

A GENERALIZATION OF CONTRACTION PRINCIPLE

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ABSTRACT: In this paper, a generalized mean value contraction is introduced.

This contraction is an extension of the contractions of earlier researchers and of the generalized mean value non-expansive mapping. Using the generalized mean value contraction, some fixed point theorems are discussed.

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1. INTRODUCTION.

Let T be a self mapping of a Banach space E . The mapping T will be called a generalized mean value contraction mapping if for any $x, y \in E$, there exist non-negative real numbers a_i ($i = 1, 2, \dots, 5$) such that

$$\|T_\lambda x - T_\lambda y\| \leq a_1 \|x - y\| + a_2 \|x - T_\lambda x\| + a_3 \|y - T_\lambda y\| + a_4 \|x - T_\lambda y\| + a_5 \|y - T_\lambda x\| \quad (1.1)$$

where $\sum_{i=1}^5 a_i < 1$ and $T_\lambda x = \lambda x + (1-\lambda) Tx$, and $T_\lambda x = T(\lambda x + (1-\lambda) Tx)$, $0 < \lambda \leq 1$ holds.

The contraction (1.1) is more general than the Banach contraction, contractions of

Kannan [1], Chatterjee [2], Hardy and Rogers [3]. When $\lambda=1$ all these contractions follow as a particular case of (1.1), with suitable choice of a_i 's. Also, by example, we show that there exist self-mappings which satisfy (1.1), but do not satisfy the well-known contraction just mentioned.

EXAMPLE 1. Let T be a self-mapping on $[0,1]$ defined by

$$T(0) = 1, T(1) = 0, T(x) = \frac{1}{9}, x \in (0,1) .$$

EXAMPLE 2. Let T be a self-mapping on $[0,1]$ defined by $T(x) = 1-x, x \in [0,1]$.

EXAMPLE 3. Let T be a self-mapping on $[-1,1]$ defined by $Tx = -x, x \in [-1,1]$.

The mapping T of the above examples satisfies (1.1) for $\lambda = \frac{1}{2}$. However, for $x=0, y=1$, T of Example 1 or Example 2, and for $x=1, y=-1$, T of Example 3 do not satisfy the above well-known contractions. Next, we define generalized mean value non-expansive mapping: Let T be a self-mapping of a Banach space E . Then T will be called a generalized mean value non-expansive mapping if for any x, y in E , there exists non-negative real numbers a_i ($i = 1, 2, \dots, 5$) such that

$$||T_\lambda x - T_\lambda y|| \leq a_1 ||x-y|| + a_2 ||x - T_\lambda x|| + a_3 ||y - T_\lambda y|| + a_4 ||x - T_\lambda y|| + a_5 ||y - T_\lambda x||, \quad (1.2)$$

where $\sum_{i=1}^5 a_i = 1$ and $T_\lambda x = \lambda x + (1-\lambda) Tx, 0 < \lambda \leq 1$ holds.

Now we define a new contraction which is more general than (1.1) as follows:

Let X be subset of a normed linear space E . A mapping $T: X \rightarrow X$ is called an iteratively mean value contraction mapping if for every $x \in X$ there exist non-negative real numbers a , such that

$$||T_\lambda (T_\lambda x) - T_\lambda x|| \leq a ||T_\lambda x - x||, \quad (1.3)$$

where $0 < \lambda \leq 1$ and $T_\lambda x = \lambda x + (1-\lambda) Tx$ and $TT_\lambda x = T(\lambda x + (1-\lambda)Tx)$ holds.

The above definition is given because there are self-mappings of a subset of a normed linear space, which do not satisfy (1.1), but satisfies (1.3). An example of self-mapping for which (1.3) holds but (1.1) does not hold, is given below:

EXAMPLE 4. Let T be a self-mapping on $[-1,7]$ defined by

$$Tx = -x, x \in [-1,1], Tx = \frac{6}{7} - x, x \in [1,7] .$$

2. MAIN THEOREMS.

THEOREM 1. Let T be a self-mapping of a normed linear space E . If

(i) T satisfies (1.1),

(ii) $\{x_n\}$ converges to $u \in E$ where $x_n = TT_\lambda x_{n-1}$ ($n=1,2,\dots$) for any $x_0 \in E$,

(iii) $T(\lambda u + (1-\lambda) Tu) = \lambda Tu + (1-\lambda) T^2 u$, only for u ;

then T has a unique fixed point in E .

PROOF: Let x_0 be any point in E . Define, $x_n = TT_\lambda x_{n-1}$ ($n = 1,2,\dots$). Put $x_0 = x$ and $x_1 = y$ in (1.1), then we have

$$\|x_1 - x_2\| \leq a_1 \|x_0 - x_1\| + a_2 \|x_0 - x_1\| + a_3 \|x_1 - x_2\| + a_4 \|x_0 - x_2\|, \quad (2.1)$$

Again, put $x_1 = x$ and $y = x_0$ in (1.1). Then

$$\|x_2 - x_1\| \leq a_1 \|x_1 - x_0\| + a_2 \|x_1 - x_2\| + a_3 \|x_0 - x_1\| + a_5 \|x_0 - x_2\|. \quad (2.2)$$

Adding (2.1) and (2.2), we obtain $\|x_2 - x_1\| \leq r \|x_1 - x_0\|$,

$$\text{where } r = \frac{2a_1 + a_2 + a_3 + a_4 + a_5}{2 - a_2 - a_3 - a_4 - a_5} \text{ and } r < 1, \text{ since } \sum_{i=1}^5 a_i < 1.$$

By induction it may be proved that $\|x_n - x_{n+1}\| \leq r^n \|x_1 - x_0\|$

It may be shown by routine calculation that $\{x_n\}$ is a Cauchy sequence. Hence $\{x_n\}$ is convergent. So, by (ii), $x_n \rightarrow u \in E$, as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, } \|u - TT_\lambda u\| &\leq \|u - x_{n+1}\| + \|TT_\lambda x_n - TT_\lambda u\| \\ &\leq \|u - x_{n+1}\| + a_1 \|x_n - u\| + a_2 \|x_n - x_{n+1}\| + a_3 \|u - TT_\lambda u\| + a_4 \|x - TT_\lambda u\| + a_5 \|u - x_{n+1}\| \\ &\leq (a_3 + a_4) \|u - TT_\lambda u\|, \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $(1 - a_3 - a_4) \|u - TT_\lambda u\| \leq 0$, which implies that $u = TT_\lambda u$, since

$$\sum_{i=1}^5 a_i < 1. \text{ Now, } Tu = T(TT_\lambda u) = T(T(\lambda u + (1-\lambda) Tu)) = T(\lambda Tu + (1-\lambda) Tu^2), \text{ by}$$

Therefore,

$$\|u - Tu\| = \|T(\lambda u + (1-\lambda) Tu) - T(\lambda Tu + (1-\lambda) T^2 u)\| \leq r \|u - Tu\|, \text{ by (i).}$$

Since $r < 1$, $(1-r) \|u - Tu\| \leq 0$ implies $Tu = u$ i. e. u is a fixed point of T .

Uniqueness of the fixed point follows easily.

THEOREM 2. Let T be a self-mapping of a bounded convex subset M of a normed linear space E . If for any $x \in M$,

- (i) T satisfies (1.3)
- (ii) $\{x_n\}$ converges to $u \in M$, whenever $\{x_n\}$ is convergent, where $x_n = TT_\lambda x_{n-1}$, ($n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$) for any $x_0 \in M$.
- (iii) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} T(\lambda x_n + (1-\lambda)Tx_n) = T(\lambda \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n + (1-\lambda) \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Tx_n)$
- (iv) $T(\lambda u + (1-\lambda)Tu) = \lambda Tu + (1-\lambda)T^2u$, for all u ;

then T has a fixed point.

PROOF: Proof is exactly similar to that of Theorem 1, so we omit it.

THEOREM 3. Let E be a rotund Banach space, M be a compact convex subset of E and T be a self-mapping of M . If T is continuous and T satisfies (1.2) and $TT_\lambda x = T_\lambda Tx$ for any $x \in M$, then T has a fixed point in M .

PROOF: Let x be any point in M . Define $f(x) = \|x - Tx\|$. Since T and $\|\cdot\|$ are continuous functions, therefore, $f(x)$ is also continuous. So $f(x)$ attains its minimum for some x (say $x = z \in M$).

First suppose $\|Tz - z\| = 0$, then z is a fixed point of T . Now let

$\|Tz - z\| \neq 0$. Hence

$$\begin{aligned} f(TT_\lambda z) &= \|TT_\lambda z - T(TT_\lambda z)\| = \|TT_\lambda z - TT_\lambda(Tz)\| \\ &\leq \|z - Tz\| < \|z - Tz\|, \text{ since } E \text{ is rotund.} \\ &= f(z), \text{ which contradicts the minimality of } f(z). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore $\|T(z) - z\| = 0$ i.e. $Tz = z$ is a fixed point of T .

THEOREM 4. Let E be a Banach space, M be a compact convex subset of E , and T be a continuous self-mapping of M . If for any x, y ($x \neq y$) $\in M$, T satisfies (1.1) (where \leq is replaced by $<$) and $\sum_{i=1}^5 a_i = 1$ and $TT_\lambda x = T_\lambda Tx$, then T has a unique fixed point in M .

PROOF: Proof is similar to that of Theorem 3.

3. CONCLUDING REMARKS.

(i) That the condition (iii) of Theorem 1 is necessary for existence of fixed point of T as illustrated by the following example.

EXAMPLE 4. Let T be a self-mapping on $[0,1]$ defined by $Tx = 1 - x$, $x \in [0,1]$, $T(1) = 0$. Here T satisfies conditions (i) and (ii) of Theorem] for $\lambda < 1$, but it does not satisfy (iii) and T has no fixed point in $[0,1]$.

(ii) The self-mapping T of Example 1 and Example 2 are non-expansive ($\|Tx - Ty\| \leq \|x - y\|$). Kirk [4] has proved the following fixed point theorem on non-expansive mapping:

"If K be a nonempty closed convex bounded subset of a reflexive Banach space X and if K possisses normal structure, then every non-expansive mapping from K into itself has a fixed point."

The same result is also established independently by Browder [5] in a uniformly convex Banach space. There is a close connection between the theorems of Kirk and Browder. This was first noted by Goebel [6] that if X be a uniformly convex Banach space, then any closed convex bounded subset K of X , must have normal structure.

We observe that for the existence of a fixed point of any non-expansive mapping in a Banach space, the Banach space must have a property either "uniform convexity" or "reflexivity with normal structure". Though self-mapping T in Example 1 and Example 2 are non-expansive, they are contractions in the sense (1.1). These mappings satisfy all the conditions of Theorem 1. Theorem 1 explains the existence of the fixed point of the above mappings without assuming "uniform convexity" or "reflexivity with normal structure".

These examples also suggest that non-expansive mappings may be converted into contraction mappings (general process of conversion is not known). Since the study of contraction mappings is easier than non-expansive mapping, so this type conversion has some importance in fixed point theory.

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