{i,k,j}(T_{i,j}(p_j), T_{i,j}(p_j)) = \frac{d(T_{i,j}(p_j), S_{k,j}(T_{i,j}(p_j)))}{2}$, then

$$d(T_{i,j}(p_j), S_{k,j}(T_{i,j}(p_j))) \leq \frac{\lambda}{2} d(T_{i,j}(p_j), S_{k,j}(T_{i,j}(p_j))),$$

and so $T_{i,j}(p_j) = S_{k,j}(T_{i,j}(p_j))$. Hence in any situation, $T_{i,j}(p_j)$ is a fixed point of $S_{k,j}$ for each k with $k \neq i$. That is, $T_{i,j}(p_j)$ is a common fixed point of $\{S_{i,j}\}_{i \in \mathbb{N}}$. By the uniqueness of common fixed points of $\{S_{i,j}\}_{i \in \mathbb{N}}$, we have $T_{i,j}(p_j) = p_j$ for each $i \in \mathbb{N}$. Hence p_j is a common fixed point of $\{T_{i,j}\}_{i \in \mathbb{N}}$.

If u_j and v_j are all common fixed points of $\{T_{i,j}\}_{i \in \mathbb{N}}$, then they are also common fixed points of $\{S_{i,j}\}_{i \in \mathbb{N}}$. By the uniqueness of common fixed points of $\{S_{i,j}\}_{i \in \mathbb{N}}$, we obtain that $u_i = p_j = v_j$. This means that for each $j \in \mathbb{N}$, $\{T_{i,j}\}_{i \in \mathbb{N}}$ has a unique common fixed point p_j .

Finally, we will prove that $\{T_{i,j}\}_{i,j \in \mathbb{N}}$ has a unique common fixed point. First, we prove that for each $\mu, \nu \in \mathbb{N}$, $p_\mu = p_\nu$. In fact, for any $i_1, i_2, \mu, \nu \in \mathbb{N}$ with $\mu \neq \nu$, since $T_{i_1,\mu}(p_\mu) = p_\mu$ and $T_{i_2,\nu}(p_\nu) = p_\nu$,

$$T_{i_1,\mu}(T_{i_2,\nu}(p_\nu)) = T_{i_1,\mu}(p_\nu).$$

Hence by (b)

$$T_{i_2,\nu}(T_{i_1,\mu}(p_\nu)) = T_{i_1,\mu}(T_{i_2,\nu}(p_\nu)) = T_{i_1,\mu}(p_\nu).$$

This means that $T_{i_1,\mu}(p_\nu)$ is a fixed point of $T_{i_2,\nu}$ for each i_2 , i.e., $T_{i_1,\mu}(p_\nu)$ is a common fixed point of $\{T_{i_2,\nu}\}_{i_2 \in \mathbb{N}}$. Since $\{T_{i_2,\nu}\}_{i_2 \in \mathbb{N}}$ has a unique common fixed point p_ν , we see that $T_{i_1,\mu}(p_\nu) = p_\nu$ for each i_1 , and therefore p_ν is a common fixed point of $\{T_{i_1,\mu}\}_{i_1 \in \mathbb{N}}$. But $\{T_{i_1,\mu}\}_{i_1 \in \mathbb{N}}$ has an

unique common fixed point p_μ , and so $p_\mu = p_\nu$. Let $p^* = p_j$. Then p^* is the common fixed point of $\{T_{i,j}\}_{i,j \in \mathbb{N}}$. The uniqueness of common fixed points of $\{T_{i,j}\}_{i,j \in \mathbb{N}}$ is obvious. \square

From Theorem 2.1, we obtain next common fixed point theorem:

THEOREM 2.5. *Let K be a nonempty closed subset of a complete metrically convex space (X, d) , $\{T_i : K \rightarrow k(X)\}_{i \in \mathbb{N}}$ a countable family of non-self set-valued mappings with nonempty values such that for any $i, j \in \mathbb{N}$ with $i \neq j$, and any $x, y \in K$ satisfies*

$$(2.4) \quad H(T_i x, T_j y) \leq \lambda u_{i,j}(x, y),$$

where, $u_{i,j}(x, y) \in \left\{ d(x, y), d(x, T_i x), d(y, T_j y), \frac{d(x, T_i x) + d(y, T_j y)}{2}, \frac{d(x, T_j y) + d(y, T_i x)}{2} \right\}$ and $\lambda \in (0, \frac{1}{2})$ is a constant number. Furthermore, if $T_i(x) \subset K$ for all $i \in \mathbb{N}$ and $x \in \partial K$, then $\{T_i\}_{i \in \mathbb{N}}$ have a common fixed point in K .

Proof. For any $i, j \in \mathbb{N}$ and any $u \in T_i x$, by applying (iii) in Lemma 1.3, we can choose $v \in T_j y$ such that $d(u, v) \leq H(T_i x, T_j y)$. Hence (2.1) in Theorem 2.1 holds by (2.4), So $\{T_i\}_{i \in \mathbb{N}}$ has a common fixed point in K by Theorem 2.1. \square

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