

## FIXED POINTS OF PROBABILISTIC NEARLY DENSIFYING MAPPINGS IN Menger SPACES

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### ABSTRACT

In this paper we prove some common fixed point theorems for probabilistic nearly densifying mappings. Our results generalize some previously known results in metric and Menger spaces.

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**1. Introduction.** The study of probabilistic densifying mappings was initiated by Bocsan [1, 2]. Some fixed point theorems for these mappings have been proved by Pant, Dimri and Chandola [6], Pant, Tiwari and Singh [7], Singh and Pant [9], Tan [10], Chamola, Pant and Singh [3]. Sastry and Naidu [8] have introduced the concept of nearly densifying self maps on a metric space. Subsequently a number of fixed point theorems have been proved by Ganguly, Rajput and Tuteja [4], Jain and Jain [5] in different settings.

In this paper, we establish some fixed point theorems for nearly densifying maps in Menger spaces.

### 2. Preliminaries.

**Definition 2.1** A probabilistic metric space (*PM-space*) is an ordered pair  $(X, \mathcal{F})$  consisting of a non-empty set  $X$  and a mapping  $\mathcal{F}: X \times X \rightarrow \mathcal{L}$ , the set of distribution functions. The value of  $\mathcal{F}$  at  $(u, v) \in X \times X$  is denoted by  $F_{u,v}$  and satisfy the following conditions :

- (i)  $F_{u,v}(x) = 1$  iff  $u=v, x>0$ ;
- (ii)  $F_{u,v}(0) = 0$ ;
- (iii)  $F_{u,v} = F_{v,u}$ ;
- (iv) if  $F_{u,v}(x)=1, F_{v,w}(y)=1$  then  $F_{u,w}(x+y)=1, u,v,w, \in X, x,y \geq 0$ .

**Definition 2.2** A mapping  $t: [0,1] \times [0,1] \rightarrow [0,1]$  is called a  $t$ -norm if it satisfies the following conditions :

- (i)'  $t(0,0)=0, t(a,1) = a, a \in [0,1]$ ,

$$(ii)' \quad t(a,b) = t(b,a),$$

$$(iii)' \quad t(t(a,b),c) = t(a,t(b,c)).$$

**Definition 2.3.** A menger space is a triplet  $(X, \mathcal{F}, t)$  where  $(X, \mathcal{F})$  is a PM-space and  $t$  is the  $t$ -norm such that (iv) is replaced by

$$F_{u,w}(x+y) \geq t\{F_{u,v}(x), F_{v,w}(y)\}$$

$$u, v \in X \text{ and } x, y \geq 0.$$

**Definition 2.4.** The function  $D_A(\cdot)$  defined by

$$D_A(x) = \sup_{y < x} \left\{ \inf_{u, v \in A} F_{u,v}(y) \right\}$$

$$\sup_{x \in R} D_A(x) = 1.$$

**Definition 2.5.** For a probabilistic bounded subset  $A$  of  $X$ ,  $\alpha_A(\cdot)$  defined by  $\alpha_A(x) = \sup \{ \varepsilon \geq 0 / \exists \text{ a finite cover } \mathcal{A} \text{ of } A \text{ such that } D_S(x) \geq \varepsilon \text{ for } S \in \mathcal{A} \}$  is called Kuratowski function. The following properties of Kuratowski function are proved by Bocsan and Constantin [2].

- (a)  $\alpha_A \in \mathcal{L}$ , the set of distribution functions;
- (b)  $\alpha_A(x) \geq D_A(x)$  for all  $x \in R$ ;
- (c) if  $\phi: A \subset B \subset X$  then  $\alpha_A(x) \geq \alpha_B(x)$  for all  $x \in R$ ;
- (d)  $\alpha_{A \cup B}(x) = \min\{\alpha_A(x), \alpha_B(x)\}$ ;
- (e)  $\alpha_{\bar{A}}(x) = \alpha_A(x)$  where  $\bar{A}$  denotes the closure of  $A$  in the  $(\varepsilon, \lambda)$ -topology on  $X$ ;
- (f)  $A$  is probabilistic precompact (totally bounded) iff  $\alpha_A = H$ .

**Definition 2.6:** Let  $(X, \mathcal{F})$  be a PM-space. A continuous mapping  $f$  of  $X$  into itself is called probabilistic nearly densifying mapping iff for every subset  $A$  of  $X$ ,  $\alpha_A < H$  implies  $\alpha_{f(A)} > \alpha_A$ , and  $A$  is  $f$ -invariant.

**Definition 2.7.** A mapping  $f: X \rightarrow X$  is called weakly  $\phi$ -contractive if for every  $u, v \in X$ ,  $u \neq v$ ,  $\phi(f(u), f(v)) > \phi(u, v)$ , where  $\phi$  is a  $\tau$ -continuous mapping [2] of  $X \times X$  into  $\mathcal{L}$ . It is to be noted that  $\tau$ -continuity coincides with upper semicontinuity.

### 3. Theorems.

**Theorem 3.1.** Let  $f$  and  $g$  be commuting, continuous and nearly densifying self maps on a complete Menger space  $X$  where  $\sup_{x < 1} t(x, x) = 1$ , satisfying the condition

$$(a) \quad \phi(gx, gy) > \max \left\{ \phi(fx, fy), \phi(fx, gx), \phi(fy, gy), \frac{\phi(fx, gx)\phi(fx, gy)}{\phi(fx, fy)} \right\}$$

for  $fx \neq fy$ ,  $gx \neq gy$ ,  $x, y \in X$

where  $\phi: X \times X \rightarrow \mathcal{L}$  is upper semi continuous and  $\phi(u, u) = 0$ ,  $u \in X$ . If for some  $u_0$  in  $X$ ,

$G(u_0) = \{f^i g^j u_0 : i, j \geq 0\}$  is bounded, then  $f$  and  $g$  have a unique common fixed point.

**Proof.** Let  $A = G(u_0)$ . Since  $f$  and  $g$  are commuting and continuous, we have

$$f(\bar{A}) \subseteq \bar{A}, g(\bar{A}) \subseteq \bar{A} \quad \text{and} \quad A = \{u_0\} \cup f(A) \cup g(A).$$

Also  $f$  and  $g$  are nearly densifying and  $X$  is complete. We conclude that  $\bar{A}$  is compact.

Now define  $H = \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} (fg)^n \bar{A}$ . Since  $\{(fg)^n \bar{A}\}$  is a decreasing sequence of non-empty compact subsets of  $\bar{A}$ , it follows that  $H$  is non-empty compact set such that  $f(H) \subseteq H, g(H) \subseteq H$ .

Suppose  $x \in H$ , then  $x \in (fg)^{n+1} \bar{A}$  for all  $n$ . Hence there exists  $\{x_n\} \subseteq (fg)^n \bar{A}$ .

Since  $(fg)^n \bar{A}$  is compact and closed for all  $n$ ,  $f$  and  $g$  are continuous and nearly densifying, therefore there exists a  $p \in (fg)^n \bar{A}$  for all  $n$  so that  $fg(p) = x$ . Hence  $x \in f(H)$  and  $x \in g(H)$ . Thus we have

$$f(H) = H = g(H).$$

Let us define a real valued function  $\psi$  on  $H$  by  $\psi(x) = \phi(fx, gx)$ . It is upper semi continuous and hence attains its maximum at some  $p \in H$ . Then there exists a  $w \in H$  such that  $p = fw$ .

Suppose there is no point  $u$  in  $X$  such that  $fu = gu$ , then we have by (a),

$$\psi(gw) = \phi(fgw, ggw) = \phi(gfw, ggw)$$

$$> \max \left\{ \phi(f^2w, fgw), \phi(f^2w, gfw), \phi(fgw, ggw), \frac{\phi(f^2w, gfw)\phi(fgw, ggw)}{\phi(f^2w, fgw)} \right\}$$

$$= \max \{ \phi(f^2w, fgw), \phi(fgw, ggw) \}$$

$$= \phi(f^2w, fgw) = \phi(fp, gp) = \psi(p),$$

which is a contradiction to the selection of  $p$ . Hence there exists a  $z \in H$  such that  $fz = gz$  or  $f^2z = fgz = ggz$ .

Suppose  $f^2z \neq fz$ , then we have

$$\phi(f^2z, fz) = \phi(ggz, gz)$$

$$> \max \left\{ \phi(f^2z, fz), \phi(f^2z, ggz), \phi(fz, gz), \frac{\phi(f^2z, ggz)\phi(fz, gz)}{\phi(f^2z, gz)} \right\}$$

$$= \max \{ \phi(f^2z, fz), 0, 0, 0 \}$$

$$= \phi(f^2z, fz),$$

which is a contradiction. Hence  $f^2z = ggz = fz$ . Therefore  $fz$  is common fixed point of  $f$  and  $g$ . Now we shall prove the uniqueness of  $fz$ . Let  $w$  be the another fixed point

of  $f$  and  $g$ , then again by (a) we have,

$$\phi(w, fz) = \phi(gw, fgz)$$

$$> \max \left\{ \phi(fw, f^2z), \phi(fw, gw), \phi(f^2z, fgz), \frac{\phi(fw, gw)\phi(fw, fgz)}{\phi(fw, f^2z)} \right\}$$

$$= \max\{\phi(w, fz), 0, 0, 0\}$$

$$= \phi(w, fz), \text{ a contradiction.}$$

Hence  $fz$  is unique.

**Theorem 3.2.** Let  $f$  and  $g$  be commuting, continuous and nearly densifying self maps on complete Menger space  $X$  such that  $\sup_{x < 1} \text{supt}(x, x) = 1$ , satisfying the condition

$$(b) \quad \phi(gx, gy) > \min \left[ \frac{\phi(fx, gx)\phi(fx, gy) + \{\phi(fx, fy)\}^2 + \phi(fx, gx)\phi(fx, fy)}{\phi(fx, gx) + \phi(fx, fy) + \phi(fx, gy)} \right]$$

for  $fx \neq fy$ ,  $gx \neq gy$  and  $fx \neq gx$ , where  $\phi: X \times X \rightarrow \mathcal{L}$  is *u.s.c.* and  $\phi(u, u) = 0$ ,  $u \in X$ . Also if for some  $u_0$  in  $X$ ,  $g(u_0) = \{f^j g^i u_0; i, j \geq 0\}$  is bounded then  $f$  and  $g$  have a unique common fixed point.

**Proof.** Let  $A = G(u_0)$  and define  $H = \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} (fg)^n \bar{A}$  then as in the **Theorem 3.1**, we have

$$f(H) = H = g(H).$$

Let us define a real valued function  $\psi$  on  $H$  by  $\psi(x) = \phi(fx, gx)$ . It is upper semi continuous and hence attains its maximum at some  $p \in H$ . Then there exists a  $w \in H$  such that  $fw = p$ . Suppose there is no point  $x$  in  $X$  such that  $fx = gx$ . Then we have by (a)

$$\begin{aligned} \psi(gw) &= \phi(fgw, ggw) \\ &= \phi(gfw, ggw) \end{aligned}$$

$$> \min \left[ \frac{\phi(f^2w, gfw)\phi(f^2w, g^2w) + \{\phi(f^2w, fgw)\}^2 + \phi(f^2w, gfw)\phi(f^2w, fgw)}{\phi(f^2w, gfw) + \phi(f^2w, fgw) + \phi(f^2w, g^2w)} \right]$$

$$= \min \left[ \frac{\phi(f^2w, gfw)\{\phi(f^2w, g^2w) + \phi(f^2w, gfw) + \phi(f^2w, fgw)\}}{\phi(f^2w, gfw) + \phi(f^2w, fgw) + \phi(f^2w, g^2w)} \right]$$

$$= \phi(f^2w, gfw) = \phi(fp, gp)$$

$$= \psi(p),$$

which is a contradiction to the selection of  $p$ . Hence there exists a  $z \in H$  such that  $fz = gz$ . Then we have

$$f^2z = gfz = fgz. \text{ Suppose } f^2z \neq fz \text{ then}$$

$$\phi(f^2z, fz) = \phi(gfz, gz)$$

$$> \min \left[ \frac{\phi(f^2z, gfz)\phi(f^2z, gz) + \{\phi(f^2z, fz)\}^2 + \phi(f^2z, gfz)\phi(f^2z, fz)}{\phi(f^2z, gfz) + \phi(f^2z, fz) + \phi(f^2z, gz)} \right]$$

$$= \phi(f^2z, fz) \text{ a contradiction.}$$

Hence  $f^2z = fz = gfz$ . Thus  $fz$  is a common fixed point of  $f$  and  $g$ . Uniqueness of fixed point can be proved easily by condition (b). This completes the proof of the theorem.

**Remark.** Theorem 3.2 is a generalized Menger-space version of Jain and Jain [5, Theo. 2].

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