

# Fixed point theorems for graph preserving multivalued mappings in complete metric spaces with graph

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## Abstract

In this paper, we introduce a new type of graph-preserving multivalued mappings in a complete metric space endowed with a directed graph and prove some fixed point theorems under some contractive conditions related to a Reich type contraction. We also give some examples supporting our main results. The main results obtained in the paper extend and generalize many results in the literature.

**Keywords:** Fixed point, complete metric space, multivalued mapping

## บทคัดย่อ

ในการวิจัยนี้ เราได้แนะนำการส่งหลายค่าที่รักษากราฟในปริภูมิเมตริกบริบูรณ์พร้อมด้วยกราฟที่ระบุทิศทาง และได้พิสูจน์ทฤษฎีบทจุดตรึงของการส่งดังกล่าวภายใต้เงื่อนไขการหดตัวบางอย่าง นอกจากนี้ยังได้ให้ตัวอย่างเพื่อสนับสนุนผลลัพธ์หลักที่ได้ศึกษา ผลลัพธ์ที่ได้จากงานวิจัยนี้ ขยายผลลัพธ์อื่น ๆ จำนวนมากตามเอกสารอ้างอิง

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## 1. Introduction

Fixed point theory of multivalued mappings plays an important role in science and applied science such as Physics and Economics.

Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space, we let  $P(X)$  be a power set of  $X$ ,  $P_b(X)$  the set of all nonempty bounded subsets of  $X$ ,  $P_{cb}(X)$  the set of all nonempty closed bounded subsets of  $X$ ,  $P_{cp}(X)$  the set of all nonempty compact subsets of  $X$ . If  $T : X \rightarrow P(X)$  is a multivalued mapping, then we will said that  $x$  is a *fixed point* of  $T$  if  $x \in Tx$ . The set  $Fix(T) := \{x \in X \mid x \in Tx\}$  is called the *fixed point set* of  $T$  and  $SFix(T) := \{x \in X \mid \{x\} = Tx\}$  is called the *strict fixed point set* of  $T$ .

Let  $A$  and  $B$  be subsets of  $X$ , the *Hausdorff distance* of  $A$  and  $B$ , denoted by  $D(A, B)$ , is defined by

$$D(A, B) = \max \left\{ \sup_{a \in A} \inf_{b \in B} d(a, b), \sup_{b \in B} \inf_{a \in A} d(a, b) \right\}$$

and the function  $\delta(A, B)$  is defined by

$$\delta(A, B) = \sup_{a \in A, b \in B} d(a, b).$$

For  $x \in X$  and  $A \subseteq X$ , the distance between set  $A$  and point  $x$  is defined by  $d(x, A) = \inf_{a \in A} d(x, a)$ .

The first well known fixed point theorem for multivalued mappings was established by Nadler in 1969 [1].

**Theorem 1.1.** *Let  $(X, d)$  be a complete metric space and let  $T$  be a mapping from  $X$  into  $P_{cb}(X)$ . Assume that there exists  $k \in [0, 1)$  such that*

$$D(Tx, Ty) \leq kd(x, y), \quad \forall x, y \in X.$$

*Then there exists  $z \in X$  such that  $z \in Tz$ .*

The Nadler's fixed point theorem has been extended and modified in many directions. In 2008, Jachymski [2] introduced the concept of G-contraction in complete metric spaces endowed with graph.

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**Definition 1.2** ([2]). Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space and let  $G = (V(G), E(G))$  be a directed graph such that  $V(G) = X$  and  $E(G)$  contains all loops, i.e.,  $\{(x, x) : x \in X\} \subseteq E(G)$ . We say that a mapping  $f : X \rightarrow X$  is a  $G$ -contraction if  $f$  preserves edges of  $G$ , i.e.,

$$x, y \in X, (x, y) \in E(G) \Rightarrow (f(x), f(y)) \in E(G)$$

and there exists  $\alpha \in (0, 1)$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} x, y \in X, (x, y) \in E(G) &\Rightarrow \\ d(f(x), f(y)) &\leq \alpha d(x, y). \end{aligned}$$

Jachymski [2] showed that under the condition on  $(X, d, G)$ ,  $G$ -contraction,  $f : X \rightarrow X$  has fixed point if and only if  $X_f := \{x \in X \mid (x, f(x)) \in E(G)\}$  is nonempty. The mapping  $f$  preserving edge is called a *graph preserving mapping*. Beg *et al.* [5] introduced the concept of  $G$ -contraction for multivalued mapping  $T : X \rightarrow P_{cb}(X)$  and proved some fixed point theorems.

**Definition 1.3** ([5]). Let  $T : X \rightarrow P_{cb}(X)$  be multivalued mapping. This mapping is said to be a  $G$ -contraction if there exists  $k \in (0, 1)$  such that

$$D(Tx, Ty) \leq kd(x, y), \forall (x, y) \in E(G)$$

and if  $u \in Tx$  and  $v \in Ty$  satisfy that

$$d(u, v) \leq kd(x, y) + \alpha, \text{ for each } \alpha > 0,$$

then  $(u, v) \in E(G)$ .

They showed that if  $(X, d)$  is complete metric space and  $(X, d, G)$  has preserving property, then a  $G$ -contraction mapping  $T : X \rightarrow P_{cp}(X)$  has fixed point if and only if  $X_f := \{x \in X \mid (x, y) \in E(G) \text{ for some } y \in Tx\}$  is nonempty.

Throughout this paper, we use  $\mathbb{R}_0^+$  to denote the set of all nonnegative real numbers.

**Theorem 1.4** (Chifu *et al.* [5]). Let  $(X, d)$  be a complete metric space and  $G$  be a directed graph on  $X$  such that  $(X, d, G)$  satisfies the following property (P):

$$\forall \{x_n\} \subseteq X \text{ with } x_n \rightarrow x, \exists \text{ subsequence } \{x_{k_n}\} \text{ of } \{x_n\} \text{ such that } (x_{k_n}, x) \in E(G).$$

Let  $T : X \rightarrow P_b(X)$  be a multivalued mapping which has the following properties:

- (i) there exist  $a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}_0^+$  with  $b \neq 0$  and  $a + b + c < 1$  such that  $\delta(Tx, Ty) \leq ad(x, y) + b\delta(x, Tx) + c\delta(y, Ty), \forall (x, y) \in E(G)$ ;
- (ii) for each  $x \in X$ , the set  $\overline{X}_T(x) := \{y \in Tx : (x, y) \in E(G) \text{ and } \delta(x, Tx) \leq qd(x, y) \text{ for some } q \in ]1, \frac{1-a-c}{b}]\}$  is nonempty.

Then we have

- (a)  $Fix(T) = SFix(T) \neq \emptyset$ ;
- (b) if we additionally suppose that  $x^*, y^* \in Fix(T) \Rightarrow (x^*, y^*) \in E(G)$ , then  $Fix(T) = SFix(T) = \{x^*\}$ .

In this paper, we modify some conditions of above theorem of Chifu *et al.* to obtain some fixed point theorems for the new type of multivalued mappings in complete metric space with graph.

## 2. Preliminaries

Let  $X, Y$  be two sets and  $T : X \rightarrow P(Y)$ . For  $M \subseteq X$ , we define  $T(M) = \bigcup_{x \in M} T(x)$ .

**Definition 2.1 (Continuity).** Let  $X, Y$  be topological spaces and  $T : X \rightarrow P(Y)$  a multivalued mapping.

- (1)  $T$  is called *upper semi-continuous*, if for every  $x \in X$  and every open set  $V$  in  $Y$  with  $Tx \subseteq V$ , there exists a neighborhood  $U(x)$  of  $x$  such that  $T(U(x)) \subseteq V$ .
- (2)  $T$  is called *lower semi-continuous*, if for every  $x \in X, y \in Tx$  and every neighborhood  $V(y)$  of  $y$ , there exists a neighborhood  $U(x)$  of  $x$  such that

$$Tu \cap V(y) \neq \emptyset, \quad u \in U(x).$$

- (3)  $T$  is called *continuous* if it is both upper semi-continuous and lower semi-continuous.

The following result is well known.

**Lemma 2.2.** Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space and  $T : X \rightarrow P_{cp}(X)$  is continuous. If  $x_n \rightarrow x$ , then  $T(x_n) \rightarrow T(x)$  under the Hausdorff distance.

### 3. Fixed point theorems

We start with giving the graph preserving property for multivalued mapping.

**Graph preserving property:** Let  $G$  be a directed graph on  $X$ . A mapping  $T : X \rightarrow P(X)$  is said to have *graph preserving property*, if for each  $x, y \in X$  if  $(x, y) \in E(G)$ , then for each  $u \in Tx$ , there exists  $v \in Ty$  such that  $(u, v) \in E(G)$ .

We first prove the following fixed point theorem.

**Theorem 3.1.** *Let  $(X, d)$  be a complete metric space and  $G$  be a directed graph on  $X$  such that  $(X, d, G)$  satisfies the following property,*

*Property (P):*

$\forall \{x_n\} \subseteq X$  with  $x_n \rightarrow x$ ,  $\exists$  subsequence  $\{x_{k_n}\}$  of  $\{x_n\}$  such that  $(x_{k_n}, x) \in E(G)$ .

Let  $T : X \rightarrow P_b(X)$  be multivalued mapping satisfying the following properties:

(i) there exist  $a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}_0^+$  and  $a + b + c < 1$  such that  $\delta(Tx, Ty) \leq ad(x, y) + bd(x, Tx) + c\delta(y, Ty)$ ,  $\forall (x, y) \in E(G)$ ;

(ii)  $T$  has graph preserving property.

If  $X_T = \{x \mid \exists u \in Tx, (x, u) \in E(G)\}$  is nonempty, then  $Fix(T) = SFix(T) \neq \emptyset$ .

**Proof.** Since  $X_T \neq \emptyset$ , there exists  $x_0 \in X$ ,  $\exists x_1 \in Tx_0$  such that  $(x_0, x_1) \in E(G)$ . So, we get

$$\delta(x_1, Tx_1) \leq \delta(Tx_0, Tx_1).$$

By (i), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \delta(x_1, Tx_1) &\leq \delta(Tx_0, Tx_1) \\ &\leq ad(x_0, x_1) + bd(x_0, Tx_0) + c\delta(x_1, Tx_1) \\ &\leq ad(x_0, x_1) + bd(x_0, x_1) + c\delta(x_1, Tx_1), \end{aligned}$$

then

$$\delta(x_1, Tx_1) \leq \frac{a+b}{1-c}d(x_0, x_1). \quad (3.1)$$

Since  $(x_0, x_1) \in E(G)$  and  $x_1 \in Tx_0$ , by (ii), there exists  $x_2 \in Tx_1$  such that  $(x_1, x_2) \in E(G)$ . By (3.1), we have

$$d(x_1, x_2) \leq \delta(x_1, Tx_1) \leq \frac{a+b}{1-c}d(x_0, x_1). \quad (3.2)$$

Since  $(x_1, x_2) \in E(G)$ , by (i), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \delta(x_2, Tx_2) &\leq \delta(Tx_1, Tx_2) \\ &\leq ad(x_1, x_2) + bd(x_1, Tx_1) + c\delta(x_2, Tx_2) \\ &\leq ad(x_1, x_2) + bd(x_1, x_2) + c\delta(x_2, Tx_2) \\ &\leq \frac{a+b}{1-c}d(x_1, x_2). \end{aligned}$$

This together with (3.2) we get

$$\delta(x_2, Tx_2) \leq \left(\frac{a+b}{1-c}\right)^2 d(x_0, x_1). \quad (3.3)$$

Since  $(x_1, x_2) \in E(G)$  and  $x_2 \in Tx_1$ , by (ii), there exists  $x_3 \in Tx_2$  such that  $(x_2, x_3) \in E(G)$ . By (3.3), we have

$$d(x_2, x_3) \leq \delta(x_2, Tx_2) \leq \left(\frac{a+b}{1-c}\right)^2 d(x_0, x_1). \quad (3.4)$$

By continuing in this way, we obtain sequence  $\{x_n\} \subseteq X$  such that

$$(x_n, x_{n+1}) \in E(G), \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N},$$

$$\delta(x_n, Tx_n) \leq \left(\frac{a+b}{1-c}\right)^n d(x_0, x_1), \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N},$$

$$d(x_n, x_{n+1}) \leq \left(\frac{a+b}{1-c}\right)^n d(x_0, x_1), \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

We claim that  $\{x_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence. Since  $\frac{a+b}{1-c} < 1$ , we get that  $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} d(x_i, x_{i+1}) < \infty$ . This implies that  $\{x_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence. Since  $(X, d)$  is complete metric space, there exists  $x$  such that  $x_n \rightarrow x$ . We will show that  $x$  is a fixed point of  $T$ . By property (P), there exists  $\{x_{k_n}\} \subseteq \{x_n\}$  such that  $(x_{k_n}, x) \in E(G)$ ,  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} \delta(x, Tx) &\leq d(x, x_{k_n+1}) + \delta(x_{k_n+1}, Tx) \\ &\leq d(x, x_{k_n+1}) + \delta(Tx_{k_n}, Tx) \\ &\leq d(x, x_{k_n+1}) + ad(x_{k_n}, x) \\ &\quad + bd(x_{k_n}, Tx_{k_n}) + c\delta(x, Tx). \end{aligned}$$

It follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \delta(x, Tx) &\leq \frac{1}{1-c}d(x, x_{k_n+1}) + \frac{a}{1-c}d(x_{k_n}, x) \\ &\quad + \frac{b}{1-c}\left(\frac{a+b}{1-c}\right)^{k_n}d(x_0, x_1). \end{aligned}$$

By taking  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , we get  $\delta(x, Tx) = 0$ . It's obvious that  $\emptyset \neq SFix(T) \subseteq Fix(T)$ . We will prove that  $Fix(T) = SFix(T)$ . We need to prove that  $Fix(T) \subseteq SFix(T)$ . Let  $x \in Fix(T)$ . By property (P),  $(x, x) \in E(G)$ ,  $\forall x \in X$ . By (i), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \delta(Tx, Tx) &\leq ad(x, x) + bd(x, Tx) + c\delta(x, Tx) \\ &= c\delta(x, Tx) \\ &\leq c\delta(Tx, Tx). \end{aligned}$$

So  $\delta(Tx, Tx)$  must be zero, that is,  $Tx = \{x\}$ . Thus,  $Fix(T) \subseteq SFix(T)$ . Hence,  $Fix(T) = SFix(T) \neq \emptyset$ .

**Corollary 3.2.** Let  $(X, d)$  be a complete metric space and  $(X, d, G)$  have the following properties:

for any  $\{x_n\}$  in  $X$ , if  $x_n \rightarrow x$  and  $(x_n, x_{n+1}) \in E(G)$  for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , then there is a subsequence  $\{x_{k_n}\}$  with  $(x_{k_n}, x) \in E(G)$  for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

Let  $f : X \rightarrow X$  be a  $G$ -contraction, and  $\emptyset \neq X_f := \{x \in X : (x, fx) \in E(G)\}$  then  $Fix(f) \neq \emptyset$ .

*Proof.* It follows directly by Theorem 3.1, with  $a = k, b = 0, c = 0$ . □

**Theorem 3.3.** In addition to the hypothesis of Theorem 3.1, if  $x, y \in Fix(T)$  and  $(x, y) \in E(G)$ , then  $Fix(T) = SFix(T) = \{x\}$ .

*Proof.* By Theorem 3.1, we have  $Fix(T) = SFix(T) \neq \emptyset$ . Let  $x, y \in SFix(T)$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} d(x, y) &= \delta(Tx, Ty) \\ &\leq ad(x, y) + bd(x, Tx) + c\delta(y, Ty) \\ &\leq ad(x, y). \end{aligned}$$

Since  $a < 1$ , we obtain  $d(x, y) = 0$ , so  $x = y$ . Hence  $Fix(T) = SFix(T) = \{x\}$ . □

**Theorem 3.4.** Let  $(X, d)$  be a complete metric space and  $G$  be a directed graph on  $X$ . Let  $T : X \rightarrow P_{cp}(X)$  be a continuous multivalued mapping satisfying the following properties:

- (i) there exist  $a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}_0^+$  and  $a + b + c < 1$  such that  $\delta(Tx, Ty) \leq ad(x, y) + bd(x, Tx) + c\delta(y, Ty), \forall (x, y) \in E(G)$ ;
- (ii)  $T$  has graph preserving property.

If  $X_T = \{x \mid \exists u \in Tx, (x, u) \in E(G)\}$  is nonempty, then  $Fix(T) \neq \emptyset$ .

*Proof.* By using the same proof as that of Theorem 3.1, we can construct a sequence  $\{x_n\} \subseteq X$  such that  $x_n \rightarrow x \in X$ . We will show that  $x$  is a fixed point of  $T$ . We have

$$\begin{aligned} d(x, Tx) &\leq d(x, x_k) + d(x_k, Tx_k) + D(Tx_k, Tx) \\ &\leq d(x, x_k) + d(x_k, x_{k+1}) + D(Tx_k, Tx). \end{aligned}$$

By Lemma 2.2, we get  $T(x_k) \rightarrow Tx$ . It follows that  $d(x, Tx) = 0$ . Hence  $x$  is fixed point of  $T$ , that is  $Fix(T) \neq \emptyset$ . □

**Example 3.1.** Let  $X = \{1, 1.5, 2, 3\}$  and  $G = (X, E(G))$  with  $E(G) = \{(1, 1), (1, 1.5), (1, 2), (1.5, 1), (1.5, 2), (2, 1), (2, 3)\}$ . Let  $T : X \rightarrow P(X)$  be defined by  $T(1) = \{1\}, T(1.5) = \{1\}, T(2) = \{1, 1.5\}, T(3) = \{1, 1.5, 2\}$ . It is easy to show that  $T$  is continuous and  $T$  has graph preserving property,  $T$  satisfies property (i) in Theorem 3.4 with  $a = 0.9, b = 0.009, c = 0.09$ .

**Corollary 3.5.** Let  $(X, d)$  be complete metric space and  $(X, \leq)$  be partially ordered set and let  $f : X \rightarrow X$  be a continuous and non-decreasing mapping such that there exists  $k \in [0, 1)$  with

$$d(f(x), f(y)) \leq kd(x, y), \forall x, y \in X, x \geq y.$$

If there exists  $x_0 \in X$  with  $x_0 \leq f(x_0)$ , then  $f$  has a fixed point.

*Proof.* Let  $G = (X, E(G))$  be graph defined by  $(u, v) \in E(G)$  if  $v \leq u$ . Then  $f$  satisfies all assumptions of Theorem 3.4. It follows by Theorem 3.4 that  $f$  has a fixed point. □

**Theorem 3.6.** In addition to the hypothesis of Theorem 3.4, if graph  $G$  has loop at every point, then  $Fix(T) = SFix(T) \neq \emptyset$ .

*Proof.* We will prove that  $Fix(T) = SFix(T)$ . We need to prove that  $Fix(T) \subseteq SFix(T)$ . Let  $x \in Fix(T)$ . Then  $(x, x) \in E(G), \forall x \in X$ . By (i), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \delta(Tx, Tx) &\leq ad(x, x) + bd(x, Tx) + c\delta(x, Tx) \\ &= c\delta(x, Tx) \\ &\leq c\delta(Tx, Tx). \end{aligned}$$

So  $\delta(Tx, Tx)$  must be zero, that is,  $Tx = \{x\}$ . Therefore  $Fix(T) \subseteq SFix(T)$ . Hence,  $Fix(T) = SFix(T) \neq \emptyset$ . □

**Theorem 3.7.** In addition to the hypothesis of Theorem 3.6, if  $x, y \in Fix(T)$  has property that  $(x, y) \in E(G)$ , then  $Fix(T) = SFix(T) = \{x\}$

*Proof.* By Theorem 3.6, we have  $Fix(T) = SFix(T) \neq \emptyset$ . Let  $x, y \in SFix(T)$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} d(x, y) &= \delta(Tx, Ty) \\ &\leq ad(x, y) + bd(x, Tx) + c\delta(y, Ty) \\ &\leq ad(x, y). \end{aligned}$$

Since  $a < 1$ , we obtain  $d(x, y) = 0$ , so  $x = y$ . Hence  $Fix(T) = SFix(T) = \{x\}$ . □

**Remark 3.8.** We note that we use  $\delta$  function to measure distance between the two sets in Theorem 3.1. This function is suitable to the studied graph-preserving multi-valued mappings. How about the Hausdorff distance, can we use this instead of the  $\delta$  function? When  $T$  in Theorem 3.1 is single, Theorem 3.1 can be viewed as an extension of several known results.

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