ON COINCIDENCE POINTS OF DENSIFYING MAPPINGS

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Abstract

A coincidence point theorem for a new class of densifying mappings is obtained. Our result generalizes many previously known theorems and can be regarded as an extension of Jungck’s fixed point theorem for densifying mappings.

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1. Introduction

Using the fact that a fixed point of any mapping can be regarded as a common fixed point of the mapping and the identity mapping, Jungck [3] obtained a generalization of the celebrated Banach Contraction Principle by replacing the identity mapping by a continuous mapping. In the past few years, Jungck Contraction Principle has been extensively studied by many mathematicians for single-valued as well as for multi-valued mappings in metric, 2-metric, Banach, uniform and probabilistic metric spaces.

In this note, we intend to prove a generalization of Jungck’s fixed point theorem for a class of densifying mappings, a notion introduced and studied by Furi and Vignoli [2]. It is well-known that a contraction mapping, completely continuous mappings and a number of others are densifying. Also, the results due to Furi and Vignoli [2] are more general than a number of known results. Recently, Liu [5] obtained some interesting results on fixed points for densifying mappings.

We remark that we are not aware of any research paper dealing with the ideas presented here.

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2. Preliminaries

Let \((X, d)\) denote a metric space, and \(f\) be a mapping of \(X\) into itself.

**Definition 2.1.** (Kuratowski [4]). Let \(A\) be a bounded subset of \(X\). Then \(\alpha(A)\), the measure of non-compactness of \(A\), is the infimum of all \(\epsilon > 0\) such that \(A\) admits a finite covering consisting of subsets with diameters less than \(\epsilon\).

Then following properties of \(\alpha\) are well-known:

(i) \(0 \leq \alpha(A) \leq \delta(A)\), where \(\delta(A)\) stands for the diameter of \(A\).

(ii) \(\alpha(A \cup B) = \max\{\alpha(A), \alpha(B)\}\) for bounded subset \(A\) and \(B\) of \(X\),

(iii) \(A \subseteq B \Rightarrow \alpha(A) \leq \alpha(B)\).

(iv) \(\alpha(A) = 0 \iff A\) is pre-compact (i.e. totally bounded).

(v) \(\alpha(A) = \alpha(\bar{A})\).

**Definition 2.2.** (Furi and Vignoli [2]). A continuous mapping \(f\) on a metric space \(X\) into itself is said to be densifying, if for every bounded subset \(A\) of \(X\) with \(\alpha(A) > 0\), we have \(\alpha(f(A)) < \alpha(A)\).

**Definition 2.3.** (Sastry and Naidu [9]). A self-mapping \(f\) on a metric space \(X\) is said to be nearly-densifying if \(\alpha(f(A)) < \alpha(A)\) for every \(f\)-invariant and bounded subset \(A\) of \(X\) with \(\alpha(A) > 0\).

**Definition 2.4.** (Sastry and Naidu [9]). Let \(f, g\) and \(s\) be the three self-mappings on a metric space \(X\), and \(S\) be the subsemigroup generated by \(f, g\) and \(s\) in the semigroup of all self-mappings on \(X\) with composition operation. Then for any \(x \in X\), the orbit \(\theta(x)\) at \(x\) is defined by

\[\theta(x) = \{y \in X : y = x \text{ or } y = hx \text{ for some } h \in S\}\].

3. Results

Throughout this section, \(X\) stands for a complete metric space. Also for some \(x_0 \in X\), the orbit \(\theta(x_0)\) is assumed to be bounded.

Let \(F_1, F_2 : X \times X \to [0, \infty)\) be such that either \(F_1\) or \(F_2\) is lower semi-continuous, and further \(F_1(x, x) = F_2(x, x) = 0\) for all \(x \in X\).

The following is our main result.
Theorem 3.1. Let \( f, g \) and \( s \) be three continuous and nearly densifying self-mappings on \( X \) such that \( s \) commutes with \( f \) and \( g \). Suppose that

(i) \( F_1(fx, gy) < \max\{F_2(sz, sy), F_2(sz, fx), F_2(sy, gy), \{\min\{F_2(sz, gy), F_1(fx, sy)\}\} \}

\[
\frac{F_2(sz, gy)F_1(sy, gy)}{F_1(fx, gy)}, \quad \frac{F_2(sz, fx)F_1(sy, gy)}{F_1(fx, gy)}, \quad \frac{F_2(sz, gy)}{F_1(fx, gy)}, \quad \frac{[F_1(sy, gy)]^2}{F_1(fx, gy)}, \quad \frac{F_2(sz, fx)}{F_2(sz, sy)}, \quad \frac{F_2(sz, sy)}{F_2(sz, sy)}.
\]

for \( sx \neq sy \) and \( fx \neq gy \), and also

(ii) \( F_2(gx, fy) < \max\{F_1(sz, sy), F_1(sz, gx), F_2(sy, fy), \{\min\{F_2(sz, sy), F_1(gx, fy)\}\} \}

\[
\frac{F_1(sz, sy)F_2(sy, fy)}{F_2(gx, fy)}, \quad \frac{F_1(sz, gx)F_2(sy, fy)}{F_2(gx, fy)}, \quad \frac{F_1(gx, sy)F_2(sx, fy)}{F_2(gx, fy)}, \quad \frac{[F_2(sy, fy)]^2}{F_2(gx, fy)}, \quad \frac{F_1(sz, sy)}{F_1(sz, sy)}, \quad \frac{F_1(sz, sy)}{F_1(sz, sy)}.
\]

for \( sx \neq sy \) and \( gx \neq fy \). Then \( f \) and \( s \) or \( g \) and \( s \) has a coincidence point.

Proof. Let \( x_0 \in X \) such that \( \theta(x_0) \) is bounded. Put \( A = \theta(x_0) \). Then

\[ A = \{x_0\} \cup f(A) \cup g(A) \cup s(A). \]

So

\[ \alpha(A) = \max\{\alpha(f(A)), \alpha(g(A)), \alpha(s(A))\}. \]

As \( f, g \) and \( s \) are nearly densifying mappings, one easily observes that \( \alpha(A) = 0 \) and thus \( A \) is compact since \( X \) is complete. Let

\[ B = \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} S^n(\bar{A}). \]

Then as proved in Theorem 2 of Shih and Yeh [10], we can show that \( B \) is a non-empty compact subset \( \bar{A} \) and \( s(B) = B \). So \( s^2(B) = B \). Further, it is clear that \( f(B) \subset B \) and \( g(B) \subset B \). Now assume that \( F_1 \) is lower semi-continuous. Define \( \phi : B \to [0, \infty) \) by putting \( \phi(x) = F_1(sz, gx) \). Then \( \phi \) is a lower semi-continuous function on a compact set \( B \) and hence attains its minimum value \( p \in B \). Clearly, \( p \in s^2(B) \). So there is a \( w \in B \)
such that \( p = s^2(w) \). Suppose that neither \( f \) and \( s \) nor \( g \) and \( s \) have a coincidence point. Then

\[
\phi(fg(w)) = F_1(sfg(w), gfg(w)) \\
= F_1(fsg(w), gfg(w)) \\
< \max \{ F_2(s^2(g(w)), sfg(w)), F_2(s^2(g(w)), fsg(w)), F_1(sfg(w), gfg(w)), \\
\min \{ F_2(s^2(g(w)), fsg(w)), F_1(sfg(w), sfg(w)) \}, \\
F_2(s^2(g(w)), sfg(w))F_1(sfg(w), fsg(w))F_1(fsg(w), fsg(w))F_1(sfg(w), gfg(w)) \\
F_2(s^2(g(w)), gfg(w))F_1(fsg(w), sfg(w)) \}^2, \\
F_2(s^2(g(w)), sfg(w))F_1(fsg(w), gfg(w))F_2(s^2(g(w)), fsg(w))F_1(fsg(w), gfg(w)) \}
\]

\[
= F_2(s^2(g(w)), sfg(w)) \text{ (By (i))} \\
= F_2(gs^2(w), fsg(w)) \\
< \max \{ F_1(s^3(w), s^2(g(w))), F_1(s^3(w), gs^2(w)), F_2(s^2(g(w)), fsg(w)), \\
\min \{ F_1(gs^2(w), s^2(g(w))), F_2(s^3(w), fgs(w)) \}, \\
F_1(s^3(w), s^2(g(w)))F_2(s^2(g(w), fsg(w)))F_1(s^3(w), gs^2(w))F_2(s^2(g(w), fsg(w))) \\
F_2(gs^2(w), fsg(w))F_1(gs^2(w), sfg(w)) \}^2, \\
F_1(s^3(w), s^2(g(w)))F_2(s^2(g(w), fsg(w)))F_1(s^3(w), gs^2(w))F_2(s^2(g(w), fsg(w))) \}
\]

\[
= F_1(s^3(w), s^2(g(w))) \text{ (By (ii))} \\
= F_1(s(s^2(w)), g(s^2(w))) = F_1(s(p), g(p)) = \phi(p),
\]

a contradiction to the choice of \( p \). Hence \( f \) and \( s \) or \( g \) and \( s \) must have a coincidence point. Similarly, when \( F_2 \) is lower semi-continuous, we can prove the existence of a coincidence point of \( f \) and \( s \) or \( g \) and \( s \).

\[\square\]

**Theorem 3.2.** Let \( f, g, s, F_1 \) and \( F_2 \) be as in the statement of Theorem 3.1. If \( z \) is a
common coincidence point of \( f, g \) and \( s \), then \( sz \) is a unique common fixed point of \( f, g \) and \( s \).

**Proof.** Given that \( z \) is a common coincidence point of \( f, g \) and \( s \). Then \( fz = gz = sz \).

Using commutativity of \( s \) with \( f \) and \( g \), we see that \( f(sz) = s(fz) = s(sz) = s(gz) = g(sz) \). Now suppose that \( sz \neq sz \). Then

\[
F_1(sz, sz) = F_1(fsz, gz) \\
< \max\{F_2(sz, sz), F_2(sz, fsz), F_1(sz, gz), \min\{F_2(sz, gz), F_1(fsz, sz)\}, \frac{F_2(sz, sz)F_1(sz, gz)}{F_1(fsz, gz)}\} \\
\frac{F_2(sz, gz)F_1(fsz, sz)}{F_1(fsz, gz)} \cdot \frac{[F_1(sz, gz)]^2}{F_1(fsz, gz)}, \\
\frac{F_2(sz, sz)F_1(sz, gz)}{F_2(sz, sz)} \cdot \frac{F_2(sz, sz)}{F_2(sz, sz)} \cdot \frac{[F_2(sz, sz)]^2}{F_2(sz, sz)} \\
= F_2(sz, sz) = F_2(gsz, fz) \\
< \max\{F_1(sz, sz), F_1(sz, gsz), F_2(sz, fz), \min\{F_1(gsz, sz), F_2(sz, gz), \frac{F_1(sz, sz)F_2(sz, gz)}{F_1(gsz, sz)}\}, \frac{F_1(sz, sz)F_2(sz, gz)}{F_1(gsz, sz)}\} \\
\frac{F_1(sz, sz)F_2(sz, fz)}{F_1(sz, sz)} \cdot \frac{[F_2(sz, fz)]^2}{F_2(sz, fz)} \\
\frac{F_1(sz, sz)F_2(sz, fz)}{F_1(sz, sz)} \cdot \frac{F_1(sz, sz)}{F_1(sz, sz)} \cdot \frac{[F_1(sz, sz)]^2}{F_1(sz, sz)} \\
= F_1(sz, sz),
\]

which is a contradiction. Hence \( sz = sz \). Thus \( sz \) is a common fixed point \( f, g \) and \( s \).

The unicity of a common fixed point follows from (i) and (ii). This completes the proof. \( \square \)

**Corollary 3.3.** Let \( f, g \) and \( s \) be three continuous and nearly densifying self-mappings on \( X \) such that \( s \) commutes with \( f \) and \( g \). Suppose that

(iii) \( \ldots F_1(fx, gy) < \max\{F_2(sx, gys), F_2(sx, fx), F_1(sy, gy)\} \) for \( sx \neq sy \) and \( fx \neq gy \), and also
(iv) \( F_2(gx, fy) < \max\{F_1(sx, sy), F_1(sx, gy), F_2(sy, fy)\} \) for \( sx \neq sy \) and \( gx \neq fy \).

Then \( f \) and \( s \) or \( g \) and \( s \) have a coincidence point.

**Remark** Corollary 3.3 extends results due to Ray-Fisher [6], Fisher-Khan [1], Ray-Chatterjee [7] and Singh [11].

**Corollary 3.4.** Let \( f, g \) and \( s \) be three continuous and nearly densifying self-mappings on \( X \) such that \( s \) commutes with \( f \) and \( g \). Suppose that

\[
F_1(fx, gy) < F_2(sx, sy)
\]

for \( sx \neq sy \) and \( fx \neq gy \), and also

\[
F_2(gx, fy) < F_1(sx, sy)
\]

for \( sx \neq sy \) and \( gx \neq fy \). Then \( f \) and \( s \) or \( g \) and \( s \) have coincidence point.

**Remark** For \( F_1 = F_2 \) and \( f = g \), Corollary 3.4 can be regarded as an extension of Jungck’s theorem [3] for densifying mappings.

Finally, we state the following result which is motivated by the contraction condition given in Roades [8], and can be proved using techniques of Theorem 3.1.

**Theorem 3.5.** Let \( f, g \) and \( s \) be three continuous and nearly densifying self-mappings on \( X \) such that \( s \) commutes with \( f \) and \( g \). Suppose that the inequality

\[
F(fx, gy) < \max\{F(sx, sy), F(sx, fy), F(sy, gy), \frac{1}{2}[F(sx, gy) + F(sy, fx)]\}
\]

holds for \( sx \neq sy \) and \( fx \neq gy \), where \( F : X \times X \to [0, \infty) \) is a lower semi-continuous symmetric function satisfying triangle inequality and \( F(x, x) = 0 \) for all \( x \in X \). Then \( f \) and \( s \) or \( g \) and \( s \) have a coincidence point.

The following example reveals that \( f, g \) and \( s \) in Theorem 3.1, 3.5 and Corollaries 3.3, 3.5 do not necessarily have a coincidence point and that if either \( f \) and \( s \) or \( g \) and \( s \) have a coincidence point, then the coincidence point may not be unique.

**Remark** Let \( X = \{0, 1, 2\} \) with \( F : X \times X \to [0, \infty) \) defined \( F(x, x) = 0 \) for all \( x \in X \), and \( F(1, 0) = F(0, 1) = 1, F(1, 2) = F(2, 1) = 1.1, F(0, 2) = F(2, 0) = 2. \) Define mappings \( f, g \) and \( s \) on \( X \) by
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\[ f_0 = 0, f_1 = f_2 = 1, \]
\[ g_0 = 1, g_1 = g_2 = 0, \]
\[ s_0 = 0, s_1 = 1, s_2 = 2. \]

Take \( F_1 = F_2 = F \) in Theorems 3.1 and Corollaries 3.3, 3.4. Then \( f_x \neq g_y \) and \( s_x \neq s_y \) imply \((x, y) = (1, 2)\) or \((2,1)\). so,

\[ F(f_x, g_y) = F(1, 0) = 1 < 1.1 = F(s_x, s_y). \]

Similarly,

\[ F(g_x, f_y) = F(0, 1) = 1 < 1.1 = F(s_x, s_y) \]

for \( s_x \neq s_y \) and \( g(x) \neq f(y) \).

It is easy to show that the conditions of Theorem 3.1, 3.5 and Corollaries 3.3, 3.4 are satisfied. Clearly, \( f \) and \( s \) have two coincidence points, while \( f, g \) and \( s \) have none.

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Özet

Jungck’ın sabit nokta teoremi, yoğunlaştırın dönüşümlere genelleştirilerek başlkta adı geçen noktaların varlığı kanıtlanmıştır.

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