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#### ABSTRACT

Results on fixed points have been proved for single-valued and multi-valued mappings satisfying a rational inequality.

#### I. INTRODUCTION

The well-known Banach fixed point theorem states that a contraction mapping of a complete metric space into itself has a unique fixed point. In recent years, this celebrated theorem has been extended and generalized in various way by putting conditions either on the mapping or on the space. For a quite upto date information, books by Singh [16] and Smart [17] are worth-mentioning.

More recently, Khan [8] has extended contraction principle through a symmetric rational expression and obtained the following result.

Theorem A. Let (X,d) be a complete metric space and T a selfmapping on X for which

$$(*) \quad d(Tx,Ty) \ \leq \ K \ \left\{ \begin{array}{cc} -\frac{d(x,Tx) \ d(x,Ty) \ + \ d(y,Ty) \ d(y,Tx)}{d(x,Ty) \ + \ d(y,Tx)} \end{array} \right\}$$

holds for all  $x,y \in X$ , 0 < K < 1. Then T has a unique fixed point.

The mapping T satisfying (\*) has been extensively studied by various authors e.g. Khan [8], [9], [10], [11], [12]. Fisher and Khan [4], Ray and Singh [15] and Fisher [3].

It was later shown by Fisher [3] that the Theorem A was incorrect as it stood and needed the extra condition, d(x,Ty) + d(y,Tx) = 0implies that d(Tx,Ty) = 0, for the theorem to hold. Fisher [3] also gave an example to support his result.

The purpose of this paper is to unify the results of Khan [8] and Banach under the observation of Fisher [3].

#### **II. RESULTS FOR SINGLE-VALUED MAPPINGS**

We first prove a fixed point theorem for a bi-metric space  $(X,d, \partial)$ where d and  $\partial$  are two metrics on the set X.

Definition 2.1 (Ciric [1]). A mapping T of a metric space X into itself is said to be orbitally continuous if  $\lim_{i \to \infty} T^{n_i} x = u$  implies that

 $\lim_{i\to\infty}T \begin{array}{ll} (T^{n_i} & x) = Tu \mbox{ for each } x\in X.$ 

It is well-known that every continuous mapping of X into itself is orbitally continuous, but the converse is not true (e.g. Ciric [1]). Definition 2.2 (Jaggi [7]). For  $x_0 \in X$ , let  $O(x_0,T)$  denote the orbit of T at  $x_0$  where T is a self-mapping of a metric space X. Then T is said to be  $x_0$ -orbitally continuous if T:  $\overline{O(x_0,T)} \rightarrow X$ , is continuous.

It is well-known that a mapping may be  $x_0$ -orbitally continuous for some  $x \in X$  without being orbitally continuous (e.g. Jaggi [7]).

Theorem 2.3. Let T be a self-mapping of a bi-metric space  $(X, d, \partial)$  such that following hold:

(i)  $d(x,y) \leq \partial(x,y)$ , for all  $x,y \in X$ 

(ii) there are non-negative numbers  $\alpha,\beta$  with  $\alpha+\beta < 1$  and for which T satisfies

$$\partial(Tx,Ty) \ \le \ \alpha \ \left\{ \ \frac{\partial(x,Tx) \ \partial(x,Ty) \ + \ \partial(y,Ty) \ \partial(y,Tx)}{\partial(x,Ty) \ + \ \partial(y,Tx)} \ \right\} \ + \ \beta \ \partial(x,y),$$

for all  $x, y \in X$ , when  $\partial(x, Ty) + \partial(y, Tx) \neq 0$ .

Further,  $\partial(\mathbf{Tx},\mathbf{Ty}) = 0$  if  $\partial(\mathbf{x},\mathbf{Ty}) + \partial(\mathbf{y},\mathbf{Tx}) = 0$ ;

(iii) there exists some point  $x_0 \in X$  such that the sequence  $\{T^n | x_0\}$ 

(iv) T is  $x_0$ -continuous with respect to d.

Then T has a unique fixed point.

*Proof.* Let  $x_n = T^n x_0$ , Then we have

$$\partial(\mathbf{x}_n,\mathbf{x}_{n+1}) = \partial(\mathbf{T}\mathbf{x}_{n-1}, \mathbf{T}\mathbf{x}_n)$$

$$\leq \alpha \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \frac{(\partial(\mathbf{x}_{n-1}, \mathbf{x}_n)\partial(\mathbf{x}_{n-1}, \mathbf{x}_{n+1}) + \partial(\mathbf{x}_n, \mathbf{x}_{n+1})\partial(\mathbf{x}_n, \mathbf{x}_n)}{\partial(\mathbf{x}_{n-1}, \mathbf{x}_{n+1}) + \partial(\mathbf{x}_n, \mathbf{x}_n)} \right\} + \beta \ \partial(\mathbf{x}_{n-1}, \mathbf{x}_n) \\ = (\alpha + \beta) \ \delta \ (\mathbf{x}_{n-1}, \mathbf{x}_n) \ \text{if} \ \mathbf{x}_{n-1} \neq \mathbf{x}_{n+1}. \ \text{However if}$$

 $x_{n-1} = x_{n+1}$  then condition of theorem imply that  $x_{n-1} = x_n = x_{n+1}$ . Thus  $x_{n-1}$  would be a fixed point of T. Put  $k = (\alpha + \beta)$ . Then k < 1 says that  $\{T^n x_0\}$  is a Cauchy sequence with respect to  $\partial$ .

So in view of (1)  $\{T^n x_o\}$  is also a Cauchy sequence with respect to d. Due to (iv), it follows that  $\{T^n x_o\}$  converges to  $\xi$  with respect to d. Now  $x_0$ -continuity of T with respect to d yields

$$T\xi = T(\lim_{n\to\infty} T^n x_0) = \lim_{n\to\infty} T^{n+1} x_0 = \xi.$$

Thus  $\xi$  is a fixed point of T. For unicity of  $\xi$ , consider  $\eta \neq \xi$  such that  $\eta = T\eta$ . Then  $\partial(\xi,\eta) > 0$ . Also,

$$\partial(\eta,\xi) = \partial(\mathrm{T}\eta,\mathrm{T}\xi) \leq lpha \left\{ egin{array}{c} \partial(\eta,\mathrm{T}\eta)\partial(\eta,\mathrm{T}\xi) + \partial(\xi,\mathrm{T}\xi)\partial(\xi,\mathrm{T}\eta) \ \overline{\partial(\eta,\mathrm{T}\xi)} + \partial(\xi,\mathrm{T}\eta) \end{array} 
ight\} + eta \, \partial(\eta,\xi),$$

 $\leq \beta \ \partial(\xi,\eta).$ 

Thus

 $(1-\beta) \ \partial(\eta,\xi) \leq 0,$ 

implying thereby  $\partial(\xi,\eta) = 0$ . So  $\xi = \eta$ .

Remarks. (1) For  $\alpha = 0$ , Theorem 2.3 reduces to that of Maia [13].

(ii) When  $\beta = 0$  and  $\partial = d$ , Theorem 2.3 is the main theorem of Khan [8].

(iii) If X is equipped with n metrics  $d_1, d_2, \ldots, d_n$ ,  $\partial$  such that  $d(x,y) \leq d_1(x,y) \leq d_2(x,y) \leq \ldots \leq d_{n-2} \leq \partial(x,y)$  for every  $x,y \in X$ , then the conclusion of Theorem 2.3 still holds.

Theorem 2.4. Let T:  $X \to X$  be an orbitally continuous mapping on a metric space X such that

$$(i) \ d(Tx,Ty) < \alpha \left\{ \frac{-d(x,Tx)d(x,Ty) + d(y,Ty)d(y,Tx)}{d(x,Ty) + d(y,Tx)} \right\} + \beta d(x,y)$$

for all  $x,y \in X$ ,  $\alpha + \beta = 1$  ( $\alpha,\beta$  non-negative reals) whenever  $d(x,Ty) + d(y,Tx) \neq 0$ , and d(Tx,Ty) = 0 when d(x,Ty) + d(y,Tx) = 0.

(ii) For some  $x_0 \in X$  the sequence  $\{T^n x_0\}$  has a cluster point  $\xi \in X$ . Then  $\xi$  is a unique fixed point of T.

*Proof.* If  $T^{k-1} x_0 = T^k x_0$  for some  $k \in N$ , then  $T^n x_0 = T^k x_0 = \xi$  for all  $n \ge k$ , so the result follows.

Assume now that  $T^{k-1} x_0 \neq T^k x_0$  for all  $k \in N$ , and let  $\lim_{i \to \infty} T^{ni} x_0 = \xi$ . Then for  $T^{n-1} x_0$  and  $T^n x_0$  in X we get  $d(T^n x_0, T^{n+1} x_0)$   $\leq \alpha \left\{ \frac{d(T^{n-1}x_0, T^n x_0)d(T^{n-1}x_0, T^{n+1}x_0) + d(T^n x_0, T^{n+1}x_0)d(T^n x_0, T^n x_0)}{d(T^{n-1}x_0, T^{n+1}x_0) + d(T^n x_0, T^n x_0)} \right\}$   $+ \beta \ d(T^{n-1}x_0, T^n x_0).$ 

If  $d(T^{n-1} x_0, T^{n+1}x_0) + d(T^nx_0, T^nx_0) = 0$ , we find that

 $T(T^{n-1}x_0) = T(T^nx_0)$ . So  $T^nx_0$  is a fixed point of T.

Otherwise, above inequality reduces to

$$d(T^n x_0, T^{n+1} x_0) \leq (\alpha + \beta) d(T^{n-1} x_0, T^n x_0).$$

Hence

$$d(T^n x_0, T^{n+1} x_0) < d(T^{n-1} x_0, T^n x_0).$$

Therefore, the sequence  $\{d(T^n x_0, T^{n+1} x_0)\}$  is a decreasing and hence is convergent sequence of positive real numbers. Further,

$$\lim_{i\to\infty} \ d(T^{n_i}x_o,T^{n_{i+1}}x_o)=d(\xi,T\xi),$$

and

$$\{d(T^{n_{1}}x_{0}, T^{n_{1}+1}x_{0})\} \subseteq \{d(T^{n}x_{0}, T^{n+1}x_{0})\}$$

implies that

$$\lim_{n\to\infty} d(\mathbf{T}^n \mathbf{x}_0, \mathbf{T}^{n+1} \mathbf{x}_0) = d(\xi, \mathbf{T}\xi).$$

Also, orbital continuity of T gives  $\lim_{i\to\infty} T^{n_i+1} x_0 = T\xi$ ,

$$\lim_{i \to \infty} T^{n_i + 2} x_{0} = T^2 \xi \text{ and } \{ d(T^{n_i + 1} x_0, T^{n_i + 2} x_0) \} \subseteq \{ d(T^n x_0, T^{n+1} x_0) \}.$$

Above relations show that

$$d(T\xi, T^2\xi) = d(\xi, T\xi).$$

If  $d(\xi, T\xi) > 0$ , then one gets

$$d(T\xi,T^2\xi) < \alpha \left\{ \frac{-d(\xi,T\xi)d(\xi,T^2\xi)+d(T\xi,T^2\xi)d(T\xi,T\xi)}{d(\xi,T^2\xi)+d(T\xi,T\xi)} \right\} + \beta d(T\xi,T^2\xi).$$

Then we have

$$\mathrm{d}(\mathrm{T}\xi,\mathrm{T}^2\xi) \ < \left( rac{lpha}{1-eta} 
ight) \mathrm{d}(\xi,\mathrm{T}\xi).$$

So

$$d(T\xi, T^2\xi) < d(\xi, T\xi),$$

which is a contradiction. Hence  $\xi$  is a fixed point of T which is clearly unique.

Remark. For  $\alpha = 0$ , our Theorem 2.4 extends a theorem of Edelstein [2].

Theorem 2.5. Let T be a continuous densifying mapping of a complete metric space X into itself such that for all x,  $y \in X$  there are real constants  $\alpha_i$ , (i = 1,2,3,4),  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  satisfying  $\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha_3 \ge \alpha + \beta$ , for which the inequality

$$\alpha_1 F(Tx,Ty) + \alpha_2 F(x,Tx) + \alpha_3 F(y,Ty) + \alpha_4 \min \{F(x,Ty),F(y,Tx)\}$$

$$< \alpha \left\{ \begin{array}{c} F(x,Tx) \ F(x,Ty) + F(y,Ty) \ F(y,Tx) \ F(x,Ty) + F(y,Tx) \end{array} 
ight\} + eta F(x,y).$$

holds for x,  $y \in X$  whenever  $F(x,Ty) + F(y,Tx) \neq 0$ , and F(Tx,Ty) = 0,

otherwise, a lower semi-continuous function F:  $X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ with the property F(x,y) = 0 if and only if x = y. If for some  $x_0 \in X$ , the sequence of iterates  $\{T^n x_0\}$  is bounded, then T has a fixed point. *Proof.* For y = Tx, we have

$$\alpha_1 F(Tx, T^2 x) + \alpha_2 F(x, Tx) + \alpha_3 F(Tx, T^2 x) + \alpha_2 \min \{F(x, T^2 x), F(Tx, Tx)\}$$

$$<\alpha\left\{\frac{-F(x,Tx)F(x,T^2x)+F(Tx,T^2x)F(Tx,Tx)}{F(x,T^2x)+F(Tx,Tx)}\right\}+\beta F(x,Tx).$$

If  $F(x,T^2 x) = 0$  then one gets  $F(Tx,T^2 x) = 0$  which gives T(Tx) = Tx. So(Tx) is a fixed point of T.

If  $F(x,T^2 x) \neq 0$ , it is clear that  $x \neq Tx$ . So we get

$$\mathrm{F}(\mathrm{Tx},\mathrm{T}^2 \ \mathrm{x}) \ < \left( rac{-lpha + eta - lpha_2}{lpha_1 + lpha_3} 
ight) \ \mathrm{F}(\mathrm{x},\mathrm{Tx}).$$

Hence

$$F(Tx,T^2 x) < F(x,Tx), x \neq Tx.$$

Then from Theorem 5 of Iseki [6], we find that T has a fixed point. *Remark.* Our Theorem 2.5 generalizes a fixed point Theorem of Furi and Vignoli [5] as well as Theorem 3 of Khan [11].

Theorem 2.4. Let X be a complete metric space and  $\{T_n\}$  a sequence of mappings of X into itself. Suppose there are non-negative reals  $\alpha,\beta$  with  $\alpha+\beta < 1$  such that for all x,  $y \in X$  the inequality

$$d(T^{p}{}_{i}x,T_{j}{}^{q}y) \leq \alpha \left\{ \frac{-d(x,T_{1}{}^{p}x)d(x,T_{j}{}^{q}y) + d(y,T_{j}{}^{q}y)d(y,T_{i}{}^{p}x)}{d(x,T_{j}{}^{q}y) + d(y,T_{i}{}^{p}x)} \right\} + \beta d(x,y)$$

holds whenever  $d(x,T_i^{q}y)+d(y,T_i^{p}x) \neq 0$ , and further

 $d(T^{p}_{i}x, T_{j}^{q}y) = 0$  if  $d(x,T_{j}^{q}y) + d(y,T_{i}^{p}x) = 0$ , where p,q are some positive integers.

Then the sequence  $\{T_n\}$  has a unique common fixed point. **Proof.** Let  $x_0 \in X$  be arbitrary. Construct a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  as follows:  $x_1 = T_i^{p}x_0, x_2 = T_j^{q}x_1, x_3 = T_i^{p}x_2, \ldots$ i.e.

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$$\mathbf{x}_n = \mathbf{T}_n{}^p$$
 ( $\mathbf{x}_{n-1}$ ), when n is odd

and

$$\mathbf{x}_{n} = \mathbf{T}_{n}^{\mathbf{q}} (\mathbf{x}_{n-1}), \text{ when } \mathbf{n} \text{ is even},$$

Then, by a routine calculation, it follows that  $\{x_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence which has a limit u, (say) in X.

It is not hard to see that u is a unique common fixed point of the sequence  $\{T_n\}$ . This completes the proof.

Definition 2.7. A self-mapping T on a metric space (X,d) is said to be non-expansive if

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

It is well-known (e.g., Smart [17] or Singh [16]) that a non-expansive mapping on a complete metric space need not fix any point of the space. For such mappings, however, we have the following common fixed point theorem.

Theorem 2.8. Let T,  $T_1,T_2$  be three self-mappings of a complete metric space (X,d) where T is non-expansive. Also for all x,  $y \in X$ , and non-negative numbers  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$  with  $\alpha + \beta < 1$ , we have

(i) 
$$d(T_1^p x, T_2^q y)$$

$$\leq \alpha \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \frac{d(Tx,TT_1{}^px)d(Tx,TT_2{}^qy)+d(Ty,TT_2{}^qy)d(Ty,TT_1{}^px)}{d(x,T_2{}^qy)+d(y,T_1{}^px)} \end{array} \right\} + \beta d(Tx,Ty),$$

whenever  $d(x,T_2^{q}y) + d(y,T_1^{p}x) \neq 0$ , and  $d(T_1^{p}x, T_2^{q}y) = 0$ , whenever  $d(x,T_2^{q}y) + d(y,T_1^{p}x) = 0$ , for some positive integers p,q; (ii) T commutes with  $T_2^{q}$ .

Then there is a unique common fixed point of T,  $T_1$  and  $T_2$ .

**Proof.** Follows from Theorem 2.6 once we use the non-expansiveness of T in (i). So  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  have a unique common fixed point say  $\xi$ . Then to show that  $\xi$  is also a fixed point of T, consider

$$\begin{split} \mathbf{d}(\boldsymbol{\xi},\!\mathbf{T}\boldsymbol{\xi}) &= \mathbf{d}(\mathbf{T}_1{}^{\mathbf{p}}\boldsymbol{\xi}\mathbf{T}\mathbf{T}_2{}^{\mathbf{q}}\boldsymbol{\xi}) \\ &= \mathbf{d}(\mathbf{T}_1{}^{\mathbf{p}}\boldsymbol{\xi},\!\mathbf{T}_2{}^{\mathbf{q}}\!(\mathbf{T}\boldsymbol{\xi})) \end{split}$$

$$\leq \alpha \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \frac{d(T\xi,TT_1^{\,\,p}\xi) \,\, d(T\xi,T_2^{\,\,q}(T^2\xi)) \,+\, d(T^2\xi,T_2^{\,\,q}T^2\xi) \,\, d(T^2\xi,TT_1^{\,\,p}\xi)}{d(T\xi,T_2^{\,\,q}T^2\xi) \,+\, d(T^2\xi,TT_1^{\,\,p}\xi)} \right. \\ \left. + \beta \,\, d(T\xi,T^2\xi) = \beta \,\, d(T\xi,T^2\xi). \end{array} \right\}$$

Again using non-expansive property of T and the fact  $\beta < 1$ , we find that  $T\xi = \xi$ . Hence  $\xi$  is a unique common fixed point of T, T<sub>1</sub> and T<sub>2</sub>.

This complettes the proof.

*Remarks.* (i) If T is the identity map, Theorem 2.8 reduces to Theorem 2.6. This would mean that T may have more than one fixed point, but the common fixed point of T,  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  is unique.

(ii) As remarked above, only non-expansiveness of T by itself would not ensure a fixed point for T.

(iii) In Theorem 2.8 one can take a sequence of self-mappings  $\{T_n\}$  of X so as to prove that T,  $T_1, T_2 \ldots$  have a unique common fixed point.

#### **III. RESULTS FOR MULTI-VALUED MAPPINGS**

Lastly, we prove multi-valued version of several results obtained previously. Throughout this section, we follow the notations of Nadler [14]. For a metric space (X, d),  $A \subset X$ ,  $B \subset X$ , and  $\varepsilon > 0$ , we write

(i)  $CB(X) = \{A: A \text{ is a non-empty closed and bounded subset of } X);$ 

(ii) 
$$N(A,\varepsilon) = \{x \in X : d(x, a) < \varepsilon \text{ for some } a \in A\};$$

(iii)  $D(A,B) = \inf \{d(a,b): a \in A, b \in B\};$ 

(iv)  $H(A,B) = \inf \{\varepsilon > o \colon N(B,\varepsilon) \subset A \text{ and } N(A,\varepsilon) \supset B\}.$ 

The space CB(X) is a metric space with respect to the distance function H(A,B) called the Hausdorrf metric.

Theorem 3.1. Let X be a complete metric space and  $F:X \rightarrow CB(X)$  a continuous multi-valued mapping. Suppose that F satisfies the inequality

$$H(Fx,Fy) \leq \alpha \left\{ \begin{array}{c} D(x,Fx) \ D(x,Fy) + D(y,Fy) \ D(y,Fx) \\ \hline D(x,Fy) + D(y,Fx) \end{array} \right\} + \beta \ d(x,y)$$

for x,  $y \in X$ ,  $0 \le \alpha, \beta$  with  $\alpha + \beta < 1$ , whenever  $D(x,Fy) + D(y,Fx) \neq 0$ , and H(Fx,Fy) = 0 when D(x,Fy) + D(y,Fx) = 0. Then F has a fixed point.

**Proof.** Let  $x_0 \in X$  be arbitrary and  $x_1 \in FX_0$ . We may assume that  $H(Fx_0, Fx_1) > 0$ , since otherwise  $x_1 \in Fx_1$ , which implies that  $x_1$  is a fixed point of F.

Let a be any real number with 0 < a < 1 and  $K = \alpha + \beta$ . Since  $H(Fx_0, Fx_1) < K^{-a} H(Fx_0, Fx_1)$  and  $x_1 \in Fx_0$ , by the definition of H, there exists  $x_2 \in Fx_1$  such that

$$d(x_1,x_2) \leq K^{-a} H(Fx_0,Fx_1).$$

Let  $H(Fx_1,Fx_2) > 0$ . Then  $H(Fx_1,Fx_2) < K^{-a} H(Fx_1,Fx_2)$ , which implies the existence of  $x_3 \in Fx_0$  with the property

$$d(x_2, x_3) \leq K^{-a} H(Fx_1, Fx_2).$$

Continuing in this fashion, we produce a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  of points of X such that

$$x_{n+1} \in Fx_n$$
 and  $d(x_n, x_{n+1}) \leq K^{-a} H(Fx_{n-1}, Fx_n)$ .

Now we shall prove that  $\{x_n\}$  is actually a Cauchy sequence in X. For this consider the inequality

$$d(x_n, x_{n+1}) \ \leq \ K^{-a} \ H(Fx_{n-1}, \ Fx_n)$$

$$\leq K^{-a} \left[ \begin{array}{c} \alpha \end{array} \right\{ \frac{D(x_{n-1},Fx_{n-1})D(x_{n-1},Fx_n) + D(x_n,Fx_n)D(x_n,Fx_{n-1})}{D(x_{n-1},Fx_n) + D(x_n,Fx_{n-1})} \\ + \beta \ d(x_{n-1},x_n) \end{array} \right\}$$

 $\leq K^{-a} (\alpha + \beta) d(x_{n-1}, x_n) \leq K^{1-a} d(x_{n-1}, x_n)$ , when  $D(x_{n-1}, Fx_n) \neq 0$ . Clearly,  $x_n \in Fx_{n-1} = Fx_n$  when  $D(x_{n-1}, Fx_n) = 0$ , This implies therefore that  $x_n$  is a fixed point of F.

From  $K^{1-a} < 1$  and  $d(x_n, x_{n+1}) \leq K^{1-a} d(x_{n-1}, x_n)$ , we observe that  $\{x_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence in X and has a limit z, say, Now

$$\begin{array}{l} D(z,Fz) \ \le \ d(z,x_{n+1}) \ + \ D(x_{n+1},\ Fz) \\ \ \le \ d(z,\ x_{n+1}) \ + \ H(Fx_n,\ Fz) \\ \ < d(z,x_{n+1}) \ + \ u(x_n,Fx_n) \ D(x_n,F_z) \ + \ D(z,Fz) \ D(z,Fx_n) \ (+ \ \beta \ d(x_n,Fz_n)) \ + \ \beta \ d(x_n,Fz_n) \ + \ \beta \ d(x_n,Fz_n)$$

$$\leq d(z,x_{n+1}) + \alpha \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \frac{D(x_n,Fx_n) \ D(x_n,F_z) \ + \ D(z,Fz) \ D(z,Fx_n)}{D(x_n,Fz) \ + \ D(z,Fx_n)} \end{array} \right\} + \beta \ d(x_n,z).$$

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$$\leq d(z,x_{n+1}) + \left. \alpha \left\{ \frac{d(x_n,x_{n+1}) \ D(x_n,Fz) \ + \ D(z,Fz) \ d(z,x_{n+1})}{D(x_n,Fz) \ + \ D(z,Fx_n)} \right\} + \beta d(x_n,z).$$

Letting n tending to infinity; we get D(z,Fz) = 0,

As Fz is a closed subset of X, it follows that  $z \in Fz$ . Thus z is a fixed point of F, and the proof is complete.

#### Remarks.

(i) For  $\alpha = 0$ , Theorem 3.1 reduces to a result of Nadler [14].

(ii) Where  $\beta = 0$ , we get a multivalued version of the main theorem of Khan [8].

(iii) We observe that the continuity requirement of the mapping F in Theorem 3.1 can be waived if  $\alpha = 0$ .

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