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FIXED POINT THEOREMS ON S - MET R – I C SPACES

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Abstract . In this paper , we prove a general fixed point theorem in S - metric spaces which is a generalization of Theorem 3 . 1 from [S . Sedghi , N . Shobe , A . Aliouche , Mat . Vesnik 64 (20 1 2) , 258 – 266] . As applications , we get many analogues of fixed point theorems from metric spaces to S - metric spaces .

1 . Introduction and preliminaries

In [1 3] , S . Sedghi , N . Shobe and A . Aliouche have introduced the notion of an S – metric space as follows .

DEFINITION 1 . 1 . [1 3 , Definition 2 . 1] Let X be a nonempty set . An S - metric on X is a function $S : X^3 \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ that satisfies the following conditions for all

$$x, y, z, a \in X.$$

(S 1) $S(x, y, z) = 0$ if and only if $x = y = z$.

$$S(x, y, z) \leq S(x, x, a) + S(y, y, a) + S(z, z, a). \quad (\text{S2})$$

The pair (X, S) is called an S - metric space .

This notion is a generalization of a G – metric space [1 1] and a D^* – metric space [1 4] . For the fixed point problem in generalized metric spaces , many results have been proved , see [1 , 7 , 9 , 1 0] , for example . In [1 3] , the authors proved some properties of S - metric spaces . Also , they proved some fixed point theorems for a self - map on an S - metric space .

In this paper , we prove a general fixed point theorem in S - metric spaces which is a generalization of [1 3 , Theorem 3 . 1] . As applications , we get many analogues of fixed point theorems in metric spaces for S - metric spaces .

Now we recall some notions and lemmas which will be useful later .

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DEFINITION 1.2. [2] Let X be a nonempty set. A B -metric on X is a function

$d : X^2 \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ if there exists a real number $b \geq 1$ such that the following

conditions hold for all $x, y, z \in X$. (B1) $d(x, y) = 0$ if and only if $x = y$.

$$d(x, y) = d(y, x). \quad (\text{B2})$$

$$d(x, z) \leq b[d(x, y) + d(y, z)]. \quad (\text{B3})$$

The pair (X, d) is called a B -metric space.

DEFINITION 1.3. [13] Let (X, S) be an S -metric space. For $r > 0$ and $x \in X$,

we define the open ball $B_S(x, r)$ and the closed ball $B_S[x, r]$ with center x and radius r as follows

$$B_S(x, r) = \{y \in X : S(y, y, x) < r\},$$

$$B_S[x, r] = \{y \in X : S(y, y, x) \leq r\}.$$

The topology induced by the S -metric is the topology generated by the base of all open balls in X .

DEFINITION 1.4. [13] Let (X, S) be an S -metric space.

(1) A sequence $\{x_n\} \subset X$ converges to $x \in X$ if $S(x_n, x_n, x) \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

That is, for each $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ such that for all $n \geq n_0$ we have $S(x_n, x_n, x) < \varepsilon$. We write $x_n \rightarrow x$ for brevity.

(2) A sequence $\{x_n\} \subset X$ is a Cauchy sequence if $S(x_n, x_n, x_m) \rightarrow 0$ as $n, m \rightarrow \infty$. That is, for each $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ such that for all $n, m \geq n_0$ we have

$$S(x_n, x_n, x_m) < \varepsilon.$$

(3) The S -metric space (X, S) is complete if every Cauchy sequence is a convergent

sequence.

LEMMA 1.5. [13, Lemma 2.5] In an S -metric space, we have

$$S(x, x, y) = S(y, y, x)$$

for all $x, y \in X$.

LEMMA 1.6. [13, Lemma 2.12] Let (X, S) be an S -metric space. If $x_n \rightarrow x$

$$\text{and } y_n \rightarrow y \text{ then } S(x_n, x_n, y_n) \rightarrow S(x, x, y).$$

As a special case of [13, Examples in page 260] we have the following EXAMPLE 1.7. Let \mathbb{R} be the real line. Then

$$S(x, y, z) = |x - z| + |y - z|$$

for all $x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}$ is an S -metric on \mathbb{R} . This S -metric on \mathbb{R} is called the usual

S - metric on \mathbb{R} .

2 . Main results

First , we prove some properties of *S* - metric spaces .

PROPOSITION 2 . 1 . *Let (X, S) be an *S* - metric space and let*

$$d(x, y) = S(x, x, y)$$

for all $x, y \in X$. Then we have

- (1) d is a B - metric on X ; (2) $x_n \rightarrow x$ in (X, S) if and only if $x_n \rightarrow x$ in (X, d) ;
 (3) $\{x_n\}$ is a Cauchy s equence in (X, S) if and only if $\{x_n\}$ is a Cauchy s equence

in (X, d) .

Proof . For the statement (1) , conditions (B 1) and (B 2) are easy to check .
 It follows from (S 2) and Lemma 1 . 5 that

$$\begin{aligned} d(x, z) &= S(x, x, z) \leq S(x, x, y) + S(x, x, y) + S(z, z, y) \\ &= 2S(x, x, y) + S(y, y, z) = 2d(x, y) + d(y, z) \\ d(x, z) &= S(z, z, x) \leq S(z, z, y) + S(z, z, y) + S(x, x, y) \\ &= 2S(z, z, y) + S(x, x, y) = 2d(y, z) + d(x, y). \end{aligned}$$

It follows that $d(x, z) \leq 3/2[d(x, y) + d(y, z)]$. Then d is a B - metric with $b = 3/2$.

Statements (2) and (3) are easy to check .

The following property is trivial and we omit the proof .

PROPOSITION 2 . 2 . Let (X, S) be an S - metric space . Then we have (1) X is first - countable ; (2) X is regular .

REMARK 2 . 3 . By Propositions 2 . 1 and 2 . 2 we have that every S - metric space

is topologically equivalent to a B - metric space .

COROLLARY 2 . 4 . Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be a map from an S - metric space X to an

S - metric space Y . Then f is continuous at $x \in X$ if and only if $f(x_n) \rightarrow f(x)$

whenever $x_n \rightarrow x$.

Now , we introduce an implicit relation to investigate some fixed point theorems on S - metric spaces . Let \mathcal{M} be the family of all continuous functions of five variables

$M : \mathbb{R}_+^5 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$. For some $k \in [0, 1)$, we consider the following conditions . (C 1) For all $x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}_+$, if $y \leq M(x, x, 0, z, y)$ with $z \leq 2x + y$, then $y \leq kx$.

(C 2) For all $y \in \mathbb{R}_+$, if $y \leq M(y, 0, y, y, 0)$, then $y = 0$.

(C 3) If $x_i \leq yi + z_i$ for all $x_i, yi, z_i \in \mathbb{R}_+, i \leq 5$, then

$$M(x_1, \dots, x_5) \leq M(y_1, \dots, y_5) + M(z_1, \dots, z_5).$$

Moreover , for all $y \in X, M(0, 0, 0, y, 2y) \leq ky$.

REMARK 2 . 5 . Note that the coefficient k in conditions (C 1) and (C 3) may be

different , for example , k_1 and k_3 respectively . But we may assume that they are equal by putting $k = \max \{k_1, k_3\}$.

A general fixed point theorem for S - metric spaces is as follows .

THEOREM 2 . 6 . Let T be a self - map on a complete S - metric space (X, S) and

$$\begin{aligned} S(Tx, Tx, Ty) &\leq M(S(x, x, y), S(Tx, Tx, x), S(Tx, Tx, y), \\ &S(Ty, Ty, x), S(Ty, Ty, y)) \end{aligned} \tag{2.1}$$

for all $x, y, z \in X$ and some $M \in \mathcal{M}$. Then we have

116 Sh . Sedghi , N . V . Dung (1) If M satisfies the condition (C 1) , then T has a fixed point . Moreover , for any

$x_0 \in X$ and the fixed point x , we have

$$S(Tx_n, Tx_n, x) \leq 1^{2k_n} k^{S(x_0, x_0, Tx_0)}.$$

(2) If M satisfies the condition (C 2) and T has a fixed point , then the fixed point is unique .

(3) If M satisfies the condition (C 3) and T has a fixed point x , then T is continuous

at x .

Proof . (1) For each $x_0 \in X$ and $n \in \mathbb{N}$, put $x_{n+1} = Tx_n$. It follows from (2 . 1)

and Lemma 1 . 5 that

$$\begin{aligned} S(x_{n+1}, x_{n+1}, x_{n+2}) &= S(Tx_n, Tx_n, Tx_{n+1}) \\ &\leq M(S(x_n, x_n, x_{n+1}), S(x_{n+1}, x_{n+1}, x_n), S(x_{n+1}, x_{n+1}, x_{n+1}), \\ &\quad S(x_{n+2}, x_{n+2}, x_n), S(x_{n+2}, x_{n+2}, x_{n+1})) \\ &= M(S(x_n, x_n, x_{n+1}), S(x_n, x_n, x_{n+1}), 0, \\ &\quad S(x_n, x_n, x_{n+2}), S(x_{n+1}, x_{n+1}, x_{n+2})). \end{aligned}$$

By (S 2) and Lemma 1 . 5 we have

$$\begin{aligned} S(x_n, x_n, x_{n+2}) &\leq 2S(x_n, x_n, x_{n+1}) + S(x_{n+2}, x_{n+2}, x_{n+1}) \\ &= 2S(x_n, x_n, x_{n+1}) + S(x_{n+1}, x_{n+1}, x_{n+2}). \end{aligned}$$

Since M satisfies the condition (C 1) , there exists $k \in [0, 1)$ such that

$$S(x_{n+1}, x_{n+1}, x_{n+2}) \leq kS(x_n, x_n, x_{n+1}) \leq k^{n+1}S(x_0, x_0, x_1). \quad (2.2)$$

Thus for all $n < m$, by using (S 2) , Lemma 1 . 5 and (2 . 2) , we have

$$\begin{aligned} S(x_n, x_n, x_m) &\leq 2S(x_n, x_n, x_{n+1}) + S(x_m, x_m, x_{n+1}) \\ &= 2S(x_n, x_n, x_{n+1}) + S(x_{n+1}, x_{n+1}, x_m) \\ &\quad \dots \\ &\leq 2[k^n + \dots + k^{m-1}]S(x_0, x_0, x_1) \\ &\leq 1^{2k_n} k^{S(x_0, x_0, x_1)}. \end{aligned}$$

Taking the limit as $n, m \rightarrow \infty$ we get $S(x_n, x_n, x_m) \rightarrow 0$. This proves that $\{x_n\}$ is a Cauchy sequence in the complete S - metric space (X, S) . Then $x_n \rightarrow x \in X$. Moreover , taking the limit as $m \rightarrow \infty$ we get

$$S(x_n, x_n, x) \leq 2_1 k_{-}^{n+1} k S(x_0, x_0, x_1).$$

It implies that

$$S(Tx_n, Tx_n, x) \leq 1^{2k_n} k^{S(x_0, x_0, Tx_0)}.$$

Fixed point theorems on S - metric spaces 1 1 7 Now we prove that x is a fixed point of T . By using (2 . 1) again we get

$$\begin{aligned} S(x_{n+1}, x_{n+1}, Tx) &= S(Tx_n, Tx_n, Tx) \\ &\leq M(S(x_n, x_n, x), S(Tx_n, Tx_n, x), S(Tx_n, Tx_n, x_n), \\ &\quad S(Tx, Tx, x_n), S(Tx, Tx, x)) \\ &= M(S(x_n, x_n, x), S(x_{n+1}, x_{n+1}, x), S(x_{n+1}, x_{n+1}, x_n), \\ &\quad S(Tx, Tx, x_n), S(Tx, Tx, x)). \end{aligned}$$

Note that $M \in \mathcal{M}$, then using Lemma 1 . 6 and taking the limit as $n \rightarrow \infty$ we obtain

$$S(x, x, Tx) \leq M(0, 0, 0, S(Tx, Tx, x), S(Tx, Tx, x)).$$

Then , from Lemma 1 . 5 , we obtain

$$S(x, x, Tx) \leq M(0, 0, 0, S(x, x, Tx), S(x, x, Tx)).$$

Since M satisfies the condition (C 1) , then $S(x, x, Tx) \leq k \cdot 0 = 0$. This proves that

$$x = Tx.$$

(2) Let x, y be fixed points of T . We shall prove that $x = y$. It follows from (2 . 1) and Lemma 1 . 5 that

$$\begin{aligned} S(x, x, y) &= S(Tx, Tx, Ty) \\ &\leq M(S(x, x, y), S(Tx, Tx, x), S(Tx, Tx, y), S(Ty, Ty, x), S(Ty, Ty, y)) \\ &= M(S(x, x, y), 0, S(x, x, y), S(y, y, x), 0) \\ &= M(S(x, x, y), 0, S(x, x, y), S(x, x, y), 0). \end{aligned}$$

Since M satisfies the condition ((C 2) , then $S(x, x, y) = 0$. This proves that $x = y$. (3) Let x be the fixed point of T and $yn \rightarrow x \in X$. By Corollary 2 . 4 , we need to prove that $Ty_n \rightarrow Tx$. It follows from (2 . 1) that

$$\begin{aligned} S(x, x, Ty_n) &= S(Tx, Tx, Ty_n) \\ &\leq M(S(x, x, yn), S(Tx, Tx, x), S(Tx, Tx, yn), \\ &\quad S(Ty_n, Ty_n, x), S(Ty_n, Ty_n, yn)) \\ &= M(S(x, x, yn), 0, S(x, x, yn), S(Ty_n, Ty_n, x), S(Ty_n, Ty_n, yn)). \end{aligned}$$

Since M satisfies the condition (C 3) and by (S 2)

$$S(Ty_n, Ty_n, yn) \leq 2S(Ty_n, Ty_n, x) + S(yn, yn, x)$$

then we have

$$\begin{aligned} S(x, x, Ty_n) &\leq M(S(x, x, yn), 0, S(x, x, yn), 0, S(x, x, yn)) \\ &\quad + M(0, 0, 0, S(Ty_n, Ty_n, x), 2.S(Ty_n, Ty_n, x)) \\ &\leq M(S(x, x, yn), 0, S(x, x, yn), 0, S(x, x, yn)) + kS(Ty_n, Ty_n, x). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$S(x, x, Ty_n) \leq 11_k M(S(x, x, yn), 0, S(x, x, yn), 0, S(x, x, yn)).$$

118 Sh. Sedghi, N. V. Dung Note that $M \in \mathcal{M}$, hence taking the limit as $n \rightarrow \infty$ we get $S(x, x, Ty_n) \rightarrow 0$. This

$$\text{provesthat } Ty_n \rightarrow x = Tx.$$

Next, we give some analogues of fixed point theorems in metric spaces for S - metric spaces by combining Theorem 2, 6 with examples of $M \in \mathcal{M}$ and M satisfies conditions (C 1), (C 2) and (C 3). The following corollary is an analogue of Banach's contraction principle.

COROLLARY 2.7. [13, Theorem 3.1] Let T be a self - map on a complete S - metric

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{space } (X, S) \text{ and} \\ & S(Tx, Tx, Ty) \leq LS(x, x, y) \end{aligned}$$

for some $L \in [0, 1)$ and all $x, y \in X$. Then T has a unique fixed point in X .

Moreover, T is continuous at the fixed point.

Proof. The assertion follows using Theorem 2.6 with $M(x, y, z, s, t) = Lx$ for some $L \in [0, 1)$ and all $x, y, z, s, t \in \mathbb{R}_+$.

The following corollary is an analogue of R. Kannan's result in [8].

COROLLARY 2.8. Let T be a self - map on a complete S - metric space (X, S) and

$$S(Tx, Tx, Ty) \leq a(S(Tx, Tx, x) + S(Ty, Ty, y))$$

for some $a \in [0, 1/2)$ and all $x, y \in X$. Then T has a unique fixed point in X . Moreover, T is continuous at the fixed point.

Proof. The assertion follows using Theorem 2.6 with $M(x, y, z, s, t) = a(y + t)$ for some $a \in [0, 1/2)$ and all $x, y, z, s, t \in \mathbb{R}_+$. Indeed, M is continuous. First, we have $M(x, x, 0, z, y) = a(x + y)$. So, if $y \leq M(x, x, 0, z, y)$ with $z \leq 2x + y$, then $y \leq a/(1 - a)$, x with $a/(1 - a) < 1$. Therefore, T satisfies the condition (C 1).

Next, if $y \leq M(y, 0, y, y, 0) = 0$, then $y = 0$. Therefore, T satisfies the condition (C 2).

Finally, if $x_i \leq y_i + z_i$ for $i \leq 5$, then

$$\begin{aligned} M(x_1, \dots, x_5) &= a(x_2 + x_5) \leq a[(y_2 + z_2) + (y_5 + z_5)] \\ &= a(y_2 + z_2) + a(y_5 + z_5) = M(y_1, \dots, y_5) + M(z_1, \dots, z_5). \end{aligned}$$

Moreover

$$M(0, 0, 0, y, 2y) = a(0 + 2y) = 2ay$$

where $2a < 1$. Therefore, T satisfies the condition (C 3).

EXAMPLE 2.9. Let \mathbb{R} be the usual S - metric space as in Example 1.7 and let

$$Tx = \begin{cases} 1^{1/4} & \text{if } x \in [0, 1) \\ 1 & \text{if } x = 1 \end{cases}$$

Then T is a self - map on a complete S - metric space $[0, 1] \subset \mathbb{R}$. For all $x \in (3/4, 1)$ we have

$$S(Tx, Tx, T1) = S(1/2, 1/2, 1/4) = |1/2 - 1/4| + |1/2 - 1/4| = 1/2$$

$$S(x, x, 1) = |x - 1| + |x - 1| = 2|x - 1| < 1/2.$$

Fixed point theorems on S - metric spaces 119 Then T does not satisfy the condition of Corollary 2.7. We also have

$$S(Tx, Tx, x) = \{3^{2|1/2} - x \mid \text{if } x \in [0, 1]\}$$

It implies that

$$\begin{aligned} & 5/12((S(Tx, Tx, x) + S(Ty, Ty, y))) \\ & = \{5^{5/6}(|1/2 - x| + |1/2 - y|) \mid \text{if } x, y \in [0, 1]\} = 1. \end{aligned}$$

Then we get $S(Tx, Tx, Ty) \leq 5/12((S(Tx, Tx, x) + S(Ty, Ty, y)))$. Therefore, T satisfies the condition of Corollary 2.8. It is clear that $x = 1/2$ is the unique fixed point of T .

The following corollary is an analogue of R. M. T. Bianchini's result in [3].

COROLLARY 2.10. Let T be a self-map on a complete S - metric space (X, S) and

$$S(Tx, Tx, Ty) \leq h \max\{S(Tx, Tx, x), S(Ty, Ty, y)\}$$

for some $h \in [0, 1)$ and all $x, y \in X$. Then T has a unique fixed point in X . Moreover, if $h \in [0, 1/2)$, then T is continuous at the fixed point.

Proof. The assertion follows using Theorem 2.6 with $M(x, y, z, s, t) = h \max\{y, t\}$ for some $h \in [0, 1)$ and all $x, y, z, s, t \in \mathbb{R}_+$. Indeed, M is continuous. First, we have $M(x, x, 0, z, y) = h \max\{x, y\}$. So, if $y \leq M(x, x, 0, z, y)$ with $z \leq 2x + y$, then $y \leq hx$ or $y \leq hy$. Therefore, $y \leq hx$. Therefore, T satisfies the condition (C1).

Next, if $y \leq M(y, 0, y, y, 0) = h \max\{y, 0\} = hy$, then $y = 0$ since $h < 1/2$. Therefore, T satisfies the condition (C2).

Finally, if $x_i \leq yi + zi$ for $i \leq 5$, then

$$\begin{aligned} M(x_1, \dots, x_5) &= h \max\{x_2, x_5\} \leq h \max\{y_2 + z_2, y_5 + z_5\} \\ &\leq h \max\{y_2, y_5\} + h \max\{z_2, z_5\} = M(y_1, \dots, y_5) + M(z_1, \dots, z_5). \end{aligned}$$

Moreover, if $h \in [0, 1/2)$, then $2h < 1$ and $M(0, 0, 0, y, 2y) = h \max\{0, 2y\} = 2hy$ where $2h < 1$. Therefore, T satisfies the condition (C3).

EXAMPLE 2.11. Let \mathbb{R} be the usual S - metric space as in Example 1.7 and let $Tx = x/3$ for all $x \in [0, 1]$. We have

$$\begin{aligned} S(Tx, Tx, Ty) &= S(x/3, x/3, y/3) = |x/3 - y/3| + |x/3 - y/3| = 2/3 |x - y| \\ S(Tx, Tx, x) &= S(x/3, x/3, x) = |x/3 - x| + |x/3 - x| = 4/3 |x| \\ S(Ty, Ty, y) &= S(y/3, y/3, y) = |y/3 - y| + |y/3 - y| = 4/3 |y| \\ S(Tx, Tx, x) + S(Ty, Ty, y) &= 4/3(|x| + |y|) \\ \max\{S(Tx, Tx, x), S(Ty, Ty, y)\} &= 4/3 \max\{|x|, |y|\}. \end{aligned}$$

It implies that $S(T1, T1, T0) = 2/3$, $S(T1, T1, 1) + S(T0, T0, 0) = 4/3$. This proves that T does not satisfy the condition of Corollary 2.8. We also have that T satisfies the condition of Corollary 2.10 with $h = 3/4$ and T has a unique fixed point $x = 0$.

The following corollary is an analogue of S . Reich ' s result in [12] .

COROLLARY 2 . 12 . *Let T be a self - map on a complete S - metric space (X, S) and*

$$S(Tx, Tx, Ty) \leq aS(x, x, y) + bS(Tx, Tx, x) + cS(Ty, Ty, y)$$

for some $a, b, c \geq 0, a + b + c < 1$, and all $x, y \in X$. Then T has a unique fixed point in X . Moreover, if $c < 1/2$, then T is continuous at the fixed point.

Proof . The assertion follows using Theorem 2 . 6 with $M(x, y, z, s, t) = ax + by + ct$ for some $a, b, c \geq 0, a + b + c < 1$ and all $x, y, z, s, t \in \mathbb{R}_+$. Indeed, M is continuous . First, we have $M(x, x, 0, z, y) = ax + bx + cy$. So, if $y \leq M(x, x, 0, z, y)$ with $z \leq 2x + y$, then $y \leq (a + b)/(1 - c)x$ with $(a + b)/(1 - c) < 1$. Therefore, T satisfies the condition (C 1) .

Next, if $y \leq M(y, 0, y, y, 0) = ay$, then $y = 0$ since $a < 1$. Therefore, T satisfies the condition (C 2) .

Finally, if $x_i \leq y_i + z_i$ for $i \leq 5$, then

$$\begin{aligned} M(x_1, \dots, x_5) &= ax_1 + bx_2 + cx_5 \\ &\leq a(y_1 + z_1) + b(y_2 + z_2) + c(y_5 + z_5) \\ &= (ay_1 + by_2 + cy_5) + (az_1 + bz_2 + cz_5) \\ &= M(y_1, \dots, y_5) + M(z_1, \dots, z_5). \end{aligned}$$

Moreover $M(0, 0, 0, y, 2y) = 2cy$ where $2c < 1$. Therefore, T satisfies the condition (C 3) .

EXAMPLE 2 . 13 . Let \mathbb{R} be the usual S - metric space as in Example 1 . 7 and let $Tx = x/2$ for all $x \in [0, 1]$. We have

$$\begin{aligned} S(Tx, Tx, Ty) &= |x/2 - y/2| + |x/2 - y/2| = |x - y| \\ S(x, x, y) &= |x - y| + |x - y| = 2|x - y| \\ S(Tx, Tx, x) &= |x/2 - x| + |x/2 - x| = |x|. \end{aligned}$$

Then $S(Tx, Tx, T0) = |x|$, $\max \{S(Tx, Tx, x), S(T0, T0, 0)\} = |x|$. This proves that T does not satisfy the condition of Corollary 2 . 10 . We also have

$$S(Tx, Tx, Ty) \leq 1/2S(x, x, y) + 1/3S(Tx, Tx, x) + 1/3S(Ty, Ty, y).$$

Then T satisfy the condition of Corollary 2 . 12 . It is clear that T has a unique fixed point $x = 0$.

The following corollary is an analogue of S . K . Chatterjee ' s result in [4] .

COROLLARY 2 . 14 . *Let T be a self - map on a complete S - metric space (X, S) and*

$$S(Tx, Tx, Ty) \leq h \max \{S(Tx, Tx, y), S(Ty, Ty, x)\}$$

for some $h \in [0, 1/3)$ and all $x, y \in X$. Then T has a unique fixed point in X . Moreover, T is continuous at the fixed point .

Proof . The assertion follows using Theorem 2.6 with $M(x, y, z, s, t) = h \max \{z, s\}$ for some $h \in [0, 1/3)$ and all $x, y, z, s, t \in \mathbb{R}_+$. Indeed, M is continuous. First, we have $M(x, x, 0, z, y) = h \max \{0, z\}$. So, if $y \leq M(x, x, 0, z, y)$ with $z \leq 2x + y$, then $y \leq 2hx + hy$. So $y \leq 2h/(1 - h)x$ with $2h/(1 - h) < 1$. Therefore, T satisfies the condition (C1).

Next, if $y \leq M(y, 0, y, y, 0) = hy$, then $y = 0$ since $h < 1/3$. Therefore, T satisfies the condition (C2).

Finally, if $x_i \leq yi + z_i$ for $i \leq 5$, then

$$M(x_1, \dots, x_5) = h \max \{x_3, x_4\} \leq h \max \{y_3 + z_3, y_4 + z_4\} \\ \leq h \max \{y_3, y_4\} + h \max \{z_3, z_4\} = M(y_1, \dots, y_5) + M(z_1, \dots, z_5).$$

Moreover

$$M(0, 0, 0, y, 2y) = h \max \{0, y\} = hy$$

where $h < 1$. Therefore, T satisfies the condition (C3).

COROLLARY 2.15. Let T be a self-map on a complete S - metric space (X, S) and

$$S(Tx, Tx, Ty) \leq a.(S(Tx, Tx, y) + S(Ty, Ty, x))$$

for some $a \in [0, 1/3)$ and all $x, y \in X$. Then T has a unique fixed point in X . Moreover, T is continuous at the fixed point.

Proof . The assertion follows using Theorem 2.6 with $M(x, y, z, s, t) = a(z + s)$ for some $a \in [0, 1/3)$ and all $x, y, z, s, t \in \mathbb{R}_+$. Indeed, M is continuous. First, we have $M(x, x, 0, z, y) = a(0 + z) = az$. So, if $y \leq M(x, x, 0, z, y)$ with $z \leq 2x + y$, then $y \leq 2ax + ay$. So $y \leq 2a/(1 - a)x$ with $2a/(1 - a) < 1$. Therefore, T satisfies the condition (C1).

Next, if $y \leq M(y, 0, y, y, 0) = a(y + y) = 2ay$ then $y = 0$ since $2a < 2/3$. Therefore, T satisfies the condition (C2).

Finally, if $x_i \leq yi + z_i$ for $i \leq 5$, then

$$M(x_1, \dots, x_5) = a(x_3 + x_4) \leq a(y_3 + z_3 + y_4 + z_4) \\ = a(y_3 + y_4) + a(z_3 + z_4) = M(y_1, \dots, y_5) + M(z_1, \dots, z_5).$$

Moreover $M(0, 0, 0, y, 2y) = a(0 + y) = ay$ where $a < 1$. Therefore, T satisfies the condition (C3).

EXAMPLE 2.16. Let \mathbb{R} be the usual S - metric space as in Example 1.7 and let $Tx = x/3$ for all $x \in [0, 1]$. Then we have $S(Tx, Tx, Ty) = 2 |x/3 - y/3| = 2/3 |x - y|$, $S(Tx, Tx, y) = 2 |x/3 - y|$, $S(Ty, Ty, x) = 2 |y/3 - x|$. It implies that $S(T1, T1, T0) = 2/3$, $S(T1, T1, 0) = 2/3$, $S(T0, T0, 1) = 2$. This proves that T does not satisfy the condition of Corollary 2.14. We also have

$$S(Tx, Tx, y) + S(Ty, Ty, x) = 2 |x/3 - y| + 2 |y/3 - x| \geq 8/3 |x - y|.$$

Therefore, T satisfies the condition of Corollary 2.15. It is clear that T has a unique fixed point $x = 0$.

COROLLARY 2 . 17 . Let T be a self - map on a complete S - metric space (X, S) and

$$S(Tx, Tx, Ty) \leq aS(x, x, y) + bS(Tx, Tx, y) + cS(Ty, Ty, x)$$

for some $a, b, c \geq 0, a + b + c < 1, a + 3c < 1$ and all $x, y \in X$. Then T has a unique fixed point in X . Moreover, T is continuous at the fixed point.

Proof . The assertion follows using Theorem 2 . 6 with $M(x, y, z, s, t) = ax + bz + cs$ for some $a, b, c \geq 0, a + b + c < 1, a + 3c < 1$ and all $x, y, z, s, t \in \mathbb{R}_+$. Indeed, M is continuous. First, we have $M(x, x, 0, z, y) = ax + cz$. So, if $y \leq M(x, x, 0, z, y)$ with $z \leq 2x + y$, then $y \leq ax + 2cx + cy$. So $y \leq (a + 2c)/(1 - c)x$ with $(a + 2c)/(1 - c) < 1$. Therefore, T satisfies the condition (C1).

Next, if $y \leq M(y, 0, y, y, 0) = ay + by + cy = (a + b + c)y$ then $y = 0$ since $a + b + c < 1$. Therefore, T satisfies the condition (C2).

Finally, if $x_i \leq y_i + z_i$ for $i \leq 5$, then

$$\begin{aligned} M(x_1, \dots, x_5) &= ax_1 + bx_3 + cx_4 \leq a(y_1 + z_1) + b(y_3 + z_3) + c(y_4 + z_4) \\ &= (ay_1 + by_3 + cy_4) + (az_1 + bz_3 + cz_4) \\ &= M(y_1, \dots, y_5) + M(z_1, \dots, z_5). \end{aligned}$$

Moreover $M(0, 0, 0, y, 2y) = cy$ where $c < 1$. Therefore, T satisfies the condition (C3).

EXAMPLE 2 . 18 . Let \mathbb{R} be the usual S - metric space as in Example 1 . 7 and let $Tx = 3/4(1-x)$ for all $x \in [0, 1]$. Then we have $S(Tx, Tx, Ty) = 3/2 |x - y|, S(Tx, Tx, y) = 2 |3/4(1-x) - y|$. It implies that $S(T1, T1, T0) = 3/2, \max \{S(T1, T1, 0), S(T0, T0, 1)\} = \max \{0, 1/2\} = 1/2$. This proves that T does not satisfy the condition of Corollary 2 . 14 . We also have

$$4/5S(x, x, y) + 0 \cdot S(Tx, Tx, y) + 0 \cdot S(Ty, Ty, x) = (8/5) |x - y| \geq S(Tx, Tx, Ty).$$

Therefore, T satisfies the condition of Corollary 2 . 17 . It is clear that T has a unique fixed point $x = 3/7$.

The following corollary is an analogue of G . E . Hardy and T . D . Rogers ' result in [6].

COROLLARY 2 . 19 . Let T be a self - map on a complete S - metric space (X, S) and

$$\begin{aligned} S(Tx, Tx, Ty) &\leq a_1S(x, x, y) + a_2S(Tx, Tx, x) + a_3S(Tx, Tx, y) \\ &\quad + a_4S(Ty, Ty, x) + a_5S(Ty, Ty, y) \end{aligned}$$

for some $a_1, \dots, a_5 \geq 0$ such that $\max \{a_1 + a_2 + 3a_4 + a_5, a_1 + a_3 + a_4, a_4 + 2a_5\} < 1$ and all $x, y \in X$. Then T has a unique fixed point in X . Moreover, T is continuous at the fixed point.

Proof . The assertion follows using Theorem 2 . 6 with $M(x, y, z, s, t) = a_1x + a_2y + a_3z + a_4s + a_5t$ for some $a_1, \dots, a_5 \geq 0$ such that $\max \{a_1 + a_2 + 3a_4 + a_5, a_1 + a_3 + a_4, a_4 + 2a_5\} < 1$ and all $x, y, z, s, t \in \mathbb{R}_+$. Indeed, M is continuous. First,

Fixed point theorems on S -metric spaces 123 we have $M(x, x, 0, z, y) = a_1x + a_2x + a_4z + a_5y$. So, if $y \leq M(x, x, 0, z, y)$ with

$$z \leq 2x + y, \text{ then}$$

$$y \leq a_1x + a_2x + a_4z + a_5y \leq a_1x + a_2x + a_4(2x + y) + a_5y.$$

$$\text{Then } y \leq (a_1 + a_2 + 2a_4)/(1 - a_4 - a_5)x \text{ with } (a_1 + a_2 + 2a_4)/(1 - a_4 - a_5) < 1.$$

Therefore, T satisfies the condition (C1).

Next, if $y \leq M(y, 0, y, y, 0) = a_1y + a_3y + a_4y = (a_1 + a_3 + a_4)y$ then $y = 0$ since $a_1 + a_3 + a_4 < 1$. Therefore, T satisfies the condition (C2).

Finally, if $x_i \leq y_i + z_i$ for $i \leq 5$, then

$$\begin{aligned} M(x_1, \dots, x_5) &= a_1x_1 + \dots + a_5x_5 \\ &\leq a_1(y_1 + z_1) + \dots + a_5(y_5 + z_5) \\ &= (a_1y_1 + \dots + a_5y_5) + (a_1z_1 + \dots + a_5z_5) \\ &= M(y_1, \dots, y_5) + M(z_1, \dots, z_5). \end{aligned}$$

Moreover $M(0, 0, 0, y, 2y) = a_4y + 2a_5y = (a_4 + 2a_5)y$ where $a_4 + 2a_5 < 1$. Therefore, T satisfies the condition (C3).

EXAMPLE 2.20. Let T be the map in Example 2.16. Then we have

$$S(T1, T1, T1/2) = 1,$$

$$aS(1, 1, 1/2) + bS(T1, T1, 1/2) + cS(T1/2, T1/2, 1) = a + 2c.$$

This proves that T does not satisfy the condition of Corollary 2.17. We also have

$$\begin{aligned} 0 \cdot S(x, x, y) + (3/4)S(Tx, Tx, x) + (3/4)S(Tx, Tx, y) + 0 \cdot S(Ty, Ty, x) + 0 \cdot S(Ty, Ty, y) \\ = (3/4)S(Tx, Tx, x) + (3/4)S(Tx, Tx, y) \geq S(Tx, Tx, Ty). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, T satisfies the condition of Corollary 2.19. It is clear that T has a unique fixed point $x = 0$.

The following corollary is an analogue of L. B. Ćirić's result in [5].

COROLLARY 2.21. Let T be a self-map on a complete S -metric space (X, S) and

$$\begin{aligned} S(Tx, Tx, Ty) \leq h \max\{S(x, x, y), S(Tx, Tx, x), S(Tx, Tx, y), \\ S(Ty, Ty, x), S(Ty, Ty, y)\} \end{aligned}$$

for some $h \in [0, 1/3)$ and all $x, y \in X$. Then T has a unique fixed point in X . Moreover, T is continuous at the fixed point.

Proof. The assertion follows using Theorem 2.6 with $M(x, y, z, s, t) = h \max\{x, y, z, s, t\}$ for some $h \in [0, 1/3)$ and all $x, y, z, s, t \in \mathbb{R}_+$. Indeed, M is continuous. First, we have $M(x, x, 0, z, y) = h \max\{x, x, 0, z, y\}$. So, if $y \leq M(x, x, 0, z, y)$ with $z \leq 2x + y$, then $y \leq hx$ or $y \leq hz \leq h(2x + y)$. Then $y \leq ky$ with $k = \max\{h, 2h/(1 - h)\} < 1$. Therefore, T satisfies the condition (C1).

Next, if $y \leq M(y, 0, y, y, 0) = h \cdot y$, then $y = 0$ since $h < 1/3$. Therefore, T satisfies the condition (C2).

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$$\begin{aligned} M(x_1, \dots, x_5) &= h \max\{x_1, \dots, x_5\} \leq h \max\{y_1 + z_1, \dots, y_5 + z_5\} \\ &\leq h \max\{y_1, \dots, y_5\} + h \max\{z_1, \dots, z_5\} \\ &= M(y_1, \dots, y_5) + M(z_1, \dots, z_5). \end{aligned}$$

Moreover $M(0, 0, 0, y, 2y) = 2hy$ where $2h < 1$. Therefore, T satisfies the condition (C3).

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