

ON A FIXED POINT THEOREM IN A SET WITH TWO  
METRICS

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**0. Introduction.** Let  $X$  be a nonempty set,  $d$  and  $\delta$  two metrics on  $X$  and  $f: X \rightarrow X$  a mapping. For such mappings, M. G. MAIA [11] proved a fixed point theorem which was generalized in many directions by K. ISÉKI ([7], [8], [9]), I. A. RUS [17], S. P. SINGH [20].

The following theorem given in [17] is an useful theorem for the applications.

**THEOREM 1.** *If*

(i)  $\exists c > 0 : d(f(x), f(y)) \leq c\delta(x, y), \forall x, y \in X,$

(ii)  $(X, d)$  is a complete metric space,

(iii)  $f: (X, d) \rightarrow (X, d)$  is continuous,

(iv)  $\exists \alpha \in ]0, 1[ : \delta(f(x), f(y)) \leq \alpha\delta(x, y) \forall x, y \in X,$

then  $f$  has a unique fixed point,  $x^*$ , which can be calculated as  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f^n(x_0)$  for any  $x_0 \in X$ .

The purpose of the present paper is to give some results about the approximation of the fixed point of  $f$ , given by the theorem 1.

**1. Sequences of mappings and fixed points.** Let  $X$  be a topological space and let  $f_n, f: X \rightarrow X$  be some mappings such that  $F_{f_n} \neq \emptyset$  and  $F_f = \{x^*\}$ . A natural question to ask is the following. Does the convergence of  $(f_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  to  $f$  imply the convergence of the sequence  $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}, x_n \in F_{f_n}$ , to the fixed point,  $x^*$ , of  $f$ ?

Some answers to this question are given in [3], [4], [5], [6], [10], [13], [15], [18], [22].

The result which correspond to theorem 1 is the following

**THEOREM 2.** Let  $X$  be a nonempty set,  $d$  and  $\delta$  two metrics on  $X$  and  $f_n, f: X \rightarrow X$ . If

- $(X, d), (X, \delta)$  and  $f$  satisfy the hypotheses of theorem 1,
- the sequence  $(f_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  converges uniformly on  $(X, d)$  to  $f$ ,
- $F_{f_n} \neq \emptyset$ ,
- $\exists c_1 > 0: \delta(x, y) \leq c_1 d(x, y), \forall x, y \in X$ ,
- $cc_1\alpha < 1$ ,

then for every  $x_n \in F_{f_n}$ , the sequence  $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  converge in  $(X, d)$  to the unique fixed point,  $x^*$ , of  $f$ .

*Proof.* From the condition (a) and (d) we have

$$\begin{aligned} d(x_n, x^*) &= d(f_n^2(x_n), f^2(x^*)) \leq \\ &\leq d(f_n^2(x_n), f^2(x_n)) + d(f^2(x_n), f^2(x)) \leq \\ &\leq d(f_n^2(x_n), f^2(x_n)) + c\delta(f(x_n), f(x)) \leq \\ &\leq d(f_n^2(x_n), f^2(x_n)) + c\alpha\delta(x_n, x) \leq \\ &\leq d(f_n^2(x_n), f^2(x_n)) + cc_1\alpha d(x_n, x) \end{aligned}$$

and by (e)

$$d(x_n, x) \leq (1 - cc_1\alpha)^{-1} d(f_n^2(x_n), f^2(x_n)).$$

But

$$\begin{aligned} d(f_n^2(x_n), f^2(x_n)) &\leq \\ &\leq d(f_n^2(x_n), f(f_n(x_n))) + d(f(f_n(x_n)), f^2(x_n)) \leq \\ &\leq d(f_n(f_n(x_n)), f(f_n(x_n))) + c\delta(f_n(x_n), f(x_n)) \leq \\ &\leq d(f_n(f_n(x_n)), f(f_n(x_n))) + cc_1 d(f_n(x_n), f(x_n)). \end{aligned}$$

Since  $(f_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  converge in  $(X, d)$  uniformly to  $f$ , hence

$$d(f_n(f_n(x_n)), f(f_n(x_n))) \rightarrow 0, \text{ when } n \rightarrow \infty,$$

and

$$d(f_n(x_n), f(x_n)) \rightarrow 0, \text{ when } n \rightarrow \infty,$$

i.e.,  $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  converge in  $(X, d)$  to  $x^*$ .

**2. Dependence of parameter.** Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be two topological spaces and let  $f: X \times Y \rightarrow X$ , be a mapping. The induced mappings of  $f$  are denoted by  $f_x, f_y$ , i.e.:

$$f_x: Y \rightarrow X, y \rightarrow f(x, y),$$

$$f_y: X \rightarrow X, x \rightarrow f(x, y).$$

Let us assume that the mapping  $f_y$  has a unique fixed point,  $x_y^*$ , for every  $y \in Y$ . We define the mapping

$$P: Y \rightarrow X, y \rightarrow x_y^*.$$

What are the condition for the continuity of the mapping  $P$ ? In some particular cases this problem was studied in [10], [12], [13], [14], [15], [18].

Our result for this problem is given in the following theorem.

**THEOREM 3.** Let  $X$  be a nonempty set,  $d$  and  $\delta$  two metrics on  $X$ , and let  $Y$  be Hausdorff topological space. If

- the mapping  $f_y$  satisfies the hypotheses of theorem 1, where  $\alpha$  and  $c$  are not depending of  $y$ ;
- the mapping  $f_x$  is continuous in  $(X, d)$ .
- $\exists c_1 > 0: \delta(x, y) \leq c_1 d(x, y), \forall x, y \in X$ ,
- $c_1 c \alpha < 1$ ,

then

$P: Y \rightarrow (X, d)$  is continuous.

*Proof.* Let  $x_{y_i}^*$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ , be the fixed point of  $f_{y_i}$ . We have

$$\begin{aligned} d(x_{y_1}^*, x_{y_2}^*) &= d(f_{y_1}^2(x_{y_1}^*), f_{y_2}^2(x_{y_2}^*)) \leq \\ &\leq d(f_{y_1}^2(x_{y_1}^*), f_{y_1}^2(x_{y_2}^*)) + d(f_{y_1}^2(x_{y_2}^*), f_{y_2}^2(x_{y_2}^*)) \leq \\ &\leq cc_1 d(x_{y_1}^*, x_{y_2}^*) + d(f_{y_1}^2(x_{y_2}^*), f_{y_2}^2(x_{y_2}^*)) \end{aligned}$$

or

$$d(x_{y_1}^*, x_{y_2}^*) \leq (1 - cc_1\alpha)^{-1} d(f_{y_1}^2(x_{y_2}^*), f_{y_2}^2(x_{y_2}^*)).$$

From the condition (a) we have

$$d(x_{y_1}^*, x_{y_2}^*) \rightarrow 0, \text{ when } y_1 \rightarrow y_2.$$

The proof is complete.

### 3. The roundoff error in computing the fixed point given by theorem 1.

Let  $f: X \rightarrow X$  be a mapping which satisfies the conditions of theorem 1. Let  $x^*$  be the unique fixed point of  $f$ . Let  $g: X \rightarrow X$  be a mapping which approximates the mapping  $f$ . More precisely we assume that

$$d(f(x), g(x)) \leq \eta, \forall x \in X, \text{ with given } \eta \in \mathbb{R}.$$

If  $x_0 \in X$ , we put

$$x_n = f^n(x_0), y_n = g^n(x_0)$$

We propose to give an estimate of  $d(x^*, y_n)$ . We have

**THEOREM 4.** If

- $f$  satisfies the conditions of the theorem 1,
- $\exists c_1 > 0: \delta(x, y) \leq c_1 d(x, y), \forall x, y \in X$ ,
- $cc_1 < 1$ .

Then

$$(a) \quad d(x_n, x^*) \leq \frac{c\alpha^{n-1}}{1-\alpha} \delta(x_0, x_1),$$

$$(b) \quad d(y_n, x^*) \leq \eta(1 - cc_1)^{-1} + \frac{c\alpha^{n-1}}{1-\alpha} \delta(x_0, x_1).$$

*Proof.* (a) We have

$$d(x_n, x^*) \leq c\delta(x_{n-1}, x^*) \leq \frac{c\alpha^{n-1}}{1-\alpha} \delta(x_0, x_1).$$

(b) We have

$$d(y_n, x^*) \leq d(x_n, y_n) + d(x_n, x^*)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} d(x_n, y_n) &\leq d(g(y_{n-1}), f(y_{n-1})) + d(f(y_{n-1}), f(x_{n-1})) \leq \\ &\leq \eta + cc_1 d(y_{n-1}, x_{n-1}) \leq \dots \leq \\ &\leq \eta(1 - (cc_1)^{n-1})(1 - cc_1)^{-1}. \end{aligned}$$

**4. Example.** We take  $X = C(\bar{\Omega})$ , where  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  is a bounded domain;  $d(x, y) = \max_{t \in \bar{\Omega}} |x(t) - y(t)| = \|x - y\|_{C(\bar{\Omega})}$ ,  $\delta(x, y) = \left( \int_{\Omega} (x(t) - y(t))^2 dt \right)^{1/2} = \|x - y\|_{L^2(\Omega)}$ . Let  $f: C(\bar{\Omega}) \rightarrow C(\bar{\Omega})$ , be given by

$$f(x)(t) = \int_{\Omega} K(t, s, x(s)) ds$$

where  $K \in C(\bar{\Omega} \times \bar{\Omega} \times \mathbb{R})$ .

If  $|K(t, s, u) - K(t, s, v)| \leq L(t, s)|u - v|$ ,  $\forall t, s \in \Omega, u, v \in \mathbb{R}$

we have

$$\alpha = \left( \int_{\Omega \times \Omega} |L(t, s)|^2 dt ds \right)^{1/2},$$

$$c = \max_t \left( \int_{\Omega} (L(t, s))^2 ds \right)^{1/2},$$

$$c_1 = m(\Omega).$$

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