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MORE MAPS FOR WHICH $F(T) = F(T^n)$

Abstract. We continue our investigation of situations in which the fixed point sets for maps and their iterates are the same.

In a previous paper [21] we demonstrated a number of situations in which the fixed point set of a map is the same as the fixed point set of each iterate of the map. We also investigated the same phenomenon for pairs of maps, with respect to common fixed points. In this paper we continue that study.

In Section 1 we examine some contractive conditions involving pairs of commuting maps. In section 2 we examine some contractive conditions involving multivalued maps for which the δ -metric is used. In section 3 we examine some contractive conditions on 2-metric spaces.

Let $F(T)$ denote the fixed point set of a map T . As in [21] we shall say that a map T has property P if $F(T) = F(T^n)$ for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$. We shall say that a pair of maps S and T have property Q if $F(S) \cap F(T) = F(S^n) \cap F(T^n)$ for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$. If T_i is a collections of maps, then, if $\cap F(T_i) = \cap F(T_i^n)$ we shall say that this collection has property R .

An important consequence of this study is that none of these maps has any nontrivial periodic points.

1. Commuting maps

THEOREM 1.1. *Let f and g be commuting selfmaps of a complete metric space (X, d) , f continuous. Let $\Phi : \mathbb{R}_5^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$, Φ nondecreasing in each variable and $\phi(t) := \Phi(t, t, t, t, t)$, ϕ satisfying $\lim_n \phi^n(t) = 0$ for each $t > 0$,*

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and $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} (t - \phi(t)) = \infty$. If $gX \subset fX$ and f and g satisfy

$$d(gx, gy) \leq \Phi(d(fx, fy), d(fx, gx), d(fy, gy), \\ d(fx, gy), d(fy, gx)),$$

then f and g have property Q .

Proof. From Theorem 1 of [6] f and g have a unique common fixed point. The same conclusion, with Φ upper semicontinuous and satisfying $\Phi(t, t, t, t, t) < t$ for each $t > 0$, and g continuous, appears in [24].

Let $u \in F(f^n) \cap F(g^n)$. Then, for any positive integers i, ℓ, r, t satisfying $1 \leq i, \ell, r, t \leq n$,

$$(1.1) \quad d(g^i f^r u, g^\ell f^t u) \leq \Phi(d(fg^{i-1} f^r u, fg^{\ell-1} f^t u), \\ d(fg^{i-1} f^r u, g^i f^r u), d(fg^{\ell-1} f^t u, g^\ell f^t u), \\ d(fg^{i-1} f^r u, g^\ell f^t u), d(fg^{\ell-1} f^t u, g^i f^r u)) \\ \leq \Phi(t, t, t, t, t),$$

where

$$t := \max\{d(f^{r+1} g^{i-1} u, f^{t+1} g^{\ell-1} u), \\ d(f^{r+1} g^{i-1} u, f^r g^i u), d(f^{t+1} g^{\ell-1} u, f^t g^\ell u), \\ d(f^{r+1} g^{i-1} u, f^t g^\ell u), d(f^{t+1} g^{\ell-1} u, f^r g^i u)\}.$$

Define

$$\delta = \max_{0 \leq i, \ell, r, t \leq n} d(g^i f^r u, g^\ell f^t u).$$

Assuming that $\delta > 0$, it then follows from (1.1) that

$$\delta \leq \Phi(\delta, \delta, \delta, \delta, \delta) < \delta,$$

a contradiction. Therefore $\delta = 0$, which implies that

$$d(gu, u) = d(fu, u) = 0.$$

Hence $u = fu = gu$. ■

Special cases of Theorem 1.1 are the contractive conditions appearing in Theorem 2.1 of [3], [27], [26], [36], [43], [22], [30], [8], [16], and Theorem 3.1 of [34].

THEOREM 1.2. Let T, I, J be selfmaps of a complete metric space (X, d) with $TI = IT, TJ = JT$ and satisfying

$$(1.2) \quad d(Tx, Ty) \leq c \max\{d(Ix, Jy), d(Ix, Tx), d(Jy, Ty), \\ d(Ix, Ty), d(Jy, Tx)\}$$

for each $x, y \in X, 0 \leq c < 1$. If, for each $x \in X$ there exists a $y \in X$ such that $Tx = Iy = Jy$ and if one of the maps T, I, J is continuous, then T, I , and J have property R .

Proof. From Theorem 1 of [11] T, I , and J have a unique common fixed point. Let $u \in F(T^n) \cap F(I^n) \cap F(J^n)$. The proof is completed by using the technique of Theorem 1.1. ■

Special cases of Theorem 1.2 are Theorem 2 of [13], [40], [33], [29], Theorem 2 of [49], Theorem 2 of [1], Theorem 1 of [17], and Theorem 1 of [50].

PROPOSITION 1.1. Let P, Q, S, T be selfmaps of a complete metric space (X, d) with $PS = SP, PT = TP, QS = SQ, QT = TQ, ST = TS$ satisfying

$$(1.3) \quad d(Px, Qy) \leq \phi(d(Sx, Ty), d(Sx, Qy), d(Px, Ty), \\ d(Px, Sx), d(Ty, Qy))$$

for all $x, y \in X$, where $\phi : \mathbb{R}_+^5 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$ is upper semicontinuous and nondecreasing in each coordinate variable and such that $\phi(t, t, t, t, t) < t$ for each $t > 0$. If S and T are continuous and there exists a sequence $\{x_n\} \subset X$, defined by $PTx_{2n} = TSx_{2n+1}, Qx_{2n+1} = TSx_{2n+2}$ such that $\sup\{d(TSx_i, TSx_j)\} < \infty$, then P, Q, S , and T have property R .

Proof. From Theorem 1 of [45] P, Q, S , and T have a unique common fixed point. Let $u \in F(P^n) \cap F(Q^n) \cap F(S^n) \cap F(T^n)$. Use the technique of Theorem 1.1 with

$$\delta := \max_{0 \leq i, j, k, \ell \leq n} d(R^i S^j u, Q^k T^\ell u). \quad \blacksquare$$

PROPOSITION 1.2. Let S, T, I, J be selfmaps of a complete metric space (X, d) satisfying $SI = IS, TJ = JT, SX \subset IX, TX \subset JX, I$ and J are continuous and satisfy

$$(1.4) \quad d(Sx, Ty) \leq c \max\{d(Ix, Jy), d(Ix, Ty), d(Sx, Jy)\}$$

for all $x, y \in X$, where $0 < c < 1$. then S, T, I , and J have property R .

Proof. From Theorem 1 of [10] S, T, I , and J have a unique common fixed point. Let $u \in F(S^n) \cap F(T^n) \cap F(I^n) \cap F(J^n)$. Use the technique of

Theorem 1.1 with

$$\delta := \max_{0 \leq i, j, k, \ell \leq n} d(S^i I^j u, T^k J^\ell u). \quad \blacksquare$$

2. Multivalued maps using the δ metric

Let A and B be arbitrary sets. Then the δ -metric for multivalued maps is defined by $\delta(A, B) = \sup_{a \in A, b \in B} d(a, b)$.

Let $B(X)$ denote the class of all nonempty bounded subsets of X .

PROPOSITION 2.1. *Let F be a selfmap of $B(X)$ satisfying*

$$(2.1) \quad \delta(Fx, Fy) \leq c \max\{\delta(x, Fx), \delta(y, Fy), \delta(x, Fy), \delta(y, Fx), d(x, y)\}$$

for all $x, y \in X, 0 \leq c < 1$. Then F has property P .

Proof. From [9] F has a unique fixed point z and $Fz = \{z\}$. Let $u \in F(F^n)$. Then use the standard technique with

$$\delta := \max_{0 \leq i, j \leq n} \delta(F^i u, F^j i). \quad \blacksquare$$

PROPOSITION 2.2. *Let $F, G : X \rightarrow BC(X)$ satisfying*

$$\delta(Fx, Gy) \leq c \max\{\delta(x, Gy), \delta(y, Fx), d(x, y)\}$$

for all $x, y \in X, 0 \leq c < 1$. Then F and G have property Q .

Proof. From Theorem 2 of [12] F and G have a unique common fixed point z and $Fz = Gz = \{z\}$. Let $u \in F(F^n) \cap F(G^n)$. Then use the standard technique with

$$\delta = \max_{0 \leq i, j \leq n} \delta(F^i u, G^j u). \quad \blacksquare$$

3. Maps on 2-metric spaces

A 2-metric space is a space X in which, for each triple of points a, b, c there exists a real valued nonnegative function satisfying:

- (1a) for each pair of points $a, b, a \neq b$ of X there exists a point $c \in X$ such that $d(a, b, c) \neq 0$,
- (1b) $d(a, b, c) = 0$ whenever at least two of the points are equal,
- (2) $d(a, b, c) = d(a, c, b) = d(b, c, a)$, and
- (3) $d(a, b, c) \leq d(a, b, d) + d(a, d, c) + d(d, b, c)$.

Further, it is assumed that d is continuous in each coordinate.

PROPOSITION 3.1. *Let X be a complete 2-metric space. f a selfmap of X satisfying: there exists a number $0 \leq h < 1$ such that, for each $x, y, a \in X$,*

$$d(fx, fy, a) \leq h \max\{d(x, y, a), d(x, fx, a), d(y, fy, a), \\ d(x, fy, a), d(y, fx, a)\}.$$

Then f has property P .

Proof. That f has a unique fixed point follows from Theorem 1 of [39].

Let $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and suppose that $u \in F(f^n)$. For any $a \in X$, any integers i, j satisfying $0 < i, j \leq n$,

$$(3.1) \quad d(f^i u, f^j u, a) \leq h \max\{d(f^{i-1} u, f^{j-1} u, a), d(f^{i-1} u, f^i u, a), \\ d(f^{j-1} u, f^j u, a), d(f^{i-1} u, f^j u, a), d(f^{j-1} u, f^i u, a)\} \\ \leq h\delta,$$

where

$$\delta := \max_{0 \leq i, j \leq n} d(f^i u, f^j u, a).$$

Since inequality (3.1) is true for each i and j satisfying $0 \leq i, j < n$, it follows that $\delta \leq h\delta$, which implies that $\delta = 0$. In particular, $d(u, fu, a) = 0$ for each $a \in X$, which implies, from (1b), that $u = fu$. ■

Theorem 1 of [25] has the same contractive condition as Proposition 3.1, so the map of that theorem also has property P .

Other contractive conditions on 2-metric spaces which satisfy property P are Theorem 1 of [41] and Theorem 1 of [42].

PROPOSITION 3.2. *Let S, T be selfmaps of a complete 2-metric space X such that there exist numbers $k, k' \geq 0$ with $0 < k + 2k' < 1$ satisfying*

$$(3.2) \quad d(Sx, Ty, a) \leq k \max\{d(x, y, a), d(x, Sx, a), d(y, Ty, a), \\ + k'[d(x, Ty, a) + d(y, Sx, a)]\}$$

for each $x, y \in X$. Then S and T have property Q .

Proof. From Theorem 1 of [43] S and T have a unique common fixed point. Let $u \in F(S^n) \cap F(T^n)$. Use the technique of Proposition 3.1 with

$$\delta = \max_{0 \leq i, j \leq n} d(S^i u, T^j u, a). \quad \blacksquare$$

Other maps satisfying 2-metric contractive conditions for which property Q is true are Theorem 3.1 of [47], [20], and Theorem 3.1 of [23].

PROPOSITION 3.3. *Let (X, d) be a complete 2-metric space, S, T selfmaps of X such that $S(X) \subset T(X)$ and $ST = TS$. If T is continuous and there exists an $h, 0 < h < 1$ such that*

$$d(Sx, Sy, a) \leq h \max\{d(Tx, Ty, a), d(Sx, Tx, a), d(Sy, Ty, a), \\ [d(Sx, Ty, a) + d(Sy, Tx, a)]/2\}$$

for each $x, y, a \in X$, then S and T have property Q .

Proof. From Theorem 1 of [19] S and T have a unique common fixed point.

Let $u \in F(S^n) \cap F(T^n)$, $0 \leq i, r, j, \ell \leq n$. Then

$$d(S^i T^j u, S^r T^\ell u) \leq h \max\{d(S^{i-1} T^{j+1} u, S^{r-1} T^{\ell+1} u, a), \\ d(S^i T^j u, S^{i-1} T^{j+1} u, a), d(S^r T^\ell u, S^{r-1} T^{\ell+1} u, a), \\ [d(S^i T^j u, S^{r-1} T^{\ell+1} u, a) + d(S^r T^\ell u, S^{i-1} T^j u, a)]/2\} \\ \leq h\delta,$$

where

$$\delta := \max_{0 \leq i, r, j, \ell \leq n} d(S^i T^j u, S^r T^\ell u, a),$$

since, if i or $\ell = n$, then $S^{i+1} = S$ and $T^{\ell+1} = T$.

We then have

$$d(S^i T^j u, S^r T^\ell u, a) \leq h\delta$$

for each $0 \leq i, j, r, \ell \leq n$, which implies that $\delta \leq h\delta$, and $\delta = 0$.

In particular, $d(u, Su, a) = 0$ and $d(u, Tu, a) = 0$ for each $a \in X$, and $u = Su = Tu$. ■

PROPOSITION 3.4. *Let S and T be continuous selfmaps of a complete 2-metric space, $A : X \rightarrow SX \cap TX$, A continuous, $AS = SA$, $AT = TA$, and satisfying*

$$(3.3) \quad d(Ax, Ay, a) \leq c \max\{d(Ax, Sx, a), d(Sx, Ty, a), d(Ay, Ty, a)\}$$

for all $x, y, a \in X$, $0 < c < 1$. Then A, S , and T satisfy property R .

Proof. From Theorem 2 of [15] A, S , and T have a unique common fixed point. Let $u \in F(A^n) \cap F(S^n) \cap F(T^n)$. Use the technique of Proposition 3.3 with

$$\delta := \max_{0 \leq i, j, k, \ell \leq n} d(A^i S^j u, A^k T^\ell u, a). \quad \blacksquare$$

PROPOSITION 3.5. *Let P, Q, T be selfmaps of a complete 2-metric space X , T continuous, $PT = TP$, $QT = TQ$, and $PX \cup QX \subset TX$. If there exists an*

$h, 0 < h < 1$ such that, for all $x, y, a \in X$,

$$(3.4) \quad d(Px, Qy, a) \leq h \max\{d(Tx, Ty, a), d(Px, Tx, a), d(Qy, Ty, a), \\ [d(Px, Ty, a) + d(Qy, Tx, a)]/2\}.$$

Then P, Q , and T have property R .

Proof. From Theorem 1 of [44] P, Q , and T have a unique common fixed point. Let $u \in F(P^n) \cap F(Q^n) \cap F(T^n)$. Use the technique of Proposition 3.3 with

$$\delta := \max_{0 \leq i, j, k, \ell \leq n} d(P^i T^j u, Q^k T^\ell u, a). \quad \blacksquare$$

PROPOSITION 3.6. Let P, Q, S, T be selfmaps of a complete 2-metric space with $PT = TP, PS = SP, QT = TQ, QS = SQ, TS = ST, S$ and T continuous, and satisfying

$$(3.5) \quad d(Px, Qy, a) \leq \phi(d(Sx, Ty, a), d(Px, Sx, a), \\ d(Qy, Ty, a), d(Px, Ty, a), d(Qy, Sx, a))$$

for all $x, y, a \in X$, where $\phi : \mathbb{R}_+^5 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$, ϕ upper semicontinuous and increasing in each coordinate, with $\phi(t, t, t, t, t) < t$ for each $t > 0$. If there exists a sequence $\{x_n\}$ such that $PTx_{2n} = STx_{2n+1}, Qx_{2n+1} = STx_{2n+2}$, and, for infinitely many n ,

$$\sup\{d(STx_i, STx_j, a) : i, j \geq n, a \in X, i, j \text{ not of the same parity}\} \\ = \sup\{d(STx_i, STx_j, a) : i, j \geq n, a \in X\},$$

then P, Q, S , and T have property R .

Proof. From Theorem 1 of [46] P, Q, S , and T have a unique common fixed point. Let $u \in F(P^n) \cap F(Q^n) \cap F(S^n) \cap F(T^n)$. Use the technique of Proposition 3.3 with

$$\delta := \max_{0 \leq i, j, k, \ell \leq n} d(P^i S^j u, Q^k T^\ell u, a). \quad \blacksquare$$

Dhage [4] introduced the notion of a D-metric space and claimed that D-metric convergence defines a Hausdorff topology and that the D-metric is (sequentially) continuous in all three variables. In two recent dissertations [37] and [32], examples are provided to show that : (1) in a D-metric space D-metric convergence need not always define a topology; (2) even when the D-metric convergence defines a topology it need not be Hausdorff; and (3) even when the D-metric convergence defines a metrizable topology the D-metric need not be continuous even in a single variable.

Consequently, there is no point in considering Properties P, Q , or R for maps defined on a D-metric space.

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