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Remarks on: "Generalized Contractions to Coupled Fixed Point Theorems in Partially Ordered Metric Spaces"

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Abstract. Remarks on the paper [1] are given and corrected proofs are presented. Their results remain correct.

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1. The problem

Recently the paper [1] gave some interesting results for fixed point theorems of a self mapping obeying some rational type contractions. However even if their results are correct, their proofs suffered a fundamental flaw that we will address here.

The condition for the self mapping $f : X \times X \rightarrow X$ found in [1] formula (1) has the following form:

$$d(f(x, y), f(\mu, \nu)) \leq \alpha \frac{d(x, f(x, y))[1 + d(\mu, f(\mu, \nu))]}{1 + d(x, \mu)} + \beta \frac{d(x, f(x, y))d(\mu, f(\mu, \nu))}{d(x, \mu)} + \gamma[d(x, f(x, y)) + d(\mu, f(\mu, \nu))] + \delta[d(x, f(\mu, \nu)) + d(\mu, f(x, y))] + \lambda d(x, \mu) \quad (1)$$

for all $x, y, \mu, \nu \in X$ with $x \geq \mu$ and $y \leq \nu$. Observing the term proportional to β in (1) one sees that whenever $x = \mu$ we have a division by zero, which has no meaning. This fact spoils the proofs of theorems present in [1].

In order to correct the problem, instead of the term of (1) proportional to β we will use

$$\beta \frac{d(x, f(x, y))d(\mu, f(\mu, \nu))}{1 + d(x, f(x, y))} \quad (2)$$

in analogy to the work [2] that among other results corrects a similar problem. The inequality written in this new manner avoids divisions by zero when $x = \mu$.

We will now proceed rewriting parts of [1] in order to give correct proofs of theorems present in there.

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2. Main results

Let us rewrite Theorem 1 of [1]. We have

$$d(f(x, y), f(\mu, \nu)) \leq \alpha \frac{d(x, f(x, y))[1 + d(\mu, f(\mu, \nu))]}{1 + d(x, \mu)} + \beta \frac{d(x, f(x, y))d(\mu, f(\mu, \nu))}{1 + d(x, f(x, y))} + \gamma[d(x, f(x, y)) + d(\mu, f(\mu, \nu))] + \delta[d(x, f(\mu, \nu)) + d(\mu, f(x, y))] + \lambda d(x, \mu) \quad (3)$$

for all $x, y, \mu, \nu \in X$ with $x \geq \mu$ and $y \leq \nu$ with $\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta, \lambda \in [0, 1)$ with

$$\frac{\beta + \gamma + \delta + \lambda}{1 - \alpha - \delta - \gamma} < 1. \quad (4)$$

The sequences are

$$x_{n+1} = f(x_n, y_n) \text{ and } y_{n+1} = f(y_n, x_n) \text{ for all } n \geq 0. \quad (5)$$

Following [1] we know that $x_n < x_{n+1}$ and $y_n > y_{n+1}$, and we get

$$\begin{aligned} d(x_{n+1}, x_n) &= d(f(x_n, y_n), f(x_{n-1}, y_{n-1})) \leq \\ &\leq \alpha \frac{d(x_n, f(x_n, y_n))[1 + d(x_{n-1}, f(x_{n-1}, y_{n-1}))]}{1 + d(x_n, x_{n-1})} + \\ &+ \beta \frac{d(x_n, f(x_n, y_n))d(x_{n-1}, f(x_{n-1}, y_{n-1}))}{1 + d(x_n, f(x_n, y_n))} + \\ &+ \gamma[d(x_n, f(x_n, y_n)) + d(x_{n-1}, f(x_{n-1}, y_{n-1}))] + \\ &+ \delta[d(x_n, f(x_{n-1}, y_{n-1})) + d(x_{n-1}, f(x_n, y_n))] + \lambda d(x_n, x_{n-1}), \quad (6) \end{aligned}$$

it implies that

$$\begin{aligned} d(x_{n+1}, x_n) &\leq \alpha \frac{d(x_n, x_{n+1})[1 + d(x_{n-1}, x_n)]}{1 + d(x_n, x_{n-1})} + \beta \frac{d(x_n, x_{n+1})d(x_{n-1}, x_n)}{1 + d(x_n, x_{n+1})} + \\ &+ \gamma[d(x_n, x_{n+1}) + d(x_{n-1}, x_n)] + \delta[d(x_n, x_n) + d(x_{n-1}, x_{n+1})] + \lambda d(x_n, x_{n-1}). \quad (7) \end{aligned}$$

Using the triangular inequality, $d(x_{n-1}, x_{n+1}) \leq d(x_{n-1}, x_n) + d(x_n, x_{n+1})$, and solving for $d(x_{n+1}, x_n)$ we obtain

$$d(x_{n+1}, x_n) \leq \left(\frac{\beta + \gamma + \delta + \lambda}{1 - \alpha - \gamma - \delta} \right) d(x_{n-1}, x_n). \quad (8)$$

Observe the difference with equation (9) of [1], in our case the β is at the numerator. Imposing the condition (4) we end up with a contraction, see [1] page 495.

For the last part of the proof, we have

$$\begin{aligned} d(x_{n+1}, z_{n+1}) &= d(f(x_n, y_n), f(z_n, y_n)) \leq \alpha \frac{d(x_n, f(x_n, y_n))(1 + d(z_n, f(z_n, y_n)))}{1 + d(x_n, z_n)} + \\ &+ \beta \frac{d(x_n, f(x_n, y_n))d(z_n, f(z_n, y_n))}{1 + d(x_n, f(x_n, y_n))} + \gamma[d(x_n, f(x_n, y_n)) + d(z_n, f(z_n, y_n))] + \\ &+ \delta[d(x_n, f(z_n, y_n)) + d(z_n, f(x_n, y_n))] + \lambda d(x_n, z_n). \quad (9) \end{aligned}$$

In the limit $n \rightarrow +\infty$ we get

$$d(x, z) \leq (2\delta + \lambda)d(x, z), \quad (10)$$

in complete analogy to [1], as in the above limit the term of (3) proportional to β goes to zero anyway. This completes the proof of Theorem 1.

Theorem 2. According to the bound given in (3), the inequality of Theorem 2 of [1] becomes

$$\begin{aligned} d(x, u_{n+1}) = d(f(x, y), f(u_n, v_n)) &\leq \alpha \frac{d(x, f(x, y))[1 + d(u_n, f(u_n, v_n))]}{1 + d(x, u_n)} + \\ &+ \beta \frac{d(x, f(x, y))d(u_n, f(u_n, v_n))}{1 + d(x, f(x, y))} + \gamma[d(x, f(x, y)) + d(u_n, f(u_n, v_n))] + \\ &+ \delta[d(x, f(u_n, v_n)) + d(u_n, f(x, y))] + \lambda d(x, u_n), \end{aligned} \quad (11)$$

leading to

$$d(x, u_{n+1}) \leq \left(\frac{\gamma + \delta + \lambda}{1 - \gamma - \delta} \right) d(x, u_n) \quad (12)$$

in complete analogy to [1], as $d(x, f(x, y)) = d(x, x) = 0$ independently from the values of α and β . The rest of the proof is the same.

Theorem 3. Like for Theorem 2, from (3) we have

$$\begin{aligned} d(x_{n+1}, y_{n+1}) = d(f(x_n, y_n), f(y_n, x_n)) &\leq \alpha \frac{d(x_n, f(x_n, y_n))[1 + d(y_n, f(y_n, x_n))]}{1 + d(x_n, y_n)} + \\ &+ \beta \frac{d(x_n, f(x_n, y_n))d(y_n, f(y_n, x_n))}{1 + d(x_n, f(x_n, y_n))} + \gamma[d(x_n, f(x_n, y_n)) + d(y_n, f(y_n, x_n))] + \\ &+ \delta[d(x_n, f(y_n, x_n)) + d(y_n, f(x_n, y_n))] + \lambda d(x_n, y_n), \end{aligned} \quad (13)$$

thus obtaining in the limit $n \rightarrow +\infty$

$$d(x, y) \leq (2\lambda + \delta) d(x, y), \quad (14)$$

ending with a contradiction as $2\delta + \lambda < 1$. The rest of the proof is the same.

Remarks

1. $\alpha = \gamma = \delta = 0$ Ćirić et. al [3]: inapplicable, same problem of division by 0 of (1).
2. $\alpha = 0$ Chandok et al. [4]: inapplicable, same problem of division by 0 of (1).
3. $\alpha = \beta = \gamma = \delta = 0$ Banach [5]: no variations, remains the same for $\lambda < 1$.
4. $\alpha = \beta = \delta = \lambda = 0$ Kannan [6]: no variations, remains the same for $2\gamma < 1$.
5. $\alpha = \beta = \gamma = \lambda = 0$ Chatterjee [7]: no variations, remains the same for $2\delta < 1$.
6. $\alpha = \gamma = 0$ Singh and Chatterjee [8]: inapplicable, same problem of division by 0 of (1).

3. Applications

Theorem 4. The condition of [1] becomes:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^{d(f(x,y), f(\mu, \nu))} \varphi(t) dt &\leq \alpha \int_0^{\frac{d(x, f(x, y))[1 + d(\mu, f(\mu, \nu))]}{1 + d(x, \mu)}} \varphi(t) dt + \beta \int_0^{\frac{d(x, f(x, y))d(\mu, f(\mu, \nu))}{1 + d(x, f(x, y))}} \varphi(t) dt + \\ &+ \gamma \int_0^{d(x, f(x, y)) + d(\mu, f(\mu, \nu))} \varphi(t) dt + \delta \int_0^{d(x, f(\mu, \nu)) + d(\mu, f(x, y))} \varphi(t) dt + \\ &+ \lambda \int_0^{d(x, \mu)} \varphi(t) dt. \end{aligned} \quad (15)$$

Theorem 5. The condition of [1] becomes:

$$\int_0^{d(f(x,y),f(\mu,\nu))} \varphi(t)dt \leq \alpha \int_0^{\frac{d(x,f(x,y))[1+d(\mu,f(\mu,\nu))]}{1+d(x,\mu)}} \varphi(t)dt + \beta \int_0^{\frac{d(x,f(x,y))d(\mu,f(\mu,\nu))}{1+d(x,f(x,y))}} \varphi(t)dt + \lambda \int_0^{d(x,\mu)} \varphi(t)dt. \quad (16)$$

Theorem 6, Theorem 7 and Theorem 8: as the conditions of those theorems do not depend on the parameter β , there are no variations.

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Замечания по статье: "Обобщенные сжатия теорем о связанных неподвижных точках в частично упорядоченных метрических пространствах"

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Аннотация. Даны примечания к статье [1] и приведены исправленные доказательства. Ее результаты остаются верными.

Ключевые слова: частично упорядоченные метрические пространства, рациональные стягивания, связанная неподвижная точка, монотонность.