



Fixed point theorems in extended b metric space based on rational contraction

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Abstract

In this paper, we use rational type contraction for two self-mappings to prove popular fixed-point theorems in extended complete b-metric spaces. The results demonstrated by Mlaiki *et al.* for a single self-mapping in extended complete b-metric space are improved and expanded by our research. Without assuming that any mapping is continuous, we generalize their findings for two self-mappings.

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1. Introduction

In the setting of complete metric spaces, Banach ^[2] proved an extremely significant theorem that proves the presence of a single fixed point. Since then, one of the most crucial instruments in many scientific fields, including economics, computer science, engineering, and the advancement of nonlinear analysis, has been the fixed-point theory.

Bakhtin ^[4] and Bourbaki ^[3] introduced the concept of b-metric spaces. To generalize the Banach ^[2] contraction mapping theorem, Czerwik ^[5] formally defined a b-metric space and provided an axiom that was weaker than the triangle inequality. He proposed a function that, depending on certain point interactions, replaces the constant to correct the triangle inequality. This concept was further upon by Kir and Kiziltune ^[6], Boriceanu ^[7], Bota ^[8], and Pacurar ^[9], who demonstrated fixed point theorems and their applications in b-metric spaces.

Non-linear elastic matching (NEM) is a new distance measure that Faginet al. ^[10] introduced by using relaxation in triangle inequality. In many domains, a similar kind of flexible triangle inequality was also employed. All of these uses served as inspiration for Kamran *et al.* ^[11], who developed the idea of extended b-metric space and expanded on a number of previously published findings. The extension of rational inequalities was introduced by Alqahtani ^[12], and new kinds of contractions in extended b-metric spaces were covered by W. Shatanawi in ^[13].

In this study, we use rational type contraction to show common fixed-point theorems for two self-mappings in extended complete b-metric spaces, without requiring the continuity of any mapping, and we expand and improve the results of Mlaiki *et al.* ^[1].

2. Preliminaries.

Definition 2.1 ^[4]: Let U be a non-empty set and let $\alpha \geq 1$ be a real number. A function $d_\alpha : U \times U \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ is called a b-metric if for all $u, v, w \in U$, it satisfies:

- (b1) $d_\alpha(u, v) = 0$ if and only if $u = v$;
- (b2) $d_\alpha(u, v) = d_\alpha(v, u)$;
- (b3) $d_\alpha(u, w) \leq \alpha [d_\alpha(u, v) + d_\alpha(v, w)]$

The pair $(U, d\alpha)$ is called a b-metric space.

Example 2.1: Let $U = \ell_q(\mathbb{R}) = \{u_k \subset \mathbb{R} : \sum |u_k|^q < \infty\}$, with $0 < q < 1$. Define $d\alpha(u, v) = (\sum |u_k - v_k|^q)^{(1/q)}$, $u = \{u_k\}$, $v = \{v_k\}$. Then $(U, d\alpha)$ is a b-metric space with coefficient $\alpha = 2^q$.

Example 2.2: Let $U = L_q[0, 1]$ be the space of all real functions $u(t)$, $t \in [0, 1]$ such that

$$\int_0^1 |u(t)|^q dt < \infty$$

with $0 < q < 1$. Define

$$d\alpha(u, v) = (\int_0^1 |u(t) - v(t)|^q dt)^{(1/q)}$$

Then $(U, d\alpha)$ is a b-metric space with coefficient $\alpha = 2^q$.

Thus, b-metric spaces form a wider class than metric spaces. If $\alpha = 1$, they coincide with metric spaces.

Definition 2.2 ^[14] Let $(U, d\alpha)$ be a b-metric space. A sequence $\{u_n\} \subset U$ is said to be:

- (i) Cauchy if $d\alpha(u_n, u_m) \rightarrow 0$ as $n, m \rightarrow \infty$;
- (ii) Convergent if there exists $u \in U$ such that $d\alpha(u_n, u) \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. In this case, we write $\lim u_n = u$;
- (iii) Complete if every Cauchy sequence in U is convergent.

Definition 2.3 ^[11]: Let U be a non-empty set and $\phi: U \times U \rightarrow [1, \infty)$. A function $d\phi: U \times U \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ is called an extended b-metric if for all $u, v, w \in U$, it satisfies:

$$(d\phi 1) \quad d\phi(u, v) = 0 \text{ iff } u=v;$$

$$(d\phi 2) \quad d\phi(u, v) = d\phi(v, u);$$

$$(d\phi 3) \quad d\phi(u, w) \leq \phi(u, w) [d\phi(u, v) + d\phi(v, w)]$$

The pair $(U, d\phi)$ is called an extended b-metric space.

Remark 2.1. If $\phi(u, w) = \alpha \geq 1$, then the extended b-metric reduces to the b-metric.

Example 2.3: Let $U = \mathbb{Z}^+$. Define

$$\phi(u, v) = u + v + 1$$

$$d\phi(u, v) = |u| + |v|$$

Then $(U, d\phi)$ is an extended b-metric space.

Example 2.4: Let $U = C([a, b], \mathbb{R})$ be the space of all continuous real-valued functions on $[a, b]$. Define

$$d\phi(u, v) = \sup_{t \in [a, b]} |u(t) - v(t)|^2$$

$$\phi(u, v) = |u(t)| + |v(t)| + 2$$

Then $(U, d\phi)$ is a complete extended b-metric space.

Definition 2.4 ^[11] Let $(U, d\phi)$ be an extended b-metric space.

- (i) A sequence $\{u_n\} \subset U$ converges to $u \in U$ if for every $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists $N(\varepsilon) \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $d\phi(u_n, u) < \varepsilon$ for all $n \geq N$. In this case we write $\lim u_n = u$.
- (ii) A sequence $\{u_n\} \subset U$ is Cauchy if for every $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists $N(\varepsilon) \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $d\phi(u_m, u_n) < \varepsilon$ for all $m, n \geq N$.

Definition 2.5 ^[11]

An extended b-metric space $(U, d\phi)$ is complete if every Cauchy sequence in U converges.

Lemma 2.1 ^[11]

Let $(U, d\phi)$ be an extended b-metric space. If $d\phi$ is continuous, then every convergent sequence has a unique limit.

Main Result

Theorem 3.1: Let $A, B: Y \rightarrow Y$ be self-maps on an extended complete b-metric space (Y, d_Θ) , for all $u, v, w \in Y$, with $\Theta: Y \times Y \rightarrow [1, \infty)$. Assume that for every distinct $p, q \in Y$,

$$d_\Theta(Ap, Bq) \leq \lambda_1 d_\Theta(p, q) + \lambda_2 \frac{(d_\Theta(p, Ap) d_\Theta(q, Ap) + d_\Theta(q, Bq) d_\Theta(p, Bq))}{(d_\Theta(p, Bq) + d_\Theta(q, Ap))} + \lambda_3 \frac{(d_\Theta(p, Ap) d_\Theta(q, Ap) + d_\Theta(q, Bq) d_\Theta(p, Bq))}{(d_\Theta(p, Bq) + d_\Theta(q, Ap))} \quad (1)$$

where $d_\Theta(p, Bq) + d_\Theta(q, Ap) \neq 0$.

Here $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3 \in [0, 1)$ satisfy $0 < \lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + \lambda_3 < 1$.

Then A and B admit a unique common fixed-point $y^* \in Y$, i.e. $Ay^* = By^* = y^*$.

Proof: Let $x_0 \in Y$ be arbitrary. Define a sequence $\{x_n\}$ by alternating application of A and B :

$$x_1 = Ax_0, x_2 = Bx_1, x_3 = Ax_2, x_4 = Bx_3, \dots$$

Thus,

$$x_{2n+1} = Ax_{2n} \text{ and } x_{2n+2} = Bx_{2n+1}.$$

Define $s_n = d_\Theta(x_n, x_{n+1})$. Our aim is to show that $s_n \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$ and that (x_n) is Cauchy.

Take $p = x_{n-1}$ and $q = x_n$. Then $Ap = x_n$ and $Bq = x_{n+1}$. Substituting into the given condition (1)

$$d_\Theta(x_n, x_{n+1}) \leq \lambda_1 d_\Theta(x_{n-1}, x_n) + \lambda_2 \left[\frac{(d_\Theta(x_{n-1}, x_n) d_\Theta(x_n, x_{n-1}) + d_\Theta(x_n, x_n) d_\Theta(x_{n-1}, x_n))}{(d_\Theta(x_{n-1}, x_{n+1}) + d_\Theta(x_n, x_n))} \right] \\ + \lambda_3 \left[\frac{(d_\Theta(x_{n-1}, x_n) d_\Theta(x_n, x_n) + d_\Theta(x_n, x_{n+1}) d_\Theta(x_{n-1}, x_{n+1}))}{(d_\Theta(x_{n-1}, x_{n+1}) + d_\Theta(x_n, x_n))} \right].$$

But in this case, the rational terms simplify drastically, and the inequality reduces to

$$s_n \leq \lambda_1 s_{n-1} + (\lambda_2 + \lambda_3) s_n. \frac{\lambda_1}{(1 - \lambda_2 - \lambda_3)} (1 - \lambda_2 - \lambda_3) s_n \leq \lambda_1 s_{n-1}.$$

Set $K = \frac{\lambda_1}{(1 - \lambda_2 - \lambda_3)}$, we note that since $\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + \lambda_3 < 1$, we have $0 \leq K < 1$.

Thus, $s_n \leq K s_{n-1}$, and inductively $s_n \leq K^{n-1} s_1$.

Since $0 \leq K < 1$, we deduce $s_n \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. Moreover, the series $\sum s_n$ converges:

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} s_n \leq s_1 / (1 - K).$$

This finite bound shows that the “total length” of the successive differences is finite.

Let $m > n$. By repeated use of the extended b-metric inequality

$$d_\Theta(u, w) \leq \Theta(u, w)(d_\Theta(u, v) + d_\Theta(v, w)),$$

we obtain an upper bound for $d_\Theta(x_n, x_m)$. Specifically, there exists a constant $s \geq 1$ such that

$$d_\Theta(x_n, x_m) \leq s (s_n + s_{n+1} + \dots + s_{\{m-1\}}).$$

Since the series $\sum s_n$ converges, to 0 as $n \rightarrow \infty$. Hence, (x_n) is a Cauchy sequence.

Because (Y, d_Θ) is complete, the sequence $\{x_n\}$ converges to some $y^* \in Y$. That is,

$$\lim_{\{n \rightarrow \infty\}} x_n = y^*.$$

Consider the subsequence $\{x_{2n}\} \rightarrow y^*$. Apply the contractive condition with

$$p = x_{2n}, q = y^*.$$

In the limit as $n \rightarrow \infty$, using continuity of d_Θ and the fact that $s_{\{2n\}} \rightarrow 0$, we deduce

$$d_\Theta(y^*, B y^*) \leq (\lambda_2 + \lambda_3) d_\Theta(y^*, B y^*).$$

Since $\lambda_2 + \lambda_3 < 1$, this implies $d_\Theta(y^*, B y^*) = 0$, so $B(y^*) = y^*$.

A symmetric argument using $p = y^*$, $q = x_{2n}$ shows that

$$d_\Theta(A y^*, y^*) = 0.$$

Thus, $A(y^*) = y^*$.

Suppose z^* is another common fixed point, i.e., $A(z^*) = B(z^*) = z^*$. Applying the inequality with $p = y^*$, $q = z^*$, we find

$$d_\Theta(y^*, z^*) \leq \lambda_1 d_\Theta(y^*, z^*).$$

Since $\lambda_1 < 1$, this forces $d_\Theta(y^*, z^*) = 0$. Hence $y^* = z^*$.

Corollary: Let $T: Y \rightarrow Y$ be a self-map on an extended complete b-metric space (Y, d_Θ) .

Assume that for all distinct $x, y \in Y$,

$$d_\Theta(Tx, Ty) \leq \lambda_1 d_\Theta(x, y) + \lambda_2 \frac{(d_\Theta(x, Tx) d_\Theta(y, Tx) + d_\Theta(y, Ty) d_\Theta(x, Ty))}{(d_\Theta(x, Ty) + d_\Theta(y, Tx))} + \lambda_3 \frac{[(d_\Theta(x, Tx) d_\Theta(y, Tx) + d_\Theta(y, Ty) d_\Theta(x, Ty))]}{(d_\Theta(x, Ty) + d_\Theta(y, Tx))}$$

whenever $d_{\Theta}(x, Ty) + d_{\Theta}(y, Tx) \neq 0$, where $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3 \in [0, 1)$ satisfy

$$0 < \lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + \lambda_3 < 1.$$

Then T has a unique fixed point $y^* \in Y$, and for any starting point $y_0 \in Y$, the sequence defined by $y_{n+1} = T y_n$ converges to y^* .

Theorem 3.2: Let $A, B: Y \rightarrow Y$ be self-maps on an extended complete b-metric space (Y, d_{Θ}) , for all $u, v, w \in Y$, with $\Theta: Y \times Y \rightarrow [1, \infty)$. Assume that for every distinct $p, q \in Y$ the following rational-type contractive condition holds:

$$d_{\Theta}(Ap, Bq) \leq \lambda_1 d_{\Theta}(p, q) + \lambda_2 \frac{[d_{\Theta}(p, Ap) d_{\Theta}(q, Ap) + d_{\Theta}(q, Bq) d_{\Theta}(p, Bq)]}{(d_{\Theta}(p, Bq) + d_{\Theta}(q, Ap))} + \lambda_3 \frac{(d_{\Theta}(p, Ap) d_{\Theta}(q, Ap) + d_{\Theta}(q, Bq) d_{\Theta}(p, Bq))}{(d_{\Theta}(p, Bq) + d_{\Theta}(q, Ap))} + \lambda_4 \frac{(d_{\Theta}(p, Ap) d_{\Theta}(q, Ap) + d_{\Theta}(q, Bq) d_{\Theta}(p, Bq))}{(d_{\Theta}(p, Bq) + d_{\Theta}(q, Ap))} \quad (2)$$

whenever the $(d_{\Theta}(p, Bq) + d_{\Theta}(q, Ap)) \neq 0$. Suppose $0 < \lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + \lambda_3 + \lambda_4 < 1$.

Then A and B have a unique common fixed point $y^* \in Y$ ($Ay^* = By^* = y^*$).

Proof: Pick arbitrary $y_0 \in Y$ and define the alternating sequence $y_{n+1} = A y_n$ and $y_{n+2} = B y_{n+1}$ for $n \geq 0$. Apply the contractive condition with $(p, q) = (y_n, y_{n+1})$. Observe:

$$Ap = y_{n+1}, Bq = y_{n+2},$$

Substituting into the given condition (2) we get,

$$d_{\Theta}(y_{n+1}, y_{n+2}) \leq \lambda_1 d_{\Theta}(y_n, y_{n+1}) + \lambda_2 \frac{[d_{\Theta}(y_n, y_{n+1}) d_{\Theta}(y_{n+1}, y_{n+1}) + d_{\Theta}(y_{n+1}, y_{n+2}) d_{\Theta}(y_n, y_{n+2})]}{(d_{\Theta}(y_n, y_{n+2}) + d_{\Theta}(y_{n+1}, y_{n+1}))} + \lambda_3 \frac{(d_{\Theta}(y_n, y_{n+1}) d_{\Theta}(y_{n+1}, y_{n+1}) + d_{\Theta}(y_{n+1}, y_{n+2}) d_{\Theta}(y_n, y_{n+2}))}{(d_{\Theta}(y_n, y_{n+2}) + d_{\Theta}(y_{n+1}, y_{n+1}))} + \lambda_4 \frac{(d_{\Theta}(y_n, y_{n+1}) d_{\Theta}(y_{n+1}, y_{n+1}) + d_{\Theta}(y_{n+1}, y_{n+2}) d_{\Theta}(y_n, y_{n+2}))}{(d_{\Theta}(y_n, y_{n+2}) + d_{\Theta}(y_{n+1}, y_{n+1}))}$$

Plugging into the inequality yields

$$d_{\Theta}(y_{n+1}, y_{n+2}) \leq \lambda_1 d_{\Theta}(y_n, y_{n+1}) + (\lambda_2 + \lambda_3 + \lambda_4) d_{\Theta}(y_{n+1}, y_{n+2}) \cdot \frac{\rho^n}{(1-\rho)}$$

Rearrange to obtain

$$(1 - (\lambda_2 + \lambda_3 + \lambda_4)) d_{\Theta}(y_{n+1}, y_{n+2}) \leq \lambda_1 d_{\Theta}(y_n, y_{n+1}).$$

$$\text{Set } \rho = \frac{\lambda_1}{1 - (\lambda_2 + \lambda_3 + \lambda_4)}$$

Since $\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + \lambda_3 + \lambda_4 < 1$, we have $0 \leq \rho < 1$, so

$$d_{\Theta}(y_{n+1}, y_{n+2}) \leq \rho d_{\Theta}(y_n, y_{n+1}) \text{ for all } n \geq 0.$$

By induction,

$$d_{\Theta}(y_{n+1}, y_{n+2}) \leq \rho^n d_{\Theta}(y_0, y_1) \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

Using the extended b-metric inequality repeatedly along the chain $y_n, y_{n+1}, \dots, y_{n+m}$, we get

$$d_{\Theta}(y_n, y_{n+m}) \leq \prod_{k=0}^{m-1} \Theta(y_{n+k}, y_{n+m}) \cdot \sum_{k=0}^{m-1} d_{\Theta}(y_{n+k}, y_{n+k+1}).$$

Each $\Theta \geq 1$, and the sum is bounded by $d_{\Theta}(y_0, y_1) \cdot \frac{\rho^n}{(1-\rho)}$. Thus for fixed m ,

$d_{\Theta}(y_n, y_{n+m}) \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$, so $\{y_n\}$ is Cauchy. Completeness of (Y, d_{Θ}) yields a limit $y^* \in Y$ with $y_n \rightarrow y^*$.

Using the contractive inequality with $(p, q) = (y^*, y_{n+1})$ and taking limits as $n \rightarrow \infty$ (together with the extended b-triangle), one shows that $d_{\Theta}(Ay^*, y^*) = 0$, hence $Ay^* = y^*$. The same argument interchanging roles of A and B gives

$$By^* = y^*.$$

hence y^* is a common fixed point.

If $z \in Y$ is another common fixed point ($Az = Bz = z$), plug $(p, q) = (z, y^*)$ into the contractive condition. All self-distance terms vanish and we obtain

$$d_{\Theta}(z, y^*) = d_{\Theta}(Az, By^*) \leq \lambda_1 d_{\Theta}(z, y^*).$$

Since $\lambda_1 < 1$ (it is part of the hypothesis $\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + \lambda_3 + \lambda_4 < 1$), this forces $d_{\Theta}(z, y^*) = 0$, hence $z = y^*$. Uniqueness follows. This completes the proof.

Corollary 3.2.1: Let $T: Y \rightarrow Y$ be a self-map on an extended complete b-metric space (Y, d_{Θ}) with $\Theta: Y \times Y \rightarrow [1, \infty)$. Assume that for every distinct $x, y \in Y$ the following rational-type contractive condition holds

$$d_{\Theta}(Tx, Ty) \leq \lambda_1 d_{\Theta}(x, y) + \lambda_2 \frac{[d_{\Theta}(x, Tx) d_{\Theta}(y, Tx) + d_{\Theta}(y, Ty) d_{\Theta}(x, Ty)]}{[d_{\Theta}(x, Ty) + d_{\Theta}(y, Tx)]} + \lambda_3 \frac{[d_{\Theta}(x, Tx) d_{\Theta}(y, Tx) + d_{\Theta}(y, Ty) d_{\Theta}(x, Ty)]}{[d_{\Theta}(x, Ty) + d_{\Theta}(y, Tx)]} + \lambda_4 \frac{[d_{\Theta}(x, Tx) d_{\Theta}(y, Tx) + d_{\Theta}(y, Ty) d_{\Theta}(x, Ty)]}{[d_{\Theta}(x, Ty) + d_{\Theta}(y, Tx)]}$$

whenever the denominator is nonzero. Here $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3, \lambda_4 \in [0, 1)$ satisfy

$$0 < \lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + \lambda_3 + \lambda_4 < 1.$$

Then T has a unique fixed point $y^* \in Y$ ($T y^* = y^*$). Moreover, for any initial $y_0 \in Y$ the Picard iteration $y_{n+1} = T y_n$ converges to y^* .

Conclusion

In this research, rational type contractions are used to demonstrate common fixed-point theorems for two self-mappings in extended complete b-metric spaces. By eliminating continuity assumptions, the results expand the scope and applications of fixed-point theory and generalize previous work.

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