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## FIXED POINT THEOREMS IN A SPACE WITH THREE METRICS

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**Abstract.** The purpose of this paper is to present some fixed point results for Banach, Kannan and Chatterjea contraction in a space with three metrics supported by some examples.

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### 1. Introduction

Since its appearance in 1922, the Banach fixed point theorem [1] solved several problems of the existence of solutions of nonlinear problems arising in physical, biological, and social sciences.

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**Theorem 1.1.** *Let  $(X, d)$  be a complete metric space. Let  $T$  be a contraction on  $X$ , i.e., there exists  $r \in [0, 1[$  satisfying*

$$d(Tx, Ty) \leq rd(x, y), \text{ for all } x, y \in X.$$

*Then  $T$  has a unique fixed point.*

The generalization of this theorem have been established in various setting by many authors. The purpose of this article is to get a generalization of the Banach contraction fixed point theorem in a space with three metrics.

## 2. Preliminaries

In 1968, Kannan presented the following related fixed point theorem [2].

**Theorem 2.1.** *Let  $(X, d)$  be a complete metric space. Let  $T$  be a Kannan mapping on  $X$ , i.e., there exists  $r \in [0, \frac{1}{2}[$  satisfying*

$$d(Tx, Ty) \leq r(d(x, Tx) + d(y, Ty)), \text{ for all } x, y \in X.$$

*Then  $T$  has a unique fixed point.*

In 1972, Chatterjea presented the following related fixed point theorem [3].

**Theorem 2.2.** *Let  $(X, d)$  be a complete metric space. Let  $T$  be a Chatterjea mapping on  $X$ , i.e., there exists  $r \in [0, \frac{1}{2}[$  satisfying*

$$d(Tx, Ty) \leq r(d(x, Ty) + d(y, Tx)), \text{ for all } x, y \in X.$$

*Then  $T$  has a unique fixed point.*

The following results is due to Mizoguchi and Takahashi [5].

**Theorem 2.3.** *Let  $(X, d)$  be a complete metric space. Let  $T$  be a mapping satisfying*

$$d(Tx, Ty) \leq \alpha(d(x, y))d(x, y), \text{ for all } x, y \in X,$$

*where  $\alpha : [0, +\infty[ \rightarrow [0, 1[$  is a function such that  $\limsup_{s \rightarrow r^+} \alpha(s) < 1$ , for all  $r \geq 0$ .*

*Then  $T$  has a unique fixed point  $x^* \in X$ .*

Recently, EL. Marhrani and K. Chaira proved a generalization of the Banach contraction fixed point theorem in a space with two metrics [4].

**Definition 2.4.** Let  $X$  be a nonempty set and let  $d, \delta$  be two metrics on  $X$ .  $(X, d, \delta)$  is called an (M)-space if for all Cauchy sequence  $(x_n)_n$  in  $(X, d)$  and  $(X, \delta)$ , there exist  $x^*, y^* \in X$  such that

$$\lim_n d(x_n, x^*) = \lim_n \delta(x_n, y^*) = 0.$$

**Theorem 2.5.** Let  $X$  be non-empty set,  $d$  and  $\delta$  two metrics on  $X$  and  $T : X \rightarrow X$  a mapping such that:

- (1)  $(X, d, \delta)$  is a (M)-space.
- (2) For all  $x, y \in X$ , one of the following two conditions:
  - i.  $d(x, Ty) \leq \delta(x, y)$ ,
  - ii.  $\delta(x, Ty) \leq d(x, y)$ ,

implies

$$\begin{cases} d(Tx, Ty) \leq \alpha(\delta(x, y))\delta(x, y), \\ \delta(Tx, Ty) \leq \alpha(d(x, y))d(x, y), \end{cases}$$

where  $\alpha : [0, +\infty[ \rightarrow [0, 1[$  is a function such that  $\limsup_{s \rightarrow r^+} \alpha(s) < 1$ , for all  $r \geq 0$ .

Then  $T$  has a unique fixed point  $x^* \in X$ .

### 3. Main results

Let  $X$  be a non-empty set and let  $d, \delta$  and  $\gamma$  be three metrics on  $X$ .

**Definition 3.1.**  $(X, d, \delta, \gamma)$  is called an (M)-space if for all Cauchy sequence  $(x_n)_n$  in  $(X, d)$ ,  $(X, \delta)$  and  $(X, \gamma)$ , there exist  $x^*, y^*, z^* \in X$  such that

$$\lim_n d(x_n, x^*) = \lim_n \delta(x_n, y^*) = \lim_n \gamma(x_n, z^*) = 0.$$

**Example 3.2.** if  $(X, d)$ ,  $(X, \delta)$  and  $(X, \gamma)$  are complete metrics space, then  $(X, d, \delta, \gamma)$  is an (M)-space.

**Example 3.3.** Let  $X$  be the set of all  $C^2$  function  $u$  from  $[0, 1]$  into  $\mathbb{R}$  with  $u(0) = 0$  and  $u'(0) = 0$ ; we define three metrics on  $X$  by:

$$\begin{aligned} d(u, v) &= \sup_{x \in [0, 1]} |u(x) - v(x)|, \\ \delta(u, v) &= \sup_{x \in [0, 1]} |u'(x) - v'(x)|, \\ \gamma(u, v) &= \sup_{x \in [0, 1]} |u''(x) - v''(x)|, \end{aligned}$$

for all  $u, v \in X$ . It is well know that the sequence of the polynomial function defined by:

$$\begin{aligned} u_1(x) &= 0, \\ u_{n+1}(x) &= u_n(x) + \frac{1}{2}(1 - x - u_n^2(x)), \end{aligned}$$

are in  $X$  and converge uniformly to  $x \mapsto \sqrt{1-x}$  which is not in  $X$ . Hence,  $(X, d)$  is non complete.

We define the subsequence  $(v_n)_n$  by:

$$v_n(x) = \int_0^x u_n(t) dt, \quad x \in [0, 1].$$

$(v_n)_n$  converge uniformly to  $x \mapsto \int_0^x \sqrt{1-t} dt = \frac{2}{3}(1 - (1-x)^{\frac{3}{2}})$ , wich is not in  $X$ . Hence,  $(X, \delta)$  is non complete.

If  $(w_n)_n$  is a Cauchy sequence in  $(X, d)$ ,  $(X, \delta)$  and  $(X, \gamma)$ , there exist three continuous functions  $u, v, w$  such that  $(w_n)_n$ ,  $(w'_n)_n$  and  $(w''_n)_n$  converge uniformly to  $u, v$  and  $w$ , respectively. Then  $u$  is of class  $C^2$  and  $u' = v$ ,  $u'' = w$  on  $X$ . Hence

$$\lim_n d(w_n, u) = \lim_n \delta(w_n, u) = \lim_n \gamma(w_n, u) = 0.$$

It follows that  $(X, d, \delta, \gamma)$  is an (M)-space.

**Theorem 3.4.** Let  $X$  be non-empty set,  $d, \delta$  and  $\gamma$  three metrics on  $X$  and  $T : X \rightarrow X$  a mapping such that:

- (1)  $(X, d, \delta, \gamma)$  is a (M)-space.
- (2) For all  $x, y \in X$ , one of the following three conditions:
  - i.  $d(x, Ty) \leq \delta(x, y)$ ,
  - ii.  $\delta(x, Ty) \leq \gamma(x, y)$ ,
  - iii.  $\gamma(x, Ty) \leq d(x, y)$ ,

implies

$$\begin{cases} d(Tx, Ty) \leq \alpha(\delta(x, y))\delta(x, y), \\ \delta(Tx, Ty) \leq \alpha(\gamma(x, y))\gamma(x, y), \\ \gamma(Tx, Ty) \leq \alpha(d(x, y))d(x, y), \end{cases}$$

where  $\alpha : [0, +\infty[ \rightarrow [0, 1[$  is a function such that  $\limsup_{s \rightarrow r^+} \alpha(s) < 1$ , for all  $r \geq 0$ .

Then  $T$  has a unique fixed point  $x^* \in X$ .

**Proof.** *step 1:*

Letting  $x_0 \in X$ , we define the sequence  $(x_n)_n$  by  $x_{n+1} = Tx_n$ , for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , we have

$$d(x_{n+1}, Tx_n) = 0 \leq \delta(x_{n+1}, x_n),$$

so, we obtain that

$$\begin{cases} d(Tx_{n+1}, Tx_n) = d(x_{n+2}, x_{n+1}) \leq \alpha(\delta(x_{n+1}, x_n))\delta(x_{n+1}, x_n), \\ \delta(Tx_{n+1}, Tx_n) = \delta(x_{n+2}, x_{n+1}) \leq \alpha(\gamma(x_{n+1}, x_n))\gamma(x_{n+1}, x_n), \\ \gamma(Tx_{n+1}, Tx_n) = \gamma(x_{n+2}, x_{n+1}) \leq \alpha(d(x_{n+1}, x_n))d(x_{n+1}, x_n), \end{cases}$$

then:

$$\begin{aligned} d(x_{n+1}, x_{n+2}) &\leq \alpha(\delta(x_{n+1}, x_n))\delta(x_{n+1}, x_n) \\ &\leq \alpha(\delta(x_{n+1}, x_n))\alpha(\gamma(x_{n-1}, x_n))\gamma(x_{n-1}, x_n) \\ &\leq \alpha(\delta(x_{n+1}, x_n))\alpha(\gamma(x_{n-1}, x_n))\alpha(d(x_{n-2}, x_{n-1}))d(x_{n-2}, x_{n-1}) \\ &\leq d(x_{n-2}, x_{n-1}), \text{ for all } n \geq 2. \end{aligned}$$

Analogously, we obtain  $\delta(x_{n+1}, x_{n+2}) \leq \delta(x_{n-2}, x_{n-1})$  and  $\gamma(x_{n+1}, x_{n+2}) \leq \gamma(x_{n-2}, x_{n-1})$ .

It follows that  $(d(x_{3p}, x_{3p+1}))_p$ ,  $(d(x_{3p+1}, x_{3p+2}))_p$  and  $(d(x_{3p+2}, x_{3p+3}))_p$  converges to  $d_1, d_2$ , and  $d_3$ , respectively. And  $(\delta(x_{3p}, x_{3p+1}))_p$ ,  $(\delta(x_{3p+1}, x_{3p+2}))_p$  and  $(\delta(x_{3p+2}, x_{3p+3}))_p$  converges to  $\delta_1, \delta_2$ , and  $\delta_3$ , respectively. And  $(\gamma(x_{3p}, x_{3p+1}))_p$ ,  $(\gamma(x_{3p+1}, x_{3p+2}))_p$  and  $(\gamma(x_{3p+2}, x_{3p+3}))_p$  converges to  $\gamma_1, \gamma_2$ , and  $\gamma_3$ , respectively.

Since  $\limsup_{t \rightarrow \delta_1^+} \alpha(t) < 1$ ,  $\limsup_{t \rightarrow \gamma_3^+} \alpha(t) < 1$  and  $\limsup_{t \rightarrow d_2^+} \alpha(t) < 1$  there exist  $p_1 \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $r_1 \in [0, 1[$  such that for any integer  $p \geq p_1$

$$d(x_{3p+1}, x_{3p+2}) \leq r_1 d(x_{3p-2}, x_{3p-1}).$$

And  $\limsup_{t \rightarrow \delta_2^+} \alpha(t) < 1$ ,  $\limsup_{t \rightarrow \gamma_1^+} \alpha(t) < 1$  and  $\limsup_{t \rightarrow d_3^+} \alpha(t) < 1$  there exist  $p_2 \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $r_2 \in [0, 1[$ , such that for any integer  $p \geq p_2$

$$d(x_{3p+2}, x_{3p+3}) \leq r_2 d(x_{3p-1}, x_{3p}).$$

And  $\limsup_{t \rightarrow \delta_3^+} \alpha(t) < 1$ ,  $\limsup_{t \rightarrow \gamma_2^+} \alpha(t) < 1$  and  $\limsup_{t \rightarrow d_1^+} \alpha(t) < 1$ , there exist  $p_3 \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $r_3 \in [0, 1[$ , such that for any integer  $p \geq p_3$

$$d(x_{3p+3}, x_{3p+4}) \leq r_3 d(x_{3p}, x_{3p+1}).$$

It follow that  $\sum_{p \geq 1} d(x_{3p-1}, x_{3p})$ ,  $\sum_{p \geq 1} d(x_{3p-2}, x_{3p-1})$  and  $\sum_{p \geq 0} d(x_{3p}, x_{3p+1})$  are convergent.

Then

$$\sum_{n \geq 0} d(x_n, x_{n+1}) = \sum_{p \geq 0} d(x_{3p}, x_{3p+1}) + \sum_{p \geq 1} d(x_{3p}, x_{3p-1}) + \sum_{p \geq 1} d(x_{3p-1}, x_{3p-2})$$

is convergent. In the same way; we find  $\sum_{n \geq 0} \delta(x_n, x_{n+1})$  and  $\sum_{n \geq 0} \gamma(x_n, x_{n+1})$  are convergent. Hence  $(x_n)_n$  is a Cauchy sequence in  $(X, d)$ ,  $(X, \delta)$  and  $(X, \gamma)$ ; Since  $(X, d, \delta, \gamma)$  is an  $(M)$ -space, there, exist  $x^*, y^*, z^* \in X$  such that

$$\lim_n d(x_n, x^*) = \lim_n \delta(x_n, y^*) = \lim_n \gamma(x_n, z^*) = 0.$$

Step 2:

Case 1: If  $x^* \neq y^*$  and  $y^* \neq z^*$ .

Since  $\lim_n d(Tx_n, x^*) = 0$  and  $\lim_n \delta(x_n, x^*) = \delta(y^*, x^*) > 0$ , we obtain  $d(x^*, Tx_n) \leq \delta(x^*, x_n)$  for large integers, which gives

$$\begin{cases} (1) & d(Tx^*, x_{n+1}) = d(Tx^*, Tx_n) \leq \alpha(\delta(x^*, x_n))\delta(x^*, x_n), \\ (2) & \delta(Tx^*, x_{n+1}) = \delta(Tx^*, Tx_n) \leq \alpha(\gamma(x^*, x_n))\gamma(x^*, x_n), \\ (3) & \gamma(Tx^*, x_{n+1}) = \gamma(Tx^*, Tx_n) \leq \alpha(d(x^*, x_n))d(x^*, x_n). \end{cases}$$

Therefor we have

$$Tx^* = z^*.$$

Since  $\lim_n \delta(Tx_n, y^*) = 0$  and  $\lim_n \gamma(x_n, y^*) = \gamma(z^*, y^*) > 0$ , we obtain  $\delta(y^*, Tx_n) \leq \gamma(y^*, x_n)$  for large integers, which gives

$$\begin{aligned} (4) \quad & \left\{ \begin{aligned} d(Ty^*, x_{n+1}) &= d(Ty^*, Tx_n) \leq \alpha(\delta(y^*, x_n))\delta(y^*, x_n), \\ \delta(Ty^*, x_{n+1}) &= \delta(Ty^*, Tx_n) \leq \alpha(\gamma(y^*, x_n))\gamma(y^*, x_n), \\ \gamma(Ty^*, x_{n+1}) &= \gamma(Ty^*, Tx_n) \leq \alpha(d(y^*, x_n))d(y^*, x_n). \end{aligned} \right. \end{aligned}$$

Wherefrom

$$Ty^* = x^*.$$

if  $x^* \neq z^*$ .

Since  $\lim_n \gamma(Tx_n, z^*) = 0$  and  $\lim_n d(x_n, z^*) = d(x^*, z^*) > 0$ , we obtain  $\gamma(z^*, Tx_n) \leq d(x^*, x_n)$  for large integers, which gives

$$\begin{aligned} (7) \quad & \left\{ \begin{aligned} d(Tz^*, x_{n+1}) &= d(Tz^*, Tx_n) \leq \alpha(\delta(z^*, x_n))\delta(z^*, x_n), \\ \delta(Tz^*, x_{n+1}) &= \delta(Tz^*, Tx_n) \leq \alpha(\gamma(z^*, x_n))\gamma(z^*, x_n), \\ \gamma(Tz^*, x_{n+1}) &= \gamma(Tz^*, Tx_n) \leq \alpha(d(z^*, x_n))d(z^*, x_n). \end{aligned} \right. \end{aligned}$$

So, we have

$$Tz^* = y^*.$$

Further, from (2), (6) and (7) we get for  $k_1, k_2, k_3 \in [0, 1[$ :  $\delta(y^*, Tx^*) \leq k_1\gamma(z^*, x^*)$ ,  $\gamma(z^*, Ty^*) \leq k_2d(x^*, y^*)$  and  $d(x^*, Tz^*) \leq \delta(y^*, z^*)$ , this yields  $\delta(y^*, z^*) \leq k_1\gamma(x^*, z^*)$ ,  $\gamma(z^*, x^*) \leq k_2d(x^*, y^*)$  and  $d(x^*, y^*) \leq k_3\delta(y^*, z^*)$ . So, we have

$$\begin{aligned} d(x^*, y^*) &\leq k_3\delta(y^*, z^*) \\ &\leq k_3k_1\gamma(x^*, z^*) \\ &\leq k_3k_1k_2d(x^*, y^*), \end{aligned}$$

therefore  $x^* = y^* = z^*$ , wich is contraction. Thus  $x^* = z^*$ .

Using (2), we obtain  $\delta(y^*, z^*) \leq k_4\gamma(x^*, z^*)$  for  $k_4 \in [0, 1[$ , then  $y^* = z^*$ , which is absurd.

Case 2: if  $x^* \neq y^*$  and  $y^* = z^*$ .

Then  $x^* \neq z^*$ . Moreover, from (7) we get  $d(y^*, x^*) \leq k_5\delta(z^*, y^*)$  for  $k_5 \in [0, 1[$ , therefore  $x^* = y^*$ , which is contraction.

Similarly if  $x^* = y^*$  and  $y^* \neq z^*$ , we get a contraction.

We can conclude that

$$x^* = y^* = z^*.$$

step 3:

To prove that  $Tx^* = x^*$ , we consider the sets  $A, B$  and  $C$  defined by:

$$A = \{n \in \mathbb{N} / d(Tx_n, x^*) \leq \delta(x_n, x^*)\},$$

$$B = \{n \in \mathbb{N} / \delta(Tx_n, x^*) \leq \gamma(x_n, x^*)\},$$

$$C = \{n \in \mathbb{N} / \gamma(Tx_n, x^*) \leq d(x_n, x^*)\}.$$

We asserts that  $A$  or  $B$  or  $C$  is infinite; if  $A, B$  and  $C$  are finite, there exist as integer  $N$  such that, for all integers  $n \geq N$ ,

$$d(Tx_n, x^*) > \delta(x_n, x^*),$$

$$\delta(Tx_n, x^*) > \gamma(x_n, x^*),$$

$$\gamma(Tx_n, x^*) > d(x_n, x^*).$$

Hence we have,

$$\begin{aligned} d(x_n, x^*) &< \gamma(x_{n+1}, x^*) \\ &< \delta(x_{n+2}, x^*) \\ &< d(x_{n+3}, x^*), \text{ for all } n \geq N. \end{aligned}$$

Therefor we have  $d(x_n, x^*) < d(x_{n+3}, x^*)$ , for all integers  $n \geq N$  thus, the sequence  $(d(x_{3n}, x^*))_n$  is strictly increasing to 0; which is a false assertion. If we assume that  $A$  is infinite, there exists some subsequence  $(x_{\sigma(n)})_n$  such that  $d(Tx_{\sigma(n)}, x^*) \leq \delta(x_{\sigma(n)}, x^*)$ ,

this yields

$$\begin{cases} d(Tx^*, Tx_{\sigma(n)}) \leq \alpha(\delta(x^*, x_{\sigma(n)}))\delta(x^*, x_{\sigma(n)}), \\ \delta(Tx^*, Tx_{\sigma(n)}) \leq \alpha(\gamma(x^*, x_{\sigma(n)}))\gamma(x^*, x_{\sigma(n)}), \\ \gamma(Tx^*, Tx_{\sigma(n)}) \leq \alpha(d(x^*, x_{\sigma(n)}))d(x^*, x_{\sigma(n)}), \end{cases}$$

which implies that

$$\gamma(Tx^*, x_{\sigma(n)+1}) \leq \alpha(d(x^*, x_{\sigma(n)}))d(x^*, x_{\sigma(n)}).$$



Thus  $\gamma(Tx^*, x^*) = 0$ , hence  $x^*$  is a fixed point of  $T$ . We have the same results if  $B$  or  $C$  are infinite.

step 4:

For the uniqueness of the point, we assume that  $\bar{x}$  and  $\bar{y}$  are two different fixed points of  $T$ . We have  $d(\bar{x}, \bar{y}) \leq \delta(\bar{x}, \bar{y})$  or  $\delta(\bar{x}, \bar{y}) \leq d(\bar{x}, \bar{y})$ . For the first case, we obtain:  $d(\bar{x}, T\bar{y}) = d(\bar{x}, \bar{y}) \leq \delta(\bar{x}, \bar{y})$  and then

$$\begin{cases} d(\bar{x}, \bar{y}) = d(T\bar{x}, T\bar{y}) \leq \alpha(\delta(\bar{x}, \bar{y}))\delta(\bar{x}, \bar{y}) < \delta(\bar{x}, \bar{y}), \\ \delta(\bar{x}, \bar{y}) = \delta(T\bar{x}, T\bar{y}) \leq \alpha(\gamma(\bar{x}, \bar{y}))\gamma(\bar{x}, \bar{y}) < \gamma(\bar{x}, \bar{y}), \\ \gamma(\bar{x}, \bar{y}) = \gamma(T\bar{x}, T\bar{y}) \leq \alpha(d(\bar{x}, \bar{y}))d(\bar{x}, \bar{y}) < d(\bar{x}, \bar{y}), \end{cases}$$

which is a contraction.

Thus,  $T$  has a unique fixed point in  $X$ . This completes the proof.

If  $\delta = \gamma$ , we obtain the following result proved by EL. Marhrani and K. Chaira [4].

**Corollary 3.5.** Let  $X$  be non-empty set,  $d$  and  $\delta$  two metrics on  $X$  and  $T : X \rightarrow X$  a mapping such that:

- (1)  $(X, d, \delta)$  is a  $(M)$ -space.
- (2) For all  $x, y \in X$ , one of the following two conditions:
  - i.  $d(x, Ty) \leq \delta(x, y)$ ,
  - ii.  $\delta(x, Ty) \leq d(x, y)$ ,

implies

$$\begin{cases} d(Tx, Ty) \leq \alpha(\delta(x, y))\delta(x, y), \\ \delta(Tx, Ty) \leq \alpha(d(x, y))d(x, y), \end{cases}$$

where  $\alpha : [0, +\infty[ \rightarrow [0, 1[$  is a function such that  $\limsup_{s \rightarrow r^+} \alpha(s) < 1$ , for all  $r \geq 0$ .

Then  $T$  has a unique fixed point  $x^* \in X$ .

**Example 3.6.** Let  $X = [0, 1] \cup \{2, 3\}$  endowed with the usual distance  $d$  and the distance  $\delta$  and  $\gamma$  defined by

$$\delta(x, y) = \begin{cases} |x - y| & \text{if } x, y \in [0, 1], \\ x + y & \text{if } x \text{ or } y \text{ is not in } [0, 1] \text{ and } x \neq y, \\ 0 & \text{if } x = y. \end{cases}$$

$$\gamma(x, y) = 2|x - y|.$$

$(X, d)$ ,  $(X, \delta)$  and  $(X, \gamma)$  are complete metric spaces. We define  $\alpha$  from  $[0, +\infty[$  into  $[0, 1[$  by  $\alpha(t) = \frac{1}{3}e^{-t}$ , and consider the mapping defined on  $X$  by

$$Tx = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2e^7}x & \text{if } x \in [0, 1[, \\ 0 & \text{if } x \geq 1. \end{cases}$$

We asserts that

$$\begin{cases} d(Tx, Ty) \leq \alpha(\delta(x, y))\delta(x, y), \\ \delta(Tx, Ty) \leq \alpha(\gamma(x, y))\gamma(x, y), \\ \gamma(Tx, Ty) \leq \alpha(d(x, y))d(x, y), \end{cases}$$

is obviously satisfied if  $x, y \in [0, 1[$  or  $x, y \in \{2, 3\}$ , or  $x \in [0, 1[$  and  $y \in \{2, 3\}$ .

If  $x \in [0, 1[$  and  $y = 1$ , we have

$$(d(x, T1) \leq \delta(x, 1) \text{ or } \delta(x, T1) \leq \gamma(x, 1) \text{ or } \gamma(x, T1) \leq d(x, 1)) \Leftrightarrow x \in [0, \frac{2}{3}].$$

And consequently

$$\begin{aligned} d(Tx, T1) &= \frac{1}{2e^7}x \leq \frac{2}{9e^6} \leq \frac{1}{3}e^{-(1-x)}(1-x) = \alpha(\delta(x, 1))\delta(x, 1), \\ \delta(Tx, T1) &= \frac{1}{2e^7}x \leq \frac{2}{9e^6} \leq \frac{2}{3}e^{-2(1-x)}(1-x) = \alpha(\gamma(x, 1))\gamma(x, 1), \\ \gamma(Tx, T1) &= 2\frac{1}{2e^7}x \leq \frac{4}{9e^6} \leq \frac{1}{3}e^{-(1-x)}(1-x) = \alpha(d(x, 1))d(x, 1). \end{aligned}$$

If  $x = 0.999 \notin [0, \frac{2}{3}]$ , we have

$$\begin{cases} (d(x, T1) > \delta(x, 1), \\ \delta(x, T1) > \gamma(x, 1), \quad \text{and } d(Tx, T1) > \alpha(\delta(x, 1))\delta(x, 1). \\ \gamma(x, T1) > d(x, 1), \end{cases}$$

Thus the assertion is satisfied. Then  $T$  has a unique fixed point in  $X$ ,  $T0 = 0$ .

The following result generalizes theorem 2.2.

**Theorem 3.7.** Let  $X$  be non-empty set,  $d$ ,  $\delta$  and  $\gamma$  three metrics on  $X$  and  $T : X \rightarrow X$  a mapping such that:

- (1)  $(X, d, \delta, \gamma)$  is a  $(M)$ -space.
- (2) For all  $x, y \in X$ , one of the following three conditions:

- i.  $d(x, Ty) \leq \delta(x, y)$ ,
- ii.  $\delta(x, Ty) \leq \gamma(x, y)$ ,
- iii.  $\gamma(x, Ty) \leq d(x, y)$ ,

implies

$$\begin{cases} d(Tx, Ty) \leq \alpha(\delta(x, y))(d(y, Tx) + \delta(x, Ty)), \\ \delta(Tx, Ty) \leq \alpha(\gamma(x, y))(\delta(y, Tx) + \gamma(x, Ty)), \\ \gamma(Tx, Ty) \leq \alpha(d(x, y))(\gamma(y, Tx) + d(x, Ty)), \end{cases}$$

where  $\alpha : [0, +\infty[ \rightarrow [0, \frac{1}{2}[$  is a function such that  $\limsup_{s \rightarrow r^+} \alpha(s) < \frac{1}{2}$ , for all  $r \geq 0$ .

Then  $T$  has a unique fixed point  $x^* \in X$ .

**Proof.** step 1:

Letting  $x_0 \in X$ , we define the sequence  $(x_n)_n$  by  $x_{n+1} = Tx_n$  for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , we have

$$d(x_{n+1}, Tx_n) = 0 \leq \delta(x_{n+1}, x_n),$$

so, we obtain that

$$\begin{cases} d(Tx_{n+1}, Tx_n) \leq \alpha(\delta(x_{n+1}, x_n))(d(x_n, Tx_{n+1}) + \delta(x_{n+1}, Tx_n)), \\ \delta(Tx_{n+1}, Tx_n) \leq \alpha(\gamma(x_{n+1}, x_n))(\delta(x_n, Tx_{n+1}) + \gamma(x_{n+1}, Tx_n)), \\ \gamma(Tx_{n+1}, Tx_n) \leq \alpha(d(x_{n+1}, x_n))(\gamma(x_n, Tx_{n+1}) + d(x_{n+1}, Tx_n)), \end{cases}$$

therefore

$$\begin{cases} d(Tx_{n+1}, Tx_n) \leq \alpha(\delta(x_{n+1}, x_n))d(x_n, x_{n+2}), \\ \delta(Tx_{n+1}, Tx_n) \leq \alpha(\gamma(x_{n+1}, x_n))\delta(x_n, x_{n+2}), \\ \gamma(Tx_{n+1}, Tx_n) \leq \alpha(d(x_{n+1}, x_n))\gamma(x_n, x_{n+2}), \end{cases}$$

wherefrom

$$\begin{cases} d(Tx_{n+1}, Tx_n) \leq \alpha(\delta(x_{n+1}, x_n))(d(x_n, x_{n+1}) + d(x_{n+1}, x_{n+2})), \\ \delta(Tx_{n+1}, Tx_n) \leq \alpha(\gamma(x_{n+1}, x_n))(\delta(x_n, x_{n+1}) + \delta(x_{n+1}, x_{n+2})), \\ \gamma(Tx_{n+1}, Tx_n) \leq \alpha(d(x_{n+1}, x_n))(\gamma(x_n, x_{n+1}) + \gamma(x_{n+1}, x_{n+2})), \end{cases}$$

so, we have

$$\begin{cases} d(x_{n+2}, x_{n+1}) \leq \frac{\alpha(\delta(x_{n+1}, x_n))}{1 - \alpha(\delta(x_{n+1}, x_n))} d(x_n, x_{n+1}), \\ \delta(x_{n+2}, x_{n+1}) \leq \frac{\alpha(\gamma(x_{n+1}, x_n))}{1 - \alpha(\gamma(x_{n+1}, x_n))} \delta(x_n, x_{n+1}), \\ \gamma(x_{n+2}, x_{n+1}) \leq \frac{\alpha(d(x_{n+1}, x_n))}{1 - \alpha(d(x_{n+1}, x_n))} \gamma(x_n, x_{n+1}). \end{cases}$$

By hypothesis  $\frac{\alpha(t)}{1-\alpha(t)} \leq 1$ , for all  $t \in [0, +\infty[$  then

$$\begin{cases} d(x_{n+2}, x_{n+1}) \leq d(x_n, x_{n+1}), \\ \delta(x_{n+2}, x_{n+1}) \leq \delta(x_n, x_{n+1}), \\ \gamma(x_{n+2}, x_{n+1}) \leq \gamma(x_n, x_{n+1}). \end{cases}$$

It follows that  $(d(x_n, x_{n+1}))_p$ ,  $(\delta(x_n, x_{n+1}))_p$  and  $(\gamma(x_n, x_{n+1}))_p$  converges to  $l_1$ ,  $l_2$  and  $l_1$ , respectively.

Since  $\limsup_{t \rightarrow l_1^+} \alpha(t) < \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $\limsup_{t \rightarrow l_2^+} \alpha(t) < \frac{1}{2}$  and  $\limsup_{t \rightarrow l_3^+} \alpha(t) < \frac{1}{2}$ ,

there exist  $p_1, p_2, p_3 \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $r_1, r_2, r_3 \in [0, \frac{1}{2}[$  such that:

$$\begin{cases} \alpha(d(x_{n+1}, x_n)) \leq r_1, \text{ for all } n \geq p_1, \\ \alpha(\delta(x_{n+1}, x_n)) \leq r_2, \text{ for all } n \geq p_2, \\ \alpha(\gamma(x_{n+1}, x_n)) \leq r_3, \text{ for all } n \geq p_3, \end{cases}$$

this yields

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\alpha(\delta(x_{n+1}, x_n))}{1-\alpha(\delta(x_{n+1}, x_n))} \leq \frac{r_1}{1-r_1}, \text{ for all } n \geq p_1, \\ \frac{\alpha(\gamma(x_{n+1}, x_n))}{1-\alpha(\gamma(x_{n+1}, x_n))} \leq \frac{r_2}{1-r_2}, \text{ for all } n \geq p_2, \\ \frac{\alpha(d(x_{n+1}, x_n))}{1-\alpha(d(x_{n+1}, x_n))} \leq \frac{r_3}{1-r_3}, \text{ for all } n \geq p_3. \end{cases}$$

Then exist  $R_1, R_2, R_3 \in [0, 1[$  such that

$$\begin{cases} d(x_{n+2}, x_{n+1}) \leq R_1 d(x_n, x_{n+1}), \\ \delta(x_{n+2}, x_{n+1}) \leq R_2 \delta(x_n, x_{n+1}), \\ \gamma(x_{n+2}, x_{n+1}) \leq R_3 \gamma(x_n, x_{n+1}). \end{cases}$$

Hence  $(x_n)_n$  is a Cauchy sequence in  $(X, d)$ ,  $(X, \delta)$  and  $(X, \gamma)$ ; since  $(X, d, \delta, \gamma)$  is an  $(M)$ -space, there exist  $x^*, y^*, z^* \in X$  such that

$$\lim_n d(x_n, x^*) = \lim_n \delta(x_n, y^*) = \lim_n \gamma(x_n, z^*) = 0.$$

Step 2:

Case 1: If  $x^* \neq y^*$  and  $y^* \neq z^*$ .

Since  $\lim_n d(Tx_n, x^*) = 0$  and  $\lim_n \delta(x_n, x^*) = \delta(y^*, x^*) > 0$ , we obtain  $d(x^*, Tx_n) \leq \delta(x^*, x_n)$  for large integers, which gives.

$$\begin{aligned}
 (10) \quad & \left\{ \begin{aligned} d(Tx^*, Tx_n) &\leq \alpha(\delta(x^*, x_n))(d(x_n, Tx^*) + \delta(x^*, Tx_n)), \\ \delta(Tx^*, Tx_n) &\leq \alpha(\gamma(x^*, x_n))(\delta(x_n, Tx^*) + \gamma(x^*, Tx_n)), \\ \gamma(Tx^*, Tx_n) &\leq \alpha(d(x^*, x_n))(\gamma(x_n, Tx^*) + d(x^*, Tx_n)). \end{aligned} \right. \\
 (11) \quad & \\
 (12) \quad &
 \end{aligned}$$

From (12), we have  $Tx^* = z^*$ .

Since  $\lim_n \delta(Tx_n, y^*) = 0$  and  $\lim_n \gamma(x_n, y^*) = \gamma(z^*, y^*) > 0$ , we obtain  $\delta(y^*, Tx_n) \leq \gamma(y^*, x_n)$  for large integers, which gives

$$\begin{aligned}
 (13) \quad & \left\{ \begin{aligned} d(Ty^*, Tx_n) &\leq \alpha(\delta(y^*, x_n))(d(x_n, Ty^*) + \delta(y^*, Tx_n)), \\ \delta(Ty^*, Tx_n) &\leq \alpha(\gamma(y^*, x_n))(\delta(x_n, Ty^*) + \gamma(y^*, Tx_n)), \\ \gamma(Ty^*, Tx_n) &\leq \alpha(d(y^*, x_n))(\gamma(x_n, Ty^*) + d(y^*, Tx_n)). \end{aligned} \right. \\
 (14) \quad & \\
 (15) \quad &
 \end{aligned}$$

So, by (13) we get that  $Ty^* = x^*$ .

If  $x^* \neq z^*$ . Then  $\lim_n \gamma(Tx_n, z^*) = 0$  and  $\lim_n d(x_n, z^*) = d(x^*, z^*) > 0$ , we obtain  $\gamma(z^*, Tx_n) \leq d(z^*, x_n)$  for large integers, which gives

$$\begin{aligned}
 (16) \quad & \left\{ \begin{aligned} d(Tz^*, Tx_n) &\leq \alpha(\delta(z^*, x_n))(d(x_n, Tz^*) + \delta(z^*, Tx_n)), \\ \delta(Tz^*, Tx_n) &\leq \alpha(\gamma(z^*, x_n))(\delta(x_n, Tz^*) + \gamma(z^*, Tx_n)), \\ \gamma(Tz^*, Tx_n) &\leq \alpha(d(z^*, x_n))(\gamma(x_n, Tz^*) + d(z^*, Tx_n)). \end{aligned} \right. \\
 (17) \quad & \\
 (18) \quad &
 \end{aligned}$$

Using (17), we obtain  $Tz^* = y^*$  and using (14) we get for  $k_1 \in [0, \frac{1}{2}[$

$$\delta(Ty^*, y^*) \leq k_1(\delta(y^*, Ty^*) + \gamma(y^*, z^*)),$$

then

$$\delta(x^*, y^*) \leq k_1(\delta(y^*, x^*) + \gamma(y^*, z^*)),$$

therefor we have

$$\delta(x^*, y^*) \leq \frac{k_1}{1 - k_1} \gamma(y^*, z^*) < \gamma(y^*, z^*),$$

using (18) we obtain that there exists  $k_2 \in [0, \frac{1}{2}[$  such that

$$\gamma(z^*, y^*) \leq \frac{k_2}{1 - k_2} d(x^*, z^*) < d(x^*, z^*),$$

and using (10), we get for  $k_3 \in [0, \frac{1}{2}[$

$$d(z^*, x^*) \leq \frac{k_3}{1 - k_3} \delta(x^*, y^*) < \delta(x^*, y^*),$$

then  $\delta(x^*, y^*) < \delta(x^*, y^*)$ , which is contraction.

If  $x^* = z^*$ .

By (11) we conclude that there exists  $k_4 \in [0, \frac{1}{2}[$  such that

$$\delta(Tx^*, y^*) \leq k_4(\delta(y^*, Tx^*) + \gamma(z^*, x^*)),$$

then

$$\delta(z^*, y^*) \leq k_4 \delta(y^*, z^*),$$

which is contraction.

case 2: if  $x^* \neq y^*$  and  $y^* = z^*$ . Then  $x^* \neq z^*$ .

Using (17), we obtain  $Tz^* = y^*$ , and using (16) we obtain that there exists  $k_5 \in [0, \frac{1}{2}[$  such that:

$$d(y^*, x^*) \leq k_5 d(y^*, x^*) + \delta(y^*, z^*),$$

it follows that  $x^* = y^*$ , which is contraction.

Similarly if  $x^* = y^*$  and  $y^* \neq z^*$ , we get a contraction.

Thus

$$x^* = y^* = z^*.$$

step 3:

As in the step 3 the proof of theorem 3.4, we have a subsequence  $(x_{\sigma(n)})_n$  such that:

$$\begin{cases} d(Tx^*, Tx_{\sigma(n)}) \leq \alpha(\delta(x^*, x_{\sigma(n)}))(d(x_{\sigma(n)}, Tx^*) + \delta(x^*, Tx_{\sigma(n)})), \\ \delta(Tx^*, Tx_{\sigma(n)}) \leq \alpha(\gamma(x^*, x_{\sigma(n)}))(\delta(x_{\sigma(n)}, Tx^*) + \gamma(x^*, Tx_{\sigma(n)})), \\ \gamma(Tx^*, Tx_{\sigma(n)}) \leq \alpha(d(x^*, x_{\sigma(n)}))(\gamma(x_{\sigma(n)}, Tx^*) + d(x^*, Tx_{\sigma(n)})). \end{cases}$$

Then there exists  $k \in [0, \frac{1}{2}[$  such that:

$$d(Tx^*, x^*) \leq k(d(x^*, Tx^*) + \delta(x^*, y^*)).$$

Which implies  $d(Tx^*, x^*) \leq kd(x^*, Tx^*)$  and hence  $Tx^* = x^*$ , thus  $x^*$  is a fixed point of  $T$ .

step 4:

For the uniqueness of the point, we assume that  $\bar{x}$  and  $\bar{y}$  are two different fixed points of  $T$ . We have  $d(\bar{x}, \bar{y}) \leq \delta(\bar{x}, \bar{y})$  or  $\delta(\bar{x}, \bar{y}) \leq d(\bar{x}, \bar{y})$ . For the first case, we obtain:  $d(\bar{x}, T\bar{y}) = d(\bar{x}, \bar{y}) \leq \delta(\bar{x}, \bar{y})$  and then

$$\begin{cases} d(\bar{x}, \bar{y}) = d(T\bar{x}, T\bar{y}) \leq \alpha(\delta(\bar{x}, \bar{y}))(d(\bar{y}, T\bar{x}) + \delta(\bar{x}, T\bar{y})), \\ \delta(\bar{x}, \bar{y}) = \delta(T\bar{x}, T\bar{y}) \leq \alpha(\gamma(\bar{x}, \bar{y}))(\delta(\bar{y}, T\bar{x}) + \gamma(\bar{x}, T\bar{y})), \\ \gamma(\bar{x}, \bar{y}) = \gamma(T\bar{x}, T\bar{y}) \leq \alpha(d(\bar{x}, \bar{y}))(\gamma(\bar{y}, T\bar{x}) + d(\bar{x}, T\bar{y})), \end{cases}$$

then

$$\begin{cases} d(\bar{x}, \bar{y}) \leq \frac{\alpha(\delta(\bar{x}, \bar{y}))}{1-\alpha(\delta(\bar{x}, \bar{y}))} \delta(\bar{x}, \bar{y}) < \delta(\bar{x}, \bar{y}), \\ \delta(\bar{x}, \bar{y}) \leq \frac{\alpha(\gamma(\bar{x}, \bar{y}))}{1-\alpha(\gamma(\bar{x}, \bar{y}))} \gamma(\bar{x}, \bar{y}) < \gamma(\bar{x}, \bar{y}), \\ \gamma(\bar{x}, \bar{y}) \leq \frac{\alpha(d(\bar{x}, \bar{y}))}{1-\alpha(d(\bar{x}, \bar{y}))} d(\bar{x}, \bar{y}) < d(\bar{x}, \bar{y}), \end{cases}$$

which is contraction. Thus,  $T$  has a unique fixed point in  $X$ . This completes the proof.

If  $\delta = \gamma$ , we obtain the following result.

**Corollary 3.8.**

Let  $X$  be non-empty set,  $d$  and  $\delta$  two metrics on  $X$  and  $T : X \rightarrow X$  a mapping such that:

- (1)  $(X, d, \delta)$  is a  $(M)$ -space.
- (2) For all  $x, y \in X$ , one of the following two conditions:
  - i.  $d(x, Ty) \leq \delta(x, y)$ ,
  - ii.  $\delta(x, Ty) \leq d(x, y)$ ,

implies

$$\begin{cases} d(Tx, Ty) \leq \alpha(\delta(x, y))(d(y, Tx) + \delta(x, Ty)), \\ \delta(Tx, Ty) \leq \alpha(d(x, y))(\delta(y, Tx) + d(x, Ty)), \end{cases}$$

where  $\alpha : [0, +\infty[ \rightarrow [0, \frac{1}{2}[$  is a function such that  $\limsup_{s \rightarrow r^+} \alpha(s) < \frac{1}{2}$ , for all  $r \geq 0$ .

Then  $T$  has a unique fixed point  $x^* \in X$ .

**Example 3.9.** Let  $X = \{(0, 0), (4, 0), (0, 4), (5, 0), (4, 5), (5, 4)\}$  endowed with the distance  $d$  and  $\delta$  defined by

$$d((x, x'), (y, y')) = |x - y| + |x' - y'| \quad \text{and} \quad \delta((x, x'), (y, y')) = \frac{\sqrt{5}}{2}(|x - y| + |x' - y'|),$$

for all  $((x, x'), (y, y')) \in X^2$ .

We put  $r = \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}}$ , and consider the mapping defined on  $X$  by

$$T(x, x') = \begin{cases} (x', 0) & \text{if } x \leq x' \text{ and } (x, x') \in X \setminus \{(0, 4)\}, \\ (0, x') & \text{if } x > x' \text{ and } (x, x') \in X \setminus \{(0, 4)\}, \\ (0, 0) & \text{if } (x, x') = (0, 4). \end{cases}$$

First case :  $((x, x'), (y, y')) \notin \{(4, 5), (5, 4), ((5, 4), (4, 5))\}$ , we have

$$\begin{cases} d(T(x, x'), T(y, y')) \leq r(d((y, y'), T(x, x')) + \delta((x, x'), T(y, y'))), \\ \delta(T(x, x'), T(y, y')) \leq r(\delta((y, y'), T(x, x')) + d((x, x'), T(y, y'))). \end{cases}$$

Second case :  $(x, x') = (4, 5)$  and  $(y, y') = (5, 4)$ .

$$d((x, x'), T(y, y')) = 5 \text{ and } \delta((x, x'), T(y, y')) = \frac{5\sqrt{5}}{2},$$

$$d((y, y'), T(x, x')) = 4 \text{ and } \delta((y, y'), T(x, x')) = \frac{4\sqrt{5}}{2},$$

$$d((x, x'), (y, y')) = 2 \text{ and } \delta((x, x'), (y, y')) = \sqrt{5}.$$

Note that

$$d((x, x'), T(y, y')) > \delta((x, x'), (y, y')),$$

and

$$\delta((x, x'), T(y, y')) > d((x, x'), (y, y')).$$

Since  $d(T(x, x'), T(y, y')) = 9$  and  $\delta(T(x, x'), T(y, y')) = \frac{9\sqrt{5}}{2}$ , so

$$\begin{cases} d(T(x, x'), T(y, y')) > r(d((y, y'), T(x, x')) + \delta((x, x'), T(y, y'))), \\ \delta(T(x, x'), T(y, y')) > r(\delta((y, y'), T(x, x')) + d((x, x'), T(y, y'))). \end{cases}$$



Similarly for  $(x, x') = (5, 4)$  and  $(y, y') = (4, 5)$ .

Hence,  $T$  satisfies the hypotheses of corollary 3.8 but we haven't

$$\begin{cases} d(T(x, x'), T(y, y')) \leq r(d((y, y'), T(x, x')) + \delta((x, x'), T(y, y'))), \\ \delta(T(x, x'), T(y, y')) \leq r(\delta((y, y'), T(x, x')) + d((x, x'), T(y, y'))), \end{cases}$$

on the hole space. Note that  $T$  have a unique fixed point  $x^* = (0, 0)$ .

If  $d = \delta = \gamma$ , we obtain the following result.

**Corollary 3.10.** Let  $(X, d)$  a complete metric space and let  $T : X \rightarrow X$  be a mapping such that, for all  $x, y \in X$ ,

$$d(x, Ty) \leq d(x, y) \text{ implies } d(Tx, Ty) \leq \alpha(d(x, y))(d(y, Tx) + d(x, Ty)),$$

where  $\alpha : [0, +\infty[ \rightarrow [0, \frac{1}{2}[$  is a function such that  $\limsup_{s \rightarrow r^+} \alpha(s) < \frac{1}{2}$ , for all  $r \geq 0$ .

Then, there exist a unique element  $x^* \in X$  such that  $Tx^* = x^*$ .

**Remarque 3.11.** In corollary 3.10 if the function  $\alpha$  is replaced by a constant  $r \in [0, \frac{1}{2}[$  we get the theorem 2.2

The following result generalizes theorem 2.1.

**Theorem 3.12.** Let  $X$  be non-empty set,  $d$ ,  $\delta$  and  $\gamma$  three metrics on  $X$  and  $T : X \rightarrow X$  a mapping such that:

- (1)  $(X, d, \delta, \gamma)$  is a  $(M)$ -space.
- (2) For all  $x, y \in X$ , one of the following three conditions:
  - i.  $d(x, Ty) \leq \delta(x, y)$ ,
  - ii.  $\delta(x, Ty) \leq \gamma(x, y)$ ,
  - iii.  $\gamma(x, Ty) \leq d(x, y)$ ,

implies

$$\begin{cases} d(Tx, Ty) \leq \alpha(\delta(x, y))(d(x, Tx) + \delta(y, Ty)), \\ \delta(Tx, Ty) \leq \alpha(\gamma(x, y))(\delta(x, Tx) + \gamma(y, Ty)), \\ \gamma(Tx, Ty) \leq \alpha(d(x, y))(\gamma(x, Tx) + d(y, Ty)), \end{cases}$$

where  $\alpha : [0, +\infty[ \rightarrow [0, \frac{1}{2}[$  is a function such that  $\limsup_{s \rightarrow r^+} \alpha(s) < \frac{1}{2}$ , for all  $r \geq 0$ .

Then  $T$  has a unique fixed point  $x^* \in X$ .

**Proof.** *step 1:*

Letting  $x_0 \in X$ , we define the sequence  $(x_n)_n$  by  $x_{n+1} = Tx_n$  for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , we have

$$d(x_{n+1}, Tx_n) = 0 \leq \delta(x_{n+1}, x_n),$$

therefor we have

$$\begin{cases} d(Tx_{n+1}, Tx_n) \leq \alpha(\delta(x_{n+1}, x_n))(d(x_{n+1}, Tx_{n+1}) + \delta(x_n, Tx_n)), \\ \delta(Tx_{n+1}, Tx_n) \leq \alpha(\gamma(x_{n+1}, x_n))(\delta(x_{n+1}, Tx_{n+1}) + \gamma(x_n, Tx_n)), \\ \gamma(Tx_{n+1}, Tx_n) \leq \alpha(d(x_{n+1}, x_n))(\gamma(x_{n+1}, Tx_{n+1}) + d(x_n, Tx_n)), \end{cases}$$

wherefrom

$$\begin{cases} d(x_{n+2}, x_{n+1}) \leq \alpha(\delta(x_{n+1}, x_n))(d(x_{n+1}, x_{n+2}) + \delta(x_n, x_{n+1})), \\ \delta(x_{n+2}, x_{n+1}) \leq \alpha(\gamma(x_{n+1}, x_n))(\delta(x_{n+1}, x_{n+2}) + \gamma(x_n, x_{n+1})), \\ \gamma(x_{n+2}, x_{n+1}) \leq \alpha(d(x_{n+1}, x_n))(\gamma(x_{n+1}, x_{n+2}) + d(x_n, x_{n+1})), \end{cases}$$

this yields

$$\begin{cases} d(x_{n+2}, x_{n+1}) \leq a(n)\delta(x_n, x_{n+1}), \\ \delta(x_{n+2}, x_{n+1}) \leq b(n)\gamma(x_n, x_{n+1}), \\ \gamma(x_{n+2}, x_{n+1}) \leq c(n)d(x_n, x_{n+1}), \end{cases}$$

with

$$\begin{cases} a(n) = \frac{\alpha(\delta(x_{n+1}, x_n))}{1 - \alpha(\delta(x_{n+1}, x_n))}, \\ b(n) = \frac{\alpha(\gamma(x_{n+1}, x_n))}{1 - \alpha(\gamma(x_{n+1}, x_n))}, \\ c(n) = \frac{\alpha(d(x_{n+1}, x_n))}{1 - \alpha(d(x_{n+1}, x_n))}. \end{cases}$$

Thus, we have

$$\begin{aligned} d(x_{n+2}, x_{n+1}) &\leq a(n)\delta(x_n, x_{n+1}) \\ &\leq a(n)b(n-1)\gamma(x_{n-1}, x_n) \\ &\leq a(n)b(n-1)c(n-2)d(x_{n-2}, x_{n-1}), \text{ for all } n \geq 2. \end{aligned}$$

Analogously, we obtain  $\delta(x_{n+2}, x_{n+1}) \leq b(n)c(n-1)a(n-2)\delta(x_{n-2}, x_{n-1})$  and  $\gamma(x_{n+2}, x_{n+1}) \leq c(n)a(n-1)b(n-2)\gamma(x_{n-2}, x_{n-1})$ .

By hypothesis,  $0 \leq \frac{\alpha(t)}{1-\alpha(t)} < 1, \forall t \in [0, +\infty[$ , then:

$$\begin{cases} d(x_{n+2}, x_{n+1}) \leq d(x_{n-2}, x_{n-1}), \\ \delta(x_{n+2}, x_{n+1}) \leq \delta(x_{n-2}, x_{n-1}), \\ \gamma(x_{n+2}, x_{n+1}) \leq \gamma(x_{n-2}, x_{n-1}). \end{cases}$$

It follows that  $(d(x_{3p}, x_{3p+1}))_p, (d(x_{3p+1}, x_{3p+2}))_p$  and  $(d(x_{3p+2}, x_{3p+3}))_p$  converges to  $d_1, d_2$ , and  $d_3$ , respectively. And  $(\delta(x_{3p}, x_{3p+1}))_p, (\delta(x_{3p+1}, x_{3p+2}))_p$  and  $(\delta(x_{3p+2}, x_{3p+3}))_p$  converges to  $\delta_1, \delta_2$ , and  $\delta_3$ , respectively. And  $(\gamma(x_{3p}, x_{3p+1}))_p, (\gamma(x_{3p+1}, x_{3p+2}))_p$  and  $(\gamma(x_{3p+2}, x_{3p+3}))_p$  converges to  $\gamma_1, \gamma_2$ , and  $\gamma_3$ , respectively.

Since  $\limsup_{t \rightarrow \delta_1^+} \alpha(t) < \frac{1}{2}, \limsup_{t \rightarrow \gamma_3^+} \alpha(t) < \frac{1}{2}$  and  $\limsup_{t \rightarrow d_2^+} \alpha(t) < \frac{1}{2}$ .

There exist  $p_1 \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $r_1 \in [0, \frac{1}{2}[$  such that for any integer  $p \geq p_1$

$$\max\{\alpha(d(x_{3p+1}, x_{3p+2})); \alpha(\delta(x_{3p}, x_{3p+1})); \alpha(\gamma(x_{3p+2}, x_{3p+3}))\} \leq r_1.$$

Hence

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\alpha(\delta(x_{3p+1}, x_{3p}))}{1-\alpha(\delta(x_{3p+1}, x_{3p}))} \leq \frac{r_1}{1-r_1}, \\ \frac{\alpha(\gamma(x_{3p}, x_{3p-1}))}{1-\alpha(\gamma(x_{3p}, x_{3p-1}))} \leq \frac{r_1}{1-r_1}, \\ \frac{\alpha(d(x_{3p-1}, x_{3p-2}))}{1-\alpha(d(x_{3p-1}, x_{3p-2}))} \leq \frac{r_1}{1-r_1}. \end{cases}$$

There exist  $R_1 \in [0, 1[$  such that

$$d(x_{3p+1}, x_{3p+2}) \leq R_1 d(x_{3p-2}, x_{3p-1}).$$

In the same way, we find that exist  $p_2, p_3 \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $R_2, R_3 \in [0, 1[$  such that

$$d(x_{3p+2}, x_{3p+3}) \leq R_2 d(x_{3p-1}, x_{3p}) \text{ for } p \geq p_2,$$

$$d(x_{3p+4}, x_{3p+3}) \leq R_3 d(x_{3p}, x_{3p+1}) \text{ for } p \geq p_3.$$

It follow that  $\sum_{p \geq 1} d(x_{3p-1}, x_{3p}), \sum_{p \geq 1} d(x_{3p-2}, x_{3p-1})$  and  $\sum_{p \geq 0} d(x_{3p}, x_{3p+1})$  are convergent.

Therefore

$$\sum_{n \geq 0} d(x_n, x_{n+1}) = \sum_{p \geq 0} d(x_{3p}, x_{3p+1}) + \sum_{p \geq 1} d(x_{3p}, x_{3p-1}) + \sum_{p \geq 1} d(x_{3p-1}, x_{3p-2}),$$

is convergent. In the same way; we find  $\sum_{n \geq 0} \delta(x_n, x_{n+1})$  and  $\sum_{n \geq 0} \gamma(x_n, x_{n+1})$  are convergent. Hence  $(x_n)_n$  is a Cauchy sequence in  $(X, d)$ ,  $(X, \delta)$  and  $(X, \gamma)$ ; since  $(X, d, \delta, \gamma)$  is an  $(M)$ -space, there exist  $x^*, y^*, z^* \in X$  such that

$$\lim_n d(x_n, x^*) = \lim_n \delta(x_n, y^*) = \lim_n \gamma(x_n, z^*) = 0.$$

Step 2:

If  $x^* \neq y^*$ . And since  $\lim_n d(Tx_n, x^*) = 0$  and  $\lim_n \delta(x_n, x^*) = \delta(y^*, x^*) > 0$ , we obtain  $d(x^*, Tx_n) \leq \delta(x^*, x_n)$  for large integers, which gives

$$\begin{aligned} (19) \quad & \left\{ \begin{aligned} d(Tx^*, Tx_n) &\leq \alpha(\delta(x^*, x_n))(d(x^*, Tx^*) + \delta(x_n, Tx_n)), \\ \delta(Tx^*, Tx_n) &\leq \alpha(\gamma(x^*, x_n))(\delta(x^*, Tx^*) + \gamma(x_n, Tx_n)), \\ \gamma(Tx^*, Tx_n) &\leq \alpha(d(x^*, x_n))(\gamma(x^*, Tx^*) + d(x_n, Tx_n)). \end{aligned} \right. \\ (20) \quad & \\ (21) \quad & \end{aligned}$$

Using (19), we obtain  $Tx^* = x^*$  and by (20) we conclude that  $\delta(Tx^*, y^*) \leq \delta(x^*, Tx^*)$  so, we have  $Tx^* = y^*$ , also  $x^* = y^*$ , which is contraction.

Similarly if  $x^* \neq z^*$  and  $y^* = z^*$ , we get a contraction.

Thus

$$x^* = y^* = z^*.$$

step 3:

As in the step 3 the proof of theorem 3.1, we have a subsequence  $(x_{\sigma(n)})_n$  such that:

$$\left\{ \begin{aligned} d(Tx^*, Tx_{\sigma(n)}) &\leq \alpha(\delta(x^*, x_{\sigma(n)}))(d(x^*, Tx^*) + \delta(x_{\sigma(n)}, Tx_{\sigma(n)})), \\ \delta(Tx^*, Tx_{\sigma(n)}) &\leq \alpha(\gamma(x^*, x_{\sigma(n)}))(\delta(x^*, Tx^*) + \gamma(x_{\sigma(n)}, Tx_{\sigma(n)})) \\ \gamma(Tx^*, Tx_{\sigma(n)}) &\leq \alpha(d(x^*, x_{\sigma(n)}))(\gamma(x^*, Tx^*) + d(x_{\sigma(n)}, Tx_{\sigma(n)})). \end{aligned} \right.$$

Furthermore,  $\limsup_n \alpha(\delta(x^*, x_{\sigma(n)})) < \frac{1}{2}$  implies that exists  $k \in [0, \frac{1}{2}[$  such that

$$d(Tx^*, Tx_{\sigma(n)}) \leq k(d(x^*, Tx^*) + \delta(x_{\sigma(n)}, Tx_{\sigma(n)})),$$

and consequently

$$d(Tx^*, x^*) \leq kd(x^*, Tx^*).$$

Thus  $d(Tx^*, x^*) = 0$ , hence,  $x^*$  is a fixed point of  $T$ .

step 4:

For the uniqueness of the point, we assume that  $\bar{x}$  and  $\bar{y}$  are two different fixed points of  $T$ . We have  $d(\bar{x}, \bar{y}) \leq \delta(\bar{x}, \bar{y})$  or  $\delta(\bar{x}, \bar{y}) \leq d(\bar{x}, \bar{y})$ . For the first case, we obtain:  $d(\bar{x}, T\bar{y}) = d(\bar{x}, \bar{y}) \leq \delta(\bar{x}, \bar{y})$  and then

$$\begin{cases} d(T\bar{x}, T\bar{y}) \leq \alpha(\delta(\bar{x}, \bar{y}))(d(\bar{x}, T\bar{x}) + \delta(\bar{y}, T\bar{y})), \\ \delta(T\bar{x}, T\bar{y}) \leq \alpha(\gamma(\bar{x}, \bar{y}))(\delta(\bar{x}, T\bar{x}) + \gamma(\bar{y}, T\bar{y})), \\ \gamma(T\bar{x}, T\bar{y}) \leq \alpha(d(\bar{x}, \bar{y}))(\gamma(\bar{x}, T\bar{x}) + d(\bar{y}, T\bar{y})). \end{cases}$$

Then  $d(\bar{x}, \bar{y}) = 0$ , thus,  $T$  has a unique fixed point in  $X$ . This completes the proof.

If  $\delta = \gamma$ , we obtain the following result.

**Corollary 3.13.** Let  $X$  be non-empty set,  $d$  and  $\delta$  two metrics on  $X$  and  $T : X \rightarrow X$  a mapping such that:

- (1)  $(X, d, \delta)$  is a  $(M)$ -space.
- (2) For all  $x, y \in X$ , one of the following two conditions:
  - i.  $d(x, Ty) \leq \delta(x, y)$ ,
  - ii.  $\delta(x, Ty) \leq d(x, y)$ ,

implies

$$\begin{cases} d(Tx, Ty) \leq \alpha(\delta(x, y))(d(x, Tx) + \delta(y, Ty)), \\ \delta(Tx, Ty) \leq \alpha(d(x, y))(\delta(x, Tx) + d(y, Ty)), \end{cases}$$

where  $\alpha : [0, +\infty[ \rightarrow [0, \frac{1}{2}[$  is a function such that  $\limsup_{s \rightarrow r^+} \alpha(s) < \frac{1}{2}$ , for all  $r \geq 0$ .

Then  $T$  has a unique fixed point  $x^* \in X$ .

**Corollary 3.14.** Let  $(X, d, \delta, \gamma)$  a  $(M)$ -space and  $T : X \rightarrow X$  a mapping such that:

$$\begin{cases} d(Tx, Ty) \leq \alpha(\delta(x, y))(d(x, Tx) + \delta(y, Ty)), \\ \delta(Tx, Ty) \leq \alpha(\gamma(x, y))(\delta(x, Tx) + \gamma(y, Ty)), \\ \gamma(Tx, Ty) \leq \alpha(d(x, y))(\gamma(x, Tx) + d(y, Ty)), \end{cases}$$

where  $\alpha : [0, +\infty[ \rightarrow [0, \frac{1}{2}[$  is a function such that  $\limsup_{s \rightarrow r^+} \alpha(s) < \frac{1}{2}$ , for all  $r \geq 0$ .

Then  $T$  has a unique fixed point  $x^* \in X$ .

**Example 3.15.** Let  $X = [0, 1]$  endowed with the usual distance  $d$  and the distance  $\delta$  and  $\gamma$  defined by  $\delta(x, y) = 2|x - y|$  and  $\gamma(x, y) = 3|x - y|$ .

$(X, d)$ ,  $(X, \delta)$  and  $(X, \gamma)$  are complete metric spaces. We define  $\alpha$  from  $[0, +\infty[$  into  $[0, 1[$  by  $\alpha(t) = \frac{5}{12}e^{-\frac{t}{6}}$ , and consider the mapping defined on  $X$  by

$$Tx = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{10}x & \text{if } x \in [0, 1[, \\ 0 & \text{if } x = 1. \end{cases}$$

For  $x, y \in [0, 1[$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} d(Tx, Ty) &= \frac{1}{10}|x - y| \leq \frac{5}{12}e^{-\frac{1}{3}|x-y|} \left(\frac{9}{10}x + \frac{9}{5}y\right) = \alpha(\delta(x, y))(d(x, Tx) + \delta(y, Ty)), \\ \delta(Tx, Ty) &= \frac{1}{5}|x - y| \leq \frac{5}{12}e^{-\frac{1}{2}|x-y|} \left(\frac{9}{5}x + \frac{27}{10}y\right) = \gamma(d(x, y))(\delta(x, Tx) + \gamma(y, Ty)), \\ \gamma(Tx, Ty) &= \frac{3}{10}|x - y| \leq \frac{5}{12}e^{-\frac{1}{6}|x-y|} \left(\frac{27}{10}x + \frac{9}{10}y\right) = \gamma(d(x, y))(\gamma(x, Tx) + d(y, Ty)). \end{aligned}$$

For  $x \in [0, 1[$  and  $y = 1$   $T$  satisfy corollary 3.14, similarly for  $y \in [0, 1[$  and  $x = 1$ . Then  $T$  has a unique fixed point in  $X$ ,  $T0 = 0$ .

**Corollary 3.16.** Let  $(X, d)$  a complete metric space and let  $T : X \rightarrow X$  be a mapping such that, for all  $x, y \in X$ ,

$$d(x, Ty) \leq d(x, y) \text{ implies } d(Tx, Ty) \leq \alpha(d(x, y))(d(x, Tx) + d(y, Ty)),$$

where  $\alpha : [0, +\infty[ \rightarrow [0, \frac{1}{2}[$  is a function such that  $\limsup_{s \rightarrow r^+} \alpha(s) < \frac{1}{2}$ , for all  $r \geq 0$ .

Then, there exist a unique element  $x^* \in X$  such that  $Tx^* = x^*$

**Remarque 3.17.** In corollary 3.16 if the function  $\alpha$  is replaced by a constant  $r \in [0, \frac{1}{2}[$  we get the theorem 2.1.

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