

FIXED POINTS OF CHATTERJEE AND CIRIC CONTRACTIONS ON AN S -METRIC SPACE

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Abstract: Unique fixed points are obtained for Chatterjee and Ciric contractions on an S -metric space, which are then shown to be S -contractive fixed points.

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1. Introduction

Let X be a nonempty set. Sedghi et al [7] introduced an S -metric $S : X \times X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ on X satisfying the following conditions:

(S1) $S(x, y, z) = 0$ if and only if $x, y, z \in X$ are such that $x = y = z$,

(S2) $S(x, y, z) \leq S(x, x, a) + S(y, y, a) + S(z, z, a)$ for all $x, y, z, a \in X$.

The pair (X, S) is called an S -metric space. We obtain from Axiom (S2) that

$$S(x, x, y) = S(y, y, x) \text{ for all } x, y \in X. \quad (1.1)$$

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Definition 1.1. A sequence $\langle x_n \rangle_{n=1}^{\infty}$ in a S -metric space (X, S) is said to be S -convergent, if there exists a point x in X such that $S(x_n, x_n, x) \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

Definition 1.2. A sequence $\langle x_n \rangle_{n=1}^{\infty}$ in a S -metric space (X, S) is said to be S -Cauchy if $\lim_{n,m \rightarrow \infty} S(x_n, x_n, x_m) = 0$.

Definition 1.3. The space (X, S) is said to be S -complete, if every S -Cauchy sequence in X converges in it.

The well-known infimum property of real numbers states that a nonempty and bounded set of real numbers has an infimum in \mathbb{R} . In particular,

Lemma 1.1. *If S is a nonempty subset of nonnegative real numbers, then $\alpha = \inf S \geq 0$ and $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} p_n = \alpha$ for some sequence $\langle p_n \rangle_{n=1}^{\infty}$ in S .*

As an elementary application of Lemma 1.1, unique fixed points of a Chatterjee and Ciric-contractions are obtained in S -metric space. Further, the unique fixed points for these two contractions are shown to be S -contractive fixed points.

2. Main Results

Our first result is

Theorem 2.1. *Let f be a Chatterjee contraction on a complete S -metric space (X, S) with the choice*

$$S(fx, fx, fy) \leq \alpha \max \{S(fx, fx, y), S(fy, fy, y)\} \text{ for all } x, y \in X, \quad (2.1)$$

where $0 \leq \alpha < 1/3$. Then f has a unique fixed point.

Proof. We divide the proof into various steps:

Step 1 – Existence of the infimum

Define $A = \{S(fx, fx, x) : x \in X\}$. Then by Lemma 1.1, the infimum a of A exists and is nonnegative.

Step 2 – Vanishing infimum

If $a > 0$, writing $y = fx$ in (2.1) and using (1.1), we get

$$S(fx, fx, f^2x) \leq \alpha \max \{S(fx, fx, fx), S(f^2x, f^2x, x)\}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\leq \alpha[S(f^2x, f^2x, fx) + S(f^2x, f^2x, fx) + S(x, x, fx)] \\ &= \alpha[2S(fx, fx, f^2x) + S(fx, fx, x)] \end{aligned}$$

or

$$\begin{aligned} (1 - 2\alpha)S(fx, fx, f^2x) &\leq \alpha S(fx, fx, x) \\ S(fx, fx, f^2x) &\leq \left(\frac{\alpha}{1-2\alpha}\right) S(fx, fx, x) \end{aligned}$$

This implies that $0 < a \leq \alpha a < a$, which is again a contradiction. Hence $a = 0$.

Step 3 – Existence of a sequence

Hence, there exists a sequence $\langle x_n \rangle_{n=1}^\infty$ in X such that

$$S(fx_n, fx_n, x_n) \in A \text{ for all } n = 1, 2, 3, \dots \text{ and } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S(fx_n, fx_n, x_n) = 0. \quad (2.2)$$

Step 4 – $\langle x_n \rangle_{n=1}^\infty$ is S -Cauchy

In fact, by (S2) and (1.1), we have

$$\begin{aligned} S(x_n, x_n, x_m) &\leq S(x_n, x_n, fx_n) + S(x_n, x_n, fx_n) + S(x_m, x_m, fx_n) \\ &= 2S(x_n, x_n, fx_n) + S(x_m, x_m, fx_n) \\ &\leq 2S(x_n, x_n, fx_n) + S(x_m, x_m, fx_m) + S(x_m, x_m, fx_m) \\ &\quad + S(fx_n, fx_n, fx_m) \\ &= 2[S(fx_n, fx_n, x_n) + S(fx_m, fx_m, x_m)] \\ &\quad + S(fx_n, fx_n, fx_m). \end{aligned} \quad (2.3)$$

Now, with $x = x_n$ and $y = x_m$, (2.1) gives,

$$\begin{aligned} S(fx_n, fx_n, fx_m) &\leq \alpha \max \{S(fx_n, fx_n, x_m), S(fx_m, fx_m, x_n)\} \\ &\leq \alpha \max \{ [2S(fx_n, fx_n, x_n) + S(x_m, x_m, x_n)], \\ &\quad [2S(fx_m, fx_m, x_m) + S(x_n, x_n, x_m)] \} \\ &= \alpha [2S(fx_n, fx_n, x_n) + 2S(fx_m, fx_m, x_m) + 2S(x_n, x_n, x_m)] \end{aligned}$$

Inserting this in (2.3), we get

$$\begin{aligned} S(x_n, x_n, x_m) &\leq (2\alpha + 1)[S(fx_n, fx_n, x_n) + S(fx_m, fx_m, x_m)] \\ &\quad + 2\alpha S(x_n, x_n, x_m) \end{aligned}$$

or

$$(1 - 2\alpha)S(x_n, x_n, x_m) \leq (2\alpha + 1)[S(fx_n, fx_n, x_n) + S(fx_m, fx_m, x_m)]$$

so that

$$S(x_n, x_n, x_m) \leq \left(\frac{2\alpha+1}{1-2\alpha}\right) [S(x_n, x_n, fx_n) + S(x_m, x_m, fx_m)].$$

Applying the limit as $m, n \rightarrow \infty$ in this and using (2.2) we obtain that $\langle x_n \rangle_{n=1}^{\infty}$ is a S -Cauchy sequence in X .

Step 5 – S -convergence

Since, X is S -complete, we find the point p in X such that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = p. \quad (2.4)$$

Step 6 – S -convergent limit as a fixed point

Again repeatedly using (S2),

$$\begin{aligned} S(fp, fp, p) &\leq S(fp, fp, fx_n) + S(fp, fp, fx_n) + S(p, p, fx_n). \\ &= 2S(fp, fp, fx_n) + S(p, p, fx_n) \\ &= 2S(fx_n, fx_n, fp) + S(fx_n, fx_n, p) \end{aligned} \quad (2.5)$$

Now, from (2.1) with $x = x_n$ and $y = p$, it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} S(fx_n, fx_n, fp) &\leq \alpha \max \{S(fx_n, fx_n, p), S(fp, fp, x_n)\} \\ &\leq \alpha [S(fx_n, fx_n, p) + S(fp, fp, x_n)] \end{aligned} \quad (2.6)$$

Substituting (2.6) in (2.5), we get

$$\begin{aligned} S(fp, fp, p) &\leq 2\alpha [S(fx_n, fx_n, p) + S(fp, fp, x_n)] + S(fx_n, fx_n, p) \\ &= (2\alpha + 1)S(fx_n, fx_n, p) + 2\alpha S(fp, fp, x_n) \end{aligned}$$

In the limiting case as $n \rightarrow \infty$, this in view of (2.2) and (2.4) implies $S(fp, fp, p) = 0$ or $fp = p$. Thus p is a fixed point.

Step 7 – Uniqueness of the fixed point

Let q be another fixed point of f . Then, (2.1) with $x = p$ and $y = q$ gives

$$\begin{aligned} S(p, p, q) &= S(fp, fp, fq) \\ &\leq \alpha \max \{S(fp, fp, q), S(fq, fq, p)\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \alpha \max \{S(p, p, q), S(q, q, p)\} \\
 &= \alpha S(p, p, q)
 \end{aligned}$$

or

$$(1 - \alpha)S(p, p, q) \leq 0$$

so that $p = q$. That is, p is the unique fixed point of f . □

Our next result is:

Theorem 2.2. *Let f be a Ciric-type contraction on a complete S -metric space (X, S) such that*

$$\begin{aligned}
 S(fx, fx, fy) \leq \alpha \max \{ &S(x, x, y), S(fx, fx, x), S(fx, fx, y), \\
 &S(fy, fy, x), S(fy, fy, y) \}
 \end{aligned} \tag{2.7}$$

for all $x, y \in X$, where $0 \leq \alpha < 1/3$. Then f has a unique fixed point.

A unique fixed point p for (2.7) is obtained, similar to the previous proof and is omitted here.

3. S -Contractive Fixed Point

The notion of a G -metric space was introduced by Mustafa and Sims in [1], as a generalization of a metric space. In this setting, contractive fixed points were introduced in [2]. For further study on this idea, one can refer to [3, 4, 5, 6].

Now, we have

Definition 3.1. Let f be a self-map on an S -metric space (X, S) . A fixed point p of f is a contractive fixed point, if for every $x_0 \in X$, the f -orbit $O_f(x_0) = \langle x_0, fx_0, \dots, f^n x_0, \dots \rangle$ converges to p .

We now show that the unique fixed point p of Chatterjee contraction (2.1) is an S -contractive fixed point.

Proof. Writing $x = f^{n-1}x_0, y = p$ in (2.1), we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 S(f^n x, f^n x, p) &= S(f^n x, f^n x, fp) \\
 &\leq \alpha \max \{S(f^n x, f^n x, p), S(fp, fp, f^{n-1}x)\} \\
 &= \alpha \max \{S(f^n x, f^n x, p), S(f^{n-1}x, f^{n-1}x, fp)\}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\leq \max \{S(f^n x, f^n x, p), [2S(f^{n-1} x, f^{n-1} x, f^n x) + S(fp, fp, f^n x)]\} \\
&= \max \{S(f^n x, f^n x, p), [2S(f^{n-1} x, f^{n-1} x, f^n x) + S(f^n x, f^n x, p)]\} \\
&\leq \alpha [2S(f^{n-1} x, f^{n-1} x, f^n x) + S(f^n x, f^n x, p)]
\end{aligned}$$

or

$$\begin{aligned}
(1 - \alpha)S(f^n x, f^n x, p) &\leq 2\alpha S(f^{n-1} x, f^{n-1} x, f^n x) \\
S(f^n x, f^n x, p) &\leq \left(\frac{2\alpha}{1-\alpha}\right) S(f^{n-1} x, f^{n-1} x, f^n x). \quad (3.1)
\end{aligned}$$

Proceeding the limit as $n \rightarrow \infty$ in (3.1), we get $S(f^n x, f^n x, p) \rightarrow 0$. Thus $f^n x_0 \rightarrow p$ for each $x_0 \in X$. Thus p is a S -contractive fixed point of f . \square

We finally show that the unique fixed point p of Ciric contraction (2.7) is an S -contractive fixed point as follows:

Proof. Writing $x = f^{n-1}x_0, y = p$ in (2.7), and then using (1.1), we get

$$\begin{aligned}
S(f^n x, f^n x, fp) &= S(f^n x, f^n x, p) \\
&\leq \alpha \max \{S(f^{n-1} x, f^{n-1} x, p), S(f^n x, f^n x, f^{n-1} x), S(f^n x, f^n x, p), \\
&\quad S(fp, fp, f^{n-1} x), S(fp, fp, p)\} \\
&\leq \alpha \max \{S(f^{n-1} x, f^{n-1} x, p), S(f^n x, f^n x, f^{n-1} x), S(f^n x, f^n x, p)\} \\
&\leq \alpha \max \{[2S(f^{n-1} x, f^{n-1} x, p) + S(p, p, f^n x)], \\
&\quad S(f^n x, f^n x, f^{n-1} x), S(f^n x, f^n x, p)\} \\
&\leq \alpha [2S(f^{n-1} x, f^{n-1} x, p) + S(f^n x, f^n x, p)]
\end{aligned}$$

or

$$\begin{aligned}
(1 - \alpha)S(f^n x, f^n x, p) &\leq 2\alpha S(f^{n-1} x, f^{n-1} x, f^n x) \\
S(f^n x, f^n x, p) &\leq \left(\frac{2\alpha}{1-\alpha}\right) S(f^{n-1} x, f^{n-1} x, f^n x). \quad (3.2)
\end{aligned}$$

As $n \rightarrow \infty$ in (3.1), we see that

$$S(f^n x, f^n x, p) \rightarrow 0.$$

Thus $f^n x_0 \rightarrow p$ for each $x_0 \in X$. Thus p is a S -contractive fixed point of f . \square

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