



On Ćirić Type φ -Geraghty Contractions

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Abstract : In this paper we introduce the notions of φ -Geraghty contractions and Ćirić type φ -Geraghty contractions. We also investigate under which conditions such mappings possess a unique fixed point in the framework of complete metric spaces. We consider examples to show the validity of our main results.

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1 Introduction and Preliminaries

Let (X, d) be a complete metric space. A map T is a contraction if there exists a constant $k \in (0, 1)$ such that

$$d(Tx, Ty) \leq kd(x, y) \quad \text{for each } x, y \in X. \quad (1.1)$$

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Let \mathcal{F} be the family of all functions $\beta : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, 1)$ which satisfies the condition:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \beta(t_n) = 1 \Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} t_n = 0. \quad (1.2)$$

An operator $T : X \rightarrow X$ is called a Geraghty contraction [1] if there exists a function $\beta \in \mathcal{F}$ which satisfies the condition

$$d(Tx, Ty) \leq \beta(d(x, y))d(x, y) \quad \text{for each } x, y \in X. \quad (1.3)$$

In 1973, Geraghty [1] successfully obtained a unique fixed point for such contractions.

Theorem 1.1. [1] *Suppose that T is a self-mapping on the complete metric space (X, d) . If T is a Geraghty contraction, then it posses a unique fixed point $x^* \in X$. Moreover, for any initial point $x_0 \in X$, the iterative sequence $\{T^n x_0\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ converges to x^* .*

It is an undoubted generalization of the most celebrated result in the metric fixed point theory, the Banach contraction principle. Indeed, it is sufficient to take $\beta(t) = k$ for all $t \in [0, \infty)$. This idea has been appreciated and improved in several ways by many authors, see e.g. [2–12] and the related references therein.

Very recently, Suzuki [13] proved the following fixed point theorem that was inspired from the well-known results of Meir-Keeler [14].

Theorem 1.2. [13] *Let (X, d) be a complete metric space and a mapping $T : X \rightarrow X$. Define a function L from $X \times X$ into $[0, \infty)$ by*

$$L(x, y) = \max \left\{ d(x, y), \frac{d(x, Ty) + d(Tx, y)}{2}, d(x, Tx), d(y, Ty) \right\}. \quad (1.4)$$

Assume that there exists a function φ from $[0, \infty)$ into itself satisfying the following:

($\varphi 1$) $\varphi(t) < t$ for any $t \in (0, \infty)$.

($\varphi 2$) For any $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists a $\delta > 0$ such that

$$\varepsilon < t < \varepsilon + \delta \text{ implies } \varphi(t) \leq \varepsilon.$$

($\varphi 3$) $d(Tx, Ty) \leq \varphi \circ L(x, y)$.

Then T has a unique fixed point z . Moreover $\{T^n x\}$ converges to z for all $x \in X$.

Remark 1.3. *By ($\varphi 1$), is easy to see that ($\varphi 2$) is equivalent to the following*

($\varphi 2'$) For any $\varepsilon > 0$ there exists $\delta > 0$ such that

$$t < \varepsilon + \delta \text{ implies } \varphi(t) \leq \varepsilon.$$

Indeed, if $0 < t \leq \varepsilon$ from ($\varphi 1$) we have $\varphi(t) < t \leq \varepsilon$.

In this paper we revisit the notion of Geraghty contraction and propose a concept of φ -Geraghty contraction by inspired by the results of Suzuki [13]. Moreover, we observe a unique fixed point for such contractions. We also consider an example to indicate the validity of our results.

2 Main Results

We shall start this section by introducing the notion of φ -Geraghty contraction which is contraction by using the auxiliary functions defined in the first section.

Definition 2.1. Suppose that $\varphi : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ is a function and $\beta \in \mathcal{F}$. A self-mapping T on a complete metric space (X, d) is called φ -Geraghty contraction if it satisfies the following conditions:

($\varphi 1$) $\varphi(t) < t$ for any $t \in (0, \infty)$.

($\varphi 2$) For any $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists a $\delta > 0$ such that

$$\varepsilon < t < \varepsilon + \delta \text{ implies } \varphi(t) \leq \varepsilon.$$

($\varphi 3$) $d(Tx, Ty) \leq \beta(d(x, y))(\varphi \circ d(x, y))$.

In what follows, we shall state and prove our first main result.

Theorem 2.2. *Let (X, d) be a complete metric space. If a self-mapping $T : X \rightarrow X$ forms a φ -Geraghty contraction, then T has a unique fixed point u . Moreover $\{T^n x\}$ converges to u for all $x \in X$.*

Proof. Let $x_0 \in X$. We shall build an iterative sequence $\{x_n\} \subset X$ by $x_n = Tx_{n-1}$ for $n \in \mathbb{N}$. As a first step, we shall show that the adjacent terms of the sequence $\{x_n\} \subset X$ should be distinct for a meaningful proof. Suppose on the contrary, that $x_{n_0} = x_{n_0+1}$ for some $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$. In this case, the point x_{n_0} forms a fixed point of T that completes the proof. From now on, we suppose that

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

Consequently, we have $d(x_n, x_{n+1}) > 0$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$. Therefore, from ($\varphi 3$) and ($\varphi 1$) we conclude that

$$\begin{aligned} d(x_n, x_{n+1}) &= d(Tx_{n-1}, Tx_n) \leq \beta(d(x_{n-1}, x_n))\varphi(d(x_{n-1}, x_n)) \\ &< \varphi(d(x_{n-1}, x_n)) < d(x_{n-1}, x_n) \text{ for all } n \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence, the non-negative sequence $\{d(x_{n-1}, x_n)\}$ is non-increasing in \mathbb{R}_+ . Accordingly, it is convergent to some non-negative real number ℓ . We assert that $\ell = 0$. We shall prove our assertion by the method of “*reductio to absurdum*”. So, we suppose on the contrary, that $\ell > 0$. Hence, we have

$$0 < \ell < d(x_n, x_{n+1}) \text{ for all } n \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}.$$

Set $\varepsilon = \ell > 0$. From ($\varphi 2'$) there exists $\delta > 0$ such that

$$t < \varepsilon + \delta \text{ implies } \varphi(t) \leq \varepsilon.$$

On the other hand, from the definition of ε we can choose $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ such that

$$\varepsilon < d(x_{n_0}, x_{n_0+1}) < \varepsilon + \delta$$

and taking into account the property $(\varphi 2)$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} \varepsilon &< d(x_{n_0+2}, x_{n_0+3}) < d(x_{n_0+1}, x_{n_0+2}) = d(Tx_{n_0}, Tx_{n_0+1}) \\ &\leq \beta(d(x_{n_0}, x_{n_0+1})\varphi(d(x_{n_0}, x_{n_0+1}))) \\ &< \varphi(d(x_{n_0}, x_{n_0+1})) \leq \varepsilon, \end{aligned}$$

which is a contradiction. Hence,

$$\ell = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n, x_{n+1}) = 0. \quad (2.1)$$

As a next step, we shall indicate that the sequence $\{x_n\}$ is Cauchy. Fix $\varepsilon_1 > 0$. Then, by the hypothesis, there exists a $\delta_1 > 0$ such that

$$t < \varepsilon_1 + \delta_1 \text{ implies } \varphi(t) \leq \varepsilon_1. \quad (2.2)$$

Without loss of generality, we assume $\delta_1 < \varepsilon_1$. Due to (2.1), there exists $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that

$$d(x_n, x_{n+1}) < \delta_1, \text{ for all } n \geq N. \quad (2.3)$$

We will show that for any fixed $k \geq N$,

$$d(x_k, x_{k+l}) < \varepsilon_1 + \delta_1 \quad (2.4)$$

for all $l \in \mathbb{N}$. The inequality trivially holds for $l = 1$ by (2.3). We assume that the condition (2.4) is satisfied for some $j \in \mathbb{N}$. We shall show that it holds for $l = j + 1$. From (2.2), we get

$$\begin{aligned} d(x_k, x_{k+j+1}) &\leq d(x_k, x_{k+1}) + d(x_{k+1}, x_{k+j+1}) \\ &= d(x_k, x_{k+1}) + d(Tx_k, Tx_{k+j}) \\ &\leq d(x_k, x_{k+1}) + \beta(d(x_k, x_{k+j})\varphi(d(x_k, x_{k+j}))) \\ &< \varepsilon_1 + \delta_1. \end{aligned}$$

Consequently, (2.4) holds for $l = j + 1$. Hence we derive that

$$d(x_k, x_{k+l}) < \varepsilon_1 + \delta_1 \text{ for all } k \geq N \text{ and } l \geq 1.$$

Since ε_1 is arbitrary, we conclude that

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

Thus the sequence $\{x_n\}$ is Cauchy. Since (X, d) is complete, there exists $u \in X$ such that $x_n \rightarrow u$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

Arguing by contradiction, we assume that $Tu \neq u$, so there exists $r > 0$ such that $d(u, Tu) = r$. Since $\{x_n\}$ converges at u , we can choose $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $d(x_l, u) < \frac{r}{2}$ for all $l \geq n_0$. Then, from $(\varphi 3)$, we get that

$$\begin{aligned} r = d(u, Tu) &\leq d(u, x_{l+1}) + d(x_{l+1}, Tu) = d(u, x_{l+1}) + d(Tx_l, Tu) \\ &\leq d(u, x_{l+1}) + \beta(d(u, x_l)\varphi(d(u, x_l))) \\ &< d(u, x_{l+1}) + \varphi(d(u, x_l)) \\ &< d(u, x_{l+1}) + d(u, x_l) < r, \end{aligned}$$

which is a contradiction. Therefore we have shown that u is a fixed point of T . Suppose that $u \neq v$ are two fixed points of T . We then have

$$d(u, v) = d(Tu, Tv) \leq \beta(d(u, v))\varphi(d(u, v)) < \varphi(d(u, v)) < d(u, v)$$

which implies that $u = v$. □

Example 2.3. Let $X = [0, \frac{3}{4}] \cup \{1\}$ equipped with a standard metric $d(x, y) = |x - y|$ for all $x, y \in X$. We define a self-mapping $T : X \rightarrow X$ as follows

$$Tx = \begin{cases} \frac{x}{8}, & \text{if } x \in [0, \frac{3}{4}] \\ \frac{1}{16}, & \text{if } x = 1. \end{cases}$$

Moreover, the auxiliary functions β and φ are defined as follows:

$$\beta(t) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{4}, & \text{if } t \in [0, 2), \\ \frac{1}{2}, & \text{if } t \geq 2, \end{cases} \quad \text{and} \quad \varphi(t) = \begin{cases} \frac{t}{2}, & \text{if } t \in [0, 2), \\ \frac{3}{2}, & \text{if } t = 2, \\ \frac{1}{t} + 1, & \text{if } t \in (2, \infty). \end{cases} \quad (2.5)$$

If $x, y \in [0, \frac{3}{4}]$, then

$$d(Tx, Ty) = \frac{|x - y|}{8} \leq \frac{1}{8} |x - y| = \beta(d(x, y))\varphi(d(x, y)).$$

If $x \in [0, \frac{3}{4}]$ and $y = 1$, then $(\varphi 3)$ becomes

$$d(Tx, Ty) = \frac{|2x - 1|}{16} \leq \frac{1}{8} |1 - x| = \beta(d(x, y))\varphi(d(x, y)),$$

or, equivalent

$$|2x - 1| \leq 2 - 2x.$$

which implies that $x \leq \frac{3}{4}$.

Therefore, for any $x, y \in X$ all the conditions of Theorem 2.2 are satisfied. Moreover, $u = 0$ is a fixed point of T .

In what follows we introduce the family of refined Geraghty functions as follows: Let \mathcal{F} be the family of all functions $\beta : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, 1)$ which satisfies the condition:

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \beta(t_n) = 1 \Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} t_n = 0. \quad (2.6)$$

On the account of the very well-known Ćirić theorem, we extend the notion of φ -Geraghty contraction in the next definition.

Definition 2.4. Suppose that $\varphi : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ is a function and $\beta \in \mathcal{F}'$. A self-mapping T on a complete metric space (X, d) is called Ćirić type φ -Geraghty contraction if it satisfies the following conditions:

- ($\varphi 0$) φ is upper semicontinuous.
- ($\varphi 1$) $\varphi(t) < t$ for any $t \in (0, \infty)$.
- ($\varphi 2$) For any $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists a $\delta > 0$ such that

$$\varepsilon < t < \varepsilon + \delta \text{ implies } \varphi(t) \leq \varepsilon.$$

$$(\varphi 3') \quad d(Tx, Ty) \leq \beta(L(x, y))(\varphi \circ L(x, y)),$$

where

$$L(x, y) = \max \left\{ d(x, y), \frac{d(x, Ty) + d(Tx, y)}{2}, d(x, Tx), d(y, Ty) \right\}. \quad (2.7)$$

Theorem 2.5. Let (X, d) be a complete metric space and $\beta \in \mathcal{F}'$. If a self-mapping $T : X \rightarrow X$ forms a Ćirić type φ -Geraghty contraction, then T has a fixed point u . Moreover, $\{T^n x\}$ converges to u for any initial value $x \in X$.

Proof. We shall use the same steps in the proof of Theorem 2.2. We begin by constructing an iterative sequence $\{x_n\}$ for an arbitrary initial value $x \in X$, as follows:

$$x_0 := x \text{ and } x_n = Tx_{n-1} \text{ for all } n \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}. \quad (2.8)$$

Regarding the discussion on the adjacent terms of the iterative sequence in the proof of Theorem 2.2, we can suppose that

$$x_n \neq x_{n-1} \text{ for all } n \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}. \quad (2.9)$$

Thus, we have $d(x_n, x_{n+1}) > 0$ and consequently $L(x_n, x_{n+1}) > 0$. By ($\varphi 3'$) together with ($\varphi 1$) and the definition of function β , we have

$$\begin{aligned} d(x_{n+1}, x_{n+2}) &= d(Tx_n, Tx_{n+1}) \leq \beta(L(x_n, x_{n+1}))\varphi(L(x_n, x_{n+1})) \\ &< \varphi(L(x_n, x_{n+1})) < L(x_n, x_{n+1}), \end{aligned} \quad (2.10)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} L(x_n, x_{n+1}) &= \max \left\{ d(x_n, Tx_n), \frac{d(x_n, Tx_{n+1}) + d(Tx_n, Tx_n)}{2}, \right. \\ &\quad \left. d(Tx_n, Tx_{n+1}) \right\} \\ &= \max \left\{ d(x_n, Tx_n), \frac{d(x_n, Tx_{n+1})}{2}, d(Tx_n, Tx_{n+1}) \right\} \\ &= \max \left\{ d(x_n, x_{n+1}), \frac{d(x_n, x_{n+2})}{2}, d(x_{n+1}, x_{n+2}) \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

Taking the triangle inequality into account, we find that

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

Consequently, we derive that

$$L(x_n, x_{n+1}) = \max \{d(x_n, x_{n+1}), d(x_{n+1}, x_{n+2})\}$$

and (2.10) becomes

$$d(x_{n+1}, x_{n+2}) = d(Tx_n, Tx_{n+1}) < \max \{d(x_n, x_{n+1}), d(x_{n+1}, x_{n+2})\} \quad (2.11)$$

It is clear that the case where $\max \{d(x_n, x_{n+1}), d(x_{n+1}, x_{n+2})\} = d(x_{n+1}, x_{n+2})$ is impossible due to (2.11). Indeed, by (2.11), this case yields

$$d(x_{n+1}, x_{n+2}) < d(x_{n+1}, x_{n+2}),$$

a contradiction. Accordingly, we have

$$\max \{d(x_n, x_{n+1}), d(x_{n+1}, x_{n+2})\} = d(x_n, x_{n+1})$$

and by (2.11) we get

$$d(x_{n+1}, x_{n+2}) = d(Tx_n, Tx_{n+1}) < L(x_n, x_{n+1}) = d(x_n, x_{n+1}), \quad (2.12)$$

for all $n \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$. Hence the non-negative real number sequence $\{d(x_n, x_{n+1})\}$ is non-increasing. Consequently, this sequence converges to some $\varepsilon \geq 0$.

We claim that $\varepsilon = 0$. Firstly we note $\varepsilon < d(x_n, x_{n+1})$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$. Arguing by contradiction, we assume $\varepsilon > 0$. Then, by $(\varphi 2')$ from Remark 1.3, there exists $\delta > 0$ such that

$$t < \varepsilon + \delta \text{ implies } \varphi(t) \leq \varepsilon.$$

On the other hand, for sufficiently large $N \in \mathbb{N}$, we have

$$0 < \varepsilon < L(x_N, x_{N+1}) = d(x_N, x_{N+1}) < \varepsilon + \delta.$$

Using (2.12) and $(\varphi 2')$ we get

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &< \varepsilon \leq d(x_{N+1}, x_{N+2}) < d(x_{N+2}, x_{N+3}) \leq \beta(L(x_N, x_{N+1}))\varphi(L(x_N, x_{N+1})) \\ &< \varphi(L(x_N, x_{N+1})) \leq \varepsilon, \end{aligned}$$

a contradiction. Thus, we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n, x_{n+1}) = 0. \quad (2.13)$$

Now we show that $\{x_n\}$ is a Cauchy sequence. Let $\varepsilon_1 > 0$ fixed. Then, there exists $\delta_1 > 0$ which satisfies the following:

$$t < \varepsilon_1 + 2\delta_1 \implies \varphi(t) \leq \varepsilon_1. \quad (2.14)$$

From (2.13), we can choose $k \in \mathbb{N}$ large enough to satisfy $d(x_k, x_{k+1}) < \delta_1(\varepsilon) = \delta_1$. We will show by induction that

$$d(x_k, x_{k+l}) < \varepsilon_1 + \delta_1, \quad (2.15)$$

for all $k \in \mathbb{N}$. (Without loss of generality, we assume that $\delta_1 = \delta_1(\varepsilon) < \varepsilon$.) We have already proved for $k = 1$, so we suppose the condition (2.15) is satisfied for some $j \in \mathbb{N}$. For $l = j + 1$, we get

$$\begin{aligned} L(x_k, x_{k+j}) &= \max \left\{ d(x_k, x_{k+j}), d(x_k, x_{k+1}), d(x_{k+j}, x_{k+j+1}), \right. \\ &\quad \left. \frac{d(x_k, x_{k+j+1}) + d(x_{k+j}, x_{k+1})}{2} \right\} \\ &\leq \max \left\{ d(x_k, x_{k+j}), d(x_k, x_{k+1}), d(x_{k+j}, x_{k+j+1}), \right. \\ &\quad \left. \frac{d(x_k, x_{k+j}) + d(x_{k+j}, x_{k+j+1}) + d(x_{k+j}, x_k) + d(x_k, x_{k+1})}{2} \right\} \\ &< \max \left\{ \varepsilon_1, \delta_1, \delta_1, \frac{2\varepsilon_1 + 2\delta_1 + \delta_1 + \delta_1}{2} \right\} = \varepsilon_1 + 2\delta_1. \end{aligned} \quad (2.16)$$

Then, by $(\varphi 3')$ and (2.14) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} d(x_k, x_{k+j+1}) &\leq d(x_k, x_{k+1}) + d(x_{k+1}, x_{k+j+1}) = d(x_k, x_{k+1}) + d(Tx_k, Tx_{k+j}) \\ &\leq d(x_k, x_{k+1}) + \beta(L(x_k, x_{k+j}))\varphi(L(x_k, x_{k+j})) < \varepsilon_1 + \delta_1. \end{aligned} \quad (2.17)$$

Consequently, (2.15) holds for $l = j + 1$. Hence, $d(x_k, x_{k+l}) < \varepsilon_1$ for all $k \in \mathbb{N}$ and $l \leq 1$, which means $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup_{m > n} d(x_n, x_m) = 0$. Hence the sequence $\{x_n\}$ is Cauchy. Since (X, d) is complete, there exists $u \in X$ such that $x_n \rightarrow u$ when $n \rightarrow \infty$.

As a next step, we shall show that $Tu = u$. Suppose on the contrary, that there exists $r > 0$ such that $r := d(u, Tu) > 0$. Note that, due to the fact that the sequence $\{x_n\}$ is convergent to u , we can choose $l \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $d(u, x_n) < \frac{r}{2}$, for all $n \geq l$. So, we have the following estimation for $n \geq l$:

$$\begin{aligned} L(x_n, u) &= \max \left\{ d(x_n, u), \frac{d(x_n, Tu) + d(Tx_n, u)}{2}, d(x_n, Tx_n), d(u, Tu) \right\} \\ &\leq \max \left\{ d(x_n, u), \frac{d(x_n, u) + d(u, Tu) + d(x_{n+1}, u)}{2}, d(x_n, x_{n+1}), d(u, Tu) \right\} \\ &< \left\{ \frac{r}{2}, \frac{\frac{r}{2} + r + \frac{r}{2}}{2}, \frac{r}{2}, r \right\} \\ &= r. \end{aligned}$$

It yields that

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} L(x_n, u) = r. \quad (2.18)$$

By the triangle inequality together with $(\varphi 3)$ we derive that

$$0 < r < d(u, Tu) \leq d(u, x_{n+1}) + d(Tx_n, Tu) \leq d(u, x_{n+1}) + \beta(L(x_n, u))\varphi(L(x_n, u)).$$

Letting $n \rightarrow \infty$ in the previous inequality, together with $(\varphi 0)$ and $(\varphi 1)$ we get

$$\begin{aligned} 0 < r &= d(u, Tu) \leq \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} [d(u, x_{n+1}) + \beta(L(x_n, u))\varphi(L(x_n, u))] \\ &= \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \beta(L(x_n, u)) \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \varphi(L(x_n, u)) \\ &\leq \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \beta(L(x_n, u))\varphi(r) \\ &< \varphi(r) < r. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, $\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\beta(L(x_n, u))) = 1$. Since $\beta \in \mathcal{F}'$ we have $\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} L(x_n, u) = 0$.

Accordingly we have $d(u, Tu) = r = 0$, that is, u is a fixed point of T .

As a last step, we indicate that the limit point u of the iterative sequence $\{x_n\}$ is unique. Suppose on the contrary, that v is another fixed point of T , with $u \neq v$. It is clear that $L(u, v) = d(u, v)$. Thus, we have

$$0 < d(u, v) = d(Tu, Tv) \leq \beta(L(u, v))\varphi(L(u, v)) = \beta(d(u, v))\varphi(d(u, v)) < d(u, v),$$

a contradiction. □

Example 2.6. Let $X = \{a_1, a_2, a_3, a_4\}$ and $d : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ defined by:

$$\begin{aligned} d(a_1, a_2) &= d(a_2, a_1) = 1, \quad d(a_3, a_4) = d(a_4, a_3) = 10, \\ d(a_1, a_4) &= d(a_4, a_1) = d(a_2, a_4) = d(a_4, a_2) = 6, \\ d(a_1, a_3) &= d(a_3, a_1) = d(a_2, a_3) = d(a_3, a_2) = 8, \\ d(a_i, a_i) &= 0, \text{ for any } i = 1, 2, 3, 4. \end{aligned}$$

It is easy to see that the pair (X, d) forms a metric space. Assume $T : X \rightarrow X$ and $\varphi : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ be defined by

$$Ta_1 = Ta_2 = a_1, Ta_3 = Ta_4 = a_2$$

and

$$\varphi(t) = \begin{cases} \frac{t}{5}, & \text{if } t \in [0, 4) \\ \frac{1}{t} + 3, & \text{if } t \in [4, \infty). \end{cases}$$

Let $\beta : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, 1)$ be defined by $\beta(t) = \frac{1}{1+\frac{t}{4}}$. On the other hand, because $d(Ta_1, Ta_2) = d(Ta_3, Ta_4) = 0$ and $(\varphi 3')$ is obviously satisfied, relevant for our study only is only the set $\{(a_1, a_3), (a_1, a_4), (a_2, a_3), (a_2, a_4)\}$. For this reason, we consider the following cases:

Case(i) If $x = a_1, y = a_3$ then

$$\begin{aligned} d(a_1, Ta_1) &= d(a_1, a_1) = 0, \quad d(a_3, Ta_3) = d(a_3, a_2) = 8, \quad d(Ta_1, Ta_3) = d(a_1, a_2) = 1 \\ d(a_1, Ta_3) &= d(a_1, a_2) = 1, \quad d(a_3, Ta_1) = d(a_3, a_1) = 8, \quad d(a_1, a_3) = 8 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} L(a_1, a_3) &= \max \left\{ 8, \frac{1+8}{2}, 0, 8 \right\} = 8, \quad \beta(L(a_1, a_3)) = \beta(8) = \frac{1}{3}, \\ \varphi(L(a_1, a_3)) &= \varphi(8) = \frac{25}{8}. \end{aligned}$$

In this case,

$$d(Ta_1, Ta_3) = 1 \leq \frac{25}{24} = \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{25}{8} = \beta(L(a_1, a_3))\varphi(L(a_1, a_3)).$$

Case(ii) If $x = a_1, y = a_4$ then

$$d(a_1, Ta_1) = d(a_1, a_1) = 0, d(a_4, Ta_4) = d(a_4, a_2) = 6, d(Ta_1, Ta_4) = d(a_1, a_2) = 1$$

$$d(a_1, Ta_4) = d(a_1, a_2) = 1, d(a_4, Ta_1) = d(a_4, a_1) = 6$$

and

$$L(a_1, a_4) = \max \left\{ 1, \frac{1+6}{2}, 0, 6 \right\} = 6, \beta(L(a_1, a_4)) = \beta(6) = \frac{2}{5},$$

$$\varphi(L(a_1, a_4)) = \varphi(6) = \frac{19}{6}.$$

In this case,

$$d(Ta_1, Ta_4) = 1 \leq \frac{38}{30} = \frac{2}{5} \cdot \frac{19}{6} = \beta(L(a_1, a_4))\varphi(L(a_1, a_4)).$$

Case(iii) If $x = a_2, y = a_3$ then

$$d(a_2, Ta_2) = d(a_2, a_1) = 1, d(a_3, Ta_3) = d(a_3, a_2) = 8, d(Ta_2, Ta_3) = d(a_1, a_2) = 1$$

$$d(a_2, Ta_3) = d(a_2, a_2) = 0, d(a_3, Ta_2) = d(a_3, a_1) = 8, d(a_2, a_3) = 8.$$

and

$$L(a_2, a_3) = \max \left\{ 8, \frac{0+8}{2}, 1, 8 \right\} = 8, \beta(L(a_2, a_3)) = \beta(8) = \frac{1}{3},$$

$$\varphi(L(a_2, a_3)) = \varphi(8) = \frac{25}{8}.$$

In this case,

$$d(Ta_2, Ta_3) = 1 \leq \frac{25}{24} = \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{25}{8} = \beta(L(a_2, a_3))\varphi(L(a_2, a_3)).$$

Case(iv) If $x = a_2, y = a_4$ then

$$d(a_2, Ta_2) = d(a_2, a_1) = 1, d(a_4, Ta_4) = d(a_4, a_2) = 6, d(Ta_2, Ta_4) = d(a_1, a_2) = 1$$

$$d(a_2, Ta_4) = d(a_2, a_2) = 0, d(a_4, Ta_2) = d(a_4, a_1) = 6, d(a_2, a_4) = 6$$

and

$$L(a_2, a_4) = \max \left\{ 6, \frac{0+6}{2}, 1, 6 \right\} = 6, \beta(L(a_2, a_4)) = \beta(6) = \frac{2}{5},$$

$$\varphi(L(a_2, a_4)) = \varphi(6) = \frac{19}{6}.$$

In this case,

$$d(Ta_2, Ta_4) = 1 \leq \frac{38}{30} = \frac{2}{5} \cdot \frac{19}{6} = \beta(L(a_2, a_4))\varphi(L(a_2, a_4)).$$

Thus, all the conditions of Theorem 2.5 are satisfied. Moreover, $u = a_1$ is a fixed point of T .

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