

FIXED POINT THEORY IN SEMI-METRIC SPACE.

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Introduction

Banach's fixed point theorem in a metric space is stated as follows :—i) If (X, ρ) be a complete metric space and T be an operator $T: X \rightarrow X$ satisfying the condition $\rho(Tx, Ty) \leq \lambda \rho(x, y)$ for all $x, y \in X$, where $0 < \lambda < 1$ then there exists a unique fixed point x_0 such that $T(x_0) = x_0$.

By "Semi-metric" on a space X is meant a function ρ on $X \times X$ into R satisfying the following conditions:

- (1) $\rho(x, y) = \rho(y, x) \geq 0$
- (2) $\rho(x, z) \leq \rho(x, y) + \rho(y, z)$
- (3) $\rho(x, x) = 0$

where x, y, z are arbitrary points of X . Note that this definition slightly differs from the definition of a "quasi-metric." If in addition to this condition we have $\rho(x, y) = 0 \implies x = y$ then ρ becomes a metric on X .

An equivalent form of Banach's fixed point theorem may be given here as follows:

THEOREM 1. *Let (X, ρ) be a complete semi-metric space and $T: X \rightarrow X$ is a continuous mapping such that*

$$\rho(Tx, Ty) \leq \lambda \rho(x, y) \tag{1}$$

for any two points x and $y \in X$, ($0 < \lambda < 1$) then there exists at least one point $x \in X$ such that $\rho(Tx, x) = 0$. Further, if there be any other point y satisfying

$$\rho(Ty, y) = 0 \text{ then } \rho(x, y) = 0$$

PROOF. Let $x_n = Tx_{n-1}$ where x_0 is any point of X .

then $\rho(x_{n+k}, x_n) = \rho(T^{n+k}x_0, T^n x_0) \leq \lambda^n \rho(x_k, x_0)$

Now $\rho(x_n, x_0) \leq \rho(x_n, x_{n-1}) + \rho(x_{n-1}, x_{n-2}) + \dots + \rho(x_1, x_0)$

$$\leq \lambda^{n-1} \rho(x_1, x_0) + \dots + \rho(x_1, x_0)$$

$$\leq (1-\lambda)^{-1} \rho(x_1, x_0)$$

$$\therefore \rho(x_{n+k}, x_n) \leq \lambda^k (1-\lambda)^{-1} \rho(x_1, x_0)$$

Now as $0 < \lambda < 1$, $\{x_n\}$ is Cauchy in X .

As X is complete $\{x_n\}$ converges to $x \in X$.

Now $\rho(Tx, x) \leq \rho(Tx, x_{n+1}) + \rho(x_{n+1}, x_n) + \rho(x_n, x)$ as $x_{n+1} = Tx_n$, as $n \rightarrow \infty$
 $x_{n+1} \rightarrow Tx$, $x_n \rightarrow x$ and $\rho(x_{n+1}, x_n) \rightarrow 0$

\therefore for sufficiently large n we have

$\rho(Tx, x_{n+1}) \leq \epsilon/3$, $\rho(x_{n+1}, x_n) \leq \epsilon/3$, $\rho(x_n, x) \leq \epsilon/3$ so that $\rho(Tx, x) \leq \epsilon$ where ϵ is arbitrary small positive number.

$$\therefore \rho(Tx, x) = 0 \quad (2)$$

Again, (2) $\Rightarrow T(x) \in \overline{\{x\}}$

As T is continuous. Similarly if $\rho(Ty, y) = 0 \Rightarrow T(y) \in \overline{\{y\}}$

Now $\rho(x, y) \leq \rho(x, Tx) + \rho(Tx, Ty) + \rho(y, Ty)$

$$\therefore \rho(x, y) \leq \rho(Tx, Ty) \leq \lambda \rho(x, y)$$

where $0 < \lambda < 1 \Rightarrow \rho(x, y) = 0$

COROLLARY 1. *If X be a complete metric space in theorem 1, then T will have a unique fixed point.*

Theorem 1 may be generalized further as follows:

If (X, ρ) is a complete semi-metric space, and T a continuous mapping of X into itself, such that

$$\rho(T^p x, T^p y) \leq \lambda \rho(x, y) \quad (3)$$

where $0 \leq \lambda < 1$ and p is a positive integer, then there exists at least one $x \in X$ satisfying the relation $\rho(Tx, x) = 0$

Further if $\rho(Ty, y) = 0$ for any other $y \in X$

$$\text{then } \rho(x, y) = 0$$

THEOREM 2. *Let (X, ρ) be a semi-metric space and T a continuous mapping $T: X \rightarrow X$ such that*

$$\rho(Tx, Ty) \leq \lambda \rho(x, y)$$

for any two points x and $y \in X$, $0 < \lambda < 1$. If $\{T^n x\}$ has a convergent subsequence $\{T^{n_1} x\}$ which converges to x_0 , then $\{T^n x\}$ converges to x_0 such that $\rho(x_0, Tx_0) = 0$

PROOF. Let $x_n = T^n x$ so that

$$\rho(x_1, x_2) \leq \lambda \rho(x_0, x_1)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \rho(x_2, x_3) &\leq \lambda \rho(x_1, x_2) \leq \lambda^2 \rho(x_0, x_1) \\
 &\dots\dots\dots \\
 \rho(x_n, x_{n+1}) &\leq \lambda^n \rho(x_0, x_1) \\
 \rho(x_n, x_{n+p}) &\leq \rho(x_n, x_{n+1}) + \dots + \rho(x_{n+p-1}, x_{n+p}) \\
 &\leq (\lambda^n + \dots + \lambda^{n+p-1}) \rho(x_0, x_1) \\
 &\leq \lambda^n \frac{1-\lambda^p}{1-\lambda} \rho(x_0, x_1) \\
 &\leq \frac{\lambda^n}{1-\lambda} \rho(x_0, x_1) \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{4}$$

$\therefore \{x_n\}$ is a Cauchy sequence. So as $\{x_{n_i}\}$ converges to x_0 , $\{x_n\}$ also converges to x_0 ,

$$\therefore T^n x \rightarrow x_0$$

As T is continuous $Tx_0 = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} T^{n_i+1} x_0$

$$T^2 x_0 = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} T^{n_i+2} x_0$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \therefore \rho(x_0, Tx_0) &= \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \rho(T^{n_i} x, T^{n_i+1} x) \\
 &= \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \rho(T^{n_i+1} x, T^{n_i+2} x) \\
 &= \rho(Tx_0, T^2 x_0) \geq \lambda \rho(x_0, Tx_0)
 \end{aligned}$$

which is impossible. $\therefore \rho(x_0, Tx_0) = 0$

DEFINITION 1. The mapping T of a semi-metric space X into itself is said to be *contractive* if $\rho(Tx, Ty) < \rho(x, y)$ for $x \neq y \in X$ (5)

DEFINITION 2. Let F denote the family of functions $\alpha(x, y)$ satisfying the following conditions:

- (1) $\alpha(x, y) = \alpha(\rho(x, y))$
 - (2) $0 \leq \alpha(\rho) < 1$ for each $\rho > 0$
 - (3) $\alpha(\rho)$ is a monotonically decreasing function of ρ
- (6)

With the above definition we can write theorem 1 in a more general form as follows

THEOREM 3. If (X, ρ) is a complete semi-metric space and T is a continuous mapping such that $T: X \rightarrow X$ and

$$\rho(Tx, Ty) \leq \alpha(x, y) \rho(x, y) \tag{7}$$

for any two points $x, y \in X$, then there exists at least one point ξ , such that $\rho(\xi, T\xi) = 0$. Further if there is any other point η such that $\rho(\eta, T\eta) = 0$ we shall have $\rho(\xi, \eta) = 0$

PROOF. Let $x_n = T^n x_0$, $x_0 \in X$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now } \rho(x_{n+k}, x_n) &= \rho(T^{n+k} x_0, T^n x_0) \\ &\leq \alpha(x_{n+k-1}, x_{n-1}) \cdots \alpha(x_k, x_0) \rho(x_k, x_0) \end{aligned}$$

Now if $\inf_{k, n} \rho(x_{n+k}, x_n) \geq \epsilon$

$$\sup_{n, k} \alpha(x_{n+k}, x_n) \leq \alpha(\epsilon)$$

$$\therefore \rho(x_{n+k}, x_n) \leq [\alpha(\epsilon)]^k \rho(x_k, x_0)$$

$$\rho(x_n, x_0) \leq \rho(x_n, x_{n-1}) + \cdots + \rho(x_1, x_0)$$

$$\leq \{[\alpha(\epsilon)]^{n-1} + \cdots + 1\} \rho(x_1, x_0)$$

$$\leq \frac{1 - \alpha^n}{1 - \alpha} \rho(x_1, x_0),$$

$$\therefore \rho(x_{n+k}, x_n) \leq \frac{\alpha^k}{1 - \alpha} \rho(x_1, x_0)$$

Hence $\{x_n\}$ is Cauchy and converges to $x \in X$.

Rest of the argument similar to that of theorem 1.

THEOREM 4. Let X be a semi-metric space and T a contractive mapping of X into itself such that there exists a point whose sequence of iterates $\{T^n x_0\}$ contains a convergent subsequence $\{T^{n_i} x_0\}$ and if $\xi = \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} T^{n_i} x_0 \in X$ then $\rho(\xi, T\xi) = 0$.

PROOF. Let us suppose $\rho(\xi, T\xi) \neq 0$. Now the sequence $\{T^{n_i+1} x_0\}$ converges to $T(\xi)$. Let us denote the mapping $r(x, y)$ of $Y = X \times X - \Delta$ (where Δ is the "diagonal" $\{(x, y) | x = y\}$) into the real line, as follows :

$$r(x, y) = \frac{\rho(Tx, Ty)}{\rho(x, y)} \quad (8)$$

This mapping is continuous on Y .

There exists a neighbourhood U of $(\xi, T(\xi)) \in Y$ such that $x, y \in U$ implies

$$0 \leq r(x, y) < R < 1 \quad (9)$$

Now $S_1 = S_1(\xi, \rho)$ and $S_2 = S_2(T(\xi), \rho)$

be open discs centered at ξ and $T(\xi)$ respectively and of radius $\rho > 0$, which is so small that $\rho(\xi, T(\xi)) > 3\rho$. Now due to this assumption

$$\exists x_0 \in X: \{T^n(x_0)\} \supset \{T^{n_i}(x_0)\} \text{ with } \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} T^{n_i}(x_0) \in X \quad (10)$$

then exists a positive integer N such that $i > N$, $T^{n_i}(x_0) \in S_1$ and so by $\rho(Tx, Ty) < \rho(x, y)$ we find that $T^{n_i+1}(x_0) \in S_2$ from (10)

$$\begin{aligned} \rho(\xi, T^{n_i}x_0) + \rho(T^{n_i}x_0, T^{n_i+1}x_0) + \rho(T^{n_i+1}x_0, T(\xi)) > 3\rho \\ \therefore \rho(T^{n_i}(x_0), T^{n_i+1}(x_0)) > \rho, \quad i > N \end{aligned} \quad (11)$$

From(8) and (9) we obtain

$$\rho(T^{n_i+1}x_0, T^{n_i+2}x_0) < R\rho(T^{n_i}x_0, T^{n_i+1}x_0)$$

Repeating this argument, when $l > j > N$

$$\begin{aligned} \rho(T^{n_l}x, T^{n_l+1}x) < \rho(T^{n_{l-1}+1}x, T^{n_{l-1}+2}x) \\ < R\rho(T^{n_{l-1}}x, T^{n_{l-1}+1}x) \leq \dots \leq R^{l-j}\rho(T^{n_j}x, T^{n_j+1}x) \rightarrow 0, \text{ as } l \rightarrow \infty \end{aligned}$$

This contradicts (10)

$$\therefore \rho(\xi, T\xi) = 0$$

If there is another $\eta \neq \xi$ such that $\rho(\eta, T\eta) = 0$

Now $\rho(\xi, \eta) \leq \rho(\xi, T\xi) + \rho(T\xi, T\eta) + \rho(\eta, T\eta) \leq \rho(T\xi, T\eta) < \rho(\xi, \eta)$
which $\Rightarrow \rho(\xi, \eta) = 0$

THEOREM 5. *If T is a contractive mapping of a metric space X into itself and there exists a subset $M \subset X$ and a point $x_0 \in M$ such that $\rho(x, x_0) - \rho(Tx, Tx_0) \geq 2\rho(x_0, Tx_0)$ for every $x \in X/M$ and T maps M into a compact subset of X , then there exists at least a point ξ such that $\rho(\xi, T\xi) = 0$*

COROLLARY 1. *If T is a contractive mapping such that there exists a point $x_0 \in X$ satisfying $\rho(Tx, Tx_0) \leq \alpha(x, x_0)\rho(x, x_0)$ for every $x \in X$, where $\alpha(x, y) = \alpha(\rho(x, y)) \in F$ and T maps $S(x_0, r)$ with*

$$r = \frac{2\rho(x_0, Tx_0)}{1 - \alpha(2\rho(x_0, Tx_0))}$$

into a compact subset of X , then there exists a point $\xi \in X$ such that $\rho(T\xi, \xi) = 0$.

Instead of proving this theorem we present have a more generalized theorem (No.7).

THEOREM 6. *If T_1 and T_2 be two continuous mappings of a semi-metric space X into itself such that*

$$\rho(T_1x, T_2y) < \rho(x, y) \text{ for } x \neq y \in X \quad (12)$$

and then exists some $x_0 \in X$, the sequence $\{x_n\}$ converging to x then $\rho(x, T_1x) = 0$.
and $\rho(x, T_2x) = 0$

PROOF. Similar to that of theorem 4,

THEOREM 7. Let T_1 and T_2 be two mappings of a semi-metric space X into itself satisfying condition (12) such that there exists a subset $M \subset X$ and a point $x_0 \in M$ satisfying $\rho(x_0, T_i x) - \rho(T_1 x_0, T_1 T_2 x) \geq 2\rho(x_0, T x_0)$ for every $x \in X/M$, $i = 1, 2$ and $T_1 T_2 = T_2 T_1 \dots \dots \dots (A)$

and that T_1 and T_2 map M into a compact subset of X . Then there exists a point ξ such that $\rho(\xi, T_1 \xi) = 0 = \rho(\xi, T_2 \xi)$

PROOF. Let us assume that $x_0 \neq T_1 x_0$. The sequence $\{x_n\}$ has the same definition as in theorem 6. Now T_1 and T_2 map M into a compact subset and so to prove this theorem, it will be sufficient to prove that $x_n \in M$ for all n . Rest will follow from theorem 6.

Now $\rho(T_1 x, T_2 y) < \rho(x, y)$. So

$$\begin{aligned} \rho(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}) &< \rho(x_0, x_1) \text{ and } \rho(x_{2(n+1)}, x_{2n+1}) < \rho(x_0, x_1) \\ \rho(x_0, x_{2n+1}) &\leq \rho(x_0, x_1) + \rho(x_1, x_{2(n+1)}) + \rho(x_{2(n+1)}, x_{2n+1}) \\ &= \rho(x_0, T_1 x_0) + \rho(T_1 x_0, T_2 T_1 x_{2n}) + \rho(x_{2n+1}, x_{2(n+1)}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \rho(x_0, T_1 x_{2n}) - \rho(T_1 x_0, T_2 T_1 x_{2n}) < 2\rho(x_0, T x_0)$$

\therefore from (A) it follows that $x_{2n} \in M$.

Similarly

$$\begin{aligned} \rho(x_0, x_{2(n+1)}) &\leq \rho(x_0, T_1 x_0) + \rho(T_1 x_0, x_{2(n+1)+1}) + \rho(x_{2(n+1)+1}, x_{2(n+1)}) \\ \therefore \rho(x_0, T_2 x_{2n+1}) - \rho(T_1 x_0, T_1 T_2 x_{2n+1}) &< 2\rho(x_0, T_1 x_0) \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore x_n \in M$ for every n . Hence the theorem follows.

THEOREM 8. Let T_1 and T_2 be two continuous mapping of a complete semi-metric space X into itself such that $\rho(T_1 x, T_2 y) < \rho(x, y)$ for $x \neq y \in X$ and let there exist a subset $M \subset X$ and a point $x_0 \in M$ satisfying

(i) $\rho(x_0, T_1 x) - \rho(T_1 x_0, T_1 T_2 x) \geq 2\rho(x_0, T_1 x_0)$ for every $x \in X/M$ and $i = 1, 2$

(ii) $\rho(T_1 x, T_2 y) \leq \alpha(x, y)\rho(x, T_1 x) + \beta(x, y)\rho(x, T_2 y)$ for every $x, y \in M$, where $\alpha(x, y), \beta(x, y) \in F$ and they are decreasing functions of ρ such that $\alpha(\rho(x, y)) + \beta(\rho(x, y)) < 1$

and obviously $\alpha(x, y) = \alpha(y, x)$, $\beta(x, y) = \beta(y, x)$.

Then there exists a point $\xi \in X$ such that

$$\rho(T_1\xi, \xi) = 0 = \rho(T_2\xi, \xi).$$

PROOF. The sequence $\{x_n\}$ is defined as before. Let us suppose that $x_0 = T_1x_0$. Now using condition (i), we obtain that $x_n \in M$ for every n . Again $\rho(T_1x, T_2y)$ for $x \neq y$ gives $\rho(x_n, x_{n+1}) < \rho(x_0, x_1)$. Now $\{x_n\}$ can be proved to be bounded due to the following measuring :

$$\begin{aligned} \rho(x_0, x_{2n+1}) &\leq \rho(x_0, x_1) + \rho(x_1, x_{2(n+1)}) + \rho(x_{2(n+1)}, x_{2n+1}) \\ &\leq \rho(x_0, x_1) + \alpha(x_0, x_{2n+1})\rho(x_0, T_1x_0) + \beta(x_0, x_{2n+1})\rho(x_{2n+1}, x_{2(n+1)}) \\ &\quad + \rho(x_{2n+1}, x_{2(n+1)}) \\ &< 2\rho(x_0, T_1x_0) + [\alpha(x_0, x_{2n+1}) + \beta(x_0, x_{2n+1})]\rho(x_0, x_1) \end{aligned}$$

For a given $\rho_0 > 0$, $\rho(x_0, x_{2n+1}) \geq \rho_0$, then as $\alpha(\rho)$ $\beta(\rho)$ are monotonic decreasing functions of ρ , so $\rho(x_0, x_{2n+1}) \leq [2 + \alpha(\rho_0) + \beta(\rho_0)]\rho(x_0, x_1)$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Again, } \rho(x_0, x_{2(n+1)}) &\leq \rho(x_0, T_1x_0) + \rho(T_1x_0, T_2x_{2n-1}) \\ &\quad + \rho(T_2x_{2n-1}, T_1x_{2n}) + \rho(x_{2n+1}, x_{2(n+1)}) \\ &\leq \rho(x_0, T_1x_0) + \alpha(x_0, x_{2n-1})\rho(x_0, T_1x_0) + \beta(x_0, x_{2n-1})\rho(x_{2n-1}, x_{2n}) \\ &\quad + \rho(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}) + \rho(x_{2n+1}, x_{2(n+1)}) \\ &< 3\rho(x_0, x_1) + \rho(x_0, x_1)\alpha(x_0, x_{2n-1}) + \rho(x_0, x_1)\beta(x_0, x_{2n-1}) \\ &\leq \rho(x_0, x_1)[\beta + \alpha(\rho_0') + \beta(\rho_0')] \text{ for some } \rho_0' > 0 \text{ and } \rho(x_0, x_{2n-1}) \geq \rho_0' \end{aligned}$$

These show that $\{x_n\}$ is bounded.

$$\text{Now } \rho(x_1, x_2) \leq \alpha(x_0, x_1)\rho(x_0, T_1x_0) + \beta(x_0, x_1)\rho(x_1, T_2x_1)$$

$$\therefore \rho(x_1, x_2) \leq \alpha(x_0, x_1)[1 - \beta(x_0, x_1)]\rho(x_0, x_1)$$

Similarly

$$\rho(x_2, x_3) \leq \frac{\beta(x_1, x_2)}{1 - \alpha(x_1, x_2)} \cdot \frac{\alpha(x_0, x_1)}{1 - \beta(x_0, x_1)} \cdot \rho(x_0, x_1), \text{ so on}$$

$$\text{In general } \rho(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}) \leq \frac{\beta(x_{2n-1}, x_{2n})}{1 - \alpha(x_{2n-1}, x_{2n})} \cdot \frac{\alpha(x_{2n-2}, x_{2n-1})}{1 - \beta(x_{2n-2}, x_{2n-1})} \dots$$

$$\dots \frac{\alpha(x_2, x_3)}{1 - \beta(x_2, x_3)} \cdot \frac{\beta(x_1, x_2)}{1 - \alpha(x_1, x_2)} \cdot \frac{\alpha(x_0, x_1)}{1 - \beta(x_0, x_1)} \rho(x_0, x_1)$$

$$\rho(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2}) \leq \frac{\alpha(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1})}{1 - \beta(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n})} \cdot \frac{\beta(x_{2n-1}, x_{2n})}{1 - \alpha(x_{2n-1}, x_{2n})} \dots$$

$$\dots \frac{\beta(x_1, x_2)}{1 - \alpha(x_1, x_2)} \cdot \frac{\alpha(x_0, x_1)}{1 - \beta(x_0, x_1)} \rho(x_0, x_1)$$

Now let $\epsilon > 0$, $\rho(x_i, x_{i+1}) \geq \epsilon$, $i=0, 1, 2, \dots, 2n$

$$\therefore \alpha(x_i, x_{i+1}) \leq \alpha(\epsilon), \beta(x_i, x_{i+1}) \leq \beta(\epsilon), i=0, 1, 2, \dots, 2n$$

By our assumption $\alpha(\epsilon) + \beta(\epsilon) < 1$

$$\frac{\alpha(\epsilon)}{1-\beta(\epsilon)} < 1 \text{ and } \frac{\beta(\epsilon)}{1-\alpha(\epsilon)} < 1$$

$$\therefore \rho(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}) \leq r_1^n r_2^n \rho(x_0, x_1)$$

and $\rho(x_{2n+1}, x_{2(n+1)}) \leq r_1^{n+1} r_2^n \rho(x_0, x_1)$

where $r_1(\epsilon) = \frac{\alpha(\epsilon)}{1-\beta(\epsilon)}$ and $r_2(\epsilon) = \frac{\beta(\epsilon)}{1-\alpha(\epsilon)}$

$$\therefore \rho(x_{2n}, x_{2n+p}) \leq r_1^n r_2^n [1 + r_1(1 + r_1 r_2 + r_1^2 + r_2^2 + \dots) + r_1 r_2(1 + r_1 r_2 + \dots)] \rho(x_0, x_1)$$

$$< \frac{r_1^n r_2^n (1 + r_1)}{1 - r_1 r_2} \rho(x_0, x_1) \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

Similarly $\rho(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+p+1}) \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$

$$\therefore \{x_n\} \text{ is a Cauchy sequence.}$$

Now let $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \rho(T_2 x_{2n-1}, x_{2n+1}) = \rho(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} T_2 x_{2n-1}, \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_{2n+1})$

$$\therefore \rho(T_2 \xi, \xi) = 0 \quad [\because T_2 \text{ is continuous}]$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \rho(T_1 x_{2n}, x_{2n+2}) = \rho(T_1 \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_{2n}, \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_{2n+2}) \rightarrow 0$$

$$\therefore \rho(T_1 \xi, \xi) = 0 \quad [\because T_1 \text{ is continuous}]$$

This completes the proof.

Putting $T_1 = T_2 = T$ and $\alpha(x, y) = \beta(x, y)$ on Theorem 8, we obtain,

THEOREM 8A. *If T is a continuous mapping of a complete metric space X such that $\rho(Tx, Ty) < \rho(x, y)$ for $x \neq y \in X$ and there exists a subset $M \subset X$ and a point $x_0 \in M$ satisfying*

i) $\rho(x_0, Tx) - \rho(Tx_0, T^2x) \geq 2\rho(x_0, Tx_0)$ for every $x \in X/M$

ii) $\rho(Tx, Ty) \leq \alpha(x, y) [\rho(x, Tx) + \rho(y, Ty)]$ for every $x, y \in M$, and $\alpha(x, y) \in F$,

then there exists a point ξ , such that $\rho(\xi, T\xi) = 0$,

COROLLARY. *If X is a complete semi-metric space and if $\rho(T_1x, T_2y) \leq \alpha(x, y) \rho(x, T_1x) + \beta(x, y) \rho(y, T_2y)$ for every $x, y \in X$, then there exists a point ξ such that $\rho(\xi, T_1\xi) = 0 = \rho(\xi, T_2\xi)$, where α and $\beta \in F$.*

COROLLARY. If X is complete semi-metric space and α, β are positive constants such that $\alpha + \beta < 1$, then if $\rho(T_1x, T_2y) \leq \alpha\rho(x, T_1x) + \beta\rho(y, T_2y)$ then there exists at least a point ξ such that $\rho(\xi, T\xi) = 0$. If there is any other point $\alpha + \beta < 1$ such that $\rho(\eta, T_i\eta) = 0$, $i = 1, 2$, then $\rho(\eta, \xi) = 0$.

COROLLARY. If we make $\alpha = \beta$ in the above corollary, we get the following. If X is a complete semi-metric space and $0 < \alpha < 1/2$ and $\rho(T_1x, T_2y) \leq \alpha[\rho(x, T_1x) + \rho(y, T_2y)] \dots\dots(B)$ then there exists a point ξ such that $\rho(\xi, T\xi) = 0$ and if there is any other $\eta \in X$ satisfying $\rho(\eta, T\eta) = 0$, we get $\rho(\xi, \eta) = 0$.

COROLLARY. Putting $T_1 = T_2 = T$, the condition (B) reduces to $\rho(Tx, Ty) \leq \alpha[\rho(x, Tx) + \rho(y, Ty)]$

With the help of Theorem 4, we can establish the following theorem :

THEOREM 9. If T is a contractive mapping of a complete semi-metric space X into itself such that there exists a subset $M \subset X$, and a point $x_0 \in M$ satisfying

- i) $\rho(x, x_0) - \rho(Tx, Tx_0) \geq \rho(x_0, Tx_0)$ for every $x \in X/M$
- ii) $\rho(Tx, Ty) \leq \lambda(x, y)\rho(x, y)$ for every $x, y \in M$, where $\lambda(x, y) = \lambda(\rho(x, y))$, $0 \leq \lambda(\rho) < 1$

and $\lambda(\rho)$ is a monotonically decreasing function of ρ , then there exists a point ξ such that $\rho(\xi, T\xi) = 0$. If there is any $\eta \in X$ such that $\rho(\eta, T\eta) = 0$ then $\rho(\xi, \eta) = 0$.

COROLLARY. Taking $M = X$, we get $\rho(Tx, Ty) \leq \lambda(x, y)\rho(x, y)$ for every $x, y \in X$ then there exists a ξ such that $\rho(\xi, T\xi) = 0$.

THEOREM 10. Let X be a complete semi-metric space and let

$$\rho(T_1x, T_2y) \leq \alpha(x, y)[\rho(x, T_1x) + \rho(y, T_2y)] \text{ for every } x, y \in S(n, r),$$

$S(n, r)$ is an r -neighbourhood of the point x , and if

$$\rho(x, Tx_0) < [1 - \lambda(x, Tx)]/r$$

$$\text{where } \lambda(x, y) = \lambda(\rho(x, y)) \in F, \lambda(x, x_1) = \frac{\alpha(x, x_1)}{1 - \rho(x, x_1)}$$

then T_1, T_2 have a point ξ , such that $\rho(\xi, T\xi) = 0$.

PROOF. We can prove, as before, $\{x_n\}$ to be a Cauchy sequence. Rest is easy.

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