

Some Fixed Point Theorems in G – Metric Spaces

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ABSTRACT

In this paper we give some fixed point theorems in G-metric spaces through rational contractive conditions. Our aim is to generalize the theorems in various aspects.

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INTRODUCTION

In 1963, generalization of metric spaces by Ghaler^{3,4} introduced the concept of 2-metric space. The result of Ghaler^{3,4} was generalized by Dhage², in 1984, which are called D-metric spaces. The situation for the D-metric space is quite different from the 2-metric spaces. Geometrically, a D-metric $D(x, y, z)$ represents the perimeter of the triangle with vertices x , y and z in Rz .

A number of fixed point theorems have been proved for 2-metric and D-metric spaces. However, Hsiao⁵ shows that all such theorems are trivial in the sense that the iterations of f are all collinear. It was shown that certain theorems involving Dhage's D-metric spaces are flawed and most of the results claimed by Dhage and others are invalid.

In 2005, Mustafa and Sims⁶⁻⁸ introduced a more appropriate and robust notion of a generalized metric space known as G-metric spaces, there are several interesting results are published by various mathematicians^{1,9-12}.

Definition 1: Let X be any non-empty set and let $d: x \otimes x \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ be a function satisfying following conditions:

(i) $d(x, y) \geq 0$

- (ii) $d(x, y) = 0 \Leftrightarrow x = y$
- (iii) $d(x, y) = d(y, x)$
- (ii) $d(x, y) = d(x, z) + d(z, y) \forall x, y, z \in X$.

If d is distance function on X . Then the pair (X, d) is called metric space.

Definition 2: A sequence $\{x_n\}$ in metric space (x, d) is called Cauchy sequence if for a given $\epsilon > 0$ there exists a number $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $\forall m, n > n_0, d(x_m, x_n) < \epsilon$.

Definition 3: A sequence $\{x_n\}$ in metric space (x, d) is convergent to $x \in X$ if $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x$. In this case x is called a limit of the sequence $\{x_n\}$.

Definition 4: A metric space (x, d) is called complete if every Cauchy sequence is convergent.

Definition 5: Let (X, d) be a metric space and $T : X \rightarrow X$ be a mapping then T is said to be expansive mapping if for every $x, y \in X$ there exists a number $r > 1$ such that $D(Tx, Ty) \geq rd(x, y)$

Definition 6: Let X be a nonempty set and let $G: X \times X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ be a function satisfying the following axioms:

- (G₁) $G(x, y, z) = 0$ if $x = y = z$,
- (G₂) $G(x, x, y) > 0$ for all $x, y \in X$ with $x \neq y$,
- (G₃) $G(x, x, y) \leq G(x, y, z)$ for all $x, y, z \in X$ with $y \neq z$,
- (G₄) $G(x, y, z) = G(x, z, y) = G(y, z, x)$
(Symmetry in all three variables)
- (G₅) $G(x, y, z) \leq G(x, a, a) + G(a, y, z)$ for all $x, y, z, a \in X$
(Rectangle inequality)

Then the function G is called a generalized metric or G -metric on X and (X, G) is called a G -metric space.

Definition 7: Let (X, G) be a G -metric space, let $\{x_n\}$ be a sequence of points of X , a point $x \in X$ is said to be the limit of the sequence $\{x_n\}$, if $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} G(x, x_n, x_m) = 0$. Then $\{x_n\}$ is convergent to x .

Proposition 1: Let (X, G) be a G -metric space. Then for any $x, y, z, a \in X$, it follows that

- (i) If $G(x, y, z) = 0$ then $x = y = z$
- (ii) $G(x, y, z) \leq G(x, x, y) + G(x, x, z)$
- (iii) $G(x, y, y) \leq 2G(y, x, x)$
- (iv) $G(x, y, z) \leq G(x, a, z) + G(a, y, z)$
- (v) $G(x, y, z) \leq \frac{2}{3}(G(x, y, a) + G(x, a, z) + G(a, y, z))$
- (vi) $G(x, y, z) \leq (G(x, a, a) + G(y, a, a) + G(z, a, a))$.

Proposition 2: Let (X, G) be a G -metric space, then for a sequence $\{x_n\} \subseteq X$ and a point $x \in X$.

The following are equivalent

- (i) $\{x_n\}$ is G-convergent to x .
- (ii) $G(x_n, x_n, x) \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$
- (iii) $G(x_n, x, x) \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$
- (iv) $G(x_m, x_n, x) \rightarrow 0$ as $m, n \rightarrow \infty$.

Definition 8: Let (X, G) be a G-metric space, then the sequence $\{x_n\}$ is said to be G-Cauchy if for every $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists a positive integer N such that $G(x_n, x_m, x_l) < \varepsilon$ for all $n, m, l \geq N$ i.e. $G(x_n, x_m, x_l) \rightarrow 0$ as $n, m, l \rightarrow \infty$.

Definition 9: A G-metric space (X, G) is said to be G-complete if every G-Cauchy sequence in (X, G) is G-convergent in (X, G) .

Proposition 3: Let $(X, G), (X', G')$ be G-metric spaces, then a function $f : X \rightarrow X'$ is G-continuous at a point $x \in X$ if only if it is G-sequentially continuous at x ; i.e. whenever $\{x_n\}$ is G-convergent to x , $\{f(x_n)\}$ is G-convergent to $f(x)$.

Theorem 1: Let (X, G) be a complete G-metric space and let $T: X \rightarrow X$ be a mapping which satisfies the following condition:

$$G(Tx, Ty, Tz) \leq \alpha \frac{G(x, Ty, Ty) + G(x, Tz, Tz)}{2} + \beta \frac{G((x, Ty, Ty)[G(x, Ty, Ty) + G(x, Tz, Tz) + G(y, Tx, Tx) + G(z, Tx, Tx)]}{2[G((x, Ty, Ty) + G(y, Tx, Tx)]} \tag{1}$$

For all $x, y, z \in X$, where $0 \leq (\alpha + \beta) < \frac{1}{2}$,

Then T has a unique fixed point u and T is G-continuous at u .

Proof : let $x_0 \in X$ be an arbitrary point and define the sequence $\{x_n\}$ by $Tx_0 = x_1, Tx_1 = x_2, Tx_2 = x_3, \dots \dots \dots Tx_n = x_{n+1}$.

Then by (1), we get

$$\begin{aligned} G(x_n, x_{n+1}, x_{n+1}) &= G(Tx_{n-1}, Tx_n, Tx_n) \\ &\leq \alpha \frac{G(x_{n-1}, Tx_n, Tx_n) + G(x_{n-1}, Tx_n, Tx_n)}{2} \\ &\quad + \beta \frac{G(x_{n-1}, Tx_n, Tx_n) [G(x_{n-1}, Tx_n, Tx_n) + G(x_{n-1}, Tx_n, Tx_n) + G(x_n, Tx_{n-1}, Tx_{n-1}) + G(x_n, Tx_{n-1}, Tx_{n-1})]}{2[G(x_{n-1}, Tx_n, Tx_n) + G(x_{n-1}, Tx_n, Tx_n)]} \\ &\leq \alpha \frac{G(x_{n-1}, x_{n+1}, x_{n+1}) + G(x_{n-1}, x_{n+1}, x_{n+1})}{2} \\ &\quad + \beta \frac{G(x_{n-1}, x_{n+1}, x_{n+1}) [G(x_{n-1}, x_{n+1}, x_{n+1}) + G(x_{n-1}, x_{n+1}, x_{n+1}) + G(x_n, x_n, x_n) + G(x_n, x_n, x_n)]}{2[G(x_{n-1}, x_{n+1}, x_{n+1}) + G(x_n, x_n, x_n)]} \\ &\leq \alpha G(x_{n-1}, x_{n+1}, x_{n+1}) + \beta G(x_{n-1}, x_{n+1}, x_{n+1}) \end{aligned} \tag{2}$$

But by (G_5) , we get

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

So, (2) becomes

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

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

$$\text{Let } K = \frac{(\alpha + \beta)}{(1 - \alpha - \beta)} < 1$$

$$G(x_{n-1}, x_{n+1}, x_{n+1}) \leq KG(x_{n-2}, x_{n-1}, x_{n-1}) \tag{3}$$

On further decomposing we can write

$$G(x_{n-1}, x_n, x_n) \leq KG(x_{n-2}, x_{n-1}, x_{n-1}) \tag{4}$$

By combination of (3) and (4) we have

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

On continuing this process n times

$$G(x_n, x_{n+1}, x_{n+1}) \leq K^n G(x_0, x_1, x_1) \tag{5}$$

Then for all n, m ∈ N, n < m we have

$$\begin{aligned} G(x_n, x_m, x_m) &\leq G(x_n, x_{n+1}, x_{n+1}) \\ &\quad + G(x_{n+1}, x_{n+2}, x_{n+2}) + \dots \dots + G(x_{m-1}, x_m, x_m) \\ &\leq (K^n + K^{n+1} + \dots \dots + K^{m-1}) G(x_0, x_1, x_1) \\ &\leq \frac{K^n}{1-K} G(x_0, x_1, x_1) \end{aligned}$$

Taking limit as n, m → ∞, we get

$$\lim G(x_n, x_m, x_m) = 0.$$

Therefore {x_n} is G-Cauchy sequence, hence G-convergent, since X is G-complete metric space so {x_n} is G-convergence to u.

Suppose that Tu ≠ u, then

From (1) we have

$$\begin{aligned} G(x_n, T_u, T_u) &= G(Tx_{n-1}, T_u, T_u) \\ &\leq \alpha \frac{G(x_{n-1}, T_u, T_u) + G(x_{n-1}, T_u, T_u)}{2} \\ &\quad + \beta \frac{G(x_{n-1}, T_u, T_u) [G(x_{n-1}, T_u, T_u) + G(x_{n-1}, T_u, T_u)]}{2[G(x_{n-1}, T_u, T_u) + G(u, Tx_{n-1}, Tx_{n-1})]} \\ &\leq \alpha \frac{G(x_{n-1}, T_u, T_u) + G(x_{n-1}, T_u, T_u)}{2} \\ &\quad + \beta \frac{G(x_{n-1}, T_u, T_u) [G(x_{n-1}, T_u, T_u) + G(x_{n-1}, T_u, T_u) + G(x_{n-1}, T_u, T_u) + G(u, x_n, x_n) + G(u, x_n, x_n)]}{2[G(x_{n-1}, T_u, T_u) + G(u, Tx_{n-1}, Tx_{n-1})]} \end{aligned}$$

Taking the limit of both sides as n → ∞ and using the fact that G is continuous. Then

$$G(u, T_u, T_u) \leq (\alpha + \beta) G(u, T_u, T_u)$$

This is a contradiction. Hence u = Tu

Uniqueness: Suppose that u and v are two fixed point for T.

Then (1) implies that

$$\begin{aligned} G(u, v, v) &\leq G(Tu, Tv, Tv) \\ &\leq \alpha \frac{G(u, Tv, Tv) + G(u, Tv, Tv)}{2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & + \beta \frac{G(u, Tv, Tv)[G(u, Tv, Tv) + G(u, Tv, Tv) + G(v, Tu, Tu) + G(v, Tu, Tu)]}{2[G(u, Tv, Tv) + G(v, Tu, Tu)]} \leq \alpha G(u, v, v) + \beta G(u, v, v) \\
 & G(u, v, v) \leq (\alpha + \beta) G(u, v, v) \\
 & \Rightarrow G(u, v, v) = 0 \\
 & \Rightarrow u = v
 \end{aligned}$$

To show that T is G-continuous at u. Let $\{y_n\}$ be a sequences converges to u in (X, G). Then we can deduce that

$$\begin{aligned}
 G(u, Ty_n, Ty_n) &= G(Tu, Ty_n, Ty_n) \\
 &\leq \alpha \frac{G(u, Ty_n, Ty_n) + G(u, Ty_n, Ty_n)}{2} \\
 &+ \beta \frac{G(u, Ty_n, Ty_n)[G(u, Ty_n, Ty_n) + G(u, Ty_n, Ty_n) + G(y_n, Tu, Tu) + G(y_n, Tu, Tu)]}{2G(u, Ty_n, Ty_n) + G(y_n, Tu, Tu)} \\
 G(u, Ty_n, Ty_n) &\leq (\alpha + \beta) G(Tu, Ty_n, Ty_n) \\
 [1 - (\alpha + \beta)] G(u, Ty_n, Ty_n) &\leq 0 \\
 G(u, Ty_n, Ty_n) &\leq 0
 \end{aligned}$$

Taking the limit as $n \rightarrow \infty$ from which we see that $G(u, Ty_n, Ty_n) \rightarrow 0$ and so, by proposition (2) we have that the sequence Ty_n is G-convergent to $Tu = u$ therefore proposition (3) implies that T is G-continuous at u.

Theorem 2: Let (X, G) be complete G-metric space and let $T : X \rightarrow X$ be a mapping satisfying the condition:

$$\begin{aligned}
 G(Tx, Ty, Tz) &\leq \alpha \min \left\{ G(x, Tx, Tx), G(y, Ty, Ty), \right. \\
 &\quad \left. G(z, Tz, Tz), G(x, y, z) \right\} \\
 &+ \beta \left[\frac{G(x, Tx, Tx) + G(y, Ty, Ty) + G(z, Tz, Tz)}{1 + G(x, Tx, Tx) + G(y, Ty, Ty) + G(z, Tz, Tz)} \right] \tag{1}
 \end{aligned}$$

For all $x, y, z \in X$ where $\alpha, \beta \geq 0$ and $\alpha + 3\beta < 1$.

Then T has unique fixed point u and T is G-continuous at u.

Proof: Let $x_0 \in X$ be an arbitrary point and define the sequence $\{x_n\}$ by $x_n = Ty_{n-1}$.

Then by (1), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 G(x_n, x_{n+1}, x_{n+1}) &= G(Tx_{n-1}, Tx_n, Tx_n) \\
 &\leq \alpha \min \left\{ G(x_{n-1}, Tx_{n-1}, Tx_{n-1}), G(x_n, Tx_n, Tx_n), \right. \\
 &\quad \left. G(x_n, Tx_n, Tx_n), G(x_{n-1}, x_n, x_n) \right\} \\
 &+ \beta \left[\frac{G(x_{n-1}, Tx_{n-1}, Tx_{n-1}) + G(x_n, Tx_n, Tx_n) + G(x_{n-1}, x_n, x_n)}{1 + G(x_{n-1}, Tx_{n-1}, Tx_{n-1}) + G(x_n, Tx_n, Tx_n) + G(x_{n-1}, x_n, x_n)} \right] \\
 &\leq \alpha \min \left\{ G(x_{n-1}, x_n, x_n), G(x_n, x_{n+1}, x_{n+1}), \right. \\
 &\quad \left. G(x_n, x_{n+1}, x_{n+1}), G(x_{n-1}, x_n, x_n) \right\} \\
 &+ \beta \left[\frac{G(x_{n-1}, x_n, x_n) + G(x_n, x_{n+1}, x_{n+1}) + G(x_{n-1}, x_n, x_n)}{1 + G(x_{n-1}, x_n, x_n) + G(x_n, x_{n+1}, x_{n+1}) + G(x_{n-1}, x_n, x_n)} \right] \\
 &\leq \alpha \min \{ G(x_{n-1}, x_n, x_n), G(x_n, x_{n+1}, x_{n+1}) \} \\
 &+ \beta [G(x_{n-1}, x_n, x_n) + G(x_{n-1}, x_{n+1}, x_{n+1})] \tag{2}
 \end{aligned}$$

Here two cases arise:

Case I: If $\min \{G(x_{n-1}, x_n, x_n), G(x_n, x_{n+1}, x_{n+1})\} = G(x_{n-1}, x_n, x_n)$

Then condition (2) reduces to

$$G(x_n, x_{n+1}, x_{n+1}) \leq \alpha G(x_{n-1}, x_n, x_n) + \beta [G(x_{n-1}, x_n, x_n) + G(x_{n-1}, x_{n+1}, x_{n+1})] \tag{3}$$

But by (G₅), we get

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

So, (3) becomes

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

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

Let $K = \frac{(\alpha+2\beta)}{(1-\beta)} < 1$

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

On continuing this process n times

$$G(x_n, x_{n+1}, x_{n+1}) \leq K^n G(x_0, x_1, x_1)$$

Then for all n, m ∈ N, n < m we have

$$\begin{aligned} G(x_n, x_m, x_m) &\leq G(x_n, x_{n+1}, x_{n+1}) \\ &+ G(x_{n+1}, x_{n+2}, x_{n+2}) + \dots + G(x_{m-1}, x_m, x_m) \\ &\leq (K^n + K^{n+1} + \dots + K^{m-1}) G(x_0, x_1, x_1) \\ &\leq \frac{K^n}{1-K} G(x_0, x_1, x_1) \end{aligned}$$

Taking limit as n, m → ∞, we get

$$\lim G(x_0, x_1, x_1) = 0$$

Therefore, {x_n} is G-Cauchy sequence. Hence G-convergent, since X is G-complete metric space so X is G-converges to u.

Suppose that Tu ≠ u, then

From (1) we have

$$\begin{aligned} G(u, Tu, Tu) &= G(x_n, Tu, Tu) = G(Tx_{n+1}, Tu, Tu) \\ &\leq \alpha \min \left\{ G(x_{n-1}, Tx_{n-1}, Tx_{n-1}), G(u, Tu, Tu), \right. \\ &\quad \left. G(u, Tu, Tu), G(x_{n-1}, u, u) \right\} \\ &+ \beta \left[\frac{G(x_{n-1}, Tx_{n-1}, Tx_{n-1}) + G(u, Tx_{n-1}, Tx_{n-1}) + G(x_{n-1}, Tu, Tu)}{1 + G(x_{n-1}, x_n, x_n) G(u, Tx_{n-1}, Tx_{n-1}) G(x_{n-1}, Tu, Tu)} \right] \\ &\leq \alpha \min \left\{ G(x_{n-1}, x_n, x_n), G(u, Tu, Tu), \right. \\ &\quad \left. G(u, Tu, Tu), G(x_{n-1}, u, u) \right\} \\ &+ \beta \left[\frac{G(x_{n-1}, x_n, x_n) + G(u, x_n, x_n) + G(x_{n-1}, Tu, Tu)}{1 + G(x_{n-1}, x_n, x_n) G(u, x_n, x_n) G(x_{n-1}, Tu, Tu)} \right] \end{aligned}$$

Taking the limit as n → ∞ and using the fact that G is continuous. Then

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

This is a contraction. Since β < 1.

$$\Rightarrow G(u, Tu, Tu) = 0$$

So, u = Tu

Uniqueness: Suppose that u and v are two fixed point for T .

Then (1) implies that

$$\begin{aligned} G(u, v, v) &= G(Tu, Tv, Tv) \\ &\leq \alpha \min \left\{ G(u, Tu, Tu), G(v, Tv, Tv), \right. \\ &\quad \left. G(v, Tv, Tv), G(u, v, v) \right\} \\ &\quad + \beta \left[\frac{G(u, Tu, Tu) + G(v, Tu, Tu) + G(u, Tv, Tv)}{1 + G(u, Tu, Tu) + G(v, Tu, Tu) + G(u, Tv, Tv)} \right] \\ &\leq \beta G(v, u, u) \\ G(u, v, v) &\leq 2\beta G(u, v, v) \end{aligned}$$

Which is a contradiction. Therefore, $G(u, v, v) = 0$

Hence $u = v$.

To show that T is G -continuous at u . Let $\{y_n\}$ be a sequence converges to u in (X, G) .

Then we can conclude that

$$\begin{aligned} G(u, Ty_n, Ty_n) &= G(Tu, Ty_n, Tx_n) \\ &\leq \alpha \min \left\{ G(u, Tu, Tu), G(y_n, Ty_n, Ty_n), \right. \\ &\quad \left. G(y_n, Ty_n, Ty_n), G(u, y_n, y_n) \right\} \\ &\quad + \beta \left[\frac{G(u, Tu, Tu) + G(y_n, Tu, Tu) + G(u, Ty_n, Ty_n)}{1 + G(u, Tu, Tu) + G(y_n, Tu, Tu) + G(u, Ty_n, Ty_n)} \right] \\ G(u, Ty_n, Ty_n) &\leq \frac{\beta}{1-\beta} G(y_n, u, u) \end{aligned}$$

Taking the limit as $n \rightarrow \infty$ from which we see that $G(u, Ty_n, Ty_n) \rightarrow 0$ and so, by proposition we have the sequence Ty_n is G -convergent to $Tu = u$ therefore proposition implies that T is G -continuous at u .

There exists a number $r > 1$ such that $d(Tx, Ty) \geq rd(x, y)$.

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