

## FIXED POINT STABILITY FOR $\alpha_*$ - $\psi$ -CONTRACTION MAPPINGS

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*Choudhury and Bandyopadhyay [17] discussed the stability of fixed point sets of mappings satisfying the notion of multivalued  $\alpha$ - $\psi$ -contraction and raised an open problem: can  $\alpha$ - $\psi$ -contractions extended to multivalued case in some other way and in those case whether the stability of fixed point sets still holds? As an answer to this problem, in this paper, we study the stability of fixed point sets of mappings satisfying a new multivalued generalization of  $\alpha$ - $\psi$ -contractive mappings.*

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### 1. Introduction

Banach initiated the study of fixed points through iterative sequences, which appeared as a base for metric fixed point theory. Many authors continue this pattern of finding fixed points, see for example [1]-[29]. Samet *et al.* [1] introduced the ideas of  $\alpha$ - $\psi$ -contractive and  $\alpha$ -admissible mappings and got fixed points of the mappings through iterative sequence satisfying these ideas on complete metric space. Some generalizations of these ideas are available in [2-13].

The stability of fixed point sets have a vital role in fixed point theory and other branches of mathematics like in differential equations and integral equations etc. Some basis results about the stability of fixed point sets for multivalued mappings are available in [14, 15]. Lim [16] gave some classical stability results without assuming the restricted conditions like, the domain of the mappings being closed convex bounded subset of a Hilbert space, or, the image of each point under each map being a closed convex subset. Recently Choudhury and Bandyopadhyay [17] introduced the notion of multivalued  $\alpha$ - $\psi$ -contraction and discussed fixed points and stability of fixed point sets for such mappings. They also raised an open problem, that is, can  $\alpha$ - $\psi$ -contraction extended to

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multivalued case in some other way and in those case whether the stability of fixed point sets still holds? This paper is a positive answer to their open problem.

## 2. Preliminaries

Here, we recollect some basis definitions and results for completeness. We denote by  $N(X)$  the space of all nonempty subsets of  $X$ , by  $B(X)$  the space of all nonempty bounded subsets of  $X$  and by  $CL(X)$  the space of all nonempty closed subsets of  $X$ . For  $A \in N(X)$  and  $x \in X$ ,  $d(x, A) = \inf \{d(x, a) : a \in A\}$ . For every  $A, B \in B(X)$ ,  $\delta(A, B) = \sup \{d(a, b) : a \in A, b \in B\}$ . When  $A = \{x\}$  we denote  $\delta(A, B)$  by  $\delta(x, B)$ . For every  $A, B \in CL(X)$ , let

$$H(A, B) = \begin{cases} \max \left\{ \sup_{x \in A} d(x, B), \sup_{y \in B} d(y, A) \right\} & \text{if the maximum exists;} \\ \infty & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Such a map  $H$  is called generalized Hausdorff metric induced by  $d$ .

Lim [16] introduced the basic stability result as follows.

**Lemma 2.1** [16] *Let  $(X, d)$  be a complete metric space, let  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  are contractions from  $X$  into  $CL(X)$  with same contraction constant  $\lambda$ . Then*

$$H(\text{Fix}(T_1), \text{Fix}(T_2)) \leq \frac{\lambda}{1 - \lambda} \sup_{x \in X} H(T_1 x, T_2 x),$$

where  $\lambda \in [0, 1)$ .

**Theorem 2.2** [16] *Let  $(X, d)$  be a complete metric space, let  $T_i : X \rightarrow CL(X)$  be a sequence of contractions,  $i \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ . If  $\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} H(T_i x, T_0 x) = 0$  uniformly for each  $x \in X$ , then we have  $\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} H(\text{Fix}(T_i), \text{Fix}(T_0)) = 0$ .*

Throughout this paper  $J = [0, \infty)$  and  $S_n(t)$  denotes the polynomial  $S_n(t) = 1 + t + \dots + t^{n-1}$  for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $S_0 = 0$ . We use the abbreviation  $\psi^n$  for the  $n$ th iterate of a function  $\psi : J \rightarrow J$ .

**Definition 2.3** [19] *A nondecreasing function  $\psi : J \rightarrow J$  is said to be a Bianchini-Grandolfi gauge function [19] on  $J$  if*

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \psi^n(t) < \infty, \text{ for all } t \in J. \quad (2.1)$$

**Definition 2.4** [18] A function  $\psi : J \rightarrow J$  is said to be a gauge function of order  $r \geq 1$  on  $J$  if it satisfies the following conditions:

- (i)  $\psi(\lambda t) \leq \lambda^r \psi(t)$  for all  $\lambda \in (0,1)$  and  $t \in J$ ;
- (ii)  $\psi(t) < t$  for all  $t \in J - \{0\}$ .

**Remark 2.5** [18] Every gauge function of order  $r \geq 1$  on  $J$  is a Bianchini-Grandolfi gauge function on  $J$ .

**Lemma 2.6** [18] Let  $\psi$  be a gauge function of order  $r \geq 1$  on  $J$ . If  $\phi$  is a nonnegative and nondecreasing function on  $J$  satisfying

$$\psi(t) = t\phi(t) \text{ for all } t \in J, \quad (2.2)$$

then it has the following properties:

- (i)  $0 \leq \phi(t) < 1$  for all  $t \in J$ ;
- (ii)  $\phi(\lambda t) \leq \lambda^{r-1} \phi(t)$  for all  $\lambda \in (0,1)$  and  $t \in J$ .

Moreover, for each  $n \geq 0$  we have

- (iii)  $\psi^n(t) \leq t\phi(t)^{S_n(r)}$  for all  $t \in J$ ,
- (iv)  $\phi(\psi^n(t)) \leq \phi(t)^{r^n}$  for all  $t \in J$ .

Samet *et al.* [1] defined  $\alpha$ - $\psi$ -contractive and  $\alpha$ -admissible mappings in the following way:

**Definition 2.7** [1] Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space and  $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  be a function. A mapping  $T : X \rightarrow X$  is called  $\alpha$ -admissible if for each  $x, y \in X$  with  $\alpha(x, y) \geq 1$ , we have  $\alpha(Tx, Ty) \geq 1$ . A mapping  $T : X \rightarrow X$  is called  $\alpha$ - $\psi$ -contractive if for each  $x, y \in X$  we have  $\alpha(x, y)d(Tx, Ty) \leq \psi(d(x, y))$ , where  $\psi$  is a Bianchini Grandolfi gauge function.

Asl *et al.* [3] extended these notions to multivalued mappings as follow:

**Definition 2.8** [3] Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space and  $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  be a function. A mapping  $T : X \rightarrow CL(X)$  is called  $\alpha_*$ -admissible if for each  $x, y \in X$  with  $\alpha(x, y) \geq 1$ , we have  $\alpha_*(Tx, Ty) = \inf \{\alpha(a, b) : a \in Tx, b \in Ty\} \geq 1$ .

**Definition 2.9** [3] Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space and  $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  be a function. A mapping  $T : X \rightarrow CL(X)$  is called  $\alpha_*$ - $\psi$ -contractive if for each  $x, y \in X$  we have

$$\alpha_*(Tx, Ty)H(Tx, Ty) \leq \psi(d(x, y))$$

where  $\psi$  is a Bianchini Grandolfi gauge function.

Choudhury and Bandyopadhyay [17] introduced the notion of multivalued  $\alpha$ - $\psi$ -contraction and proved a stability result for the fixed point sets of a sequence of mappings satisfying multivalued  $\alpha$ - $\psi$ -contraction.

**Definition 2.10** [17] Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space,  $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  be a mapping and  $T : X \rightarrow 2^X$  be a closed valued multifunction. Let  $\psi_*$  be a nondecreasing and continuous function with  $\sum \psi_*^i(t) < \infty$  and  $\psi_*(t) < t$  for each  $t > 0$ . We say that  $T$  is a multivalued  $\alpha$ - $\psi$ -contraction if

$$\alpha(x, y)H(Tx, Ty) \leq \psi_*(d(x, y)) \quad \forall x, y \in X.$$

**Theorem 2.11** [17] Let  $(X, d)$  be a complete metric space, let  $\{T_i\}$  is a sequence of multivalued  $\alpha$ - $\psi$ -contractions which are also  $\alpha$ -admissible with same  $\alpha$ . Further, for all  $i \in \mathbb{N}$  for any  $x \in F(T_i)$ , we have  $\alpha(x, y) \geq 1$  whenever  $y \in Tx$  and for any  $x \in F(T)$ , we have  $\alpha(x, y) \geq 1$  whenever  $y \in T_i x$ . Then  $\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} H(Fix(T_i), Fix(T)) = 0$ , that is, the fixed point sets of  $T_i$  are stable.

### 3. Main results

We begin this section with the following definition.

**Definition 3.1** Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space and  $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  be a function. A mapping  $T : X \rightarrow CL(X)$  is called  $\alpha$ - $\psi$ -almost contraction if for each  $x, y \in X$  we have

$$\alpha_*(Tx, Ty)H(Tx, Ty) \leq \psi(d(x, y)) + Ld(y, Tx) \quad (3.1)$$

with strict inequality holds when  $x \neq y$ . Where  $L \geq 0$  and  $\psi$  is a gauge function of order  $r \geq 1$  on an interval  $J$ .

**Theorem 3.2** Let  $(X, d)$  be a complete metric space,  $\psi$  is a gauge function of order  $r \geq 1$  on an interval  $J$ , and let  $T$  be an  $\alpha$ - $\psi$ -almost contraction satisfying the following conditions:

(i)  $T$  is  $\alpha_*$ -admissible;

(ii) there exists  $x_0 \in X$  such that  $\alpha_*(x_0, Tx_0) \geq 1$ ;

(iii) (a)  $T$  is continuous;

or

(b) for any sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $X$  with  $x_n \rightarrow x$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  and  $\alpha(x_{n-1}, x_n) \geq 1$  for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , then  $\alpha(x_n, x) \geq 1$  for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

Then  $T$  has a fixed point.

*Proof.* By hypothesis, we have  $\alpha_*(x_0, Tx_0) \geq 1$ . Suppose  $x_1 \in Tx_0$  and  $x_1 \neq x_0$ , otherwise  $x_0$  is a fixed point of  $T$ . Thus,  $\alpha(x_0, x_1) \geq 1$ , by  $\alpha_*$ -admissibility of  $T$ , we have  $\alpha_*(Tx_0, Tx_1) \geq 1$ . From (3.1) we have

$$H(Tx_0, Tx_1) \leq \alpha_*(Tx_0, Tx_1)H(Tx_0, Tx_1) < \psi(d(x_0, x_1)) + Ld(x_1, Tx_0).$$

Thus there exists an  $\varepsilon_1 > 0$  such that

$$H(Tx_0, Tx_1) + \varepsilon_1 \leq \psi(d(x_0, x_1)).$$

Then we have  $x_2 \in Tx_1$  such that

$$d(x_1, x_2) \leq d(x_1, Tx_1) + \varepsilon_1 \leq H(Tx_0, Tx_1) + \varepsilon_1 \leq \psi(d(x_0, x_1)).$$

By applying  $\psi$  in the above inequality we have

$$\psi(d(x_1, x_2)) \leq \psi^2(d(x_0, x_1)).$$

As  $T$  is  $\alpha_*$ -admissible, we have  $\alpha(x_1, x_2) \geq 1$  implies  $\alpha_*(Tx_1, Tx_2) \geq 1$ . By continuing in the same way we get a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $X$  such that  $x_n \in Tx_{n-1}$ ,  $\alpha(x_{n-1}, x_n) \geq 1$  and

$$d(x_n, x_{n+1}) \leq \psi^n(d(x_0, x_1)) \text{ for each } n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

For each  $m > n$ , we have

$$d(x_n, x_m) \leq \sum_{i=n}^{m-1} d(x_i, x_{i+1}) \leq \sum_{i=n}^{m-1} \psi^i(d(x_0, x_1)).$$

Since  $\psi$  is a gauge function of order  $r \geq 1$ , it follows that  $\{x_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence in  $X$ . There exists  $x^* \in X$  such that  $x_n \rightarrow x^*$ . If  $T$  is continuous then  $Tx_n \rightarrow Tx^*$ . Thus we have  $x^* \in Tx^*$ . We assume (iii)-(b) holds. By using the triangular inequality and  $\alpha_*$ -admissibility of  $T$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} d(x^*, Tx^*) &\leq d(x^*, x_{n+1}) + H(Tx_n, Tx^*) \leq d(x^*, x_{n+1}) + \alpha_*(Tx_n, Tx^*)H(Tx_n, Tx^*) \\ &\leq d(x^*, x_{n+1}) + \psi(d(x_n, x^*)) + Ld(x^*, x_{n+1}). \end{aligned}$$

Letting  $n \rightarrow \infty$  in the above inequality, we have  $d(x^*, Tx^*) = 0$ . Thus,  $x^*$  is a fixed point  $T$ .

We use following lemma in our next result.

**Lemma 3.3** *Let  $(X, d)$  be a complete metric space,  $\psi$  is a gauge function of order  $r \geq 1$  on an interval  $J$ ,  $\phi: J \rightarrow J$  is a nondecreasing function defined by (2.2), and let  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  be  $\alpha$ - $\psi$ -almost contractions satisfying following conditions:*

- (i)  $T_2$  is  $\alpha_*$ -admissible;
- (ii) there exists  $x_0 \in \text{Fix}(T_1)$  such that  $\alpha_*(x_0, T_2x_0) \geq 1$ ;
- (iii) (a)  $T_2$  is continuous;

or

- (b) for any sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $X$  with  $x_n \rightarrow x$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  and  $\alpha(x_{n-1}, x_n) \geq 1$  for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , then  $\alpha(x_n, x) \geq 1$  for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

Then we have

$$H(\text{Fix}(T_1), \text{Fix}(T_2)) \leq \frac{\lambda}{1-\lambda} \sup_{x \in X} H(T_1x, T_2x),$$

where  $\lambda = \phi(d(x_0, x_1))$  with  $x_0 \in \text{Fix}(T_1)$  and for any  $x_1 \in T_2x_0$ .

*Proof.* Suppose that  $\eta = \sup_{x \in X} H(T_1x, T_2x)$ . By hypothesis, we have  $x_0 \in \text{Fix}(T_1)$  such that  $\alpha_*(x_0, T_2x_0) \geq 1$ . As  $H(T_1x_0, T_2x_0) \leq \eta$ , then for some fixed  $\varepsilon > 0$  we have  $x_1 \in T_2x_0$  and  $x_1 \neq x_0$ , otherwise  $x_0$  is a fixed point of  $T_2$  such that

$$d(x_0, x_1) \leq d(x_0, T_2x_0) + \varepsilon \leq H(T_1x_0, T_2x_0) + \varepsilon \leq \eta + \varepsilon.$$

As  $\alpha_*(x_0, T_2x_0) \geq 1$ , then  $\alpha(x_0, x_1) \geq 1$ , by  $\alpha_*$ -admissibility of  $T_2$ , we have  $\alpha_*(T_2x_0, T_2x_1) \geq 1$ . From (3.1) we have

$$H(T_2x_0, T_2x_1) \leq \alpha_*(T_2x_0, T_2x_1)H(T_2x_0, T_2x_1) < \psi(d(x_0, x_1)) + Ld(x_1, T_2x_0).$$

Thus there exists an  $\varepsilon_1 > 0$  such that

$$H(T_2x_0, T_2x_1) + \varepsilon_1 \leq \psi(d(x_0, x_1)).$$

Then we have  $x_2 \in T_2x_1$  such that

$$d(x_1, x_2) \leq d(x_1, T_2x_1) + \varepsilon_1 \leq H(T_2x_0, T_2x_1) + \varepsilon_1 \leq \psi(d(x_0, x_1)).$$

By applying  $\psi$  in the above inequality we have

$$\psi(d(x_1, x_2)) \leq \psi^2(d(x_0, x_1)).$$

As  $T_2$  is  $\alpha_*$ -admissible, we have  $\alpha(x_1, x_2) \geq 1$  implies  $\alpha_*(T_2x_1, T_2x_2) \geq 1$ . By continuing in the same way we get a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $X$  such that  $x_n \in T_2x_{n-1}$ ,  $\alpha(x_{n-1}, x_n) \geq 1$  and

$$d(x_n, x_{n+1}) \leq \psi^n(d(x_0, x_1)) \text{ for each } n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

For each  $m > n$ , we have

$$d(x_n, x_m) \leq \sum_{i=n}^{m-1} d(x_i, x_{i+1}) \leq \sum_{i=n}^{m-1} \psi^i(d(x_0, x_1)).$$

Since  $\psi$  is a gauge function of order  $r \geq 1$ , it follows that  $\{x_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence in  $X$ . There exists  $x^* \in X$  such that  $x_n \rightarrow x^*$ . If  $T_2$  is continuous then  $T_2x_n \rightarrow T_2x^*$ . Thus we have  $x^* \in T_2x^*$ . We assume (iii)-(b) holds. By the triangular inequality and  $\alpha_*$ -admissibility of  $T_2$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} d(x^*, T_2x^*) &\leq d(x^*, x_{n+1}) + H(T_2x_n, T_2x^*) \leq d(x^*, x_{n+1}) + \alpha_*(T_2x_n, T_2x^*)H(T_2x_n, T_2x^*) \\ &\leq d(x^*, x_{n+1}) + \psi(d(x_n, x^*)) + Ld(x^*, x_{n+1}). \end{aligned}$$

Letting  $n \rightarrow \infty$  in the above inequality, we have  $d(x^*, T_2x^*) = 0$ . Moreover,

$$\begin{aligned} d(x_0, x^*) &\leq \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (d(x_i, x_{i+1})) \leq \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \psi^i(d(x_0, x_1)) \leq d(x_0, x_1)[1 + \lambda^{S_1(r)} + \lambda^{S_2(r)} + \dots] \\ &= d(x_0, x_1) \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \lambda^{S_i(r)} \leq d(x_0, x_1) \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \lambda^i = \frac{\lambda}{1-\lambda} d(x_0, x_1), \end{aligned}$$

since  $S_i(r) \geq i$ . Hence, we have

$$d(x_0, x^*) \leq \frac{\lambda}{1-\lambda} d(x_0, x_1) \leq \frac{\lambda}{1-\lambda} (\eta + \varepsilon).$$

Thus,

$$H(\text{Fix}(T_1), \text{Fix}(T_2)) \leq \frac{\lambda}{1-\lambda} \sup_{x \in X} H(T_1x, T_2x).$$

**Lemma 3.4** Let  $(X, d)$  be a complete metric space,  $\psi$  is a gauge function of order  $r \geq 1$  on an interval  $J$ ,  $\phi: J \rightarrow J$  is a nondecreasing function defined by (2.2), and let  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  be  $\alpha$ - $\psi$ -almost contractions satisfying following conditions:

- (i)  $T_1$  is  $\alpha_*$ -admissible;
- (ii) there exists  $x_0 \in \text{Fix}(T_2)$  such that  $\alpha_*(x_0, T_1x_0) \geq 1$ ;
- (iii) (a)  $T_1$  is continuous;

or

(b) for any sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $X$  with  $x_n \rightarrow x$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  and  $\alpha(x_{n-1}, x_n) \geq 1$  for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , then  $\alpha(x_n, x) \geq 1$  for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

Then we have

$$H(\text{Fix}(T_1), \text{Fix}(T_2)) \leq \frac{\lambda}{1-\lambda} \sup_{x \in X} H(T_1 x, T_2 x),$$

where  $\lambda = \phi(d(x_0, x_1))$  with  $x_0 \in \text{Fix}(T_1)$  and for any  $x_1 \in T_2 x_0$ .

**Theorem 3.5** Let  $(X, d)$  be a complete metric space,  $\psi$  is a gauge function of order  $r \geq 1$  on an interval  $J$ ,  $\phi: J \rightarrow J$  is a nondecreasing function defined by (2.2), and let  $\{T_n\}_{n=0}^\infty$  be a sequence of  $\alpha$ - $\psi$ -almost contractions under same  $\alpha$  and  $\psi$ , satisfying the following conditions:

- (i)  $T_n$  is  $\alpha_*$ -admissible for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ;
- (ii)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} H(T_n x, T_0 x) = 0$  uniformly for each  $x \in X$ ;
- (iii) there exists  $x_0 \in \text{Fix}(T_0)$  such that  $\alpha_*(x_0, T_n x_0) \geq 1$  for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ;
- (iv) (a)  $T_n$  is continuous for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ;

or

(b) for any sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $X$  with  $x_n \rightarrow x$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  and  $\alpha(x_{n-1}, x_n) \geq 1$  for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , then  $\alpha(x_n, x) \geq 1$  for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

Then we have  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} H(\text{Fix}(T_n), \text{Fix}(T_0)) = 0$ .

*Proof.* By hypothesis (ii), for any  $\frac{1-\lambda}{\lambda} \varepsilon_* > 0$ , where  $\lambda = \phi(d(x_0, \rho))$ ,

with  $x_0 \in \text{Fix}(T_0)$  and  $\rho \in T_n x_0$  for some  $n$ , such that

$$d(x_0, \rho) = \max\{d(x_0, x_j) : x_0 \in \text{Fix}(T_0) \text{ and } x_j \in T_n x_0 \text{ for any } n\},$$

we can find  $N$  such that  $\sup_{x \in X} H(T_n x, T_0 x) < \frac{1-\lambda}{\lambda} \varepsilon_*$  for each  $n \geq N$ . Hence by

using Lemma 3.4 we have  $H(\text{Fix}(T_n), \text{Fix}(T_0)) < \varepsilon_*$  for each  $n \geq N$ .

**Example 3.6** Let  $X = [0, \infty)$  be endowed with the usual metric  $d$ . Define  $\{T_n : X \rightarrow CL(X)\}_{n=1}^\infty$  such that

$$T_n x = \begin{cases} [0, \frac{x+3}{4n}] & \text{if } x \leq 1 \\ [x^2, e^x] & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$



and  $T_0 : X \rightarrow CL(X)$  by

$$T_0x = \begin{cases} \{0\} & \text{if } x \leq 1 \\ [x^2, e^x] & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

and  $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  by

$$\alpha(x, y) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x, y \in [0, 1] \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

First we show that each  $T_n$  is  $\alpha$ - $\psi$ -almost contraction with  $\psi(t) = \frac{t}{2}$  for each  $t \geq 0$  and  $L = 0$ . If  $x \neq y \in [0, 1]$ , then

$$\alpha_*(T_nx, T_ny)H(T_nx, T_ny) = \frac{1}{4n} |x - y| < \frac{1}{2} |x - y| = \psi(d(x, y)),$$

otherwise

$$\alpha_*(T_nx, T_ny)H(T_nx, T_ny) \leq \psi(d(x, y)).$$

It is easy to see that  $T_0$  is also an  $\alpha$ - $\psi$ -almost contraction with  $\psi(t) = \frac{t}{2}$  for each  $t \geq 0$  and  $L = 0$ . Further, for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $T_n$  is  $\alpha_*$ -admissible and for  $x_0 = 0 \in \text{Fix}(T_0)$  we have  $\alpha_*(x_0, T_nx_0) = 1$ . Also,  $T_n \rightarrow T_0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . For any sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $X$  with  $x_n \rightarrow x$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  and  $\alpha(x_{n-1}, x_n) = 1$  for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , we have  $\alpha(x_n, x) = 1$  for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Therefore, by Theorem 3.5, we have  $H(\text{Fix}(T_n), \text{Fix}(T_0)) \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

**Definition 3.7** Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space and  $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  be a function. A mapping  $T : X \rightarrow B(X)$  is called  $\alpha_*$ - $\psi$ - $\delta$ -almost contraction if for each  $x, y \in X$  we have

$$\alpha_*(Tx, Ty)\delta(Tx, Ty) \leq \psi(d(x, y)) + Ld(y, Tx) \quad (3.2)$$

where  $L \geq 0$  and  $\psi$  is a gauge function of order  $r \geq 1$  on an interval  $J$ .

**Theorem 3.8** Let  $(X, d)$  be a complete metric space,  $\psi$  is a gauge function of order  $r \geq 1$  on an interval  $J$ , and let  $T$  be an  $\alpha_*$ - $\psi$ - $\delta$ -almost contraction satisfying following conditions:

- (i)  $T$  is  $\alpha_*$ -admissible;
  - (ii) there exists  $x_0 \in X$  such that  $\alpha_*(x_0, Tx_0) \geq 1$ ;
  - (iii) (a)  $T$  is continuous;
- or

(b) for any sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $X$  with  $x_n \rightarrow x$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  and  $\alpha(x_{n-1}, x_n) \geq 1$  for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , then  $\alpha(x_n, x) \geq 1$  for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then  $T$  has an end point.

*Proof.* By hypothesis, we have  $\alpha_*(x_0, Tx_0) \geq 1$ , suppose  $x_1 \in Tx_0$ , then  $\alpha(x_0, x_1) \geq 1$ , by  $\alpha_*$ -admissibility of  $T$ ,  $\alpha_*(Tx_0, Tx_1) \geq 1$ . From (3.2) we have

$$\delta(Tx_0, Tx_1) \leq \alpha_*(Tx_0, Tx_1) \delta(Tx_0, Tx_1) \leq \psi(d(x_0, x_1)) + Ld(x_1, Tx_0).$$

Thus, for each  $x_2 \in Tx_1$  we have

$$d(x_1, x_2) \leq \delta(Tx_0, Tx_1) \leq \psi(d(x_0, x_1)).$$

By applying  $\psi$  in the above inequality we have

$$\psi(d(x_1, x_2)) \leq \psi^2(d(x_0, x_1)).$$

As  $T$  is  $\alpha_*$ -admissible, we have  $\alpha(x_1, x_2) \geq 1$  implies  $\alpha_*(Tx_1, Tx_2) \geq 1$ . By continuing in the same way we get a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $X$  such that  $x_n \in Tx_{n-1}$ ,  $\alpha(x_{n-1}, x_n) \geq 1$  and

$$d(x_n, x_{n+1}) \leq \psi^n(d(x_0, x_1)) \text{ for each } n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

For each  $m > n$ , we have

$$d(x_n, x_m) \leq \sum_{i=n}^{m-1} d(x_i, x_{i+1}) \leq \sum_{i=n}^{m-1} \psi^i(d(x_0, x_1)).$$

Since  $\psi$  is a gauge function of order  $r \geq 1$ , it follows that  $\{x_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence in  $X$ . There exists  $x^* \in X$  such that  $x_n \rightarrow x^*$ . If  $T$  is continuous then  $Tx_n \rightarrow Tx^*$ . Thus we have  $x^* \in Tx^*$ . We assume (iii)-(b) holds. By using the triangular inequality and  $\alpha_*$ -admissibility of  $T$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \delta(x^*, Tx^*) &\leq d(x^*, x_{n+1}) + \delta(Tx_n, Tx^*) \leq d(x^*, x_{n+1}) + \alpha_*(Tx_n, Tx^*) \delta(Tx_n, Tx^*) \\ &\leq d(x^*, x_{n+1}) + \psi(d(x_n, x^*)) + Ld(x^*, x_{n+1}). \end{aligned}$$

Letting  $n \rightarrow \infty$  in the above inequality, we have  $\delta(x^*, Tx^*) = 0$ . Thus  $\{x^*\} = Tx^*$ .

**Lemma 3.9** Let  $(X, d)$  be a complete metric space,  $\psi$  is a gauge function of order  $r \geq 1$  on an interval  $J$ ,  $\phi: J \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$  is a nondecreasing function defined by (2.2), and let  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  be  $\alpha_*$ - $\psi$ - $\delta$ -almost contractions satisfying the following conditions:

- (i)  $T_2$  is  $\alpha_*$ -admissible;
- (ii) there exists  $x_0 \in \text{End}(T_1)$  such that  $\alpha_*(x_0, T_2x_0) \geq 1$ ;
- (iii) (a)  $T_2$  is continuous;

or

(b) for any sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $X$  with  $x_n \rightarrow x$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  and  $\alpha(x_{n-1}, x_n) \geq 1$  for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , then  $\alpha(x_n, x) \geq 1$  for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

Then we have

$$\delta(\text{End}(T_1), \text{End}(T_2)) \leq \frac{\lambda}{1-\lambda} \sup_{x \in X} \delta(T_1 x, T_2 x),$$

where  $\lambda = \phi(d(x_0, x_1))$  with  $x_0 \in \text{End}(T_1)$  and for any  $x_1 \in T_2 x_0$ .

*Proof.* Suppose that  $\eta = \sup_{x \in X} \delta(T_1 x, T_2 x)$ . By hypothesis, we have  $x_0 \in \text{End}(T_1)$  such that  $\alpha_*(x_0, T_2 x_0) \geq 1$ . As  $\delta(T_1 x_0, T_2 x_0) \leq \eta$ , then for each  $x_1 \in T_2 x_0$  we have

$$d(x_0, x_1) \leq \delta(T_1 x_0, T_2 x_0) \leq \eta.$$

As  $\alpha_*(x_0, T_2 x_0) \geq 1$ , then  $\alpha(x_0, x_1) \geq 1$ , by  $\alpha_*$ -admissibility of  $T_2$ ,  $\alpha_*(T_2 x_0, T_2 x_1) \geq 1$ . From (3.2) we have

$$\delta(T_2 x_0, T_2 x_1) \leq \alpha_*(T_2 x_0, T_2 x_1) \delta(T_2 x_0, T_2 x_1) \leq \psi(d(x_0, x_1)) + Ld(x_1, T x_0).$$

Thus for each  $x_2 \in T_2 x_1$  we have

$$d(x_1, x_2) \leq \delta(T_2 x_0, T_2 x_1) \leq \psi(d(x_0, x_1)).$$

By applying  $\psi$  in the above inequality we have

$$\psi(d(x_1, x_2)) \leq \psi^2(d(x_0, x_1)).$$

As  $T_2$  is  $\alpha_*$ -admissible, we have  $\alpha(x_1, x_2) \geq 1$  implies  $\alpha_*(T_2 x_1, T_2 x_2) \geq 1$ . By continuing in the same way we get a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $X$  such that  $x_n \in T_2 x_{n-1}$ ,  $\alpha(x_{n-1}, x_n) \geq 1$  and

$$d(x_n, x_{n+1}) \leq \psi^n(d(x_0, x_1)) \text{ for each } n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

For each  $m > n$ , we have

$$d(x_n, x_m) \leq \sum_{i=n}^{m-1} d(x_i, x_{i+1}) \leq \sum_{i=n}^{m-1} \psi^i(d(x_0, x_1)).$$

Since  $\psi$  is a gauge function of order  $r \geq 1$ , it follows that  $\{x_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence in  $X$ . There exists  $x^* \in X$  such that  $x_n \rightarrow x^*$ . If  $T_2$  is continuous then  $T_2 x_n \rightarrow T_2 x^*$ . Thus we have  $x^* \in T_2 x^*$ . We assume (iii)-(b) holds. By the triangular inequality and  $\alpha_*$ -admissibility of  $T_2$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \delta(x^*, T_2 x^*) &\leq d(x^*, x_{n+1}) + \delta(T_2 x_n, T_2 x^*) \leq d(x^*, x_{n+1}) + \alpha_*(T_2 x_n, T_2 x^*) \delta(T_2 x_n, T_2 x^*) \\ &\leq d(x^*, x_{n+1}) + \psi(d(x_n, x^*)) + Ld(x^*, x_{n+1}). \end{aligned}$$

Letting  $n \rightarrow \infty$  in the above inequality, we have  $\delta(x^*, T_2 x^*) = 0$ , that is,  $\{x^*\} = T_2 x^*$ . By using the triangular inequality, we get

$$\begin{aligned} d(x_0, x^*) &\leq \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} d(x_i, x_{i+1}) \leq \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \psi^i(d(x_0, x_1)) \leq d(x_0, x_1)[1 + \lambda^{S_1(r)} + \lambda^{S_2(r)} + \dots] \\ &= d(x_0, x_1) \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \lambda^{S_i(r)} \leq d(x_0, x_1) \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \lambda^i = \frac{\lambda}{1-\lambda} d(x_0, x_1), \end{aligned}$$

since  $S_i(r) \geq i$ . Hence, we have

$$d(x_0, x^*) \leq \frac{\lambda}{1-\lambda} d(x_0, x_1) \leq \frac{\lambda}{1-\lambda} (\eta).$$

Thus,

$$\delta(\text{End}(T_1), \text{End}(T_2)) \leq \frac{\lambda}{1-\lambda} \sup_{x \in X} \delta(T_1 x, T_2 x).$$

**Theorem 3.10** Let  $(X, d)$  be a complete metric space,  $\psi$  is a gauge function of order  $r \geq 1$  on an interval  $J$ ,  $\phi: J \rightarrow J$  is a nondecreasing function defined by (2.2), and let  $\{T_n\}$  be a sequence of  $\alpha_*$ - $\psi$ - $\delta$ -almost contractions under same  $\alpha$  and  $\psi$ . Further, assume that the following conditions:

- (i)  $T_n$  is  $\alpha_*$ -admissible for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ;
- (ii)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \delta(T_n x, T_0 x) = 0$  uniformly for each  $x \in X$ ;
- (iii) there exists  $x_0 \in \text{End}(T_0)$  such that  $\alpha_*(x_0, T_n x_0) \geq 1$  for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ;
- (iv) (a)  $T_n$  is continuous for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ;

or

- (b) for any sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $X$  with  $x_n \rightarrow x$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  and  $\alpha(x_{n-1}, x_n) \geq 1$  for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , then  $\alpha(x_n, x) \geq 1$  for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

Then we have  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \delta(\text{End}(T_n), \text{End}(T_0)) = 0$ .

*Proof.* By hypothesis (ii), for any  $\frac{1-\lambda}{\lambda} \varepsilon_* > 0$ , where  $\lambda = \phi(d(x_0, \rho))$  with  $x_0 \in \text{End}(T_0)$  and  $\rho \in T_n x_0$  for some  $n$ , such that

$$d(x_0, \rho) = \max\{d(x_0, x_j) : x_0 \in \text{End}(T_0) \text{ and } x_j \in T_n x_0 \text{ for any } n\},$$

we can find  $N$  such that  $\sup_{x \in X} \delta(T_n x, T_0 x) < \frac{1-\lambda}{\lambda} \varepsilon_*$  for each  $n \geq N$ . Hence by using Lemma 3.9 we have  $\delta(\text{Fix}(T_n), \text{Fix}(T_0)) < \varepsilon_*$  for each  $n \geq N$ .

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