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COUPLED FIXED POINT THEOREMS IN COMPLEX VALUED G_b -METRIC SPACES

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Abstract. In this paper, we introduce the notion of coupled fixed point for a mapping in complex valued G_b metric space and prove some coupled fixed point theorems in this space and provide an example in support of our main theorem.

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1. Introduction

The concept of a metric space was introduced by Fréchet [16]. The first important result on fixed-point for contractive-type mappings was the well-known Banach fixed point theorem, published for the first time in 1922. After that many researchers proved the Banach fixed point theorem in a number of generalized metric spaces. Bakhtin [7] presented b -metric spaces as a generalization of metric spaces. In 2011, Azam et al. [4] introduced the notion of complex

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valued metric space which is a generalization of the classical metric space. Rao et al. [12] introduced the concept of complex valued b -metric space.

Mustafa and Sims [9] presented the notion of g -metric spaces, many researchers [1, 2, 3, 10, 11] obtained common fixed point results for G -metric spaces. The concept of G_b -metric space was given in [6].

E. Ozgur [15] presented the notion of complex valued G_b -metric space. In 2006, Bhaskar et al. [5] introduced the notion of coupled fixed point and proved some fixed point results in this context. Similarly, we introduced the notion of coupled fixed point for a mapping in complex valued G_b -metric spaces.

2. Preliminaries

In this section will recall some properties of G_b -metric spaces.

Definition 2.1 ([6]). Let X be a nonempty set and $s \geq 1$ be a given real number. Suppose that a mapping $G : X \times X \times X \rightarrow R^+$ satisfies:

$$(Gb_1) \quad G(x, y, z) = 0 \text{ if } x = y = z;$$

$$(Gb_2) \quad 0 < G(x, x, y) \text{ for all } x, y \in X \text{ with } x \neq y;$$

$$(Gb_3) \quad G(x, x, y) \leq G(x, y, z) \text{ for all } x, y, z \in X \text{ with } y \neq z;$$

$$(Gb_4) \quad G(x, y, z) = G(\rho\{x, y, z\}), \text{ where } \rho \text{ is a permutation of } x, y, z;$$

$$(Gb_5) \quad G(x, y, z) \leq s(G(x, a, a) + G(a, y, z)) \text{ for all } x, y, z, a \in X \text{ (rectangle inequality)}.$$

Then, G is called a generalized b -metric space and (X, G) is called a generalized b -metric or a G_b -metric space.

Note that each G_b -metric space is a G -metric space with $s = 1$.

Proposition 2.2 ([6]). Let X be a G_b -metric space. Then for each $x, y, z, a \in X$, it follows that:

$$(1) \text{ If } G(x, y, z) = 0 \text{ then } x = y = z;$$

$$(2) \quad G(x, y, z) \leq s(G(x, x, y) + G(x, x, z)),$$

$$(3) \quad G(x, y, y) \leq 2sG(y, x, x);$$

$$(4) \quad G(x, y, z) \leq s(G(x, a, z) + G(a, y, z)).$$

Let \mathbb{C} be the set of complex numbers and $z_1, z_2 \in \mathbb{C}$.

Define a partial order on \mathbb{C} as follows:

$z_1 \preceq z_2$ if and only if $\text{Re}(z_1) \leq \text{Re}(z_2)$ and $\text{Im}(z_1) \leq \text{Im}(z_2)$.

It follows that $z_1 \preceq z_2$ if one of the following condition is satisfied.

- (1) $\text{Re}(z_1) = \text{Re}(z_2), \text{Im}(z_1) < \text{Im}(z_2)$,
- (2) $\text{Re}(z_1) < \text{Re}(z_2), \text{Im}(z_1) = \text{Im}(z_2)$,
- (3) $\text{Re}(z_1) < \text{Re}(z_2), \text{Im}(z_1) < \text{Im}(z_2)$,
- (4) $\text{Re}(z_1) = \text{Re}(z_2), \text{Im}(z_1) = \text{Im}(z_2)$.

In particular, we will write $z_1 \succ z_2$ if $z_1 \neq z_2$ and one of (i), (ii) and (iii) is satisfied and we will write $z_1 \prec z_2$ iff (iii) is satisfied.

The followed statements hold:

- (i) If $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ with $a \leq b$, then $az \prec bz$, for all $z \in \mathbb{C}$.
- (ii) If $0 \preceq z_1 \preceq z_2$, then $|z_1| < |z_2|$.
- (iii) If $z_1 \preceq z_2, z_2 \prec z_3$, then $z_1 \prec z_3$.

Definition 2.3 ([15]). *Let X be a nonempty set and $s \geq 1$ be a given real number. Suppose that a mapping $G : X \times X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ satisfies:*

- (CG_b1) $G(x, y, z) = 0$ if $x = y = z$;
- (CG_b2) $0 \prec G(x, x, y)$ for all $x, y \in X$ with $x \neq y$;
- (CG_b3) $G(x, x, y) \preceq G(x, y, z)$ for all $x, y, z \in X$ with $y \neq z$;
- (CG_b4) $G(x, y, z) = G(\rho(x, y, z))$, where ρ is a permutation of x, y, z ;
- (CG_b5) $G(x, y, z) \preceq s(G(x, a, a) + G(a, y, z))$ for all $x, y, z, a \in X$ (rectangle inequality).

Then, G is called a complex valued G_b -metric and (X, G) is called a complex valued G_b -metric space.

Proposition 2.4 ([15]). *Let (X, G) be a complex valued G_b -metric space. Then for any $x, y, z \in X$,*

- $G(x, y, z) \preceq s(G(x, x, y) + G(x, x, z))$,
- $G(x, y, y) \preceq 2sG(y, x, y)$.

Definition 2.5 ([15]). *Let (X, G) be a complex valued G_b -metric space, let $\{x_n\}$ be a sequence in X .*

- (i) $\{x_n\}$ is complex valued G_b -convergent to x if for every $a \in \mathbb{C}$ with $0 \prec a$, there exists $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $G(x, x_n, x_m) \prec a$ for all $n, m \geq N$.
- (ii) A sequence $\{x_n\}$ is called complex valued G_b -Cauchy if for every $a \in \mathbb{C}$ with $0 \prec a$, there exists $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $G(x_n, x_m, x_\ell) \prec a$ for all $n, m, \ell \geq N$.
- (iii) If every complex valued G_b -Cauchy sequence is complex valued G_b -convergent in (X, G) , then (X, G) is said to be complex valued G_b -complete.

3. Main Results

Theorem 3.1. Let (X, G) be a complete complex valued G_b -metric space with coefficient $s > 1$ and $F : X \times X \rightarrow X$ be a mapping satisfying:

$$G(F(x, y), F(u, v), F(z, w)) \lesssim \lambda G(x, u, z) + \mu G(y, v, w) \quad (3.1)$$

for all $x, y, u, v, z, w \in X$, where λ and μ are non-negative constants with $s\lambda + \mu < 1$. Then F has a unique coupled fixed point.

Proof. Choose $x_0, y_0 \in X$ and set

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 &= F(x_0, y_0), & y_1 &= F(y_0, x_0) \\ &\vdots & & \\ x_{n+1} &= F(x_n, y_n), & y_{n+1} &= F(y_n, x_n) \end{aligned}$$

From (3.1), we have

$$\begin{aligned} G(x_n, x_{n+1}, x_{n+1}) &= G(F(x_{n-1}, y_{n-1}), F(x_n, y_n), F(x_n, y_n)) \\ &\lesssim \lambda G(x_{n-1}, x_n, x_n) + \mu G(y_{n-1}, y_n, y_n) \end{aligned}$$

and similarly

$$\begin{aligned} G(y_n, y_{n+1}, y_{n+1}) &= G(F(y_{n-1}, x_{n-1}), F(y_n, x_n), F(y_n, x_n)) \\ &\lesssim \lambda G(y_{n-1}, y_n, y_n) + \mu G(x_{n-1}, x_n, x_n) \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, by letting $G_n = G(x_n, x_{n+1}, x_{n+1}) + G(y_n, y_{n+1}, y_{n+1})$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} G_n &= G(x_n, x_{n+1}, x_{n+1}) + G(y_n, y_{n+1}, y_{n+1}) \\ &\lesssim \lambda G(x_{n-1}, x_n, x_n) + \mu G(y_{n-1}, y_n, y_n) + \lambda G(y_{n-1}, y_n, y_n) + \mu G(x_{n-1}, x_n, x_n) \\ &= (\lambda + \mu)[G(x_{n-1}, x_n, x_n) + G(y_{n-1}, y_n, y_n)] \\ &= (\lambda + \mu)G_{n-1}. \end{aligned}$$

That is $G_n \lesssim PG_{n-1}$, where $P = \lambda + \mu < 1$.

In general, we have for $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$

$$G_n \lesssim PG_{n-1} \lesssim P^2G_{n-2} \lesssim \dots \lesssim P^n G_0.$$

Now, for all $m > n$

$$\begin{aligned} G(x_n, x_m, x_m) &\lesssim s[G(x_n, x_{n+1}, x_{n+1}) + G(x_{n+1}, x_m, x_m)] \\ &\lesssim sG(x_n, x_{n+1}, x_{n+1}) + s^2[G(x_{n+1}, x_{n+2}, x_{n+2}) + G(x_{n+2}, x_m, x_m)] \\ &\lesssim sG(x_n, x_{n+1}, x_{n+1}) + s^2G(x_{n+1}, x_{n+2}, x_{n+2}) + \dots + s^{m-n}G(x_{m-1}, x_m, x_m) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$G(y_n, y_m, y_m) \lesssim sG(y_n, y_{n+1}, y_{n+1}) + s^2G(y_{n+1}, y_{n+2}, y_{n+2}) + \dots + s^{m-n}G(y_{m-1}, y_m, y_m)$$

Therefore, have

$$\begin{aligned} G(x_n, x_m, x_m) + G(y_n, y_m, y_m) &\lesssim sG_n + s^2G_{n+1} + \dots + s^{m-n}G_{m-1} \\ &\lesssim sP^n G_0 + s^2P^{n+1}G_0 + \dots + s^{m-n}P^{m-1}G_0 \\ &= sP^n[1 + sP + (sP)^2 + \dots + (sP)^{m-n-1}]G_0 \\ &\prec \frac{sP^n}{1 - sP}G_0. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, we obtain

$$|G(x_n, x_m, x_m) + G(y_n, y_m, y_m)| \leq \frac{sP^n}{1 - sP}|G_0|.$$

Since $P < 1$, taking limit as $n \rightarrow \infty$, then

$$\frac{sP^n}{1 - sP}|G_0| \rightarrow 0.$$

This means that $|G(x_n, x_m, x_m)| \rightarrow 0$ and $(G(y_n, y_m, y_m)) \rightarrow 0$.

By Proposition 2.4, we get

$$\begin{aligned} & G(x_n, x_m, x_\ell) + G(y_n, y_m, y_\ell) \\ & \lesssim G(x_n, x_m, x_m) + G(x_\ell, x_m, x_m) + G(y_n, y_m, y_m) + G(y_\ell, y_m, y_m) \text{ for } \ell, m, n \in \mathbb{N}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned} & |G(x_n, x_m, x_\ell) + G(y_n, y_m, y_\ell)| \\ & \leq |G(x_n, x_m, x_m) + G(y_n, y_m, y_m)| + |(G(x_\ell, x_m, x_m) + G(y_\ell, y_m, y_m))|. \end{aligned}$$

If we take limit as $n, m, \ell \rightarrow \infty$, we obtain

$$|G(x_n, x_m, x_\ell)| \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{and} \quad |G(y_n, y_m, y_\ell)| \rightarrow 0.$$

which implies that $\{x_n\}$ and $\{y_n\}$ are complex valued G_b -Cauchy sequences in X . By X is complete, there exists $x', y' \in X$ such that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x' \quad \text{and} \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n = y'.$$

Let $c \in \mathbb{C}$ with $0 \prec c$. For every $m \in \mathbb{N}$, there exists $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that

$$G(x_n, x_m, x_\ell) \prec c \quad \text{and} \quad G(y_n, y_m, y_\ell) \prec c \quad \forall n, m, \ell > N.$$

Thus, we have

$$\begin{aligned} G(x_{n+1}, F(x', y'), F(x', y')) &= G(F(x_n, y_n), F(x', y'), F(x', y')) \\ &\lesssim \lambda G(x_n, x', x') + \mu G(y_n, y', y') \end{aligned}$$

This implies that

$$|(G(x_{n+1}, F(x', y'), F(x', y')))| \leq \lambda |(G(x_n, x', x'))| + \mu |(G(y_n, y', y'))|$$

Taking limit as $n \rightarrow \infty$, we get

$$|G(x', F(x', y'), F(x', y'))| \rightarrow 0$$

that is $G(x', F(x', y'), F(x', y')) = 0$ and hence $F(x', y') = x'$.

Similarly, we have $F(y', x') = y'$.

Hence (x', y') is a coupled fixed point of F .

Now, if (x'', y'') is another coupled fixed point of F , then

$$\begin{aligned} G(x', x'', x'') &= G(F(x', y'), F(x'', y''), F(x'', y'')) \\ &\lesssim \lambda G(x', x'', x'') + \mu G(y', y'', y'') \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} G(y', y'', y'') &= G(F(y', x'), F(y'', x''), F(y'', x'')) \\ &\lesssim \lambda G(y', y'', y'') + \mu G(x', x'', x'') \end{aligned}$$

Thus we have

$$G(x', x'', x'') + G(y', y'', y'') \lesssim (\lambda + \mu)[G(x', x'', x'') + G(y', y'', y'')]$$

which implies that

$$|G(x', x'', x'') + G(y', y'', y'')| \lesssim (\lambda + \mu)|G(x', x'', x'') + G(y', y'', y'')|$$

Since $s\lambda + \mu < 1$, we have $|G(x', x'', x'') + G(y', y'', y'')| = 0$.

That is $G(x', x'', x'') + G(y', y'', y'') = 0$.

Thus we have $(x', y') = (x'', y'')$.

Therefore F has a unique coupled fixed point. □

From Theorem 3.1 with $\mu = \lambda$, we have the following corollary:

Corollary 3.2. *Let (X, G) be a complete complex valued G_b -metric space with coefficient $s \geq 1$ and $F : X \times X \rightarrow X$ be mapping satisfying:*

$$G(F(x, y), F(u, v), F(z, w)) \lesssim \lambda [G(x, u, z) + G(y, v, w)] \tag{3.2}$$

for all $x, y, z, u, v, w \in X$, where λ is a non-negative constant with $\lambda < \frac{1}{2}$ then F has a unique coupled fixed point.

Example 3.3. Let $X = [-1, 1]$ and $G : X \times X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ be defined as follows:

$$G(x, y, z) = |x - y| + |y - z| + |z - x| \tag{3.3}$$

for all $x, y, z \in X$. (X, G) is complex valued G -metric space. Define

$$G_*(x, y, z) = G(x, y, z)^2.$$

G_* is a complex valued G_b -metric with $s = 2$ (see [6]).

If we define $F : X \times X \rightarrow X$ with $F(x, y) = \frac{x+y}{3}i$. Then F satisfied the contractive condition (3.2) for $\frac{1}{9} \leq \lambda < \frac{1}{2}$ that is

$$G(F(x, y), F(u, v), F(z, w)) \leq \lambda [G(x, u, z) + G(y, v, w)].$$

Here $(0, 0)$ is the unique coupled fixed point of F .

Theorem 3.4. *Let (X, G) be a complete complex valued G_b -metric space. Suppose that the mapping $F : X \times X \rightarrow X$ satisfies*

$$G(F(x, y), F(u, v), F(u, v)) \preceq \lambda [G(x, F(x, y), F(x, y)) + G(u, F(u, v), F(u, v))]. \quad (3.4)$$

where $\lambda \in [0, \frac{1}{2})$. Then F has a unique coupled fixed point.

Proof. Choose $x_0, y_0 \in X$ and set

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 &= F(x_0, y_0), & y_1 &= F(y_0, x_0) \\ &\vdots & & \\ x_{n+1} &= F(x_n, y_n), & y_{n+1} &= F(y_n, x_n) \end{aligned}$$

From (3.4), we have

$$\begin{aligned} G(x_n, x_{n+1}, x_{n+1}) &= G(F(x_{n-1}, y_{n-1}), F(x_n, y_n), F(x_n, y_n)) \\ &\preceq \lambda [G(x_{n-1}, F(x_{n-1}, y_{n-1}), F(x_{n-1}, y_{n-1})) + G(x_n, F(x_n, y_n), F(x_n, y_n))] \\ &\preceq \lambda [G(x_{n-1}, x_n, x_n) + G(x_n, x_{n+1}, x_{n+1})] \end{aligned}$$

which implies

$$G(x_n, x_{n+1}, x_{n+1}) \preceq \frac{\lambda}{1-\lambda} G(x_{n-1}, x_n, x_n)$$

and similarly

$$G(y_n, y_{n+1}, y_{n+1}) = G(F(y_{n-1}, x_{n-1}), F(y_n, x_n), F(y_n, x_n))$$

$$\lesssim \lambda [G(y_{n-1}, F(y_{n-1}, x_{n-1}), F(y_{n-1}, x_{n-1})) + G(y_n, F(y_n, x_n), F(y_n, x_n))]$$

which implies that

$$G(y_n, y_{n+1}, y_{n+1}) \lesssim \frac{\lambda}{1-\lambda} G(y_{n-1}, y_n, y_n)$$

Now, by setting $G_n = G(x_n, x_{n+1}, x_{n+1}) + G(y_n, y_{n+1}, y_{n+1})$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} G_n &= G(x_n, x_{n+1}, x_{n+1}) + G(y_n, y_{n+1}, y_{n+1}) \\ &\lesssim \frac{\lambda}{1-\lambda} [G(x_{n-1}, x_n, x_n) + G(y_{n-1}, y_n, y_n)] \end{aligned}$$

that is

$$G_n \lesssim P G_{n-1} \quad \text{where } P = \frac{\lambda}{1-\lambda} < 1.$$

In general, we have for $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$

$$G_n \lesssim P G_{n-1} \lesssim P^2 G_{n-2} \lesssim \dots \lesssim P^n G_0.$$

This implies that $\{x_n\}$ and $\{y_n\}$ are Cauchy sequence in (X, G) . and therefore, by completeness of X , there exists $x', y' \in X$ such that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x'$ and $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n = y'$.

Let $c \in \mathbb{C}$ with $0 \prec c$. For every $m \in \mathbb{N}$, there exists $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that

$$G(x_n, x_m, x_\ell) \prec c \text{ and } G(y_n, y_m, y_\ell) \prec c \quad \forall m, n, \ell > N.$$

Thus, we have

$$\begin{aligned} G(x_{n+1}, F(x', y'), F(x', y')) &= G(F(x_n, y_n), F(x', y'), F(x', y')) \\ &\lesssim \lambda [G(x_n, F(x_n, y_n), F(x_n, y_n)) + G(x', F(x', y'), F(x', y'))] \end{aligned}$$

which implies that

$$|G(x_{n+1}, F(x', y'), F(x', y'))| \leq \lambda |G(x_n, x_{n+1}, x_{n+1}) + G(x', F(x', y'), F(x', y'))|.$$

Taking limit as $n \rightarrow \infty$, we get

$$|G(x', F(x', y'), F(x', y'))| \leq \lambda |G(x', F(x', y'), F(x', y'))|.$$

This implies that $|G(x', F(x', y'), F(x', y'))| \rightarrow 0$ and therefore $F(x', y') = x'$, similarly $F(y', x') = y'$.

Hence (x', y') is a coupled fixed point of G .

Now if (x'', y'') is another coupled fixed point of F , then

$$\begin{aligned} G(x', x'', x'') &= G(F((x', y'), F(x'', y'')), (F(x'', y''))) \\ &\preceq \lambda [G(x', F(x', y'), F(x', y')) + G(x'', F(x'', y''), F(x'', y''))] \end{aligned}$$

Thus we have $x' = x''$ similarly, we get $y' = y''$.

Therefore F has a unique coupled fixed point.

Conflict of Interests

The authors declare that there is no conflict of interests.

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