

## ON CONDENSING MAPPINGS IN D-METRIC SPACES

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In this paper two measures of noncompactness in D-metric spaces are defined and some fixed point theorems are proved for condensing mappings in D-metric spaces.

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### Introduction

Recently the present author (Dhage 1992) has introduced the notion of D-metric spaces as follows. Let  $x$  be a non-empty set. A real function  $D$  on  $x \times x \times x$  is said to be a D-metric on  $x$  if it satisfies the following properties.

(M<sub>1</sub>)  $D(x, y, z) \geq 0$  for all  $x, y, z \in x$  and equality holds if and only if  $x = y = z$ .

(M<sub>2</sub>)  $D(x, y, z) = D(y, x, z) = \dots$ ; (symmetry)

(M<sub>3</sub>)  $D(x, y, z) = D(x, y, a) + D(x, a, z) + D(a, y, z)$ , for  $x, y, z, a \in x$ . (rectangle inequality)

A non-empty set  $x$  together with a D-metric,  $D$  is called the D-metrics space and it is denoted by  $(x, D)$ . The generalization of the D-metric as a function of  $n$  variables is given in (Dhage 1984 and 1992). A sequence  $x_n$  in the D-metric space  $x$  is called D-cauchy if  $\lim D(x_m, x_n, x_p) = 0$ , A sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in a D-metric space  $x$  is said  $m, n, p \rightarrow \infty$ .

to be D-convergent and converges to a point  $x$  in  $x$  if  $\lim D(x_m, x_n, x) = 0$ . A complete  $m, n \rightarrow \infty$

D-metric space  $x$  is one in which every D-cauchy sequence in  $x$  converges to a point in  $x$ . Let  $x_0 \in x$  and let  $\epsilon \geq 0$  be given. Then a ball  $B(x_0, \epsilon)$  centered at  $x_0$  of radius  $\epsilon$  in  $x$  is defined by

$$B(x_0, \epsilon) = \{y, \epsilon x \mid D(x_0, y, y) < \epsilon \text{ and if } y, z \in B(x_0, \epsilon) \text{ are any two into then } D(x_0, y, z) \geq \epsilon\}.$$

Then the collection  $\{B(x, \epsilon) : x \in x\}$  of all  $\epsilon$ -balls induces the topology  $\tau$  on  $x$  called the D-metric topology on  $x$  provided  $D$  satisfies the condition

$$(M_4) D(x, z, z) \geq D(x, y, y) + D(y, z, z) \text{ for all } x, y, z \in x.$$

The topology  $\tau$  is same as the topology of D-metric convergence in  $x$ . The topological properties of a D-metric space  $x$  are similar to a ordinary metric space and the details are given in (Dhag 1994). The collection  $\{B(x, \epsilon) : x \in x\}$  forms the open cover for the sat  $x$ . If this open cover has a

finite subcover, i.e., if there exist finite points  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n$  in  $x$  such that  $\bigcup_{i=1}^n B(x_i, \epsilon)$ , the  $x$  is called the compact D-metric space. If  $x$  is a compact D-metric space, then every sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $x$  has a convergent subsequence. Let  $A$  be non-empty set in  $x$ . Than the diameter of  $A$  denoted by  $\text{diam}(A)$  is defined by

$$\text{diam}(A) = \sup \{D(a, b, c) : a, b, c \in A\} \dots \dots \dots (1.2)$$

A subset  $A$  of the D-metric space  $x$  is said to be bounded if there is  $\text{diam}(A) \leq M$ . Since the compact spaces have some nice properties and are easy to deal with, several results are possible in compact D-metric spaces. Therefore, it is of interest to measure the noncompactness of non-empty and bounded sets in a D-metric space  $x$ . Below we state two measures or noncompactness of a bounded set in the D-metric spaces on the lines of kuratowskii (1930) and (Petrysyn 1971) measures of noncompactness in the ordinary metric spaces.

**Definition 1.1:** The set measure of noncompactness of a bounded set  $A$  in a D-metric space  $x$  is a nonnegative real number  $\alpha(A)$  defined by

$$\alpha(A) = \inf \{r > 0 : A = \bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i, \text{diam}(A_i) \leq r, \forall i\} \dots \dots (1.2)$$

**Definition 1.2:** The ball measure of noncompactness of a bounded set  $A$  in a D-metric space  $x$  is a nonnegative real number  $\beta(A)$  defined by

$$\beta(A) = \inf \{r > 0 : A \subset \bigcup_{i=1}^n B(x_i, r), x_i \in x\} \dots \dots \dots (1.3)$$

The measures of noncompactness  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  have similar properties.

Below we state some properties of the measure of noncompactness.

**Lemma 1.1:** For any subsets  $A$  and  $B$  of  $x$ .

- (i)  $\alpha(A) = 0$  if and only if  $A$  is compact.
- (ii)  $A \subset B \Rightarrow \alpha(A) \leq \alpha(B)$

- (iii)  $\alpha (A \cup B) = \max \{ \alpha (A), \alpha (B) \}$
- (iv)  $\alpha (A \cap B) = \min \{ \alpha (A), \alpha (B) \}$
- (v)  $\alpha (\bar{A}) = \alpha (A)$ , where  $A$  is the closure of  $A$ .

*Proof:* The proof is similar to the properties of kuratoiskii measure of noncompactness in ordinary metric spaces. we omit the details.

*Remark.* 1.1 we note that in the special case when the D-metric,  $D$  is defined on a non-empty set  $x$  by

$$D(x, y, z) = \max \{d(x, y), d(y, z), d(z, x)\} \dots \dots \dots (1.5)$$

where  $d$  is a ordinary metric on  $x$ , then the diameter of a bounded set  $A$  in the D-metric space  $x$  is just reduced to the diameter of in the ordinary metric space  $(x, d)$  given by

$$\text{diam}(A) = \max \{d(x, y) : x, y \in A\} \dots \dots \dots (1.6)$$

In this case the set and ball measures of noncompactness in the D-metric space  $x$  are reduced respectively to the kuratowski measures of noncompactness in the ordinary metric space  $x$ .

In the following section we prove the main results of this paper. In the sequel, by  $x$  we always mean, unless otherwise specified, the D-metric space with D-metric  $D$ .

**Results and Discussion**

*Definition 2.1:* A mapping  $T, x \rightarrow x$  is called  $k$ -set contraction if for any bounded set  $A$  in  $x$  and  $\alpha(TA) \leq k \alpha(A)$  for some  $k > 0$ .

*Definition 2.2.* A mapping  $T : x \rightarrow x$ , is said strict-set contraction if it is a  $k$ -set contraction with  $k < 1$ .

*Definition 2.3:* A mapping  $T : x \rightarrow x$  is said to be condensing if for any bounded set  $A$  in  $x$  and  $\alpha(TA) < \alpha(A), \alpha(A) > 0$ .

Theorem 2.1 1st  $T : x \rightarrow x, x_a$  complete and bounded D-metric space, be a continuous and condensing mapping. Then  $T$  has a fixed point.

*Proof:* The proof is similar to a theorem of Fury and Vignoli (1989). In ordinary metric spaces. we omit the details.

As a consequence of theorem 2.1, we obtain the following corollaries:

*Corollary 2.1.* Let  $T: x \rightarrow x, x_a$  complete bounded D-metric space, be a continuous and strict - set contraction mapping. Then  $T$  has a fixed point.

*Corollary 2.2.* (Fury and Vignoli 1989) : Let  $T : x \rightarrow x, x_a$  complete bounded ordinary metric space, be a continuous and condensing mapping. Then  $T$  has a fixed point.

*Proof:* Define a D-metric  $D$  on  $x$  by (1.5). Then by Remark 1.1. a mapping  $T$  which is condensing in ordinary metric space

$x$ , is also condensing in the D-metric space  $x$ . Again, the continuity of  $T$  in ordinary metric space implies the continuity of  $T$  in the D-metric spaces. Now the conclusion follows by an application of Theorem 2.1.

*Theorem 2.2:* Let  $T : x \rightarrow x, x_a$  complete bounded D-metric space, be a mapping satisfying

$$D(Tx, Ty, Tz) \leq \phi(D(x, y, z)) \dots \dots \dots (2.1)$$

for all  $x, y, z \in x$ , where  $\phi$  is a continuous real function such that  $\phi(r) < r, r > 0$ . Then  $T$  has a unique fixed point.

*Proof:* By theorem 2.1 of (Dhage 1994),  $T$  is continuous on  $x$ . We show that  $T$  is condensing on  $x$ . Let  $A$  be a bounded subset of  $x$ . Let  $\epsilon > 0$  be given and suppose  $A = \cup_{i=1}^n A_i$

Then  $T(A) = \cup_{i=1}^n T(A_i)$ . Now definition of  $\alpha$ , we get  $\text{diam}(A_i) < \alpha(A) + \epsilon$ , for all  $i, i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ . By inequality (2.1), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha(TA) &\leq \text{diam}(TA_i) \\ &\leq \phi(\text{diam}(A_i)) \\ &\leq \max \{ \phi(t) : t \in [\alpha(A), \alpha(A) + \epsilon] \} \\ &= \phi(\alpha(A)) \\ &< \alpha(A), \alpha(A) > 0. \end{aligned}$$

This shows that  $T$  is a condensing on  $x$ . Now an application of theorem 2.1. Yields that  $T$  has a fixed point. The uniqueness of fixed point follows from the condition (2.1). This completes the proof.

*Corollary 2.4:* Let  $T : x \rightarrow x, x$  a complete bounded D-metric space, be a mapping such that there exists a  $p \in N$  satisfying

$$D(T^p x, T^p y, T^p z) \leq \phi(D(x, y, z)) \dots \dots \dots (2.2)$$

for all  $x, y, z \in x$ , where  $\phi$  is a continuous real function such that  $\phi(r) < r, r > 0$ . Then  $T$  has a unique fixed point.

If  $\phi(r) = kr, 0 \leq k < 1$ , then theorem 2.2 includes the following result as a corollary proved by present author (Dhage 1992) with a different method.

*Corollary 2.5:* Let  $T : x \rightarrow x, x$  a complete bounded D-metric space, be a mapping satisfying

$$D(Tx, Ty, Tz) \leq k D(x, y, z) \dots \dots \dots (2.3)$$

for all  $x, y, z \in x$  and  $0 \leq k < 1$ . Then  $T$  has a unique fixed point.

*Open problem:* It is an open problem whether theorem 2.2. can be proved by other method without using the measure of noncompactness.

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