

A FIXED POINT THEOREM FOR A PAIR OF EXPANSIVE MAPS

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In a recent paper the author [1] established several fixed point theorems for a pair of surjective expansive maps. In this note we prove a theorem for a pair of expansive maps, and demonstrate that the first two results of [1] follow as special cases.

Theorem. *Let f, g be surjective selfmaps of a complete metric space (X, d) . Suppose there exists a constant $a > 1$ such that*

$$(1) \quad d(fx, gy) \geq a d(x, y)$$

for each x, y in $\{x_n\}$ satisfying either $x \in f^{-1}y$ or $y \in g^{-1}x$, where $\{x_n\}$ is defined by $x_0 \in X$, $x_{2n+1} \in f^{-1}x_{2n}$, $x_{2n+2} \in g^{-1}x_{2n+1}$. Then f and g have a unique common fixed point.

Proof. The proof of Theorem 1 of [1] only involves points in the closure of $\{x_n\}$. Therefore that proof applies, unchanged, to this theorem.

Corollary 1. ([1, Theorem 1]). *Let f, g be surjective selfmaps of a complete metric space (X, d) . Suppose there exists a constant $a > 1$ such that*

$$(2) \quad d(fx, gy) \geq a d(x, y)$$

for each x, y in X . Then f and g have a unique common fixed point.

Since (2) is true for all points x, y in X , it is surely true for those points in the closure of $\{x_n\}$,

Corollary 2. ([1, Theorem 2]). Let f, g be surjective selfmaps of a complete metric space (X, d) . Suppose there exists nonnegative functions p, q, r, s, t satisfying

$$(3) \inf_{x, y \in X} (p(x, y) + q(x, y) + t(x, y)) > 1,$$

$$(4) \inf_{x, y \in X} \{1 - q(x, y) + r(x, y), (1 - p(x, y) + s(x, y))\} > 0,$$

$$(5) \sup_{x, y \in X} \{p(x, y), q(x, y)\} < 1,$$

and

$$(6) d(fx, gy) \geq p(x, y) d(x, fx) + q(x, y) d(y, gy) + r(x, y) d(x, gy) + s(x, y) d(y, fx) + t(x, y) d(x, y)$$

for all x, y in X , $x \neq y$. Then f and g have a unique common fixed point.

Proof. Set $y = fx$ in (6) to get

$$\begin{aligned} d(fx, gfx) &\geq pd(x, fx) + qd(fx, gfx) + rd(x, gfx) + td(x, fx) \\ &\geq pd(x, fx) + qd(fx, gfx) + r[d(x, fx) - d(fx, gfx)] + td(x, fx), \end{aligned}$$

where p, q, r, s, t are evaluated at (x, fx) . We then obtain

$$d(fx, gfx) \geq ad(x, fx),$$

where

$$a = \inf_{x, y \in X} \frac{p + t + r}{1 - q + r} > 1$$

from (2).

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