

Generalized rational α_* -contraction in C^* -algebra valued b -metric spaces

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Abstract

This present paper extends some common fixed point theorems for generalized rational α_* -contraction of multi-valued mappings in the setting of C^* -algebra valued b -metric spaces.

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1. Introduction

The concept of multi-valued contraction mappings was introduced by Nadler[7], he established that a multi-valued contraction mapping has a fixed point in a complete metric spaces.

Recently, Ma et al. [4] announced the notion of C^* -algebra valued metric space and formulated some first fixed point theorems in the C^* -algebra valued metric space.



Many authors initiated and studied many existing fixed point theorems in such spaces, see [5, 6, 8].

Very recently, Amer [1] in 2017 introduced a new concept known as generalized α_* – ψ –Geraghty contraction type for multivalued mappings.

In this paper, we provide some fixed point results for generalized rational α_* –contraction for multi-valued mappings in C^* –algebra valued b –metric spaces.

2. Preliminaries

Throughout this paper, we denote by \mathbb{A} an unital (i.e. have an unity element I) C^* -algebra with linear involution $*$, such that for all $x, y \in \mathbb{A}$,

$$(xy)^* = y^*x^*, \text{ and } x^{**} = x.$$

We call an element $x \in \mathbb{A}$ a positive element, denote it by $x \succeq \theta$

if $x \in \mathbb{A}_h = \{x \in \mathbb{A} : x = x^*\}$ and $\sigma(x) \subset \mathbb{R}_+$, where $\sigma(x)$ is the spectrum of x . Using positive element, we can define a partial ordering \preceq on \mathbb{A}_h as follows :

$$x \preceq y \text{ if and only if } y - x \succeq \theta$$

where θ means the zero element in \mathbb{A} .

we denote the set $x \in \mathbb{A} : x \succeq \theta$ by \mathbb{A}_+ and $\|x\| = (x^*x)^{\frac{1}{2}}$.

and \mathbb{A}' will denote the set $\{a \in \mathbb{A}_+; ab = ba, \forall b \in \mathbb{A}\}$

Now, we recollect some definitions and lemmas which will be useful in our main results.

Lemma 0.1. [6] *Suppose that \mathbb{A} is a unital C^* -algebra with a unit I ,*

- (1) *for any $x \in \mathbb{A}_+$ we have $x \preceq I \iff \|x\| \leq 1$,*
- (2) *If $a \in \mathbb{A}_+$ with $\|a\| < \frac{1}{2}$ then $I - a$ is invertible and $\|a(I - a)^{-1}\| < 1$,*
- (3) *Suppose that $a, b \in \mathbb{A}_+$ and $ab = ba$, then $ab \succeq \theta$,*
- (4) *Let $a \in \mathbb{A}'$, if $b, c \in \mathbb{A}$, with $b \succeq c \succeq \theta$, and $I - a \in \mathbb{A}'_+$ is invertible operator, then $(I - a)^{-1}b \succeq (I - a)^{-1}c$.*

Definition 0.2. [8] *Let X be a non-empty set, $b \in \mathbb{A}$ and $b \succeq I$.*

Suppose the mapping $d : X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{A}_+$ satisfies:

- (i) $d(x, y) = 0$ if and only if $x = y$;
- (ii) $d(x, y) = d(y, x)$ for all distinct points $x, y \in X$;
- (iii) $d(x, y) \preceq b[d(x, u) + d(u, y)]$ for all $x, y, u \in X$.

Then (X, \mathbb{A}, d) is called a C^* –algebra-valued b –metric space with coefficient b .

Example 0.3. Let $X = [-1, 1]$ and $A = \mathbb{M}_2(\mathbb{R})$. Define partial ordering on \mathbb{A} as

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_1 & a_2 \\ a_3 & a_4 \end{pmatrix} \succeq \begin{pmatrix} b_1 & b_2 \\ b_3 & b_4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow a_i \succeq b_i \text{ for } i = 1, 2, 3, 4.$$

Define $d : X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{M}_2(\mathbb{R})_+$ by

$$d(x, y) = \begin{pmatrix} |x - y|^2 & 0 \\ 0 & |x - y|^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

It is easy to verify d is a C^* -algebra-valued b -metric with a coefficient $b = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$

and (X, \mathbb{A}, d) is a complete C^* -algebra-valued b -metric space.

Lemma 0.4. Let (X, \mathbb{A}, d) be a C^* -algebra-valued b -metric space with $b \succeq I$.

Suppose that $\{x_n\}$ a sequence in X , such that

$$d(x_{n+1}, x_n) \preceq \delta d(x_n, x_{n-1})$$

for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and $\delta \in [0, 1)$.

Then $\{x_n\}$ is a Cauchy sequence.

Proof. First let us note that

$$d(x_{n+1}, x_n) \preceq \delta^n d(x_1, x_0) \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$$

we have for $m \geq 1, p \geq 1$

$$\begin{aligned} d(x_m, x_{m+p}) &\preceq b(d(x_m, x_{m+1}) + d(x_{m+1}, x_{m+p})) \\ &\preceq bd(x_m, x_{m+1}) + b^2d(x_{m+1}, x_{m+2}) + \dots + b^{p-1}(d(x_{m+p-2}, x_{m+p-1}) + b^{p-1}d(x_{m+p-1}, x_{m+p})) \\ &\preceq b\delta^m d(x_0, x_1) + b\delta^{m+1}d(x_0, x_1) + b^2\delta^{m+2}d(x_0, x_1) + b^2\delta^{m+3}d(x_0, x_1) \\ &+ \dots + b^{p-1}\delta^{m+p}d(x_0, x_1) \end{aligned}$$

Since $\delta \in [0, 1)$ and $b \succeq I$, we have

$$\lim_{n, m \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n, x_m) = \theta.$$

We deduce that the sequence x_n is a Cauchy sequence □

Definition 0.5. [8] Let (X, \mathbb{A}, d) be a C^* -algebra-valued b - metric space and $\{x_n\}$ a sequence in X .

We have:

- 1) $\{x_n\}$ converges to $x \in X$ if $d(x_n, x) \rightarrow \theta$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.
- 2) $\{x_n\}$ is a Cauchy sequence if $d(x_m, x_n) \rightarrow \theta$ as $m, n \rightarrow \infty$
- 3) (X, \mathbb{A}, d) is complete if every Cauchy sequence in X is convergent.

Definition 0.6. [8] Let $T : X \rightarrow X$ and $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{A}'_+$ be two mappings.

T is said to be α - admissible if

$$\alpha(x, y) \succeq I \Rightarrow \alpha(Tx, Ty) \succeq I.$$

Definition 0.7. [8] Let $T : X \rightarrow X$ and $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{A}'_+$ be two mappings such that T is α - admissible.

T is said to be triangular α - admissible if

$$\alpha(x, y) \succeq I \text{ and } \alpha(y, z) \succeq I \Rightarrow \alpha(x, z) \succeq I$$

Definition 0.8. [8] Let $T : X \rightarrow X$ and $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{A}'_+$ be two mappings.

T is said to be α - orbital admissible if

$$\alpha(x, Tx) \succeq I \Rightarrow \alpha(Tx, T^2x) \succeq I$$

Definition 0.9. [8] Let $T : X \rightarrow X$ and $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{A}'_+$ be two mappings such that T is α - orbital admissible.

T is said to be triangular α - orbital admissible if

$$\alpha(x, y) \succeq I \text{ and } \alpha(y, Ty) \succeq I \Rightarrow \alpha(x, Ty) \succeq I$$

Let (X, \mathbb{A}, d) be a C^* -algebra-valued b - metric space. We will denote By $\mathcal{CB}(X)$ the set of non-empty bounded closed subsets of X . For $M, N \in \mathcal{CB}(X)$ and $x \in X$, we define

$$d(x, M) = \inf_{a \in M} d(x, a) \text{ and } d(M, N) = \sup_{a \in M} d(a, N).$$

The mapping

$$h : \mathcal{CB}(X) \times \mathcal{CB}(X) \rightarrow \mathbb{A}_+$$

given by $h(M, N) = \max\{\sup_{a \in M} d(a, N), \sup_{b \in N} d(b, M)\}$, is the Hausdorff distance between M and N in $\mathcal{CB}(X)$.

A point x is said to be a fixed point of multi-valued mapping $T : X \rightarrow \mathcal{CB}(X)$ provided $x \in T(x)$.

In 2014, Hussain et al.[2] introduced a notion of α - completeness for metric spaces.

Definition 0.10. [1] Let (X, \mathbb{A}, d) be a C^* -algebra-valued b - metric space and $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{A}'_+$ be a mapping. The space X is said to be α - complete, if every Cauchy sequence $\{x_n\}$ in X with $\alpha(x_n, x_{n+1}) \succeq I$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$ converges in X .

Definition 0.11. [1] Let $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{A}'_+$ be a mapping and $T : X \rightarrow \mathcal{CB}(X)$ be a multi-valued mapping satisfying the property that if

$$\alpha(x, y) \succeq I \Rightarrow \alpha_*(Tx, Ty) \succeq I, \text{ where}$$

$$\alpha_*(M, N) = \inf\{\alpha(x, y) : x \in M, y \in N\}, \text{ then } T \text{ is said to be } \alpha_*\text{- admissible.}$$

Definition 0.12. [1] Let (X, \mathbb{A}, d) be a C^* -algebra-valued b - metric space

and $\alpha, \eta : X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{A}_+$ be two mappings. T is said to be $\alpha - \eta$ - continuous on (X, \mathbb{A}, d) , if for given $x \in X$ and a sequence $\{x_n\}$ in X with $\alpha(x_n, x_{n+1}) \succeq I \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $x_n \rightarrow x$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$ imply that $Tx_n \rightarrow Tx$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

If $\eta(x_n, x_{n+1}) = I$, then T is said an α - continuous mapping.

Definition 0.13. [1] Let $T, S : X \rightarrow \mathcal{CB}(X)$ be two multi-valued mappings

and $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{A}'_+$ be a function. Then the pair (T, S) is said to be triangular α_* - admissible if the following conditions hold:

$$(i) \alpha(x, y) \succeq I \Rightarrow \alpha_*(Tx, Sy) \succeq I \text{ and } \alpha_*(Sx, Ty) \succeq I$$

$$(ii) \alpha(x, y) \succeq I \text{ and } \alpha(y, z) \succeq I \Rightarrow \alpha(x, z) \succeq I.$$

Definition 0.14. [1] Let $T, S : X \rightarrow \mathcal{CB}(X)$ be two multi-valued mappings

and $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{A}'_+$ be a function. Then the pair (T, S) is said to be α_* - orbital admissible if the following condition hold:

$$\alpha(x, Tx) \succeq I \text{ and } \alpha_*(x, Sx) \succeq I \Rightarrow \alpha_*(Tx, S^2x) \succeq I \text{ and } \alpha_*(Sx, T^2x) \succeq I.$$

Definition 0.15. [1] Let $T, S : X \rightarrow \mathcal{CB}(X)$ be two multi-valued mappings

and $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{A}'_+$ be a function. Then the pair (T, S) is said to be triangular α_* - orbital admissible if the following conditions hold:

$$(i) (T, S) \text{ is } \alpha_*\text{- orbital admissible.}$$

- (ii) $\alpha(x, y) \succeq I$, $\alpha(y, Ty) \succeq I$ and $\alpha_*(y, Sy) \succeq I \Rightarrow \alpha_*(x, Ty) \succeq I$ and $\alpha_*(x, Sy) \succeq I$.

Lemma 0.16. [1] *Let $T, S : X \rightarrow \mathcal{B}(X)$ be two multi-valued mappings such that the pair (T, S) is triangular α_* -orbital admissible.*

Assume that there exists $x_0 \in X$ such that $\alpha_(x_0, Tx_0) \succeq I$.*

Define a sequence $\{x_n\} \in X$ by $x_{2n+1} \in Tx_{2n}$ and $x_{2n+2} \in S(x_{2n+1})$, where $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$

Then $\forall n, m \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ with $m > n$, we have $\alpha(x_n, x_m) \succeq I$.

3. Main results

Using C^* -Hausdorff metric on $\mathcal{CB}(X)$ we give a generalization of some common fixed point results for rational contraction of multivalued mappings defined on a C^* -algebra-valued b -metric space.

The following lemmas will be used later.

Lemma 0.17. *Let (X, \mathbb{A}, d) be a C^* -algebra-valued b -metric space. For any $x, y \in X$ and $M, N, C \in \mathcal{CB}(X)$ we have:*

- (i) $d(x, N) \preceq d(x, u)$, for any $u \in N$
- (ii) $d(x, M) \preceq h(M, N)$
- (iii) $h(M, C) \preceq b(h(M, N) + h(N, C))$
- (iv) $d(x, M) \preceq b[d(x, y) + d(y, M)]$.

Lemma 0.18. *Let $M, N \in \mathcal{CB}(X)$ such that (X, \mathbb{A}, d) be a C^* -algebra-valued b -metric space and $q \leq 1$. Then, for every $a \in M$ there exists some $u \in N$ such that*

$$qd(a, u) \preceq h(M, N).$$

Proof. If $h(M, N) = \theta$, then $a \in M$ and $qd(a, u) \preceq h(M, N)$ holds for $a = u$.

Suppose that $h(M, N) \succ \theta$.

For any $r \succ \theta$ there exists $u \in M$ such that $d(a, u) \preceq d(a, N) + r \preceq h(M, N) + r$.

We may assume $r = (\frac{1}{q} - 1)h(M, N) \succ \theta$, this complete the proof which does not depend on b . □

Now, one can give the definition of α -continuous multivalued mapping.

Definition 0.19. Let (X, \mathbb{A}, d) be a C^* -algebra-valued b -metric space.

Let $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{A}'_+$ be a mapping and $T : X \rightarrow \mathcal{CB}(X)$ be a multivalued mapping. Then T said to be a α - continuous multivalued mapping on $(\mathcal{CB}(X), h)$,

if $\{x_n\}$ is a sequence in X with $\alpha(x_n, x_{n+1}) \succeq I, \forall n \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ and $x \in X$ such that $\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} d(x_n, x) = \theta$ then $\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} h(Tx_n, Tx) = \theta$.

We give the definition of C^* - multivalued contraction.

Definition 0.20. Let (X, \mathbb{A}, d) be a C^* -algebra-valued b -metric space with a coefficient $b \succeq I$ a mapping $T : X \rightarrow \mathcal{CB}(X)$ is called a C^* - multivalued contraction if there exists $\lambda \in \mathbb{A}$ with $\|\lambda\| < 1$ and $\|b\|\|\lambda\|^2 < 1$ such that

$$h(Tx, Ty) \preceq \lambda^* d(x, y) \lambda \quad \forall x, y \in X$$

The following is nontrivial example of C^* - multivalued contraction.

Example 0.21. Let $X = [-1, 1]$, $\mathbb{A} = \mathbb{R}^2$ and $d : X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{A}^+$ given by

$$d(x, y) = (|x - y|, 0) \quad \forall x, y \in X.$$

It is easy to verify that (X, \mathbb{A}, d) is a C^* -algebra valued b metric space with coefficient $(2, 0)$.

Let $M, N \in \mathcal{CB}(X)$ be given by the closed intervals in X as

$$M = [0, \frac{1}{4}] \quad \text{and} \quad N = [\frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{4}]$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} h(M, N) &= \max\{sup_{a \in M} d(a, N), sup_{b \in N} d(b, M)\} \\ &= \max\{(\frac{1}{2}, 0), (\frac{1}{2}, 0)\} \\ &= (\frac{1}{2}, 0). \end{aligned}$$

Define $T : X \rightarrow \mathcal{CB}(X)$ by $Tx = \{y; 0 \leq y \leq \frac{1}{4}x\}$.

Then

$$h(Tx, Ty) \preceq \lambda^* d(x, y) \lambda \quad \text{with} \quad \|\lambda\| = \frac{1}{2}$$

Hence T is a C^* - multivalued contraction.

We present the following fixed point theorem.

Theorem 0.22. *Let (X, \mathbb{A}, d) be a complete C^* -algebra-valued b -metric space with a coefficient $b \succeq I$ and $T : X \rightarrow \mathcal{CB}(X)$ be a C^* -multivalued contraction. That is, there exists $\lambda \in \mathbb{A}$ with $\|\lambda\| < 1$ and $\|b\|\|\lambda\|^2 < 1$ such that*

$$h(Tx, Ty) \preceq \lambda^* d(x, y) \lambda \quad \forall x, y \in X$$

Then T has a fixed point.

Proof. Let $x_0 \in X$, consider a point $x_1 \in Tx_0$ and $x_2 \in Tx_1$ such that

$$d(x_1, x_2) \preceq h(Tx_0, Tx_1) + \lambda^* \lambda.$$

Again, since Tx_1 and Tx_2 are closed and bounded subsets of X and x_2 lies in Tx_1 there will be a point $x_3 \in Tx_2$ which satisfies

$$d(x_2, x_3) \preceq h(Tx_1, Tx_2) + (\lambda^* \lambda)^2.$$

Proceeding in this way we obtain a sequence $\{x_n\}_{n \in \{1, 2, \dots\}}$ of points of X such that $x_{n+1} \in Tx_n$ and

$$d(x_n, x_{n+1}) \preceq h(Tx_{n-1}, Tx_n) + (\lambda^* \lambda)^n \quad \forall n \geq 1.$$

We note that for all $n \geq 1$

$$\begin{aligned} d(x_n, x_{n+1}) &\preceq h(Tx_{n-1}, Tx_n) + (\lambda^* \lambda)^n \\ &\preceq \lambda^* d(x_{n-1}, x_n) \lambda + (\lambda^* \lambda)^n \\ &\preceq \lambda^* [h(Tx_{n-2}, Tx_{n-1}) + (\lambda^* \lambda)^{n-1}] \lambda + (\lambda^* \lambda)^n \\ &= \lambda^* [h(Tx_{n-2}, Tx_{n-1})] \lambda + 2(\lambda^* \lambda)^n \\ &\preceq \lambda^{*n} d(x_0, x_1) \lambda^n + n(\lambda^* \lambda)^n \end{aligned}$$

Hence for $\forall n, m \geq 1$

$$\begin{aligned}
 d(x_n, x_{n+m}) &\preceq b[d(x_n, x_{n+1}) + d(x_{n+1}, x_{n+2}) + \dots + d(x_{n+m-1}, x_{n+m})] \\
 &\preceq b[\lambda^{*n}d(x_0, x_1)\lambda^n + n(\lambda^*\lambda)^n + (\lambda^{*(n+1)}d(x_0, x_1)\lambda^{n+1} + (n+1)(\lambda^*\lambda)^{n+1} + \dots \\
 &\quad + (\lambda^{*(n+m-1)}d(x_0, x_1)\lambda^{n+m-1} + (n+m-1)(\lambda^*\lambda)^{n+m-1})] \\
 &\leq b(d(x_n, x_{n+1}) + d(x_{n+1}, x_{n+2})) + b^2(d(x_{n+2}, x_{n+3}) + d(x_{n+3}, x_{n+4})) \\
 &\quad + \dots + b^{m-n+1}(d(x_{n+m-2}, x_{n+m-1}) + d(x_{n+m-1}, x_{n+m})). \\
 &= b\left[\sum_{k=n}^{n+m-1} \lambda^{*k}d(x_0, x_1)\lambda^k + \sum_{k=n}^{n+m-1} (\lambda^*\lambda)^k\right] \\
 &= \sum_{k=i}^{n+m-1} |(b^{\frac{1}{2}}d(x_0, x_1))^{\frac{1}{2}}\lambda^k|^2 + \sum_{k=i}^{n+m-1} |b^{\frac{1}{2}}\lambda^k|^2 \\
 &\preceq I\|b\|\|d(x_0, x_1)\| \sum_{k=n}^{n+m-1} \|\lambda^2\|^k + I\|b\| \sum_{k=n}^{n+m-1} \|\lambda^2\|^k \rightarrow \theta \text{ as } m \rightarrow \infty.
 \end{aligned}$$

It follows that the sequence $\{x_n\}$ is a Cauchy sequence in X . Since X is complete, the sequence $\{x_n\}$ will converge to some $x_0 \in X$. Also

$$h(Tx_n, Tx_0) \preceq \lambda^*d(x_n, x_0)\lambda$$

Therefore, the sequence $\{Tx_n\}$ converges to Tx_0 . Also $x_n \in Tx_{n-1} \forall n \in \{1, 2, \dots\}$ and $d(x_n, Tx_0) \rightarrow \theta$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. We obtain that $x_0 \in Tx_0$. \square

Definition 0.23. Let (X, \mathbb{A}, d) be a C^* -algebra-valued b -metric space.

Let $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{A}'_+$ be a mapping and $T, S : X \rightarrow \mathcal{CB}(X)$ two multivalued mappings said to be a pair of generalized rational α_* -contraction type for multivalued mappings if there exists $x, y \in X$ with $\alpha(x, y) \succeq I$ and satisfies

$$(0.1) \quad h(Tx, Sy) \preceq \lambda^*M(x, y)\lambda, \text{ for } \lambda \in \mathbb{A} \text{ with } \|\lambda\| < 1 \text{ and } \|b\|\|\lambda\|^2 < 1$$

where

$$(0.2) \quad M(x, y) = \max\{d(x, y), d(x, Tx), d(y, Sy), \frac{d(x, Sy) + d(y, Tx)}{2}\}$$

We prove a common fixed point theorem.

Theorem 0.24. Let (X, \mathbb{A}, d) be a C^* -algebra-valued b -metric space with $b \succeq I$ and $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{A}'_+$ be a mapping. Let $T, S : X \rightarrow \mathcal{CB}(X)$ be a pair of generalized rational α_* -contraction type for multivalued mappings

- (i) (X, \mathbb{A}, d) is an α -complete
- (ii) (T, S) is triangular α_* -orbital admissible.
- (iii) there exists $x_0 \in X$ such that $\alpha_*(x_0, Tx_0) \succeq I$ for $x_0 \in X$
- (iv) T and S are α -continuous.

Then there exists a common fixed point of T and S in X .

Proof. Let $x_0 \in X$ such that $\alpha_*(x_0, Tx_0) \succeq I$. Let $x_1 \in Tx_0$ so that $\alpha(x_0, x_1) \succeq I$ and $x_1 \neq x_0$.

We have

$$0 < d(x_1, Sx_1) \preceq h(Tx_0, Sx_1) \preceq \lambda^* M(x_0, x_1) \lambda$$

there exists $x_2 \in Sx_1$ such that

$$d(x_1, x_2) \preceq h(Tx_0, Sx_1) \preceq \lambda^* M(x_0, x_1) \lambda.$$

With

$$\begin{aligned} M(x_0, x_1) &= \max\{d(x_0, x_1), d(x_0, Tx_0), d(x_1, Sx_1), \frac{d(x_0, Sx_1) + d(x_1, Tx_0)}{2}\} \\ &= \max\{d(x_0, x_1), d(x_0, x_1), d(x_1, Sx_1), \frac{d(x_0, Sx_1) + d(x_1, Tx_0)}{2}\} \\ &= \max\{d(x_0, x_1), d(x_0, x_1), d(x_1, Sx_1)\} \\ &= \max\{d(x_0, x_1), d(x_1, Sx_1)\}. \end{aligned}$$

If $\max\{d(x_0, x_1), d(x_1, Sx_1)\} = d(x_1, Sx_1)$, we get

$$\begin{aligned} d(x_1, Sx_1) &\preceq \lambda^* d(x_1, Sx_1) \lambda \\ &\Rightarrow \|d(x_1, Sx_1)\| \leq \|\lambda\| \|d(x_1, Sx_1)\| \end{aligned}$$

which a contradiction, hence $\max\{d(x_0, x_1), d(x_1, Sx_1)\} = d(x_0, x_1)$,

then

$$d(x_1, x_2) \preceq \lambda^* d(x_0, x_1) \lambda.$$

In the same way, for $x_2 \in Sx_1$ and $x_3 \in Tx_2$, we obtain

$$d(x_2, x_3) \preceq h(Sx_1, Tx_2) \preceq \lambda^* M(x_1, x_2) \lambda$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} M(x_1, x_2) &= \max\{d(x_1, x_2), d(x_1, Sx_1), d(x_2, Tx_2), \frac{d(x_1, Sx_2) + d(x_2, Tx_1)}{2}\} \\ &= \max\{d(x_1, x_2), d(x_2, Tx_2)\}. \end{aligned}$$

If $M(x_1, x_2) = d(x_2, Tx_2)$, by

$$0 < d(x_2, Tx_2) \preceq h(Sx_1, Tx_2) \preceq \lambda^* d(x_2, Tx_2) \lambda$$

we have

$$\|d(x_2, Tx_2)\| < \|\lambda\| \|d(x_2, Tx_2)\|$$

a contradiction, hence

$$\max\{d(x_1, x_2), d(x_2, Tx_2)\} = d(x_1, x_2)$$

and we have $d(x_2, x_3) \preceq \lambda^* d(x_1, x_2) \lambda$.

We define a sequence $\{x_n\}$ by $x_{2n+1} \in Tx_{2n}$ and $x_{2n} \in Sx_{2n+1}$, $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$

So

$$\alpha(x_n, x_{n+1}) \succeq I, \forall n \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\},$$

then

$$(0.3) \quad 0 < d(x_{2n+1}, Sx_{2n+1}) \preceq h(Tx_{2n}, Sx_{2n+1}) \preceq \lambda^* M(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}) \lambda,$$

and

$$(0.4) \quad d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2}) \preceq h(Tx_{2n}, Sx_{2n+1}) \preceq \lambda^* M(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}) \lambda,$$

By Lemma 0.17 we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d(x_{2n+1}, Tx_{2n}) + d(x_{2n}, Sx_{2n+1})}{2} &= \frac{d(x_{2n}, Sx_{2n+1})}{2} \\ &\preceq b \left[\frac{d(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}) + d(x_{2n+1}, Sx_{2n+1})}{2} \right] \\ &\preceq b \max\{d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n}), d(x_{2n+1}, Sx_{2n+1})\}. \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} M(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}) &= \max\{d(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}), d(x_{2n}, Tx_{2n}), d(x_{2n+1}, Sx_{2n+1}), \\ &\quad \frac{d(x_{2n+1}, Tx_{2n}) + d(x_{2n}, Sx_{2n+1})}{2}\} \\ &= \max\{d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n}), d(x_{2n+1}, Sx_{2n+1})\}. \end{aligned}$$

If

$$\max\{d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n}), d(x_{2n+1}, Sx_{2n+1})\} = d(x_{2n+1}, Sx_{2n+1}),$$

then from (3.3) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} d(x_{2n+1}, Sx_{2n+1}) &\preceq \lambda^* d(x_{2n+1}, Sx_{2n+1}) \lambda \\ &\Rightarrow \|d(x_{2n+1}, Sx_{2n+1})\| < \|\lambda\| \|d(x_{2n+1}, Sx_{2n+1})\| \end{aligned}$$

which is a contradiction,

hence $\{x_n\}$ is a Cauchy sequence. By completeness of (X, \mathbb{A}, d) , there exists $z \in X$ such

$$\begin{aligned} \forall n \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\} \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} d(x_n, z) &= \theta \\ \Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} d(x_{2n+1}, z) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} d(x_{2n+2}, z) = \theta. \end{aligned}$$

Since S is α -continuous, $\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} h(Sx_{2n+2}, Sz) = \theta$.

Therefore

$$d(z, Sz) \preceq b[d(z, x_{2n+1}) + d(x_{2n+1}, Sz)] \rightarrow \theta.$$

So, $z \in Sz$. Similarly, $z \in Tz$.

Thus, z is a common fixed point of T and S .

□

Assuming the following conditions, we prove that Theorem 0.25 still hold for T not necessarily continuous: In the following we show that the α continuity property is replaced by a new condition.

Theorem 0.25. *Let (X, \mathbb{A}, d) be a C^* -algebra-valued b -metric space with $b \succeq I$ and $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{A}'_+$ be a mapping.*

Let $T, S : X \rightarrow \mathcal{CB}(X)$ be a pair of generalized rational α_* - contraction type for multivalued mappings

- (i) (X, \mathbb{A}, d) is an α - complete
- (ii) (T, S) is triangular α_* - orbital admissible.
- (iii) there exists $x_0 \in X$ such that $\alpha_*(x_0, Tx_0) \succeq I$ for $x_0 \in X$
- (iv) if $\{x_n\}$ is a sequence in X such that $\alpha(x_n, x_{n+1}) \succeq I \forall n \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$
 and $\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} d(x_n, z) = \theta$, then there exists a subsequence $\{x_{n(k)}\}$ of $\{x_n\}$
 such that $\alpha(x_{n(k)}, z) \succeq I \forall k \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$.

Then there exists a common fixed point of T and S in X .

Proof. Let $\{x_n\}$ be a sequence in X such that $x_{2n+1} \in Tx_{2n}$ and $x_{2n+2} \in Sx_{2n+1}$, $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$, with $\alpha(x_n, x_{n+1}) \succeq I \forall k \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ and $x_n \rightarrow z \in X$.

By (iv), we have

$$(0.5) \quad d(z, Tz) \preceq b[d(z, x_{2n(k)+1}) + d(x_{2n(k)+1}, Tz)]$$

$$(0.6) \quad \preceq bd(z, x_{2n(k)+1}) + bh(Sx_{2n(k)}, Tz)$$

$$(0.7) \quad \preceq bd(z, x_{2n(k)+1}) + b\lambda^* M(x_{2n(k)}, z)\lambda.$$

Where

$$M(x_{2n(k)}, z) = \max\{d(x_{2n(k)}, z), d(x_{2n(k)}, Sx_{2n(k)}), d(z, Tz), \frac{d(x_{2n(k)}, Sz) + d(z, Tx_{2n(k)})}{2}\}$$

Letting $k \rightarrow \infty$, we get $M(x_{2n(k)}, z) \rightarrow d(z, Tz)$ and by (3.7) we have

$$d(z, Tz) \preceq bd(z, x_{2n(k)+1}) + b\lambda^* d(z, Tz)\lambda \Rightarrow 1 < \|b\|\|\lambda\|^2$$

which a contradiction.

Then $z \in Tz$ i.e, z is a fixed point of T .

Proceeding in this manner we prove that $z \in Sz$ i.e, z is the common fixed point of T and S . □

We denote Φ the class of all functions $\phi : \mathbb{A}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{A}_+$ such that for any bounded sequence $\{t_n\}$ of positive real numbers, $\phi(t_n) \rightarrow I \Rightarrow t_n \rightarrow \theta$ and $\|\phi\| < 1$

And Ψ the class of the functions $\psi : \mathbb{A}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{A}_+$ satisfying the conditions:

- (i) ψ is nondecreasing and continuous,
- (ii) $\psi(t) = \theta \Leftrightarrow t = \theta$

Definition 0.26. Let (X, \mathbb{A}, d) be a C^* -algebra-valued b - metric space with $b \succ I$ and $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{A}'_+$ be a mapping. Let $T, S : X \rightarrow \mathcal{CB}(X)$ be a pair of generalized rational α_* - ψ - Geraghty contraction type for multivalued mappings if there exist $\phi \in \Phi$ and $\psi \in \Psi$ such that for $x, y \in X$, with $\alpha(x, y) \succeq I$, the pair (T, S) satisfies the following inequality:

$$(0.8) \quad \alpha(x, y)\psi(h(Tx, Sy)) \preceq \phi(\psi(M(x, y))).\psi(M(x, y)),$$

where

$$M(x, y) = \max\{d(x, y), d(x, Tx), d(y, Sy), \frac{d(x, Sy) + d(y, Ty)}{2}\}.$$

Theorem 0.27. Let (X, \mathbb{A}, d) be a C^* -algebra-valued b -metric space with $b \succeq I$ and $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{A}'_+$ be a mapping. Let $T, S : X \rightarrow \mathcal{CB}(X)$ be a pair of generalized rational α_* - ψ - Geraghty contraction type for multivalued mappings

- (i) (X, \mathbb{A}, d) is an α - complete
- (ii) (T, S) is triangular α_* - orbital admissible.
- (iii) there exists $x_0 \in X$ such that $\alpha_*(x_0, Tx_0) \succeq I$ for $x_0 \in X$
- (iv) T and S are α - continuous.

Then there exists a common fixed point of T and S in X .

Proof. Let $x_0 \in X$, construct the sequence $\{x_n\}$ such that $x_{2n+1} \in Tx_{2n}$ and $x_{2n+2} \in Sx_{2n+1}$, $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$, with $\alpha(x_n, x_{n+1}) \succeq I \forall k \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$. By (3.8) we have

$$\begin{aligned} 0 < \psi(d(x_1, Sx_1)) &\preceq \psi(h(Tx_0, Sx_1)) \\ &\preceq \alpha(x_0, x_1)\psi(h(Tx_0, Sx_1)) \\ &\preceq \phi(\psi(M(x_0, x_1))).\psi(M(x_0, x_1)) \end{aligned}$$

there exists $x_2 \in Sx_1$ such that

$$\psi(d(x_1, x_2)) \preceq \alpha(x_0, x_1)\psi(h(Tx_0, Sx_1)) \preceq \phi(\psi(M(x_0, x_1))).\psi(M(x_0, x_1)).$$

With

$$\begin{aligned}
 M(x_0, x_1) &= \max\{d(x_0, x_1), d(x_0, Tx_0), d(x_1, Sx_1), \frac{d(x_0, Sx_1) + d(x_1, Tx_0)}{2}\} \\
 &= \max\{d(x_0, x_1), d(x_0, x_1), d(x_1, Sx_1), \frac{d(x_0, Sx_1) + d(x_1, Tx_0)}{2}\} \\
 &= \max\{d(x_0, x_1), d(x_0, x_1), d(x_1, Sx_1)\} \\
 &= \max\{d(x_0, x_1), d(x_1, Sx_1)\}.
 \end{aligned}$$

If $\max\{d(x_0, x_1), d(x_1, Sx_1)\} = d(x_1, Sx_1)$, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 \psi(d(x_1, Sx_1)) &\preceq \phi(\psi(d(x_1, Sx_1))).\psi(d(x_1, Sx_1)). \\
 \Rightarrow \|\psi(d(x_1, Sx_1))\| &\leq \|\phi(\psi(d(x_1, Sx_1)))\| \|\psi(d(x_1, Sx_1))\|
 \end{aligned}$$

which a contradiction, hence $\max\{d(x_0, x_1), d(x_1, Sx_1)\} = d(x_0, x_1)$, then

$$\psi(d(x_1, x_2)) \preceq \phi(\psi(d(x_0, x_1))).\psi(d(x_0, x_1))$$

In the same way, for $x_2 \in Sx_1$ and $x_3 \in Tx_2$, we obtain

$$\psi(d(x_2, x_3)) \preceq \alpha(x_1, x_2)\psi(h(Sx_1, Tx_2)) \preceq \phi(\psi(M(x_1, x_2))).\psi(M(x_1, x_2))$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
 M(x_1, x_2) &= \max\{d(x_1, x_2), d(x_1, Sx_1), d(x_2, Tx_2), \frac{d(x_1, Sx_2) + d(x_2, Tx_1)}{2}\} \\
 &= \max\{d(x_1, x_2), d(x_2, Tx_2)\}.
 \end{aligned}$$

If $M(x_1, x_2) = d(x_2, Tx_2)$, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 \psi(d(x_2, x_3)) &\preceq \phi(\psi(d(x_2, Tx_2))).\psi(d(x_2, Tx_2)). \\
 \Rightarrow \|\psi(d(x_2, Tx_2))\| &\leq \|\phi(\psi(d(x_2, Tx_2)))\| \|\psi(d(x_2, Tx_2))\|
 \end{aligned}$$

which is a contradiction, hence

$$\max\{d(x_1, x_2), d(x_2, Tx_2)\} = d(x_1, x_2)$$

and we have

$$\psi(d(x_2, x_3)) \preceq \phi(\psi(d(x_1, x_2))).\psi(d(x_1, x_2))$$

We define a sequence $\{x_n\}$ by $x_{2n+1} \in Tx_{2n}$ and $x_{2n} \in Sx_{2n+1}$, $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$. So

$$\alpha(x_n, x_{n+1}) \succeq I, \forall n \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\},$$

then

(0.9)

$$\psi(d(x_{2n+1}, Sx_{2n+1})) \preceq \psi(h(Tx_{2n}, Sx_{2n+1})) \preceq \phi(\psi(M(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1})))\psi(M(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1})),$$

and

(0.10)

$$\psi(d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2})) \preceq \psi(h(Tx_{2n}, Sx_{2n+1})) \preceq \phi(\psi(M(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1})))\psi(M(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1})).$$

Where

$$\begin{aligned} M(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}) &= \max\{d(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}), d(x_{2n}, Tx_{2n}), d(x_{2n+1}, Sx_{2n+1}), \\ &\quad \frac{d(x_{2n+1}, Tx_{2n}) + d(x_{2n}, Sx_{2n+1})}{2}\} \\ &= \max\{d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n}), d(x_{2n+1}, Sx_{2n+1})\}. \end{aligned}$$

If

$$\max\{d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n}), d(x_{2n+1}, Sx_{2n+1})\} = d(x_{2n+1}, Sx_{2n+1}),$$

then

$$\psi(d(x_{2n+1}, Sx_{2n+1})) \preceq \phi(\psi(d(x_{2n+1}, Sx_{2n+1})))\psi(d(x_{2n+1}, Sx_{2n+1})).$$

$$\Rightarrow \|\psi(d(x_{2n+1}, Sx_{2n+1}))\| \leq \|\phi(\psi(d(x_{2n+1}, Sx_{2n+1})))\| \|\psi(d(x_{2n+1}, Sx_{2n+1}))\|$$

which is a contradiction, hence $\max\{d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n}), d(x_{2n+1}, Sx_{2n+1})\} = d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n})$

and we have

$$\psi(d(x_{2n+1}, Sx_{2n+1})) \preceq \phi(\psi(d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n})))\psi(d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n})).$$

Using properties of ψ and ϕ we conclude that $\{x_n\}$ is a Cauchy sequence. By completeness of (X, \mathbb{A}, d) , there exists $z \in X$ such

$$\forall n \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\} \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} d(x_n, z) = \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} d(x_{2n+1}, z) = \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} d(x_{2n+2}, z) = \theta.$$

Since S is α -continuous, $\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} h(Sx_{2n+2}, Sz) = \theta$.

Therefore

$$d(z, Sz) \preceq b[d(z, x_{2n+1}) + d(x_{2n+1}, Sz)] \rightarrow \theta.$$

So, $z \in Sz$. Similarly, $z \in Tz$.

Then T and S have a common fixed point in X .

□

Assuming the following conditions, we prove that Theorem ?? still hold for T not necessarily continuous: The following theorem is a consequence of the Theorem 0.28 in the case of the generalized rational α_* - ψ -Geraghty contraction type for multivalued mappings.

Theorem 0.28. *Let (X, \mathbb{A}, d) be a C^* -algebra-valued b -metric space with $b \succeq I$ and $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{A}'_+$ be a mapping. Let $T, S : X \rightarrow \mathcal{CB}(X)$ be a pair of generalized rational α_* - ψ -Geraghty contraction type for multivalued mappings*

- (i) (X, \mathbb{A}, d) is an α -complete
- (ii) (T, S) is triangular α_* -orbital admissible.
- (iii) $\alpha_*(x_0, Tx_0) \succeq I$ for $x_0 \in X$
- (iv) if $\{x_n\}$ is a sequence in X such that $\alpha(x_n, x_{n+1}) \succeq I \forall n \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$
and $\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} d(x_n, z) = \theta$,
then there exists a subsequence $\{x_{n(k)}\}$ of $\{x_n\}$ such that $\alpha(x_{n(k)}, z) \succeq I$
 $\forall k \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$.

Then there exists a common fixed point of T and S in X .

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