

Some fixed point results for weakly $b - (\varphi, G)$ contraction in b -metric spaces endowed with a graph

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ABSTRACT. In this paper, we introduce the concept of weakly $b - (\varphi, G)$ contraction mapping in b -metric spaces endowed with a graph and give some fixed point results for such contractions.

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1. INTRODUCTION

The concept of b -metric spaces were firstly obtained in 1989 by Bakhtin [1]. In 2010, Khamsi and Hussain [7] reintroduced the notion of a b -metric under the name metric-type. After that, many authors have carried out further studies on b -metric space. For further works and results in b -metric spaces, see, e.g., [4, 9]. Espinola et al. [3] proved some results on combining graph theory and fixed point theory. Later, Jachymski [6] proved the contraction principal for mappings on a metric space endowed with a graph. In this direction several authors obtained further results in metric spaces endowed with graph (see e.g. [2, 5]). We recall some of the basic definitions and results in the sequel. Let $G = (V(G), E(G))$ be a directed graph such that $V(G)$ is the set of vertices and $E(G)$ is edges of G . Let $\Delta \subset E(G)$, where $\Delta = \{(x, x) :$

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$x \in X$ }. Also, suppose that G has no parallel edges. We denote the conversion of a graph G by G^{-1} . Let \tilde{G} denotes the undirected graph obtained from G by ignoring the direction of edges, that is, we get $E(\tilde{G}) = E(G) \cup E(G^{-1})$. Let x and y are vertices in a graph G . A path in G from x to y of length m is a sequence $\{x_n\}_{n=0}^m$ of $m + 1$ vertices such that $x_0 = x$ and $x_m = y$ and $(x_{i-1}, x_i) \in E(G)$ for $i = 1, \dots, m$. The graph G is called connected if there is a path between any two vertices of G and graph G is weakly connected if \tilde{G} is connected. For $x \in X$ we set $[x]_{\tilde{G}}$ which is the equivalence class of the following relation R defined on $V(G)$ by the rule: yRz if there is a path in G from y to z .

Definition 1.1. [9] We say that sequances $\{x_n\}, \{y_n\}$ in X are equivalent if $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n, y_n) = 0$.

Definition 1.2. [9] Let $f : X \rightarrow X$ and the sequence $\{f^n(x)\}$ in X be such that $f^n(x) \rightarrow x^*$ with $(f^{n+1}(x), f^n(x)) \in E(G)$ for $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and $x, x^* \in X$.

- (1) The graph G is called (C_f) -graph if there exists a subsequence $\{f^{n_k}(x)\}$ of $\{f^n(x)\}$ and $k_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $(f^{n_k}(x), x^*) \in E(G)$ for all $k \geq k_0$.
- (2) The graph G is called (H_f) -graph if $f^n(x) \in [x^*]_{\tilde{G}}$ for $n \in \mathbb{N}$, then $r(f^n(x), x^*) \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$, where $r(f^n(x), x^*) = \sum_{i=1}^{M_n} s^i d(z_{i-1}, z_i)$ and $\{z_i\}_{i=0}^{M_n}$ is a path from $f^n(x)$ to x^* in \tilde{G} .

Definition 1.3. [8]. (Altering Distance Function) A function $\varphi : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ is called an altering distance function if the following properties are satisfied:

- (1) φ is continuous and strictly increasing,
- (2) $\varphi(t) = 0$ if and only if $t = 0$.

2. MAIN RESULT

Now, we introduce one new type of contractive mappings in the context of b -metric spaces endowed with a graph and prove the corresponding new result. Throughout this section we assume that (X, d) is a b -metric space endowed with directed graph G , which $V(G) = X$ and $\Delta \subset E(G)$.

Definition 2.1. Let (X, d) be b -metric space and f be a self-mapping on X . We say that f is a weakly b - (φ, G) contraction if for every $x, y \in X$, we have

$$(f(x), f(y)) \in E(G) \text{ whenever } (x, y) \in E(G), \quad (2.1)$$

$$d(fx, fy) \leq \frac{d(x, y)}{s^2} - \varphi(d(x, y)) \text{ whenever } (x, y) \in E(G), \quad (2.2)$$

where φ is an altering distance function.

Example 2.2. Let $G = (X, \Delta)$ and f be a self-mapping on X . Then f is a weakly $b - (\varphi, G)$ contraction.

Example 2.3. Let $f : X \rightarrow X$ be a constant mapping. Then f is a weakly $b - (\varphi, G)$ contraction for any graph G with $V(G) = X$.

Proposition 2.4. Let (X, d) be a b -metric space with parameter $s \geq 1$ and $f : X \rightarrow X$ be a weakly $b - (\varphi, G)$ contraction. Then

- (1) f is a weakly $b - (\varphi, \tilde{G})$ contraction and also a $b - (\varphi, G^{-1})$ contraction.
- (2) $f([x_0]_{\tilde{G}}) \subseteq [x_0]_{\tilde{G}}$ and $f|_{[x_0]_{\tilde{G}}}$ is a weakly $b - (\varphi, \tilde{G}_{x_0})$ contraction provided $x_0 \in X$ is such that $f(x_0) \in [x_0]_{\tilde{G}}$.

Proof. The proof is similar to Proposition 12.1.[9], therefore we omit it. \square

Lemma 2.5. Let X be a b -metric space with $s \geq 1$ and $f : X \rightarrow X$ be a weakly $b - (\varphi, G)$ contraction. Then for any $x \in X$ and $y \in [x]_{\tilde{G}}$, the sequences $\{f^n(x)\}$ and $\{f^n(y)\}$ are equivalent.

Proof. Let $x \in X$ and $y \in [x]_{\tilde{G}}$. Then by definition of equivalence class, there exists a path $\{z_i\}_{i=0}^k$ from x to y in \tilde{G} such that $x = z_0, \dots, y = z_k$ and $(z_{i-1}, z_i) \in E(\tilde{G})$. By proposition 2.4, f is weakly $b - (\varphi, \tilde{G})$ contraction. Then, for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$, we have $(f^n(z_{i-1}), f^n(z_i)) \in E(\tilde{G})$. From (2.2), we get

$$\begin{aligned} d(f^n(z_{i-1}), f^n(z_i)) &\leq \frac{d(f^{n-1}(z_{i-1}), f^{n-1}(z_i))}{s^2} \\ &- \varphi(d(f^{n-1}(z_{i-1}), f^{n-1}(z_i))), \end{aligned} \quad (2.3)$$

where $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and $i = 1, \dots, k$. Then, we get

$$d(f^n(z_{i-1}), f^n(z_i)) \leq d(f^{n-1}(z_{i-1}), f^{n-1}(z_i)),$$

for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and $i = 1, \dots, k$. Thus $d(f^n(z_{i-1}), f^n(z_i))$ is a nonincreasing sequence and hence it is convergent. Let $d(f^n(z_{i-1}), f^n(z_i)) \rightarrow r$, where $r \geq 0$. Letting $n \rightarrow \infty$ in (2.3) and using the continuity of φ , we have

$$r \leq \frac{r}{s^2} - \varphi(r) \leq r.$$

Since φ is altering distance function, we obtain $r = 0$, that is,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(f^n(z_{i-1}), f^n(z_i)) = 0. \quad (2.4)$$

By b -triangular inequality, we have

$$d(f^n(x), f^n(y)) \leq \sum_{i=1}^k s^i d(f^n(z_{i-1}), f^n(z_i)) \quad (2.5)$$

for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Using (2.4), (2.5) and passing to the limit as $n \rightarrow \infty$, we obtain

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(f^n(x), f^n(y)) = 0$$

□

Proposition 2.6. *Let (X, d) be a b -metric space with parameter $s > 1$ and $f : X \rightarrow X$ be a weakly b - (φ, G) contraction. Suppose $x_0 \in X$ and $f(x_0) \in [x_0]_{\tilde{G}}$. Then $\{f^n(x_0)\}$ is a Cauchy sequence in X .*

Proof. Since $f(x_0) \in [x_0]_{\tilde{G}}$, then there exists path $\{z_i\}_{i=0}^k$ from x_0 to $f(x_0)$ in \tilde{G} such that $x_0 = z_0, \dots, f(x_0) = z_k$ and $(z_{i-1}, z_i) \in E(\tilde{G})$. Then by a similar argument to that of the previous one can show that

$$\begin{aligned} d(f^n(x_0), f^{n+1}(x_0)) &\leq \sum_{i=1}^k s^i d(f^n(z_{i-1}), f^n(z_i)) \\ &\leq \sum_{i=1}^k s^i \frac{d(z_{i-1}, z_i)}{s^{2n}} \end{aligned} \quad (2.6)$$

for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Let $m > n \geq 1$ and $p \geq 1$. Then by b -triangular inequality and (2.6), we have

$$\begin{aligned} d(f^n(x_0), f^{n+p}(x_0)) &\leq sd(f^n(x_0), f^{n+1}(x_0)) + s^2d(f^{n+1}(x_0), f^{n+2}(x_0)) \\ &\quad + \dots + s^p d(f^{n+p-1}(x_0), f^{n+p}(x_0)) \\ &\leq \frac{1}{s^{n-1}} \left[\sum_{j=n}^{n+p-1} s^j d(f^j(x_0), f^{j-1}(x_0)) \right] \\ &\leq \frac{1}{s^{n-1}} \left[\sum_{i=1}^k s^i \sum_{j=n}^{n+p-1} s^j \frac{d(z_{i-1}, z_i)}{s^{2j}} \right] \\ &\leq \frac{1}{s^{n-1}} \left[\sum_{i=1}^k s^i d(z_{i-1}, z_i) \sum_{j=n}^{n+p-1} \frac{1}{s^j} \right]. \end{aligned}$$

Since $\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{s^j} = \frac{s}{s-1}$, we get $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(f^n(x_0), f^{n+p}(x_0)) = 0$. This is $\{f^n(x_0)\}$ is a Cauchy sequence. □

Theorem 2.7. *Let (X, d) be a complete b -metric space with parameter $s > 1$ and f be a weakly b - (φ, G) contraction. Assume G is a (C_f) -graph*

and there is $z_0 \in X$ for which $(z_0, f(z_0)) \in E(\tilde{G})$. Then f has a unique fixed point $x^* \in [z_0]_{\tilde{G}}$ and $f^n(y) \rightarrow x^*$ for any $y \in [z_0]_{\tilde{G}}$. Also if G is a weakly connected, then f is Picard operator.

Proof. From Proposition 2.6, $\{f^n(z_0)\}$ is a Cauchy sequence in X . Since X is complete there exists $x^* \in X$ such that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f^n(z_0) = x^*$. Since G is a (C_f) graph and $(f^n(z_0), f^{n+1}(z_0)) \in E(G)$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$, there exists a subsequence $\{f^{n_k}(z_0)\}$ of $\{f^n(z_0)\}$ and $p \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $(f^{n_j}(z_0), x^*) \in E(G)$ for all $j \geq p$. Therefore

$$(z_0, f(z_0), f^2(z_0), \dots, f^{n_1}(z_0), \dots, f^{n_p}(z_0), x^*)$$

is a path in \tilde{G} . This implies that $x^* \in [z_0]_{\tilde{G}}$. Using (2.2) we have

$$\begin{aligned} d(f^{n_j+1}(z_0), f(x^*)) &\leq \frac{d(f^{n_j}(z_0), x^*)}{s^2} - \varphi(d(f^{n_j}(z_0), x^*)) \\ &\leq d(f^{n_j}(z_0), x^*). \end{aligned}$$

Passing to limit when $j \rightarrow \infty$, we obtain $f^{n_j+1}(z_0) \rightarrow f(x^*)$. Since $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f^n(z_0) = x^*$ and $\{f^{n_j}(z_0)\}$ is a subsequence of $\{f^n(z_0)\}$, Thus $f(x^*) = x^*$. Now let $y \in [z_0]_{\tilde{G}}$. Then by Lemma 2.5, we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(f^n(y), f^n(z_0)) = 0. \quad (2.7)$$

By b -triangular inequality, we have

$$d(f^n(y), x^*) \leq s(d(f^n(y), f^n(z_0)) + d(f^n(z_0), x^*)).$$

From (2.7) and passing to limit when $n \rightarrow \infty$, we obtain $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f^n(y) = x^*$. To prove the uniqueness of the fixed point, suppose that y^* is another fixed point of f . By b -triangular inequality, we obtain

$$d(x^*, y^*) = d(f^n(x^*), f^n(y^*)) \leq s(d(f^n(x^*), f^n(z_0)) + d(f^n(y^*), f^n(z_0))),$$

for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Letting $n \rightarrow \infty$ in the above inequality, we have $x^* = y^*$. Then f has a unique fixed point. \square

Theorem 2.8. *Let (X, d) be a complete b -metric space with parameter $s > 1$ and f be a weakly $b - (\varphi, G)$ contraction. Suppose G is a connected weakly (H_f) -graph and also there is $z_0 \in X$ such that $(z_0, f(z_0)) \in E(\tilde{G})$. Then f has a unique fixed point $x^* \in X$ and $f^n(y) \rightarrow x^*$ for $y \in X$.*

Proof. By Proposition 2.6, the sequence $\{f^n(z_0)\}$ is Cauchy in X and since X is complete, there exists $z^* \in X$ such that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f^n(z_0) = z^*$. Since G is (H_f) -graph, we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} r(f^n(z_0), z^*) = 0.$$

Let $\{x_i^n\}$ be a path from $f^n(z_0)$ to z^* in \tilde{G} for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and $i = 0, 1, \dots, K_n$. Now, we prove that z^* is a fixed point of f . Using (2.2) and b -triangular inequality, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 d(z^*, f(z^*)) &\leq s(d(z^*, f^{n+1}(z_0)) + d(f^{n+1}(z_0), f(z^*))) \\
 &\leq s(d(z^*, f^{n+1}(z_0)) + \sum_{i=1}^{K_n} s^i d(f(x_{i-1}^n), f(x_i^n))) \\
 &\leq s(d(z^*, f^{n+1}(z_0)) + \sum_{i=1}^{K_n} s^i (\frac{d(x_{i-1}^n, x_i^n)}{s^2} - \varphi(d(x_{i-1}^n, x_i^n))) \\
 &\leq s(d(z^*, f^{n+1}(z_0)) + \sum_{i=1}^{K_n} s^i d(x_{i-1}^n, x_i^n)) \\
 &= s(d(z^*, f^{n+1}(z_0)) + r(f^n(z_0), z^*)).
 \end{aligned}$$

Letting $n \rightarrow \infty$ in the above inequality, we obtain $f(z^*) = z^*$. Now, let $y \in [z_0]_{\tilde{G}} = X$ be arbitrary. Using lemma 2.5 and b -triangular inequality, we have $f^n(y) \rightarrow z^*$. \square

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