

COMMON FIXED POINT THEOREMS FOR  
A FAMILY OF MAPPINGS

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**Abstract:** Common fixed point theorems for a family  $H_{f,x}$  of mappings involving a densifying mapping in metric spaces are proved. The results presented in this paper generalize a few results in the literature.

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1. Introduction and Preliminaries

Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space and  $f, g : X \rightarrow X$  be mappings. For  $x, y \in X$  and  $A \subseteq X$ , put:

$$O_f(x) = \{f^n x : n \geq 0\}, O_f(x, y) = O_f(x) \cup O_f(y),$$

$$\delta(A) = \sup\{d(a, b) : a, b \in A\},$$

$$H_f = \{g : g : X \rightarrow X \text{ and } g(\cap_{n \geq 1} f^n X) \subseteq \cap_{n \geq 1} f^n X\},$$

$$H_{f,x} = \{g : g : X \rightarrow X \text{ and } g(\cap_{n \geq 1} \overline{f^n(O_f(x))}) \subseteq \cap_{n \geq 1} \overline{f^n(O_f(x))}\}$$

and  $\overline{A}$  denotes the closure of  $A$ . It is well known that the family  $H_f$  of self

mappings in a metric space  $(X, d)$  includes the family of commuting self mappings with  $f$  in the metric space  $(X, d)$  as proper subset [4]. Liu [4], [5], [6], [7], [8], [9], [10], [11], [12] proved the existence of fixed and common fixed points for several families  $H_f$  and  $H_g$  of contractive type mappings in metric spaces, compact metric spaces and compact Hausdorff spaces, respectively, which generalize some results due to Jungck [2], Fisher [1], Pande [13], etc.

Inspired by the results in [1], [2], [4]-[12], in this paper, we establish some new common fixed point theorems for two classes of contractive type mappings involving the family  $H_{f,x}$ , which is a local version of the family  $H_f$ .

Recall that a self mapping  $f$  in a metric space  $X$  is said to be densifying if  $\alpha(fA) < \alpha(A)$  for every bounded subset  $A$  of  $X$  with  $\alpha(A) > 0$ , where  $\alpha$  denotes the measure of non-compactness in the sense of Kurotowski [3].

### 2. Common Fixed Point Theorems

The following lemma plays a key role in this paper.

**Lemma 2.1.** *Let  $f$  be a continuous self mapping of a complete metric space  $(X, d)$ . Assume that there exist  $x_0 \in X$  and a positive integer  $m$  such that  $f^m$  is densifying. Then:*

- (a)  $\cap_{n \geq 1} f^n(\overline{O_f(x_0)})$  is nonempty and compact;
- (b)  $f(\cap_{n \geq 1} f^n(\overline{O_f(x_0)})) = \cap_{n \geq 1} f^n(\overline{O_f(x_0)})$ ;
- (c)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \delta(f^n(\overline{O_f(x_0)})) = \delta(\cap_{n \geq 1} f^n(\overline{O_f(x_0)}))$ .

*Proof.* Let  $x_0$  be a point of  $X$ . Note that

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha(O_f(x_0)) &= \max\{\alpha(\{x_0, fx_0, \dots, f^{m-1}x_0\}), \alpha(O_f(f^m(x_0)))\} \\ &= \alpha(O_f(f^m(x_0))) = \alpha(f^m(O_f(x_0))), \end{aligned}$$

and  $f^m$  is densifying. Consequently, we infer easily that  $\overline{O_f(x_0)}$  is compact. Since  $f$  is continuous and  $\overline{O_f(x_0)}$  is compact, it follows that

$$f(\overline{O_f(x_0)}) \subseteq \overline{f(O_f(x_0))} \subseteq \overline{O_f(x_0)},$$

$f^n(\overline{O_f(x_0)})$  is compact and  $f^{n+1}(\overline{O_f(x_0)}) \subseteq f^n(\overline{O_f(x_0)})$  for  $n \geq 1$ . The compactness of  $\overline{O_f(x_0)}$  and the continuity of  $f$  ensure that  $\{f^n(\overline{O_f(x_0)}) : n \geq 1\}$  has the finite intersection property. Thus  $\cap_{n \geq 1} f^n(\overline{O_f(x_0)})$  is a nonempty compact subset of  $\overline{O_f(x_0)}$ . Let  $D = \cap_{n \geq 1} f^n(\overline{O_f(x_0)})$ . We now assert that  $f(D) = D$ . For any  $v \in D$ , there exists  $x_n \in f^{n-1}(\overline{O_f(x_0)})$  such that  $fx_n = v$  for  $n \geq 1$ .

From the compactness of  $\overline{O_f(x_0)}$  we may (by selecting a subsequence, if necessary) assume that  $\{x_n\}_{n \geq 1}$  converges to some point  $u \in \overline{O_f(x_0)}$ . Since  $\{x_k : k \geq n+1\} \subseteq f^n(\overline{O_f(x_0)})$  and  $f^n(\overline{O_f(x_0)})$  is compact, it follows that  $u \in f^n(\overline{O_f(x_0)})$  for  $n \geq 1$ , which yields that  $u \in D$ . Notice that  $fu = v$ . Consequently we deduce that  $D \subseteq f(D)$ . It is easy to see that  $f(D) \subseteq D$ . Therefore  $f(D) = D$ .

Note that  $f^n(\overline{O_f(x_0)})$  is compact and  $f^n(\overline{O_f(x_0)}) \supseteq f^{n+1}(\overline{O_f(x_0)})$  for  $n \geq 1$ . It follows that  $\{\delta(f^n(\overline{O_f(x_0)}))\}_{n \geq 1}$  is a nonincreasing sequence and there exist  $r \geq 0$  and  $a_n, b_n \in f^n(\overline{O_f(x_0)})$  such that

$$d(a_n, b_n) = \delta(f^n(\overline{O_f(x_0)})) \downarrow r \geq \delta(D) \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty. \quad (2.1)$$

From the compactness of  $f^n(\overline{O_f(x_0)})$  it follows that there exist  $\{a_{n_k}\}_{k \geq 1} \subseteq \{a_n\}_{n \geq 1}$ ,  $\{b_{n_k}\}_{k \geq 1} \subseteq \{b_n\}_{n \geq 1}$  and  $\{a, b\} \subseteq \overline{O_f(x_0)}$  such that

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} a_{n_k} = a, \quad \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} b_{n_k} = b. \quad (2.2)$$

For any  $n \geq 1$  and  $k \geq 1$ , we get that

$$\{a_{n_i}, b_{n_i} : i \geq k\} \subseteq f^{n_k}(\overline{O_f(x_0)}) \subseteq f^n(\overline{O_f(x_0)}).$$

This leads to  $\{a, b\} \subseteq f^n(\overline{O_f(x_0)})$  for any  $n \geq 1$  by (2.2). That is,

$$\{a, b\} \subseteq \bigcap_{k \geq 1} f^{n_k}(\overline{O_f(x_0)}) = D. \quad (2.3)$$

Combining (2.1)-(2.3), we infer that

$$d(a, b) = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} d(a_{n_k}, b_{n_k}) = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \delta(f^{n_k}(\overline{O_f(x_0)})) = r \leq \delta(D).$$

That is,  $r = \delta(D)$  by (2.1). This completes the proof.  $\square$

Our main results are as follows.

**Theorem 2.1.** *Let  $(X, d)$  be a complete metric space and  $f : X \rightarrow X$  be a continuous mapping. Assume that there exist  $x_0 \in X$  and three positive integers  $m, i, j$  such that  $f^m$  is densifying and*

$$d(f^i x, f^j y) < \delta(H_{f, x_0}(\bigcap_{n \geq 1} f^n(\overline{O_f(x_0)}))) \quad (2.4)$$

for all  $x, y \in \overline{O_f(x_0)}$  with  $f^i x \neq f^j y$ . Then  $f$  has a unique fixed point  $c \in \overline{O_f(x_0)}$  such that  $gc = c$  for all  $g \in H_{f, x_0}$  and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f^n x = c$  for every  $x \in \overline{O_f(x_0)}$ .

*Proof.* Let  $D = \bigcap_{n \geq 1} f^n(\overline{O_f(x_0)})$ . From Lemma 2.1, we have that  $fD = D \neq \emptyset$ . Now we assert that  $D$  consists of a singleton. Otherwise,  $\delta(D) > 0$ . It follows from the compactness of  $D$  that there exist  $p, q \in D$  with  $d(p, q) = \delta(D)$ . Notice that  $f(D) = D$ . Therefore there exist  $a, b \in D$  such that  $f^i a = p$  and  $f^j b = q$ . Obviously,  $H_{f, x_0}(D) \subseteq D$ . Using (2.4), we deduce that

$$0 < \delta(D) = d(p, q) = d(f^i a, f^j b) < \delta(H_{f, x_0}(\bigcap_{n \geq 1} f^n(\overline{O_f(x_0)}))) \leq \delta(D),$$

which is a contradiction. Thus  $D$  is a singleton. Let  $D = \{c\}$ . That is,  $c$  is a fixed point of  $f$ . Clearly  $gc = c$  for all  $g \in H_{f, x_0}$ .

Suppose that  $f$  has another fixed point  $d \in \overline{O_f(x_0)}$  with  $d \neq c$ . It is easy to see that  $d \in \bigcap_{n \geq 1} f^n(\overline{O_f(x_0)}) = D = \{c\}$ . Hence  $d = c$ . Thus  $c$  is the unique fixed point of  $f$  in  $\overline{O_f(x_0)}$ .

Note that  $\bigcap_{n \geq 1} f^n(\overline{O_f(x_0)}) = D = \{c\}$ . For each  $x \in \overline{O_f(x_0)}$  and  $n \geq 0$ , we have that  $\{c, f^n x\} \subseteq f^n(\overline{O_f(x_0)})$ . Thus Lemma 2.1 yields that

$$d(f^n x, c) \leq \delta(f^n(\overline{O_f(x_0)})) \rightarrow \delta(D) = 0 \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty,$$

that is,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f^n x = c$ . This completes the proof. □

**Theorem 2.2.** *Let  $(X, d)$  be a complete metric space and  $f : X \rightarrow X$  be a continuous mapping. Assume that there exist  $x_0 \in X$  and two positive integers  $m$  and  $i$  such that  $f^m$  is densifying and*

$$d(f^i x, f^i y) < \delta(H_{f, x_0}(\overline{O_f(x, y)})) \tag{2.5}$$

for any  $x, y \in \overline{O_f(x_0)}$  with  $x \neq y$ . Then  $f$  has a unique fixed point  $u \in \overline{O_f(x_0)}$  such that  $gu = u$  for all  $g \in H_{f, x_0}$  and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f^n x = u$  for every  $x \in \overline{O_f(x_0)}$ .

*Proof.* Put  $D = \bigcap_{n \geq 1} f^n(\overline{O_f(x_0)})$ . Lemma 2.1 ensures that  $D$  is nonempty and compact and  $fD = D$ . Suppose that  $\delta(D) > 0$ . Thus there exist  $c, d, p, q \in D$  such that  $d(p, q) = \delta(D)$ ,  $f^i c = p$ ,  $f^i d = q$  and  $c \neq d$ . Clearly,  $H_{f, x_0}(\overline{O_f(c, d)}) \subseteq D$ . In view of (2.5), we deduce that

$$0 < \delta(D) = d(p, q) = d(f^i c, f^i d) < \delta(H_{f, x_0}(\overline{O_f(c, d)})) \leq \delta(D),$$

which is a contradiction. Therefore  $D$  is a singleton. Put  $D = \{u\}$ . Consequently,  $u$  is a fixed point of  $f$  and  $gu = u$  for each  $g \in H_{f, x_0}$ .

Suppose that  $v \neq u$  is another fixed point of  $f$  in  $\overline{O_f(x_0)}$ . It is easy to see that  $v \in \bigcap_{n \geq 1} f^n(\overline{O_f(x_0)}) = D = \{u\}$ . Hence  $v = u$ . Thus  $u$  is the unique fixed point of  $f$  in  $\overline{O_f(x_0)}$ . Notice that for any  $x \in \overline{O_f(x_0)}$

$$d(f^n x, u) \leq \delta(f^n(\overline{O_f(x_0)})) \rightarrow \delta(D) = 0 \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty,$$

that is,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f^n x = a$ . This completes the proof.  $\square$

**Remark 2.1.** Lemma 2.1, Theorem 2.1 and Theorem 2.2 extend, improve and unify the corresponding results in [1], [2], [4]-[12].

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