Fixed point theorem using a contractive condition of rational expression in the context of ordered partial metric spaces

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**Abstract** The purpose of this manuscript is to present a fixed point theorem using a contractive condition of rational expression in the context of ordered partial metric spaces.

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## 1 Introduction and preliminaries

Partial metric is one of the generalizations of metric was introduced by Matthews[2] in 1992 to study denotational semantics of data flow networks. In fact, partial metric spaces constitute a suitable framework to model several distinguished examples of the theory of computation and also to model metric spaces via domain theory [1, 4, 6, 7, 8, 11]. Recently, many researchers have obtained fixed, common fixed and coupled fixed point results on partial metric spaces and ordered partial metric spaces [3, 5, 6, 9, 10]. In [12] Harjani et al. proved the following fixed point theorem in partially ordered metric spaces.

**Theorem 1.1.** ([12]). Let  $(X, \leq)$  be a ordered set and suppose that there exists a metric d in X such that (X, d) is a complete metric space. Let  $T: X \to X$  be a non-decreasing mapping such that

$$d(Tx, Ty) \le \alpha \frac{d(x, Tx)d(y, Ty)}{d(x, y)} + \beta d(x, y) \text{ for } x, y \in X, x \ge y, x \ne y,$$

Also, assume either T is continuous or X has the property that  $(x_n)$  is a nondecreasing sequence in X such that  $x_n \to x$ , then  $x = \sup\{x_n\}$ . If there exists  $x_0 \in X$  such that  $x_0 \leq Tx_0$ , then T has a fixed point.

In this paper we extend the result of Harjani, Lopez and Sadarangani [12] to the case of partial metric spaces. An example is considered to illustrate our obtained results. First, we recall some definitions of partial metric space and some of their properties [2, 3, 4, 5, 10].

**Definition 1.2.** A partial metric on a nonempty set X is a function  $p: X \times X \to \mathbb{R}_+$  such that for all  $x, y, z \in X$ :

(P1) 
$$p(x,y) = p(y,x)$$
 (symmetry);

(P2) if 
$$0 \le p(x, x) = p(x, y) = p(y, y)$$
 then  $x = y$  (equality);

- (P3)  $p(x,x) \leq p(x,y)$  (small self-distances);
- (P4)  $p(x,z) + p(y,y) \le p(x,y) + p(y,z)$  (triangularity); for all  $x, y, z \in X$ .

For a partial metric p on X, the function  $d_p: X \times X \to \mathbb{R}_+$  given by  $d_p(x,y) = 2p(x,y) - p(x,x) - p(y,y)$  is a (usual) metric on X. Each partial metric p on X generates a  $T_0$  topology  $\tau_p$  on X with a base of the family of open p-balls  $\{B_p(x,\epsilon): x \in X, \epsilon > 0\}$ , where  $B_p(x,\epsilon) = \{y \in X: p(x,y) < p(x,x) + \epsilon\}$  for all  $x \in X$  and  $\epsilon > 0$ .

**Lemma 1.3.** Let (X, p) be a partial metric space. Then

- (i) A sequence  $\{x_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence in the PMS (X, p) if and only if  $\{x_n\}$  is Cauchy in a metric space  $(X, d_p)$ .
- (ii) A PMS (X, p) is complete if and only if a metric space  $(X, d_p)$  is complete. Moreover,

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} d_p(x, x_n) = 0 \Leftrightarrow p(x, x) = \lim_{n \to \infty} p(x, x_n) = \lim_{n, m \to \infty} p(x_n, x_m).$$

## 2 Main Results

**Theorem 2.1.** Let  $(X, \leq)$  be a partially ordered set and suppose that there exists a partial metric p in X such that (X, p) is a complete partial metric space. Let  $T: X \to X$  be a continuous and nondecreasing mapping such that

$$p(Tx, Ty) \le \frac{\alpha p(x, Tx)p(y, Ty)}{p(x, y)} + \beta p(x, y), \text{ for } x, y \in X, x \ge y, x \ne y, \tag{1}$$

with  $\alpha > 0, \beta > 0, \alpha + \beta < 1$ . If there exists  $x_0 \in X$  with  $x_0 \leq Tx_0$ , then T has fixed point  $z \in X$  and p(z, z) = 0.

Proof. If  $Tx_0 = x_0$ , then the proof is done. Suppose that  $x_0 \leq Tx_0$ . Since T is a nondecreasing mapping, we obtain by induction that

$$x_0 \le Tx_0 \le T^2x_0 \le \dots \le T^nx_0 \le T^{n+1}x_0 \le \dots$$

Put  $x_{n+1} = Tx_n$ . If there exists  $n \ge 1$  such that  $x_{n+1} = x_n$ , then from  $x_{n+1} = Tx_n = x_n$ ,  $x_n$  is a fixed point. Suppose that  $x_{n+1} \ne x_n$  for  $n \ge 1$ . That is  $x_n$  and  $x_{n-1}$  are comparable, we get, for  $n \ge 1$ ,

$$p(x_{n+1}, x_n) = p(Tx_n, Tx_{n-1})$$

$$\leq \frac{\alpha p(x_n, Tx_n) p(x_{n-1}, Tx_{n-1})}{p(x_n, x_{n-1})} + \beta p(x_n, x_{n-1})$$

$$\leq \alpha p(x_n, x_{n+1}) + \beta p(x_n, x_{n-1})$$

The last inequality gives us

$$p(x_{n+1}, x_n) \le kp(x_n, x_{n-1}), \quad k = \frac{\beta}{1 - \alpha} < 1$$

$$\dots < k^n p(x_1, x_0).$$

$$p(x_{n+1}, x_n) \le k^n p(x_1, x_0). \tag{2}$$

Moreover, by the triangular inequality, we have, for  $m \geq n$ ,

$$p(x_m, x_n) \le p(x_m, x_{m-1}) + \dots + p(x_{n+1}, x_n) - \sum_{i=1}^{m-n-1} p(x_{m-k}, x_{m-k})$$

$$\le [k^{m-1} + \dots + k^n] p(x_1, x_0)$$

$$= k^n \frac{1 - k^{m-n}}{1 - k} p(x_1, x_0)$$

$$\le \frac{k^n}{1 - k} p(x_1, x_0).$$

Hence,  $\lim_{n,m\to\infty} p(x_n,x_m) = 0$ , that is,  $\{x_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence in (X,p). By Lemma 1.3,  $\{x_n\}$  is also Cauchy in  $(X,d_p)$ . In addition, since (X,p) is complete,  $(X,d_p)$  is also complete. Thus there exists  $z \in X$  such that  $x_n \to z$  in  $(X,d_p)$ ; moreover, by Lemma 1.3,

$$p(z,z) = \lim_{n \to \infty} p(z,x_n) = \lim_{n,m \to \infty} p(x_n,x_m) = 0.$$

Given that T is continuous in (X, p). Therefore,  $Tx_n \to Tz$  in (X, p).

i.e., 
$$p(Tz, Tz) = \lim_{n \to \infty} p(Tz, Tx_n) = \lim_{n, m \to \infty} p(Tx_n, Tx_m).$$

But,  $p(Tz, Tz) = \lim_{n,m\to\infty} p(Tx_n, Tx_m) = \lim_{n,m\to\infty} p(x_{n+1}, x_{m+1}) = 0$ . We will show next that z is the fixed point of T.

$$p(Tz, z) \le p(Tz, Tx_n) + p(Tx_n, z) - p(Tx_n, Tx_n).$$

As  $n \to \infty$ , we obtain  $p(Tz, z) \le 0$ . Thus, p(Tz, z) = 0. Hence p(z, z) = p(Tz, Tz) = p(Tz, z) = 0. Therefore, by (P2) we get Tz = z and p(z, z) = 0 which completes the proof.

In what follows we prove that Theorem 2.1 is still valid for T not necessarily continuous, assuming X has the property that

$$(x_n)$$
 is a nondecreasing sequence in X such that  $x_n \to x$ , then  $x = \sup\{x_n\}$ . (3)

**Theorem 2.2.** Let  $(X, \leq)$  be a partially ordered set and suppose that there exists a partial metric p in X such that (X, p) is a complete partial metric space. Assume that X satisfies (3) in (X, p). Let  $T: X \to X$  be a nondecreasing mapping such that

$$p(Tx, Ty) \le \frac{\alpha p(x, Tx)p(y, Ty)}{p(x, y)} + \beta p(x, y), \text{ for } x, y \in X, x \ge y, x \ne y, \tag{4}$$

with  $\alpha > 0, \beta > 0, \alpha + \beta < 1$ . If there exists  $x_0 \in X$  with  $x_0 \leq Tx_0$ , then T has fixed point  $z \in X$  and p(z, z) = 0.

Proof. Following the proof of Theorem 2.1, we only have to check that Tz = z. As  $(x_n)$  is a nondecreasing sequence in X and  $x_n \to z$ , then, by (3),  $z = \sup\{x_n\}$ . In particularly,  $x_n \le z$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

Since T is a nondecreasing mapping, then  $Tx_n \leq Tz$ , for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  or, equivalently,

 $x_{n+1} \leq Tz$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Moreover, as  $x_0 < x_1 \leq Tz$  and  $z = \sup\{x_n\}$ , we get  $z \leq Tz$ . Suppose that z < Tz. Using a similar argument that in the proof of Theorem 2.1 for  $x_0 \leq Tx_0$ , we obtain that  $\{T^nz\}$  is a nondecreasing sequence such that

$$p(y,y) = \lim_{n \to \infty} p(T^n z, y) = \lim_{m,n \to \infty} p(T^n z, T^m z) = 0 \text{ for some } y \in X.$$
 (5)

By the assumption of (3), we have  $y = \sup\{T^n z\}$ .

Moreover, from  $x_0 \le z$ , we get  $x_n = T^n x_0 \le T^n z$  for  $n \ge 1$  and  $x_n < T^n z$  for  $n \ge 1$  because  $x_n \le z < Tz \le T^n z$  for  $n \ge 1$ .

As  $x_n$  and  $T^n z$  are comparable and distinct for  $n \geq 1$ , applying the contractive condition we get

$$p(T^{n+1}z, x_{n+1}) = p(T(T^nz), Tx_n)$$

$$\leq \frac{\alpha p(T^nz, T^{n+1}z)p(x_n, Tx_n)}{p(T^nz, x_n)} + \beta p(T^nz, x_n),$$

$$p(T^{n+1}z, x_{n+1}) \leq \frac{\alpha p(T^nz, T^{n+1}z)p(x_n, x_{n+1})}{p(T^nz, x_n)} + \beta p(T^nz, x_n).$$
(6)

From  $\lim_{n\to\infty} p(x_n,z) = \lim_{n\to\infty} p(T^n z,y) = 0$ , we have

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} p(T^n z, x_n) = p(y, z). \tag{7}$$

As,  $n \to \infty$  in (6) and using that (2) and (7), we obtain

$$p(y,z) \le \beta p(y,z).$$

As  $\beta < 1$ , p(y, z) = 0. Hence p(z, z) = p(y, y) = p(y, z) = 0. Therefore, by (P2) y = z. Particularly,  $y = z = \sup\{T^n z\}$  and, consequently,  $Tz \le z$  and this is a contradiction. Hence, we conclude that z = Tz and p(z, z) = 0.

**Example 2.3.** Let  $X = [0, \infty)$  endowed with the usual partial metric p defined by  $p: X \times X \to \mathbb{R}_+$  with  $p(x, y) = \max\{x, y\}$ , for all  $x, y \in X$ . We consider the ordered relation in X as follows

$$x \preccurlyeq y \Leftrightarrow p(x,x) = p(x,y) \Leftrightarrow x = \max\{x,y\} \Leftarrow y \leq x$$

where  $\leq$  be the usual ordering.

It is clear that  $(X, \preceq)$  is totally ordered. The partial metric space (X, p) is complete because  $(X, d_p)$  is complete. Indeed, for any  $x, y \in X$ ,

$$d_p(x,y) = 2p(x,y) - p(x,x) - p(y,y) = 2\max\{x,y\} - (x+y) = |x-y|$$

Thus,  $(X, d_p) = ([0, \infty), |.|)$  is the usual metric space, which is complete.

Let  $T: X \to X$  be given by  $T(x) = \frac{x}{2}$ ,  $x \ge 0$ . The function T is continuous on (X, p). Indeed, let  $\{x_n\}$  be a sequence converging to x in (X, p), then  $\lim_{n\to\infty} \max\{x_n, x\} = \lim_{n\to\infty} p(x_n, x) = p(x, x) = x$  and

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} p(Tx_n, Tx) = \lim_{n \to \infty} \max\{Tx_n, Tx\} = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{\max\{x_n, x\}}{2} = \frac{x}{2} = p(Tx, Tx)$$
 (8)

that is  $\{T(x_n)\}$  converges to T(x) in (X, p). Since  $x_n \to x$  and by the definition T we have,  $\lim_{n\to\infty} d_p(x_n, x) = 0$  and

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} d_p(Tx_n, Tx) = 0. \tag{9}$$

From (8) and (9) we get T is continuous on (X,p). Any  $x,y \in X$  are comparable, so for example we take  $x \leq y$ , and then p(x,x) = p(x,y), so  $y \leq x$ . Since  $T(y) \leq T(x)$ , so  $T(x) \leq T(y)$ , giving that T is non-decreasing with respect to  $\leq$ . In particular, for any  $x \leq y$ , we have

$$p(x,y) = x, p(Tx,Ty) = Tx = \frac{x}{2}, p(x,Tx) = x, p(y,Ty) = y.$$

Now we have to show that T satisfies the inequality (1) For any  $x, y \in X$  with  $x \leq y$  and  $x \neq y$ , we have

$$p(Tx, Ty) = \frac{x}{2}$$
 and  $\frac{\alpha p(x, Tx)p(y, Ty)}{p(x, y)} + \beta p(x, y) = \frac{\alpha xy}{x} + \beta x$ .

Therefore, choose  $\beta \geq \frac{1}{2}$  and  $\alpha + \beta < 1$ , then (1) holds. All the hypotheses are satisfied, so T has a unique fixed point in X which is 0 and p(0,0) = 0.

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Tóm tắt

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