

SOME RESULTS ON FIXED POINTS FOR THREE MAPS

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In this note we present some results on fixed point theorem for three maps which generalize the results of Park and Rhoades [4] and Park [3] respectively. First we give the following definitions and notations.

Throughout the paper w stands for the set of all nonnegative integers and R_+ for the set of all non-negative real numbers.

A point $x_0 \in X$ is called regular for f, g and h , or, simply regular, if there exists a sequence $\{x_n\} \subset X$ satisfying, $hx_{2n+1} = fx_{2n}$ and $hx_{2n+2} = gx_{2n+1}$ for each $n \in w$, and $\sup \{d(hx_i, hx_j) \mid i, j \in w\} < \infty$. It should be noted that for $f(X) \cup g(X) \subseteq h(X)$, such a $\{x_n\}$ always exists.

Let $O(x_0) = \{hx_n \mid n \in w\}$, and $\delta [O(x_0)]$ denote the diameter of $O(x_0)$.

Let $\delta(x, y) = \text{diameter} \{O(x) \cup O(y)\}$ where x and y are regular. We have the following results :

Theorem 1. *Let f, g, h be self-maps of a metric space (X, d) such that $fh = hf, gh = hg, \phi : R_+ \rightarrow R_+, \phi$ non-decreasing, continuous from the right, and satisfying $\phi(t) < t$ for each $t > 0$. Suppose there*

exists a regular point $x_0 \in X$ such that $\{hx_n\}$ has a cluster point $a_0 \in X$, which is regular.

If

- (1) $d(fx, gy) \leq \phi(\delta[O(x) \cup O(y)])$ for each $x, y \in \{x_n\} \cup \{a_n\} \cup ha_0$, where $\{a_n\}$ is defined by $ha_{2n+1} = fa_{2n}$ and $ha_{2n+2} = ga_{2n+1}$ for $n \in \mathbb{N}$, and
 (2) h is continuous at a_0 ,

then ha_0 is a common fixed point for f, g, h and $\{hx_n\}$ converges to a_0 . If (1) is satisfied for all regular points $x, y \in X$, then ha_0 is the unique common fixed point of f, g and h .

The result can be easily proved by coupling the proof for two maps by Park and Rhoades [4] with the usual technique for the proof of fixed point for three maps, given by Ganguly ([1],[2]) and Singh [5].

Theorem 2. Let f, g, h be self maps of a complete metric space (X, d) such that $fh = hf, gh = hg, h$ is continuous, and $\phi : \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+, \phi(t) < t$ for each $t > 0$. If every point of X is a regular point and (1) is satisfied for all $x, y \in X$, then f, g and h have a unique common fixed point and $\{hx_n\}$ converges to the fixed point for each $x \in X$.

The result follows from Theorem 1.

Remark 1. For $f = g$, we have Theorems 1 and 2 of Park and Rhoades [4].

Remark 2. From the logic of Park and Rhoades ([4], pp. 116-117) it follows that Theorem 1 of Ganguly [1] is a special case of Theorems 2 and 1, respectively.

Now we state a different result which can also be easily proved.

Theorem 3. Let (X, d) be a metric space, f, g and h be the same as above. Suppose there exists a regular point $x_0 \in X$ such that

- (1) $O(x_0)$ has a cluster point $a_0 \in X$ which is regular;
 (2) for any $\epsilon > 0$, there exist $\epsilon_0 < \epsilon$ and $\delta_0 > 0$ such that for any $x, y \in \{x_n\} \cup \{a_n\} \cup \{ha_0\}$,

$\epsilon \leq \delta(x, y) < \epsilon + \delta_0$ implies $d(fx, gy) \leq \epsilon_0$, where $\{a_n\}$ is the same as in Theorem 1, and

- (3) if ha_0 is continuous at a_0 , then ha_0 is a common fixed point of f, g and h , and $\{hx_n\}$ converges to a_0 . If (2) is satisfied for all regular points $x, y \in X$, then ha_0 is the unique common fixed point of f, g and h .

Remark 3. For $f=g$, we have Theorem 2 (C δ') of Park [3].

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