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Two Fixed-Point Theorems for Mappings Satisfying a General Contractive Condition of Integral Type in the Modular Space

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First we prove existence of a fixed point for mappings defined on a complete modular space satisfying a general contractive inequality of integral type. Then we generalize fixed-point theorem for a quasicontraction mapping given by Khamsi (2008) and Ćirić (1974).

1. Introduction

In [1], Branciari established that a function f defined on a complete metric space satisfying a contraction condition of the form

$$\int_0^{d(fx, fy)} \varphi(t) dt \leq c \int_0^{d(x, y)} \varphi(t) dt \quad (1.1)$$

has a unique attractive fixed point where $\varphi : \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ is a Lebesgue-integrable mapping and $c \in [0, 1)$.

In [2], Rhoades extended this result to a quasicontraction function f . The purpose of this paper is to extend these theorems in modular space.

First, we introduce the notion of modular space.

Definition 1.1. Let X be an arbitrary vector space over $K (= \mathbb{R} \text{ or } \mathbb{C})$. A functional $\rho : X \rightarrow [0, +\infty)$ is called modular if

- (1) $\rho(x) = 0$ if and only if $x = 0$;
- (2) $\rho(\alpha x) = \rho(x)$ for $\alpha \in K$ with $|\alpha| = 1$, for all $x, y \in X$;
- (3) $\rho(\alpha x + \beta y) \leq \rho(x) + \rho(y)$ if $\alpha, \beta \geq 0$, $\alpha + \beta = 1$, for all $x, y \in X$.

If (2.14) in Definition 1.1 is replaced by

$$\rho(\alpha x + \beta y) \leq \alpha^s \rho(x) + \beta^s \rho(y) \quad (1.2)$$

for $\alpha, \beta \geq 0$, $\alpha^s + \beta^s = 1$ with an $s \in (0, 1]$, then the modular ρ is called an s -convex modular; and if $s = 1$, ρ is called a convex modular.

Definition 1.2. A modular ρ defines a corresponding modular space, that is, the space X_ρ is given by

$$X_\rho = \{x \in X \mid \rho(\lambda x) \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } \lambda \rightarrow 0\}. \quad (1.3)$$

Definition 1.3. Let X_ρ be a modular space.

- (1) A sequence $\{x_n\}_n$ in X_ρ is said to be
 - (a) ρ -convergent to x if $\rho(x_n - x) \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow +\infty$,
 - (b) ρ -Cauchy if $\rho(x_n - x_m) \rightarrow 0$ as $n, m \rightarrow +\infty$.
- (2) X_ρ is ρ -complete if any ρ -Cauchy sequence is ρ -convergent.
- (3) A subset $B \subset X_\rho$ is said to be ρ -closed if for any sequence $\{x_n\}_n \subset B$ with $x_n \rightarrow x$ then $x \in B$. \overline{B}^ρ denotes the closure of B in the sense of ρ .
- (4) A subset $B \subset X_\rho$ is called ρ -bounded if

$$\delta_\rho(B) = \sup_{x, y \in B} \rho(x - y) < +\infty, \quad (1.4)$$

where $\delta_\rho(B)$ is called the ρ -diameter of B .

- (5) We say that ρ has Fatou property if

$$\rho(x - y) \leq \liminf \rho(x_n - y_n) \quad (1.5)$$

whenever

$$x_n \xrightarrow{\rho} x, \quad y_n \xrightarrow{\rho} y. \quad (1.6)$$

- (6) ρ is said to satisfy the Δ_2 -condition if: $\rho(2x_n) \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow +\infty$ whenever $\rho(x_n) \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow +\infty$.

Remark 1.4. Note that since ρ does not satisfy a priori the triangle inequality, we cannot expect that if $\{x_n\}$ and $\{y_n\}$ are ρ -convergent, respectively, to x and y then $\{x_n + y_n\}$ is ρ -convergent to $x + y$, neither that a ρ -convergent sequence is ρ -Cauchy.

2. Main Result

Theorem 2.1. Let X_ρ be a complete modular space, where ρ satisfies the Δ_2 -condition. Assume that $\psi : \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ is an increasing and upper semicontinuous function satisfying

$$\psi(t) < t, \quad \forall t > 0. \quad (2.1)$$

Let $\varphi : [0, +\infty) \rightarrow [0, +\infty]$ be a nonnegative Lebesgue-integrable mapping which is summable on each compact subset of $[0, +\infty[$ and such that for $\varepsilon > 0$, $\int_0^\varepsilon \varphi(t) dt > 0$ and let $f : X_\rho \rightarrow X_\rho$ be a mapping such that there are $c, l \in \mathbb{R}^+$ where $l < c$,

$$\int_0^{\rho(c(fx-fy))} \varphi(t) dt \leq \psi \left(\int_0^{\rho(l(x-y))} \varphi(t) dt \right), \quad (2.2)$$

for each $x, y \in X_\rho$. Then f has a unique fixed point in X_ρ .

Proof. First, we show that for $x \in X_\rho$, the sequence $\{\rho(c(f^n x - f^{n-1} x))\}$ converges to 0. For $n \in \mathbb{N}$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^{\rho(c(f^n x - f^{n-1} x))} \varphi(t) dt &\leq \psi \left(\int_0^{\rho(l(f^{n-1} x - f^{n-2} x))} \varphi(t) dt \right) \\ &< \int_0^{\rho(l(f^{n-1} x - f^{n-2} x))} \varphi(t) dt \\ &< \int_0^{\rho(c(f^{n-1} x - f^{n-2} x))} \varphi(t) dt. \end{aligned} \quad (2.3)$$

Consequently, $\{\int_0^{\rho(c(f^n x - f^{n-1} x))} \varphi(t) dt\}$ is decreasing and bounded from below. Therefore $\{\int_0^{\rho(c(f^n x - f^{n-1} x))} \varphi(t) dt\}$ converges to a nonnegative point a .

Now, if $a \neq 0$,

$$\begin{aligned} a &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^{\rho(c(f^n x - f^{n-1} x))} \varphi(t) dt \\ &\leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \psi \left(\int_0^{\rho(l(f^{n-1} x - f^{n-2} x))} \varphi(t) dt \right) \\ &\leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \psi \left(\int_0^{\rho(c(f^{n-1} x - f^{n-2} x))} \varphi(t) dt \right), \end{aligned} \quad (2.4)$$

then

$$a \leq \psi(a), \quad (2.5)$$

which is a contradiction, so $a = 0$ and

$$\int_0^{\rho(c(f^n x - f^{n+1} x))} \varphi(t) dt \longrightarrow 0^+ \quad \text{as } n \longrightarrow +\infty. \quad (2.6)$$

This concludes $\rho(c(f^n x - f^{n+1} x)) \rightarrow 0$. Suppose that

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \rho(c(f^n x - f^{n+1} x)) = \varepsilon > 0 \quad (2.7)$$

then there exist a $\nu_\varepsilon \in \mathbb{N}$ and a sequence $(f^{n_\nu} x)_{\nu \geq \nu_\varepsilon}$ such that

$$\begin{aligned} \rho(c(f^{n_\nu} x - f^{n_\nu+1} x)) &\longrightarrow \varepsilon > 0, \quad \nu \longrightarrow \infty, \\ \rho(c(f^{n_\nu} x - f^{n_\nu+1} x)) &\geq \frac{\varepsilon}{2}, \quad \forall \nu \geq \nu_\varepsilon, \end{aligned} \quad (2.8)$$

then we get the following contradiction:

$$0 = \lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^{\rho(c(f^{n_\nu} x - f^{n_\nu+1} x))} \varphi(t) dt \geq \int_0^{\varepsilon/2} \varphi(t) dt > 0. \quad (2.9)$$

Now, we prove for each $x \in X_\rho$ the sequence $\{f^n x\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is a ρ -Cauchy sequence.

Assume that there is an $\varepsilon > 0$ such that for each $\nu \in \mathbb{N}$ there exist $m_\nu, n_\nu \in \mathbb{N}$ that $m_\nu > n_\nu > \nu$,

$$\rho(l(f^{m_\nu} x - f^{n_\nu} x)) \geq \varepsilon. \quad (2.10)$$

Then we choose the sequence $(m_\nu)_{\nu \in \mathbb{N}}$ and $(n_\nu)_{\nu \in \mathbb{N}}$ such that for each $\nu \in \mathbb{N}$, m_ν is minimal in the sense that

$$\rho(l(f^{m_\nu} x - f^{n_\nu} x)) \geq \varepsilon. \quad (2.11)$$

But

$$\rho(l(f^h x - f^{n_\nu} x)) < \varepsilon, \quad (2.12)$$

for each $h \in \{n_\nu + 1, \dots, m_\nu - 1\}$.

Now, let $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^+$ be such that $l/c + 1/\alpha = 1$, then we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^\varepsilon \varphi(t) dt &\leq \int_0^{\rho(l(f^{m\nu}x - f^{n\nu}x))} \varphi(t) dt \\ &\leq \int_0^{\rho(c(f^{m\nu}x - f^{n\nu+1}x))} \varphi(t) dt + \int_0^{\rho(\alpha l(f^{n\nu+1}x - f^{n\nu}x))} \varphi(t) dt \\ &\leq \varphi \left(\int_0^{\rho(l(f^{m\nu-1}x - f^{n\nu}x))} \varphi(t) dt \right) + \int_0^{\rho(\alpha l(f^{n\nu+1}x - f^{n\nu}x))} \varphi(t) dt \\ &\leq \int_0^{\rho(l(f^{m\nu-1}x - f^{n\nu}x))} \varphi(t) dt + \int_0^{\rho(\alpha l(f^{n\nu+1}x - f^{n\nu}x))} \varphi(t) dt \\ &\leq \int_0^\varepsilon \varphi(t) dt + \int_0^{\rho(\alpha l(f^{n\nu+1}x - f^{n\nu}x))} \varphi(t) dt. \end{aligned} \tag{2.13}$$

Thus, as $\nu \rightarrow \infty$, by Δ_2 -condition, $\int_0^{\rho(\alpha l(f^{n\nu+1}x - f^{n\nu}x))} \varphi(t) dt \rightarrow 0$. Therefore

$$\int_0^{\rho(l(f^{m\nu}x - f^{n\nu}x))} \varphi(t) dt \rightarrow \varepsilon^+, \quad \nu \rightarrow \infty. \tag{2.14}$$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^{\rho(l(f^{m\nu}x - f^{n\nu}x))} \varphi(t) dt &\leq \int_0^{\rho(c(f^{m\nu+1}x - f^{n\nu+1}x))} \varphi(t) dt + \int_0^{\rho(2\alpha l(f^{m\nu}x - f^{m\nu+1}x))} \varphi(t) dt \\ &\quad + \int_0^{\rho(2\alpha l(f^{n\nu+1}x - f^{n\nu}x))} \varphi(t) dt \\ &\leq \varphi \left(\int_0^{\rho(l(f^{m\nu}x - f^{n\nu}x))} \varphi(t) dt \right) + \int_0^{\rho(2\alpha l(f^{m\nu}x - f^{m\nu+1}x))} \varphi(t) dt \\ &\quad + \int_0^{\rho(2\alpha l(f^{n\nu+1}x - f^{n\nu}x))} \varphi(t) dt. \end{aligned} \tag{2.15}$$

If $\nu \rightarrow \infty$ we get

$$\int_0^\varepsilon \varphi(t) dt \leq \varphi \left(\int_0^\varepsilon \varphi(t) dt \right), \tag{2.16}$$

which is a contradiction for $\varepsilon > 0$. Therefore $\{lf^n x\}$ is a ρ -Cauchy sequence and by Δ_2 -condition $\{f^n x\}$ is ρ -Cauchy. By the fact that X_ρ is ρ -complete, there is a $z \in X_\rho$ such that $\rho(f^n z - z) \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. Furthermore, z is the fixed point for f . In fact

$$\rho\left(\frac{c}{2}(z - fz)\right) \leq \rho(c(z - f^n z)) + \rho(c(f^n z - fz)) \rightarrow 0, \quad n \rightarrow \infty \tag{2.17}$$

then $\rho((c/2)(z - fz)) = 0$ and $fz = z$.

Now, assume that we have more than one fixed point for f . Let z and u be two distinct fixed points, then

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^{\rho(c(z-u))} \varphi(t) dt &= \int_0^{\rho(c(fz-fu))} \varphi(t) dt \leq \varphi \left(\int_0^{\rho(l(z-u))} \varphi(t) dt \right) \\ &< \int_0^{\rho(l(z-u))} \varphi(t) dt \leq \int_0^{\rho(c(z-u))} \varphi(t) dt, \end{aligned} \quad (2.18)$$

which is a contradiction. So $z = u$ and the proof is complete. \square

Corollary 2.2 (see [1]). Let X_ρ be a complete modular space, where ρ satisfies the Δ_2 -condition. Let $f : X_\rho \rightarrow X_\rho$ be a mapping such that there exists an $\lambda \in (0, 1)$ and $c, l \in \mathbb{R}^+$ where $l < c$ and for each $x, y \in X_\rho$,

$$\int_0^{\rho(c(fx-fy))} \varphi(t) dt \leq \lambda \left(\int_0^{\rho(l(x-y))} \varphi(t) dt \right), \quad (2.19)$$

then f has a unique fixed point.

Corollary 2.3 (see [3]). Let X_ρ be a complete modular space, where ρ satisfies the Δ_2 -condition. Assume that $\varphi : \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ is an increasing and upper semicontinuous function satisfying

$$\varphi(t) < t, \quad \forall t > 0. \quad (2.20)$$

Let B be a ρ -closed subset of X_ρ and $T : B \rightarrow B$ be a mapping such that there exist $c, l \in \mathbb{R}^+$ with $c > l$,

$$\rho(c(Tx - Ty)) \leq \varphi(\rho(l(x - y))) \quad (2.21)$$

for all $x, y \in B$. Then T has a fixed point.

In the next theorem we use the following notation:

$$m(x, y) = \max \left\{ \rho(x - y), \rho(x - Tx), \rho(y - Ty), \frac{\rho(1/2(x - Ty)) + \rho(1/2(y - Tx))}{2} \right\}. \quad (2.22)$$

Theorem 2.4. Let (X_ρ, ρ) be a ρ -complete modular space that ρ satisfies the Δ_2 -condition and let $T : X_\rho \rightarrow X_\rho$ be a mapping such that for each $x, y \in X_\rho$,

$$\int_0^{\rho(Tx-Ty)} \phi(t) dt \leq \psi \left(\int_0^{m(x,y)} \phi(t) dt \right), \quad (2.23)$$

where $\phi : \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ and $\psi : \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ are as in Theorem 2.1. Then T has a unique fixed point.

Proof. Let $x \in X_\rho$, we will show that $\{T^n x\}$ is a Cauchy sequence. First, we prove that $\{\rho(T^n x - T^{n-1} x)\}$ converges to 0. From (2.23),

$$\int_0^{\rho(T^n x - T^{n-1} x)} \phi(t) dt \leq \psi \left(\int_0^{m(T^{n-1} x, T^{n-2} x)} \phi(t) dt \right). \quad (2.24)$$

By the definition of $m(x, y)$,

$$\begin{aligned} m(T^{n-1} x, T^{n-2} x) &= \max \left\{ \rho(T^n x - T^{n-1} x), \rho(T^{n-1} x - T^{n-2} x), \frac{\rho(1/2(T^n x - T^{n-2} x))}{2} \right\}, \\ \frac{\rho(1/2(T^n x - T^{n-2} x))}{2} &\leq \frac{\rho(T^n x - T^{n-1} x) + \rho(T^{n-1} x - T^{n-2} x)}{2} \\ &\leq \max \left\{ \rho(T^n x - T^{n-1} x), \rho(T^{n-1} x - T^{n-2} x) \right\}. \end{aligned} \quad (2.25)$$

Hence,

$$m(T^{n-1} x, T^{n-2} x) = \max \left\{ \rho(T^n x - T^{n-1} x), \rho(T^{n-1} x - T^{n-2} x) \right\} \quad (2.26)$$

and therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^{\rho(T^n x - T^{n-1} x)} \phi(t) dt &\leq \psi \left(\int_0^{m(T^{n-1} x, T^{n-2} x)} \phi(t) dt \right) \\ &\leq \int_0^{m(T^{n-1} x, T^{n-2} x)} \phi(t) dt \\ &= \int_0^{\max \{ \rho(T^n x - T^{n-1} x), \rho(T^{n-1} x - T^{n-2} x) \}} \phi(t) dt \\ &= \max \left\{ \int_0^{\rho(T^n x - T^{n-1} x)} \phi(t) dt, \int_0^{\rho(T^{n-1} x - T^{n-2} x)} \phi(t) dt \right\} \\ &= \int_0^{\rho(T^{n-1} x - T^{n-2} x)} \phi(t) dt. \end{aligned} \quad (2.27)$$

This means that $\{\rho(T^n x - T^{n-1} x)\}$ is decreasing and since it is bounded from below, it is a convergent sequence. Similarly to Theorem 2.1, it is easy to show that

$$\{\rho(T^n x - T^{n-1} x)\} \rightarrow 0. \quad (2.28)$$

Now, we show that $\{T^n x\}$ is Cauchy. If not, then there exist an $\varepsilon > 0$ and subsequences $\{m(p)\}$ and $\{n(p)\}$ such that $m(p) < n(p) < m(p) + 1$ with

$$\rho(T^{m(p)} x - T^{n(p)} x) \geq \varepsilon, \quad \rho(2(T^{m(p)} x - T^{n(p)-1} x)) < \varepsilon. \quad (2.29)$$

From (2.22),

$$m(T^{m(p)-1} x, T^{n(p)-1} x) = \max \left\{ \rho(T^{m(p)-1} x - T^{n(p)-1} x), \right. \\ \left. \rho(T^{m(p)} x - T^{m(p)-1} x), \rho(T^{n(p)} x - T^{n(p)-1} x), \right. \\ \left. \frac{\rho(1/2(T^{m(p)} x - T^{n(p)-1} x)) + \rho(1/2(T^{n(p)} x - T^{m(p)-1} x))}{2} \right\}. \quad (2.30)$$

By using (2.28), we get

$$\lim_p \int_0^{\rho(T^{m(p)} x - T^{m(p)-1} x)} \phi(t) dt = \lim_p \int_0^{\rho(T^{n(p)} x - T^{n(p)-1} x)} \phi(t) dt = 0. \quad (2.31)$$

On the other hand,

$$\rho(T^{m(p)-1} x - T^{n(p)-1} x) \leq \rho(2(T^{m(p)-1} x - T^{m(p)} x)) + \rho(2(T^{m(p)} x - T^{n(p)-1} x)) \\ \leq \rho(2(T^{m(p)-1} x - T^{m(p)} x)) + \varepsilon, \quad (2.32)$$

thus by the Δ_2 -condition,

$$\lim_p \int_0^{\rho(T^{m(p)-1} x - T^{n(p)-1} x)} \phi(t) dt \leq \int_0^\varepsilon \phi(t) dt. \quad (2.33)$$

For the last term in $m(T^{m(p)-1}x, T^{n(p)-1}x)$ by the fact that $\rho(cx)$ is an increasing function of c we have

$$\begin{aligned} v(m, n) &:= \frac{\rho(1/2(T^{m(p)}x - T^{n(p)-1}x)) + \rho(1/2(T^{n(p)}x - T^{m(p)-1}x))}{2} \\ &\leq \frac{\rho(T^{m(p)}x - T^{m(p)-1}x) + \rho(2(T^{n(p)}x - T^{n(p)-1}x))}{2} \\ &\quad + \frac{\rho(2(T^{m(p)}x - T^{n(p)-1}x)) + \rho(1/2(T^{m(p)}x - T^{n(p)-1}x))}{2} \\ &\leq \varepsilon + \frac{\rho(T^{m(p)}x - T^{m(p)-1}x) + \rho(2(T^{n(p)}x - T^{n(p)-1}x))}{2}. \end{aligned} \quad (2.34)$$

Hence, from (2.28) we get

$$\lim_p \int_0^{v(m,n)} \phi(t) dt \leq \int_0^\varepsilon \phi(t) dt. \quad (2.35)$$

Therefore from (2.31), (2.33), and (2.35) it can be concluded that

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^\varepsilon \phi(t) dt &\leq \int_0^{\rho(T^{m(p)}x - T^{n(p)}x)} \phi(t) dt \leq \psi \left(\int_0^{m(T^{m(p)-1}x, T^{n(p)-1}x)} \phi(t) dt \right) \\ &< \int_0^{m(T^{m(p)-1}x, T^{n(p)-1}x)} \phi(t) dt \leq \int_0^\varepsilon \phi(t) dt \end{aligned} \quad (2.36)$$

which is a contradiction, when p is large enough. Therefore, $\{T^n x\}$ is Cauchy and since X_ρ is ρ -complete there is an $z \in X_\rho$ that $T^n x \rightarrow z$. Now, we should prove that z is the fixed point for T . In fact,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^{\rho(1/2(Tz-z))} \phi(t) dt &\leq \int_0^{\rho(Tz-T^n z)} \phi(t) dt + \int_0^{\rho(T^n z-z)} \phi(t) dt \\ &\leq \psi \left(\int_0^{m(z, T^{n-1}z)} \phi(t) dt \right) + \int_0^{\rho(T^n z-z)} \phi(t) dt \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty, \end{aligned} \quad (2.37)$$

by the definition of m . It follows that $Tz = z$.

Let $w \in X_\rho$ be another fixed point of T . Then,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^{\rho(w-z)} \phi(t) dt &= \int_0^{\rho(Tw-Tz)} \phi(t) dt \leq \psi \left(\int_0^{m(w,z)} \phi(t) dt \right) \\ &< \int_0^{m(w,z)} \phi(t) dt = \int_0^{\rho(w-z)} \phi(t) dt. \end{aligned} \quad (2.38)$$

That is because

$$\begin{aligned} m(w, z) &= \max \left\{ \rho(z - w), \rho(z - z), \rho(w - w), \frac{\rho(1/2(z - w)) + \rho(1/2(w - z))}{2} \right\} \\ &= \rho(w - z), \end{aligned} \quad (2.39)$$

thus $z = w$. □

Corollary 2.5 (see [2]). Let (X, d) be complete metric space, $k \in [0, 1)$, $f : X \rightarrow X$ a mapping such that, for $x, y \in X$,

$$\int_0^{d(f(x), f(y))} \phi(t) dt \leq k \int_0^{m(x, y)} \phi(t) dt, \quad (2.40)$$

where $\phi : \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ is a Lebesgue-integrable mapping which is summable, nonnegative, and such that

$$\int_0^\epsilon \phi(t) dt > 0 \quad \forall \epsilon > 0, \quad (2.41)$$

and where

$$m(x, y) = \max \left\{ d(x, y), d(x, fx), d(y, fy), \frac{d(x, fy) + d(y, fx)}{2} \right\}. \quad (2.42)$$

Then f has a unique fixed point.

Corollary 2.6 (see [4]). Let (X, ρ) be a modular space such that ρ satisfies the Fatou property. Let C be a ρ -complete nonempty subset of X_ρ and $T : C \rightarrow C$ be quasicontraction. Let $x \in C$ such that $\delta_\rho(x) < \infty$. Then $\{T^n x\}$ ρ -converges to $\omega \in C$. Here $\delta_\rho(x) = \sup\{\rho(T^n x - T^m x); n, m \in \mathbb{N}\}$.

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