

FIXED POINT RESULTS ON A NONSYMMETRIC G - METRIC SPACES

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ABSTRACT. We prove some fixed point results for mappings that satisfy certain contractive conditions on a nonsymmetric complete G -metric space. Moreover, we prove the uniqueness of these fixed point results.

1. Introduction

The class of G -metric spaces introduced by Z. Mustafa and B. Sims ([2], [3]) was to provide a new class of generalized metric spaces and to extend the fixed point theory for a variety of mappings. Moreover, many theorems was proved in this new setting with most of them recognizable as a counterparts of a well-known metric space theorems.

Definition 1.1. G -metric space is a pair (X, G) , where X is a nonempty set, and G is a nonnegative real-valued function defined on $X \times X \times X$ such that for all $x, y, z, a \in X$ we have:

$$(G1) \quad G(x, y, z) = 0 \text{ if } x = y = z;$$

$$(G2) \quad 0 < G(x, x, y); \text{ for all } x, y \in X, \text{ with } x \neq y;$$

$$(G3) \quad G(x, x, y) \leq G(x, y, z), \text{ for all } x, y, z \in X, \text{ with } z \neq y;$$

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(G4) $G(x, y, z) = G(x, z, y) = G(y, z, x) = \dots$, (symmetry in all three variables);

and

(G5) $G(x, y, z) \leq G(x, a, a) + G(a, y, z)$, (rectangle inequality).

The function G is called a G -metric on X .

Definition 1.2. ([3]) A sequence (x_n) in a G -metric space X is said to converge if there exists $x \in X$ such that $\lim_{n,m \rightarrow \infty} G(x, x_n, x_m) = 0$, and one say that the sequence (x_n) is G -convergent to x .

Proposition 1.3. ([3]) Let X be G -metric space. Then the following statements are equivalent.

- (1) (x_n) is G -convergent to x .
- (3) $G(x_n, x_n, x) \rightarrow 0$, as $n \rightarrow \infty$.
- (4) $G(x_n, x, x) \rightarrow 0$, as $n \rightarrow \infty$.
- (5) $G(x_m, x_n, x) \rightarrow 0$, as $m, n \rightarrow \infty$.

In a G -metric space X , a sequence (x_n) is said to be G -Cauchy if given $\epsilon > 0$, there is $N \in \mathbf{N}$ such that $G(x_n, x_m, x_l) < \epsilon$, for all $n, m, l \geq N$. That is $G(x_n, x_m, x_l) \rightarrow 0$ as $n, m, l \rightarrow \infty$.

Proposition 1.4. ([3]) In a G -metric space X , the following statements are equivalent.

- (1) The sequence (x_n) is G -Cauchy.
- (2) For every $\epsilon > 0$, there exists $N \in \mathbf{N}$ such that $G(x_n, x_m, x_m) < \epsilon$, for all $n, m \geq N$.

Let (X, G) and (X', G') be two G -metric spaces, and let $f : (X, G) \rightarrow (X', G')$ be a function, then f is said to be G -continuous at a point $a \in X$ if and only if,

given $\epsilon > 0$, there exists $\delta > 0$ such that $x, y \in X$; and $G(a, x, y) < \delta$ implies $G'(f(a), f(x), f(y)) < \epsilon$. A function f is G -continuous on X if it is G -continuous at all $a \in X$.

Proposition 1.5. ([3]) *Let (X, G) , and (X', G') be two G -metric spaces. Then a function $f : X \longrightarrow X'$ is G -continuous at a point $x \in X$ if and only if it is G -sequentially continuous at x ; that is, whenever (x_n) is G -convergent to x we have $(f(x_n))$ is G' -convergent to $f(x)$.*

A G -metric space (X, G) is called symmetric G -metric space if $G(x, y, y) = G(y, x, x)$ for all $x, y \in X$, and called Nonsymmetric if it is not Symmetric.

Example 1.6. ([2]) *Let $(\mathbf{R}, d)$ be the usual metric space. Define G_s and G_m by*

$$G_s(x, y, z) = d(x, y) + d(y, z) + d(x, z), \text{ and}$$

$$G_m(x, y, z) = \max\{d(x, y), d(y, z), d(x, z)\}$$

for all $x, y, z \in \mathbf{R}$. Then $(\mathbf{R}, G_s)$ and $(\mathbf{R}, G_m)$ are symmetric G -metric spaces.

Example 1.7. ([2]) *Let $X = \{a, b, c\}$ and define $G : X \times X \times X \longrightarrow \mathbf{R}^+$ by,*

$$G(x, y, z) = 0 \text{ if } x = y = z$$

$$G(a, b, b) = G(b, a, a) = 22$$

$$G(a, c, c) = G(c, a, a) = 27$$

$$G(b, c, c) = G(c, b, b) = 30,$$

$$G(a, b, c) = 35$$

extended by symmetry in the variables. It is easily verified that G is a symmetric G -metric, but $G \neq G_s$ or G_m for any underlying metric.

Corollary 1.8. ([2]) *Let (X, G) be a symmetric G -metric space, then G satisfies :*

- (1) $G(x, y, z) \leq G(z, y, y) + G(y, x, x)$.
- (2) $G(x, y, z) \leq G(y, x, x) + G(y, z, z)$.
- (3) $G(x, x, y) \leq G(x, x, a) + G(a, a, y) = G(x, a, a) + G(a, y, y)$.
- (4) $|G(x, x, a) - G(x, x, y)| \leq G(y, y, a)$.

Example 1.9. ([3]) Let $X = \{a, b\}$, and let,

$$G(a, a, a) = G(b, b, b) = 0,$$

$$G(a, a, b) = 1, G(a, b, b) = 2$$

and extend G to $X \times X \times X$ by symmetry in the variables. Then it is easily verified that G is a G -metric, but $G(a, b, b) \neq G(a, a, b)$. Note that the above G -metric does not arise from any metric.

Proposition 1.10. ([3]) Let X be a G -metric space, then the function $G(x, y, z)$ is jointly continuous in all three of its variables.

A G -metric space X is said to be complete if every G -Cauchy sequence in X is G -convergent in X . In ([4]) The following theorem has been proved

Theorem 1.11. ([4]) Let (X, G) be a complete G -metric space, and let $T : X \longrightarrow X$ be a mapping satisfying one of the following conditions

$$(1.1) \quad G(T(x), T(y), T(z)) \leq \{aG(x, y, z) + bG(x, T(x), T(x)) + cG(y, T(y), T(y)) + dG(z, T(z), T(z))\}$$

or

$$(1.2) \quad G(T(x), T(y), T(z)) \leq \{aG(x, y, z) + bG(x, x, T(x)) + cG(y, y, T(y)) + dG(z, z, T(z))\}$$

for all $x, y, z \in X$ where $0 \leq a + b + c + d < 1$, then T has a unique fixed point (say u , i.e., $Tu = u$), and T is G -continuous at u .

The authors divide the proof on the above theorem into two parts. In the first part the theorem proved where the G -metric space assumed to be Symmetric, while in the second part the theorem proved where the G -metric space assumed to be nonsymmetric.

2. Main Results

Now we present several fixed point results on a nonsymmetric complete G -metric space.

Theorem 2.1. *Let (X, G) be a nonsymmetric complete G -metric space, let $T : X \longrightarrow X$, be a mapping which satisfies the following condition for all $x, y \in X$.*

$$(2.1) \quad G(T(x), T(y), T(y)) \leq k \max \left\{ \begin{array}{l} [G(x, x, T(x)) + 2G(y, y, T(y))], \\ [G(x, x, T(y)) + G(y, y, T(y)) + \\ G(y, y, T(x))], [G(Ty, Tx, Tx) + \\ G(y, Ty, Ty) + G(x, Ty, Ty)] \end{array} \right\}$$

where $k \in [0, 1/4)$, then T has unique fixed point, say u , also T is G -continuous at u .

Proof. Let $x_0 \in X$ be arbitrary and define the sequence (x_n) , by $x_n = T^n(x_0)$ and assume $x_n \neq x_{n+1}$ for all n . Then by (2.1) we have

$$(2.2) \quad G(x_{n+1}, x_n, x_n) \leq k \max \left\{ \begin{array}{l} [G(x_n, x_n, x_{n+1}) + 2G(x_{n-1}, x_{n-1}, x_n)], \\ [G(x_{n-1}, x_{n-1}, x_n) + G(x_{n-1}, x_{n-1}, x_{n+1})], \\ [G(x_n, x_{n+1}, x_{n+1}) + G(x_{n-1}, x_n, x_n)] \end{array} \right\}$$

But since

$$G(x_{n-1}, x_{n-1}, x_{n+1}) \leq G(x_{n-1}, x_{n-1}, x_n) + G(x_n, x_n, x_{n+1}),$$

it follows that

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

Then (2.2) reduces to

$$(2.3) \quad G(x_{n+1}, x_n, x_n) \leq k \max \left\{ \begin{array}{l} [G(x_n, x_n, x_{n+1}) + 2G(x_{n-1}, x_{n-1}, x_n)], \\ [G(x_n, x_{n+1}, x_{n+1}) + G(x_{n-1}, x_n, x_n)] \end{array} \right\},$$

we see that inequality (2.3) implies two cases,

Case1:

$$G(x_{n+1}, x_n, x_n) \leq k[G(x_n, x_n, x_{n+1}) + 2G(x_{n-1}, x_{n-1}, x_n)].$$

Therefore,

$$(2.4) \quad G(x_{n+1}, x_n, x_n) \leq \frac{2k}{1-k} G(x_{n-1}, x_{n-1}, x_n).$$

Case2:

$$(2.5) \quad G(x_{n+1}, x_n, x_n) \leq k[G(x_n, x_{n+1}, x_{n+1}) + G(x_{n-1}, x_n, x_n)].$$

But since

$$G(x_n, x_{n+1}, x_{n+1}) \leq 2G(x_n, x_n, x_{n+1})$$

and

$$G(x_{n-1}, x_n, x_n) \leq 2G(x_{n-1}, x_{n-1}, x_n).$$

Then the estimate of the inequality (2.5) will be

$$(2.6) \quad G(x_n, x_n, x_{n+1}) \leq \frac{2k}{1-2k} G(x_{n-1}, x_{n-1}, x_n).$$

Putting $a = \frac{2k}{1-k}$ and $q = \frac{2k}{1-2k}$, then the fact $a < q$ implies that the inequalities (2.4)

and (2.6) reduce to

$$G(x_{n+1}, x_n, x_n) \leq qG(x_{n-1}, x_{n-1}, x_n).$$

Solving this recursive inequality we have

$$(2.7) \quad G(x_n, x_n, x_{n+1}) \leq q^n G(x_0, x_0, x_1).$$

For all $n, m \in \mathbf{N}$; $n < m$, we use repeated rectangle inequality and (2.7) to obtain

$$\begin{aligned} G(x_n, x_n, x_m) &\leq \sum_{j=n}^{m-1} G(x_j, x_j, x_{j+1}) \\ &\leq \sum_{j=n}^{m-1} q^j G(x_0, x_0, x_1) \\ &\leq \frac{q^n}{1-q} G(x_0, x_0, x_1) \end{aligned}$$

which implies that (x_n) is a G -Cauchy sequence in the complete G -metric space X . Thus, the sequence (x_n) is G -convergent to u in X .

Now let us prove that $T(u) = u$. To do so, we assume on the contrary that $T(u) \neq u$. Then,

$$G(T(u), x_n, x_n) \leq k \max \left\{ \begin{aligned} &[G(u, u, Tu) + 2G(x_{n-1}, x_{n-1}, x_n)], \\ &[G(u, u, x_n) + G(x_{n-1}, x_{n-1}, x_n) + \\ &G(x_{n-1}, x_{n-1}, Tu)], [G(x_n, Tu, Tu) \\ &+ G(x_{n-1}, x_n, x_n) + G(u, x_n, x_n)] \end{aligned} \right\}$$

Letting $n \rightarrow \infty$ and using the fact that the function G is continuous in its variables we obtain

$$(2.8) \quad G(u, u, Tu) \leq k \max\{G(u, u, Tu), G(u, Tu, Tu)\}.$$

But since

$$G(u, Tu, Tu) \leq 2G(u, u, Tu),$$

the inequality (2.8) implies that

$$G(u, u, Tu) \leq 2kG(u, u, Tu).$$

This contradiction implies that $Tu = u$.

To Prove Uniqueness, suppose that $v \neq u$ such that $Tv = v$, then

$$G(u, v, v) = G(Tu, Tv, Tv) \leq k \max \left\{ \begin{array}{l} [G(u, u, u) + 2G(v, v, v)], \\ [G(u, u, v) + G(v, v, u)], \\ [G(v, u, u) + G(u, v, v)] \end{array} \right\}$$

then,

$$G(u, v, v) \leq k[G(v, u, u) + G(u, v, v)].$$

Therefore, $G(u, v, v) \leq \frac{k}{1-k}G(v, u, u)$.

Similarly we get

$$G(v, u, u) \leq \frac{k}{1-k}G(u, v, v).$$

Consequently,

$$G(u, v, v) \leq \left(\frac{k}{1-k}\right)^2 G(u, v, v)$$

which implies that $u = v$, since $0 < \left(\frac{k}{1-k}\right)^2 < 1$.

To show that T is G -continuous at u , let $(y_n) \subseteq X$ be a sequence such that $\lim(y_n) = u$, then, from (2.1) we deduce that

$$(2.9) \quad G(T(y_n), T(u), T(u)) \leq k \max \left\{ \begin{array}{l} [G(y_n, y_n, T(y_n)) + 2G(u, u, T(u))], \\ [G(y_n, y_n, T(u)) + G(u, u, T(u)) + \\ G(u, u, T(y_n))], [G(T(u), T(y_n), T(y_n)) \\ + G(u, T(u), T(u)) + G(y_n, u, u)] \end{array} \right\}.$$

By the rectangle inequality,

$$G(y_n, y_n, T(y_n)) \leq G(y_n, y_n, u) + G(u, u, T(y_n)).$$

Hence, we deduce that the equation (2.9) becomes

$$(2.10) \quad G(T(y_n), T(u), T(u)) \leq k \max \left\{ \begin{array}{l} [G(y_n, y_n, u) + G(u, u, T(y_n))], \\ [G(T(y_n), T(y_n), u) + G(y_n, u, u)] \end{array} \right\}.$$

We see that equation (2.10) implies two cases

Case (1) :

$$(2.11) \quad G(T(y_n), T(u), T(u)) \leq k\{G(y_n, y_n, u) + G(u, u, T(y_n))\},$$

then equation (2.11) becomes

$$(2.12) \quad G(T(y_n), T(u), T(u)) \leq \frac{k}{1-k} G(y_n, y_n, u),$$

but since $G(y_n, y_n, u) \leq 2G(y_n, u, u)$, we will have

$$(2.13) \quad G(T(y_n), T(u), T(u)) \leq \frac{2k}{1-k} G(y_n, u, u).$$

Case (2) :

$$(2.14) \quad G(T(y_n), T(u), T(u)) \leq k\{G(T(y_n), T(y_n), u) + G(y_n, u, u)\}.$$

By rectangle inequality,

$$(2.15) \quad G(T(y_n), T(y_n), u) \leq 2G(Ty_n, u, u).$$

Therefore, the inequality (2.14) implies that

$$G(T(y_n), T(u), T(u)) \leq k\{2G(Ty_n, u, u) + G(y_n, u, u)\},$$

which implies that

$$(2.16) \quad G(T(y_n), T(u), T(u)) \leq \frac{k}{1-2k} G(y_n, u, u),$$

In equations, (2.13) and (2.16), taking the limit as $n \rightarrow \infty$, we see that

$G(u, T(y_n), T(y_n)) \rightarrow 0$ and so, by Proposition 1.5, we have $T(y_n) \rightarrow u = Tu$. This implies that T is G -continuous at u . $\square$

Corollary 2.2. *Let X be a complete nonsymmetric G -metric space, let $T : X \rightarrow X$, be a mapping which satisfies the following condition, for all $x, y, z \in X$*

(2.17)

$$G(T(x), T(y), T(z)) \leq k \max \left\{ \begin{array}{l} [G(x, x, T(x)) + G(y, y, T(y)) + G(z, z, Tz)], \\ [G(x, x, T(y)) + G(y, y, T(z)) + G(z, z, T(x))], \\ [G(Tz, Tx, T(x)) + G(z, T(y), T(y)) + \\ G(x, T(z), T(z))] \end{array} \right\}$$

where $k \in [0, 1/4)$, then T has unique fixed point, say u , and T is G -continuous at u .

Proof. Taking $z = y$ in condition (2.17) it reduced to condition (2.1) in Theorem (2.1), so, the proof follows from Theorem (2.1). $\square$

Theorem 2.3. *Let X be a complete nonsymmetric G -metric space, and let*

$T : X \rightarrow X$, *be a mapping which satisfies the following condition for all $x, y, z \in X$,*

$$(2.18) \quad G(T(x), T(y), T(z)) \leq k \max \left\{ \begin{array}{l} [G(x, x, T(y)) + G(y, y, T(x))], \\ [G(y, y, T(z)) + G(z, z, T(y))], \\ [G(x, x, T(z)) + G(z, z, T(x))] \end{array} \right\}$$

where $k \in [0, 1/2)$, then T has unique fixed point (say u), and T is G -continuous at u .

Proof. For $x_0 \in X$, define the sequence (x_n) by $x_n = T^n(x_0)$, assume that $x_n \neq x_{n+1}$ for all n , then by (2.18) we get

$$\begin{aligned}
(2.19) \quad G(x_n, x_n, x_{n+1}) &\leq k \max \left\{ \begin{aligned} &[G(x_{n-1}, x_{n-1}, x_n) + G(x_{n-1}, x_{n-1}, x_n)], \\ &[G(x_{n-1}, x_{n-1}, x_{n+1}) + G(x_n, x_n, x_n)], \\ &[G(x_{n-1}, x_{n-1}, x_{n+1}) + G(x_n, x_n, x_n)] \end{aligned} \right\} \\
&= k \max \{G(x_{n-1}, x_{n-1}, x_{n+1}), 2 G(x_{n-1}, x_{n-1}, x_n)\}
\end{aligned}$$

therefore equation (2.19) implies two cases:

Case1:

$$(2.20) \quad G(x_n, x_n, x_{n+1}) \leq kG(x_{n-1}, x_{n-1}, x_{n+1})$$

but from rectangle inequality we have the estimate

$$G(x_{n-1}, x_{n-1}, x_{n+1}) \leq G(x_{n-1}, x_{n-1}, x_n) + G(x_n, x_n, x_{n+1}),$$

so equation (2.20) implies that

$$(2.21) \quad G(x_n, x_n, x_{n+1}) \leq \frac{k}{1-k} G(x_{n-1}, x_{n-1}, x_n),$$

Case 2:

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

Putting $q = \max\{\frac{k}{1-k}, 2k\}$ and using the fact $k < \frac{1}{2}$, we will have $q < 1$. So,

$$(2.22) \quad G(x_n, x_n, x_{n+1}) \leq qG(x_{n-1}, x_{n-1}, x_n).$$

Solving this recursive inequality we have

$$(2.23) \quad G(x_n, x_n, x_{n+1}) \leq q^n G(x_0, x_0, x_1).$$

For all $n, m \in \mathbf{N}$; $n < m$, we use repeated rectangle inequality and equation (2.23) to obtain

$$\begin{aligned} G(x_n, x_n, x_m) &\leq \sum_{j=n}^{m-1} G(x_j, x_j, x_{j+1}) \\ &\leq \sum_{j=n}^{m-1} q^j G(x_0, x_0, x_1) \\ &\leq \frac{q^n}{1-q} G(x_0, x_0, x_1). \end{aligned}$$

Which implies that (x_n) is a G -Cauchy sequence in the complete G -metric space X . Thus, the sequence (x_n) is G -convergent to u in X .

Now suppose that $T(u) \neq u$, then

$$G(x_n, x_n, T(u)) \leq k \max \left\{ \begin{array}{l} [G(x_{n-1}, x_{n-1}, x_n) + G(x_{n-1}, x_{n-1}, x_n)], \\ [G(x_n, x_n, T(u)) + G(u, u, x_n)], \\ [G(x_{n-1}, x_{n-1}, T(u)) + G(u, u, x_n)] \end{array} \right\}.$$

Letting $n \rightarrow \infty$, and using the fact that the function G is continuous in its variables, we get

$$G(u, u, T(u)) \leq kG(u, u, T(u)).$$

This contradiction implies that $u = T(u)$.

To prove uniqueness, suppose that $v \neq u$ such that $T(v) = v$, then

$$(2.24) \quad G(u, v, v) \leq k \max \left\{ \begin{array}{l} [G(u, u, v) + G(v, v, u)], \\ [G(v, v, v) + G(v, v, v)], \\ [G(u, u, v) + G(v, v, u)] \end{array} \right\},$$

so we deduce that

$$G(u, v, v) \leq k [G(u, u, v) + G(v, v, u)].$$

Therefore,

$$G(u, v, v) \leq \frac{k}{1-k} G(v, u, u).$$

Similarly,

$$G(v, u, u) \leq \frac{k}{1-k} G(u, v, v),$$

thus we have,

$$G(u, v, v) \leq \left(\frac{k}{1-k}\right)^2 G(u, v, v).$$

This contradiction implies that $u = v$.

To show that T is G -continuous at u , consider $(y_n) \subseteq X$ any sequence such that $\lim(y_n) = u$ in X , then

$$(2.25) \quad G(T(y_n), T(u), T(u)) \leq k \max \left\{ \begin{array}{l} [G(y_n, y_n, T(u)) + G(u, u, T(y_n))], \\ [G(u, u, T(u)) + G(u, u, T(u))] \\ [G(y_n, y_n, T(u)) + G(u, u, T(y_n))] \end{array} \right\}.$$

Thus, equation (2.25) reduces to

$$(2.26) \quad G(T(y_n), u, u) \leq k[G(y_n, y_n, u) + G(u, u, T(y_n))].$$

Therefore the inequality (2.26) implies that

$$(2.27) \quad G(T(y_n), u, u) \leq \frac{k}{1-k} G(y_n, u, u).$$

Taking the limit of (2.27) as $n \rightarrow \infty$ and using Proposition 1.5, we have

$T(y_n) \rightarrow u = Tu$ which implies that T is G -continuous at u . □

Corollary 2.4. *Let X be a complete nonsymmetric G -metric space, and let $T : X \longrightarrow X$ be a mapping satisfies the following condition*

$$(2.28) \quad G(T(x), T(y), T(z)) \leq k\{G(x, x, T(x)) + G(y, y, T(y)) + G(z, z, T(z))\}$$

for all $x, y, z \in X$, where $k \in [0, 1/3)$. Then T has a unique fixed point (say u), and T is G -continuous at u .

Proof. By taking $a = 0, b = c = d = k$ in condition (1.2) of Theorem (1.11), then condition (2.28), becomes special case of Theorem (1.11), so the proof follows from Theorem (1.11) $\square$

Corollary 2.5. *Let (X, G) be a complete nonsymmetric G -metric space, and let $T : X \longrightarrow X$, be a mapping satisfying the following condition*

$$(2.29) \quad G(T(x), T(y), T(z)) \leq \alpha G(x, y, z) + \beta \left\{ \begin{array}{l} G(y, y, T(y)) + G(z, z, T(z)) + \\ G(x, x, T(x)) \end{array} \right\}$$

for all $x, y, z \in X$, where $0 \leq \alpha + 3\beta < 1$. Then T has unique fixed point (say u), and T is G -continuous at u .

Proof. By taking $\alpha = a, b = c = d = \beta$ in condition (1.2) of Theorem (1.11), then condition (2.29), becomes special case of Theorem (1.11), so the proof follows from Theorem (1.11) $\square$

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