

FIXED POINTS FOR SOME CONTRACTIVE MAPPING IN PARTIAL METRIC SPACES

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ABSTRACT. Matthews introduced the concepts of partial metric spaces and proved the Banach fixed point theorem in complete partial metric spaces. Dukic, Kadelburg, and Radenovic proved fixed point theorems for Geraghty-type mappings in complete partial metric spaces. In this paper, we prove the fixed point theorem for some contractive mapping in a complete partial metric space.

1. Introduction and Preliminaries

Metric spaces has been generalized in many ways. Among others, the notion of a partial metric space was introduced in 1992 by Matthews [5] to model computation over a metric space. His goal was to study the reality of finding closer and closer approximation to a given number and showing that contractive algorithms would serve to find these approximations.

DEFINITION 1.1. Let X be a non-empty set. Then a mapping $d : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ is called a *partial metric* if for any $x, y, z \in X$, the following conditions hold:

- (pm1) $d(x, x) \leq d(x, y)$,
- (pm2) $d(x, y) = d(y, x)$,
- (pm3) if $d(x, x) = d(x, y) = d(y, y)$, then $x = y$, and
- (pm4) $d(x, z) + d(y, y) \leq d(x, y) + d(y, z)$.

In this case, (X, d) is called a *partial metric space*.

EXAMPLE 1.2.

- (1) Let $X = [0, \infty)$ and $d(x, y) = \max\{x, y\}$ for all $x, y \in X$. Then (X, d) is a *partial metric space*.

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(2) Let $X = \{[a, b] \mid a, b \in \mathbb{R}, a \leq b\}$ and $d([a, b], [c, d]) = \max\{b, d\} - \min\{a, c\}$. Then (X, d) is a partial metric space.

Let (X, d) be a partial metric space. For any $x \in X$ and $\epsilon > 0$, let

$$B_d(x, \epsilon) = \{y \in X \mid d(x, y) - d(x, x) < \epsilon\}.$$

LEMMA 1.3. [6] Let (X, d) be a partial metric space. Then we have the followings:

- (1) $\{B_d(x, \epsilon) \mid x \in X, \epsilon > 0\}$ is a base for some topology τ_d ,
- (2) (X, τ_d) is a T_0 -space, and
- (3) a sequence $\{x_n\}$ converges to x in (X, τ_d) if and only if $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n, x) = d(x, x)$.

Let (X, d) be a partial metric space. A sequence $\{x_n\}$ in (X, d) is called *Cauchy* if $\lim_{n, m \rightarrow \infty} d(x_m, x_n)$ exists and is finite and (X, d) is called *complete* if every Cauchy sequence $\{x_n\}$ in (X, d) converges to x in (X, τ_d) such that

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

LEMMA 1.4. [8] Let (X, d) be a partial metric space. Then a sequence $\{x_n\}$ converges to x in (X, τ_d) with $d(x, x) = 0$ if and only if for any $y \in X$, $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n, y) = d(x, y)$.

There exist many generalizations of the well-known Banach contraction mapping principle in the literature. In particular, Matthews [5], [6] proved the Banach fixed point theorem in partial metric spaces and after that, fixed point results in partial metric spaces have been studied by many authors([1], [3], [7]).

First, the well-known Banach contraction theorem [2] is stated as follows.

THEOREM 1.5. Let (X, d) be a complete metric space and let $f : X \rightarrow X$ a contraction mapping, that is, there exists $\lambda \in [0, 1)$ such that

$$p(Tx, Ty) \leq \lambda p(x, y)$$

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

Matthews [6] proved the Banach fixed point theorem in partial metric spaces as follows:

THEOREM 1.6. [6] Let (X, d) be a complete partial metric space and let $f : X \rightarrow X$ a contraction mapping, that is, there exists $\lambda \in [0, 1)$ such that

$$p(Tx, Ty) \leq \lambda p(x, y)$$

for all $x, y \in X$. Then f has a unique fixed point $u \in X$ with $p(u, u) = 0$.

Now, let Σ be the set of all functions $\beta : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, 1)$ which satisfies

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \beta(t_n) = 1 \text{ implies } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} t_n = 0.$$

Dukic, Kadelburg, and Radenovic [4] proved the following fixed point theorem for Geraghty contractions :

THEOREM 1.7. [4] *Let be a complete partial metric space and $f : X \rightarrow X$ a mapping. Suppose that there is a $\beta \in \Sigma$ such that*

$$(1.1) \quad d(f(x), f(y)) \leq \beta(d(x, y))d(x, y)$$

for all $x, y \in X$. Then f has a unique fixed point $u \in X$ with $d(u, u) = 0$.

Recently, Altun and Sadarangani [1] proved the following fixed point theorem for Geraghty contractions :

THEOREM 1.8. [1] *Let (X, d) be a partial complete metric space. Suppose that $f : X \rightarrow X$ is a mapping such that there is a $\beta \in \Sigma$ with*

$$d(f(x), f(y)) \leq \beta(A(x, y)) \max\{d(x, y), d(x, fx), d(y, fy)\}$$

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

$$A(x, y) = \max \left\{ d(x, y), d(x, fx), d(y, fy), \frac{1}{2}[d(x, fy) + d(fx, y)] \right\}.$$

Then f has a unique fixed point u in X .

In this paper, we will prove a fixed point theorem for some contractive mapping in a complete partial metric space.

2. Fixed point theorem for some contractive mapping in a complete partial metric space

Now, we will prove a fixed point theorem for some contractive mapping in complete partial metric spaces.

THEOREM 2.1. *Let (X, d) be a complete partial metric space and $f : X \rightarrow X$ a mapping such that there is a $\beta \in \Sigma$ such that*

$$(2.1) \quad d(f(x), f(y)) \leq \beta(A(x, y))A(x, y)$$

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

$$A(x, y) = \max \left\{ d(x, y), d(x, fx), d(y, fy), \frac{1}{2}[d(x, fy) + d(fx, y)] \right\}.$$

Then there is a unique fixed point u of f with $d(u, u) = 0$.

Proof. Let $x \in X$ and for any $n \in \mathbb{N}$, let $f^{n+1}x = f f^n x$ and $x_n = f^n x$.

Suppose that $d(x_m, x_{m+1}) = 0$ for some $m \in \mathbb{N}$. Then we have $x_m = x_{m+1}$, that is, x_m is a fixed point of f and $d(x_m, x_m) = 0$. Hence one has the results.

Suppose that $d(x_n, x_{n+1}) > 0$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$. For any $n \in \mathbb{N}$, let $\alpha_n = d(x_n, x_{n+1})$. By (2.1),

$$d(x_n, x_n) \leq \beta(A(x_{n-1}, x_{n-1}))A(x_{n-1}, x_{n-1}) \leq \beta(A(x_{n-1}, x_{n-1}))\alpha_{n-1}$$

for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Then by (2.1),

$$(2.2) \quad \begin{aligned} & \alpha_{n+1} \\ & \leq \beta(A(x_{n+1}, x_n))A(x_{n+1}, x_n) \\ & \leq \beta(A(x_{n+1}, x_n)) \max \left\{ \alpha_n, \alpha_{n+1}, \frac{1}{2} \left[d(x_{n+1}, x_{n+1}) + d(x_{n+2}, x_n) \right] \right\} \end{aligned}$$

for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$. If $\max \left\{ \alpha_n, \alpha_{n+1}, \frac{1}{2} \left[d(x_{n+1}, x_{n+1}) + d(x_{n+2}, x_n) \right] \right\} = \alpha_{n+1}$ for some $n \in \mathbb{N}$, then by (2.2), we have $\alpha_{n+1} = 0$, because $\alpha_{n+1} \neq 0$ and $0 \leq \beta(A(x_{n+1}, x_n)) < 1$, which is a contradiction. Hence we have

$$(2.3) \quad \alpha_{n+1} < \max \left\{ \alpha_n, \alpha_{n+1}, \frac{1}{2} \left[d(x_{n+1}, x_{n+1}) + d(x_{n+2}, x_n) \right] \right\}$$

for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Hence by (2.2) and (2.3), we get

$$(2.4) \quad \alpha_{n+1} \leq \beta(A(x_{n+1}, x_n)) \max \left\{ \alpha_n, \frac{1}{2} \left[d(x_{n+1}, x_{n+1}) + d(x_{n+2}, x_n) \right] \right\}$$

for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

Suppose that there is an $n \in \mathbb{N}$ such that

$$(2.5) \quad \alpha_n \leq \frac{1}{2} \left[d(x_{n+1}, x_{n+1}) + d(x_{n+2}, x_n) \right].$$

Then by (2.5) and (pm4), we have

$$(2.6) \quad \begin{aligned} \alpha_n & \leq \frac{1}{2} \left[d(x_{n+1}, x_{n+1}) + d(x_{n+2}, x_n) \right] \\ & \leq \frac{1}{2} \alpha_{n+1} + \frac{1}{2} \alpha_n \end{aligned}$$

and so

$$(2.7) \quad \alpha_n \leq \alpha_{n+1}.$$

By (2.6) and (2.7), we have

$$\frac{1}{2} \left[d(x_{n+1}, x_{n+1}) + d(x_{n+2}, x_n) \right] \leq \frac{1}{2} \alpha_{n+1} + \frac{1}{2} \alpha_n \leq \alpha_{n+1}$$

and thus

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

which is a contradiction. Hence we have

$$(2.8) \quad \alpha_n > \frac{1}{2} \left[d(x_{n+1}, x_{n+1}) + d(x_{n+2}, x_n) \right].$$

for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Thus by (2.4) and (2.8), we have

$$(2.9) \quad \alpha_{n+1} \leq \beta(A(x_{n+1}, x_n))\alpha_n < \alpha_n$$

for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and so $\{\alpha_n\}$ is a bounded below real decreasing sequence.

Thus there is a non-negative real number α with $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \alpha_n = \alpha$.

Suppose that $\alpha > 0$. Letting $n \rightarrow \infty$ in (2.9), we get $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \beta(A(x_{n+1}, x_n)) = 1$. Since $\beta \in \Sigma$ and $A(x_{n+1}, x_n) = \alpha_n$,

$$0 = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} A(x_{n+1}, x_n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \alpha_n = \alpha,$$

which is a contradiction. Thus $\alpha = 0$ and so

$$(2.10) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n, x_{n+1}) = 0.$$

Now, we claim that $\{x_n\}$ is a Cauchy sequence in (X, d) . Enough to show that $\lim_{n, m \rightarrow \infty} d(x_m, x_n) = 0$. Suppose that $\lim_{n, m \rightarrow \infty} d(x_m, x_n) \neq 0$. Then there is an $\epsilon > 0$ and there are subsequences $\{x_{m(k)}\}$, $\{x_{n(k)}\}$ of $\{x_n\}$ such that $m(k) > n(k) > k$ and

$$(2.11) \quad d(x_{m(k)}, x_{n(k)}) \geq \epsilon$$

for all $k \in \mathbb{N}$. Moreover, for any $k \in \mathbb{N}$, we can choose $m(k)$ in such a way that it is smallest integer with $m(k) > n(k)$ and satisfies (2.11). Then

$$(2.12) \quad d(x_{m(k)-1}, x_{n(k)}) < \epsilon$$

and by (2.11) and (2.12), we have

$$(2.13) \quad \begin{aligned} \epsilon &\leq d(x_{m(k)}, x_{n(k)}) \\ &\leq d(x_{m(k)}, x_{m(k)-1}) + d(x_{m(k)-1}, x_{n(k)}) - d(x_{m(k)-1}, x_{m(k)-1}) \\ &\leq d(x_{m(k)}, x_{m(k)-1}) + d(x_{m(k)-1}, x_{n(k)}) \\ &< d(x_{m(k)}, x_{m(k)-1}) + \epsilon \end{aligned}$$

for all $k \in \mathbb{N}$. By (2.10) and (2.13), we have

$$(2.14) \quad \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} d(x_{m(k)}, x_{n(k)}) = \epsilon$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} & d(x_{m(k)-1}, x_{n(k)-1}) \\ & \leq d(x_{m(k)-1}, x_{m(k)}) + d(x_{m(k)}, x_{n(k)}) + d(x_{n(k)}, x_{n(k)-1}) \end{aligned}$$

for all $k \in \mathbb{N}$. Letting $k \rightarrow \infty$ in the last inequality, by (2.10), we get

$$(2.15) \quad \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} d(x_{m(k)-1}, x_{n(k)-1}) \leq \epsilon.$$

Since

$$\begin{aligned} & d(x_{m(k)}, x_{n(k)}) \\ & \leq d(x_{m(k)}, x_{m(k)-1}) + d(x_{m(k)-1}, x_{n(k)-1}) + d(x_{n(k)-1}, x_{n(k)}) \end{aligned}$$

for all $k \in \mathbb{N}$,

$$(2.16) \quad \epsilon \leq \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} d(x_{m(k)-1}, x_{n(k)-1}).$$

By (2.15) and (2.16), we have

$$(2.17) \quad \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} d(x_{m(k)-1}, x_{n(k)-1}) = \epsilon.$$

By (2.10) and (2.12), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \epsilon & \leq d(x_{m(k)}, x_{n(k)}) \leq \beta(A(x_{m(k)-1}, x_{n(k)-1}))A(x_{m(k)-1}, x_{n(k)-1}) \\ & \leq \beta(A(x_{m(k)-1}, x_{n(k)-1})) \max \left\{ d(x_{m(k)-1}, x_{n(k)-1}), d(x_{m(k)-1}, x_{m(k)}), \right. \\ & \quad \left. d(x_{n(k)}, x_{n(k)-1}), \frac{1}{2}[d(x_{m(k)-1}, x_{n(k)}) + d(x_{m(k)}, x_{n(k)-1})] \right\} \\ & \leq \beta(A(x_{m(k)-1}, x_{n(k)-1})) \max \left\{ d(x_{m(k)-1}, x_{n(k)-1}), d(x_{m(k)-1}, x_{m(k)}), \right. \\ & \quad \left. d(x_{n(k)}, x_{n(k)-1}), \frac{1}{2}[\epsilon + d(x_{m(k)}, x_{n(k)}) + d(x_{n(k)}, x_{n(k)-1})] \right\} \end{aligned}$$

and by (2.14) and (2.17), we get

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \beta(A(x_{m(k)-1}, x_{n(k)-1})) = 1.$$

Hence $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} A(x_{m(k)-1}, x_{n(k)-1}) = 0$ and so

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_{m(k)}, x_{n(k)}) = 0$$

which is a contradiction to (2.11). Thus

$$(2.18) \quad \lim_{n, m \rightarrow \infty} d(x_m, x_n) = 0$$

and so $\{x_n\}$ is a Cauchy sequence in (X, d) . Since (X, d) is a complete partial metric space, there is an u in X such that

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

By (2.18), we get

$$(2.19) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n, u) = d(u, u) = 0.$$

By Lemma 1.4 and (2.19), we have

$$(2.20) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n, fu) = d(u, fu) = 0$$

and by (pm1) and (2.20),

$$d(u, u) = d(u, fu) = d(fu, fu).$$

Hence $fu = u$ and thus u is a fixed point of f .

To prove the uniqueness of u , let v be another fixed point of f with $d(v, v) = 0$. Then we have

$$d(u, v) = d(fu, fv) \leq \beta(A(u, v))A(u, v) = \beta(A(u, v))d(u, v).$$

Since $0 \leq \beta(A(u, v)) < 1$, $u = v$. □

Using Theorem 2.1, we have the following corollary :

COROLLARY 2.2. *Let (X, d) be a partial complete metric space and $f : X \rightarrow X$ a mapping . Suppose that there is a $\beta \in \Sigma$ with*

$$d(f(x), f(y)) \leq \beta(A(x, y))B(x, y)$$

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

$$B(x, y) = d(x, y), \quad B(x, y) = \max\{d(x, y), d(x, fx), d(y, fy)\},$$

$$\text{or } B(x, y) = \frac{1}{2}[d(x, fy) + d(fx, y)]$$

Then f has a unique fixed point $u \in X$.

In particular, if $B = \max\{d(x, y), d(x, fx), d(y, fy)\}$ in Corollary 2.2, its result is Theorem 1.8.

EXAMPLE 2.3. *Let $X = [0, 1]$ and define a partial metric $d : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ by $d(x, y) = \max\{x, y\}$. Then (X, d) is a complete partial metric space. Define a mapping $f : X \rightarrow X$ by $f(x) = \frac{1}{3}$ and define a mapping $\beta : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, 1)$ by*

$$\beta(t) = \begin{cases} \frac{10}{10+t}e^{-t}, & \text{if } t > 0, \\ \frac{1}{2}, & \text{if } t = 0. \end{cases}$$

Then clearly, $\beta \in \Sigma$. Since $d(f0, f1) = \frac{1}{3} > \frac{10}{11e} = \beta(d(0, 1))d(0, 1)$, (1.1) in Theorem 1.7 does not satisfied.

For any $x, y \in X$ with $x \geq y$ and $x > 0$, $A(x, y) = x$ and since $\beta(t) \geq \frac{10}{11e}$ for all $t \in X$,

$$\beta(A(x, y))A(x, y) = \beta(x)x = \frac{10x}{(10+x)e^x} \geq x > \frac{x}{3} = d(fx, fy).$$

Hence all conditions of Theorem 2.1 are satisfied and thus f has the unique fixed point $u \in X$ with $d(u, u) = 0$.

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