

# FIXED POINT RESULTS FOR MULTI-VALUED GRAPH CONTRACTIONS ON A SET ENDOWED WITH TWO METRICS\*

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## Abstract

In this paper we will study existence, uniqueness and data dependence of the fixed points of multi-valued operators on a set endowed with two metrics. The case of multi-valued graph contractions is considered. Then, an extension to a more general contraction type condition is also given.

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## 1 Introduction

Throughout this paper, the standard notations and terminologies in nonlinear analysis (see [17], [18], [8]) are used. For the convenience of the reader we recall some of them.

Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space. The following notations are used through the paper:

$P(X) := \{Y \subset X \mid Y \text{ is nonempty}\}$ ,  $P_d(X) := \{Y \in P(X) \mid Y \text{ is closed}\}$ .

If  $Y, Z \in P(X)$ , then the gap between these sets is defined by

$$D_d(Y, Z) = \inf\{d(y, z) \mid y \in Y, z \in Z\}.$$

In particular, for  $y \in X$ , the value  $D_d(y, Z) = D_d(\{y\}, Z)$  is called the distance from the point  $y$  to the set  $Z$ .

The Pompeiu-Hausdorff generalized distance between  $Y, Z \in P(X)$  is defined by the following formula:

$$H_d(Y, Z) := \max\left\{\sup_{y \in Y} \inf_{z \in Z} d(y, z), \sup_{z \in Z} \inf_{y \in Y} d(y, z)\right\}.$$

If  $T : X \rightarrow P(X)$  is a multivalued operator, then we denote by  $Graph(T) := \{(x, y) \in X \times Y \mid y \in T(x)\}$  the graph of  $T$  and by  $Fix(T) := \{x \in X \mid x \in T(x)\}$  the fixed point set of  $T$ . In particular,  $SFix(T) := \{x \in X \mid \{x\} = T(x)\}$  is the strict fixed point set of  $T$ . Also, for  $x \in X$ , we denote  $F^n(x) := F(F^{n-1}(x))$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}^*$ , where  $F^0(x) := \{x\}$ .

Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space and  $T : X \rightarrow P(X)$ . Then  $T$  is said to be a multi-valued  $\alpha$ -contraction if  $\alpha \in [0, 1[$  and

$$H_d(F(x), F(y)) \leq \alpha d(x, y), \text{ for every } (x, y) \in X \times X.$$

In particular, if the above relation holds for any  $(x, y) \in Graph(T)$ , then  $T$  is called a multi-valued graph  $\alpha$ -contraction.

The aim of this paper is to give some fixed point theorems for multi-valued graph  $\alpha$ -contractions on a set endowed with two metrics. Our results extend and generalize some results given in [3], [5], [12].

For the single-valued case, see R. P. Agarwal, D. O'Regan [1], I. A. Rus, A. Petruşel, G. Petruşel [17] and the references therein. For the multi-valued case see [12]. For related results see [2], [4], [6], [9], [10], [14], [15].

## 2 Multivalued graph contractions on a set with two metrics

The following notions are very important in our approach.

**Definition 1.** Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space, and  $T : X \rightarrow P(X)$  be a multi-valued operator. By definition,  $T$  is a multi-valued weakly Picard operator with respect to  $d$  if for each  $(x, y) \in \text{Graph}(T)$  there exists a sequence  $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  in  $X$  such that:

- (i)  $x_0 = x, x_1 = y$ ;
- (ii)  $x_{n+1} \in T(x_n)$ , for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ;
- (iii) the sequence  $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  is convergent in  $(X, d)$  to  $x^*(x, y) \in \text{Fix}(T)$ .

**Remark 1.** A sequence  $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  satisfying the conditions (i) and (ii) of Definition 1 is called an iterative sequence of Picard type for  $T$  starting from  $(x, y) \in \text{Graph}(T)$ .

Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space. If  $T : X \rightarrow P(X)$  is a multi-valued weakly Picard operator with respect to  $d$ , then we can define the multi-valued operator  $T^\infty : \text{Graph}(T) \rightarrow P(\text{Fix}T)$ , by  $T^\infty(x, y) := \{ x^* \in \text{Fix}(T) \mid \text{there exists an iterative sequence of Picard type } T \text{ starting from } (x, y) \text{ that converges in } (X, d) \text{ to } x^* \}$ .

**Definition 2.** Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space and  $T : X \rightarrow P(X)$  be a multi-valued weakly Picard operator with respect to  $d$ . Then  $T$  is called a  $c$ -multi-valued weakly Picard operator with respect to  $d$  if  $c > 0$  and there exists a mapping  $t^\infty : \text{Graph}(T) \rightarrow \text{Fix}(T)$ , such that:

- (a)  $t^\infty(x, y) \in T^\infty(x, y)$ , for each  $(x, y) \in \text{Graph}(T)$ ;
- (b) the following relation takes place

$$d(x, t^\infty(x, y)) \leq cd(x, y), \text{ for all } (x, y) \in \text{Graph}(T). \quad (1)$$

The relation (1) is called the retraction-displacement condition for  $T$  with respect to the set retraction  $t^\infty : \text{Graph}(T) \rightarrow \text{Fix}(T)$  in  $(X, d)$ .

Notice that, by the Multi-valued Contraction Principle proved by Covitz and Nadler (see [3], [7]) we have that any multi-valued  $\alpha$ -contraction on a complete metric space  $(X, d)$  is a  $\frac{1}{1-\alpha}$ -multi-valued weakly Picard operator with respect to  $d$ .

Our first main result is a multi-valued version of Maia's fixed point theorem for multi-valued graph  $\alpha$ -contractions.

**Theorem 1.** Let  $X$  be a nonempty set,  $d$  and  $\rho$  be two metrics on  $X$  and  $T : X \rightarrow P(X)$  be a multi-valued operator. We suppose that:

- (i)  $(X, d)$  is a complete metric space;
- (ii) there exists  $\beta > 0$  such that  $d(x, y) \leq \beta\rho(x, y)$ , for each  $x, y \in X$ ;
- (iii)  $\text{Graph}(T)$  is closed in the metric topology of  $(X, d)$ ;

(iv) there exists  $\alpha \in [0, 1[$  such that  $H_\rho(T(x), T(y)) \leq \alpha\rho(x, y)$ , for each  $(x, y) \in \text{Graph}(T)$ .

Then we have:

(a)  $T$  is a multi-valued weakly Picard operator with respect to  $d$ ;

(b) If we denote by  $x^* := x^*(x_0, x_1)$  the fixed point of  $T$  which is the limit in  $(X, d)$  of an iterative sequence of Picard type for  $T$  starting from  $(x_0, x_1) \in \text{Graph}(T)$ , then

$$\rho(x_0, x^*) \leq \frac{1}{1 - \alpha} \rho(x_0, x_1).$$

*Proof.* As in the proof of Theorem 4.1 in [13], by hypothesis (iv) we obtain an iterative sequence  $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  of Picard type for  $T$  starting from arbitrary  $(x, y) \in \text{Graph}(T)$  which is a Cauchy sequence in  $(X, \rho)$ . From (ii) it follows that the sequence  $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  is Cauchy in  $(X, d)$  too. By (i) we get that the sequence  $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  is convergent in  $(X, d)$ . Let us denote by  $x^* \in X$  the limit of this sequence in  $(X, d)$ . By (iii) we get that  $x^* \in T(x^*)$ . The conclusion (b) follows by a similar approach as that given in the proof of Theorem 4.1 in [13]. The proof is complete.  $\square$

**Remark 2.** The conclusion (b) means that a retraction-displacement condition for  $T$  with respect to  $\rho$  holds.

The second main result of this section is the following extension of the above result.

**Theorem 2.** Let  $X$  be a nonempty set,  $d$  and  $\rho$  be two metrics on  $X$  and  $T : X \rightarrow P(X)$  be a multi-valued operator. We suppose that:

(i)  $(X, d)$  is a complete metric space;

(ii) there exists  $\beta > 0$  such that  $d(x, y) \leq \beta\rho(x, y)$ , for each  $x, y \in X$ ;

(iii)  $\text{Graph}(T)$  is closed in the metric topology of  $(X, d)$ ;

(iv) there exists  $\alpha \in [0, 1[$  such that  $D_\rho(y, T(y)) \leq \alpha\rho(x, y)$ , for each  $(x, y) \in \text{Graph}(T)$ .

Then, the following conclusions hold:

(a)  $T$  is a multi-valued weakly Picard operator with respect to  $d$ ;

(b) If we denote by  $x^* := x^*(x_0, x_1)$  the fixed point of  $T$  which is the limit in  $(X, d)$  of an iterative sequence of Picard type for  $T$  starting from  $(x_0, x_1) \in \text{Graph}(T)$ , then

$$\rho(x_0, x^*) \leq \frac{1}{1 - \alpha} \rho(x_0, x_1).$$

*Proof.* Let  $x_0 \in X$  and  $x_1 \in T(x_0)$  be arbitrary. Then, for arbitrary  $q > 1$  there exists  $x_2 \in T(x_1)$  such that  $\rho(x_1, x_2) \leq qD_\rho(x_1, T(x_1))$ . Then, we have  $\rho(x_1, x_2) \leq q\alpha\rho(x_0, x_1)$ . By mathematical induction, we obtain an iterative sequence  $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  of Picard type for  $T$  starting from  $(x_0, x_1) \in \text{Graph}(T)$  satisfying

$$\rho(x_n, x_{n+1}) \leq (q\alpha)^n \rho(x_0, x_1), \text{ for each } n \in \mathbb{N}. \quad (2)$$

Let us choose now  $1 < q < \frac{1}{\alpha}$ . Then, by the above relation we immediately get that  $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  is Cauchy in  $(X, \rho)$ . By (ii) we get that  $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  is Cauchy in  $(X, d)$ . By (i) it follows that there exists  $x^* := x^*(x_0, x_1) \in X$  such that  $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  converges to  $x^*$  in  $(X, d)$ . By (iii) the element  $x^*$  belongs to  $T(x^*)$ . For the conclusion (b) notice first that by (2), we also get that

$$\rho(x_n, x_{n+p}) \leq \frac{(q\alpha)^n}{1 - q\alpha} \rho(x_0, x_1), \text{ for each } n, p \in \mathbb{N}, p \geq 1. \quad (3)$$

Letting  $p \rightarrow \infty$  in (3) we get that

$$\rho(x_n, x^*) \leq \frac{(q\alpha)^n}{1 - q\alpha} \rho(x_0, x_1), \text{ for each } n \in \mathbb{N}. \quad (4)$$

Taking  $n = 0$  in (4) and letting then  $q \searrow 1$ , we obtain

$$\rho(x_0, x^*) \leq \frac{1}{1 - \alpha} \rho(x_0, x_1),$$

which proves that a retraction-displacement condition for  $T$  with respect to  $\rho$  holds.  $\square$

A data dependence result is the following theorem.

**Theorem 3.** *Let  $X$  be a nonempty set,  $d$  and  $\rho$  two metrics on  $X$  and  $T, S : X \rightarrow P(X)$  be two multivalued operators. We suppose that:*

- (i)  $(X, d)$  is a complete metric space;
- (ii) there exists  $\beta > 0$  such that  $d(x, y) \leq \beta\rho(x, y)$ , for each  $x, y \in X$ ;
- (iii)  $\text{Graph}(T)$  is closed in the metric topology of  $(X, d)$ ;
- (iv) there exists  $\alpha \in [0, 1[$  such that  $H_\rho(T(x), T(y)) \leq \alpha\rho(x, y)$ , for each  $(x, y) \in \text{Graph}(T)$ ;
- (v)  $F_S \neq \emptyset$ ;
- (vi) there exists  $\eta > 0$  such that  $H_\rho(T(x), S(x)) \leq \eta$ , for each  $x \in X$ .

*Then, for each  $s^* \in \text{Fix}(S)$  there exists  $x^* \in \text{Fix}(T)$  such that*

$$\rho(s^*, x^*) \leq \frac{\eta}{1 - \alpha} \text{ and } d(s^*, x^*) \leq \frac{\beta\eta}{1 - \alpha}$$

*Proof.* Let  $s^* \in \text{Fix}(S)$  and  $t \in T(s^*)$  be arbitrary chosen. From the conclusion (b) of Theorem 1 we have that  $\rho(s^*, x^*) \leq \frac{1}{1-\alpha}\rho(s^*, t)$ , where  $x^*$  is the fixed point of  $T$  which is the limit of an iterative sequence of Picard type starting from  $(s^*, t) \in \text{Graph}(T)$ . Now, for any  $q > 1$  and  $s^* \in S(s^*)$  there exists  $t^* \in T(s^*)$  such that  $\rho(s^*, t^*) \leq qH_\rho(S(s^*), T(s^*)) \leq q\eta$ . Thus, we get that

$$\rho(s^*, x^*) \leq \frac{q\eta}{1-\alpha}.$$

Letting  $q \searrow 1$  we get the conclusion.  $\square$

**Remark 3.** A similar data dependence result can be given in association with the assumptions of Theorem 2.

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