

# On a Coupled Fixed Point Theorem for a Mapping Satisfying a Contraction Of Rational Type in Partially Ordered S-Metric Space

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## Abstract

In this paper, the concept of S-metric is used as a generalization of the ordinary metric space to obtain a coupled fixed point result for a mapping satisfying a contraction of rational type in partially ordered S-metric space. Since such results has already been proved in ordinary metric space, similar procedure was followed in stating and proving our result in the setting of S-metric space. The result presented here modify and generalize the existing result of Circ et al (2012) which was stated in partially ordered metric space.

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## INTRODUCTION

A mapping  $T: X \rightarrow X$  has a fixed point if there exist  $x \in X$  such that  $Tx = x$  The Banach contraction principle (or Banach's theorem) states that every contraction mapping defined on a complete metric space has a unique fixed point. That is for a complete metric space  $(X, d)$  and a mapping  $T: X \rightarrow X$  satisfying  $d(Tx, Ty) \leq \alpha d(x, y)$  for all  $x, y \in X$  with  $0 < \alpha < 1$ , then  $T$  has unique fixed point. Some authors like Agarwal *et al.* (2008), Ariza-Ruiz & Jimnez-Melado (2009), and Harjani & Sadarangani (2009). have expanded, developed and established Banach's contraction principle in many ways.

Bhaskar & Lakshmikantham (2006) presented the concept of coupled fixed point and and some important concepts as follows

**Definition 1:** Suppose that  $(X, d)$  is a complete metric space and  $(X, \leq)$  is a partially ordered set. For the product space  $X \times X$ , and  $(x, y), (u, v) \in X \times X$ ,  $(u, v) \leq (x, y) \Leftrightarrow x \geq u, y \leq v$ .

**Definition 2:** Suppose  $F: X \times X \rightarrow X$  and  $(X, \leq)$  is a partially ordered set. Then  $F$  has the mixed monotone property if  $F$  is

monotone non decreasing in  $x$ , that is for any  $x, y, x_1, x_2 \in X$ ,

$$x_1, x_2 \in X, x_1 \leq x_2 \Rightarrow F(x_1, y) \leq F(x_2, y)$$

and

monotone non increasing in  $y$ , that is for any  $x, y, y_1, y_2 \in X$ ,

$$y_1, y_2 \in X, y_1 \leq y_2 \Rightarrow F(x, y_1) \geq F(x, y_2).$$

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**Definition 3:** Let  $F: X \times X \rightarrow X$ . An element  $(x, y) \in X \times X$  is called a coupled fixed point of  $F$  if  
 $F(x, y) = x$  and  $F(y, x) = y$

Since then some authors like Lakshmikantham & Ćirić (2009), Mehta and Joshi (2010) and Ćirić *et al.* (2012) have demonstrated some results on coupled fixed point in partially ordered metric space using various forms of contractive condition.

Harjani *et al.* (2010) proved a fixed point theorem for mapping satisfying a contractive condition of rational type in partially ordered metric space stating the following theorem.

**Theorem 1** (Harjani *et al.* (2010)): Let  $(X, \leq)$  be a partially ordered set and suppose that there exists a metric  $d$  on  $X$  such that  $(X, d)$  is a complete metric space. Let  $T: X \rightarrow X$  be a continuous and non decreasing mapping such that

$$d(Tx, Ty) \leq \alpha \frac{d(x, Tx) \cdot d(y, Ty)}{d(x, y)} + \beta d(x, y)$$

for  $x, y \in X, x \neq y$  and for some  $\alpha, \beta \in [0, 1)$  with  $\alpha + \beta < 1$ . If there exists  $x_0 < Tx_0$ , then  $T$  has a fixed point.

Motivated by the result of Harjani *et al.* (2010) (Theorem 1) Ćirić *et al.* (2012) established and proved Theorem 1 using the concept of coupled fixed point as follows

**Theorem 2:** Let  $(X, \leq)$  be a partially ordered set and suppose that there exists a metric  $d$  on  $X$  such that  $(X, d)$  is a complete metric space. Let  $T: X \times X \rightarrow X$  be a continuous and mapping which has the mixed monotone property such that for some  $\alpha, \beta \in [0, 1) \forall x, y, u, v \in X, x \neq u, v \neq y$ , we have

$$d(T(x, y), T(u, v)) \leq \alpha \frac{d(x, T(x, y)) \cdot d(u, T(u, v))}{d(x, u)} + \beta d(x, u)$$

with  $\alpha + \beta < 1$ . Then  $T$  has a coupled fixed point.

For many years now, to modify and extend a domain to a more general space has been a keen and vigorous research in fixed point theory. A number of generalizations of metric space have been stated in several ways by some authors. For example, 2-metric space introduced by Gähler (1963),  $D$ -metric space by Dhage (1992)  $G$ -metric space Mustafa & Sims (2006) and  $D^*$ -metric space by Sedghi *et al* (2007).

Sequel to these generalizations, Sedghi *et al* (2012) presented a new generalization of ordinary metric space as follows.

**Definition 4:** Let  $X$  be a nonempty set. An  $S$ -metric space on  $X$  is a function  $S: X^3 \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  such that for each  $x, y, z, a \in X$ , the following conditions are satisfied.

1.  $S(x, y, z) \geq 0$  for all  $x, y, z \in X$
2.  $S(x, y, z) = 0$  if and only if  $x = y = z$
3.  $S(x, y, z) \leq S(x, x, a) + S(y, y, a) + S(z, z, a)$

The pair  $(X, S)$  is called an  $S$ -metric space.

Immediate examples of an  $S$ -metric space are presented by Sedghi *et al* (2012) as follows.

**Example 1:** Let  $X = \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $\| \cdot \|$  a norm on  $X$ . Then  $S(x, y, z) = \| x + z - 2x \| + \| y - z \|$  is an  $S$ -metric on  $X$ .

**Example 2:** Let  $X = \mathbb{R}^2$  and  $d$  an ordinary metric on  $X$ . Then  $S(x, y, z) = d(x, y) + d(x, z) + d(y, z)$  is an  $S$ -metric on  $X$ .

Again Sedghi *et al* (2012) stated the following important definitions and lemma as follows

**Definition 5:** Let  $(X, S)$  be an S-metric space.

1. A sequence  $\{x_n\}$  converges to  $x$  if for each  $\epsilon > 0$  there exist  $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that for all  $n \geq n_0$ ,  $S(x_n, x_n, x) < \epsilon$  for all  $x \in X$ . That is if and only if  $S(x_n, x_n, x) \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  and write  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x$ .
2.  $\{x_n\}$  is called a Cauchy sequence if for each  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exist  $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that for each  $n, m \geq n_0$ ,  $S(x_n, x_n, x_m) < \epsilon$ .
3.  $(X, S)$  is said to be complete if every Cauchy sequence is convergent.

**Lemma 1:** Let  $(X, S)$  be an S-metric space. Then  $S(x, x, y) = S(y, y, x)$

Using the notion of S-metric space, concept of coupled fixed point, we extended and generalized the result of Circ *et al.* (2012) and proved a coupled fixed point theorem for mapping satisfying a contractive condition of rational type in partially ordered S-metric space.

### MAIN RESULT

The result and proof in this section is a modification of Theorem 2 using similar procedures in the setting of S-metric space.

**Theorem 3:** Let  $(X, \leq, S)$  be a partially ordered complete S-metric space. Let  $T: X \times X \rightarrow X$  be a continuous mapping which has the mixed monotone property such that

$$S(T(x, y), T(x, y), T(u, v)) \leq p \frac{S(x, x, T(x, y)) \cdot S(u, u, T(u, v))}{S(x, x, u)} + qS(x, x, u) \quad (1)$$

$\forall x, y, u, v \in X, x \neq u, y \neq v$ , and for some  $p, q \in [0, 1)$  with  $p + q < 1$ , then  $T$  has a coupled fixed point.

**Proof:** Suppose that  $x_0 \leq T(x_0, y_0)$  and  $y_0 \geq T(y_0, x_0)$  for some  $(x_0, y_0) \in X \times X$ .

In general,  $x_{n+1} = T(x_0, y_0)$  and  $y_{n+1} = T(y_0, x_0)$

For  $x_2 = T(x_1, y_1)$  and  $x_2 = T(x_1, y_1)$

We now set

$$\begin{aligned} T^2(x_0, y_0) &= T(T(x_0, y_0), T(y_0, x_0)) = T(x_1, y_1) = x_2 \\ T^2(y_0, x_0) &= T(T(y_0, x_0), T(x_0, y_0)) = T(y_1, x_1) = y_2 \end{aligned}$$

Following this, and from Definition 2, we write

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 &= T(x_0, y_0) \leq T(x_1, y_1) = T^2(x_0, y_0) = x_2 \\ y_1 &= T(y_0, x_0) \geq T(y_1, x_1) = T^2(y_0, x_0) = y_2 \end{aligned}$$

Hence for  $n \geq 1$

$$\begin{aligned} x_{n+1} &= T^{n+1}(x_0, y_0) = T(T^n(x_0, y_0), T^n(y_0, x_0)) \\ y_{n+1} &= T^{n+1}(y_0, x_0) = T(T^n(y_0, x_0), T^n(x_0, y_0)) \end{aligned}$$

This implies that

$$\begin{aligned} x_0 &\leq T(x_0, y_0) = x_1 \leq T^2(x_0, y_0) = x_2 \leq \dots \leq T^n(x_0, y_0) = x_n \leq \dots \\ y_0 &\geq T(y_0, x_0) = y_1 \geq T^2(y_0, x_0) = y_2 \geq \dots \geq T^n(y_0, x_0) = y_n \leq \dots \end{aligned}$$

Putting  $(x, y) = (x_n, y_n)$ ,  $(u, v) = (x_{n-1}, y_{n-1})$ , using equation (1) and lemma 1 we get

$$\begin{aligned} S(x_{n+1}, x_{n+1}, x_n) &= S(T(x_n, y_n), T(x_n, y_n), T(x_{n-1}, y_{n-1})) \\ &\leq p \frac{S(x_n, x_n, T(x_n, y_n)) \cdot S(x_{n-1}, x_{n-1}, T(x_{n-1}, y_{n-1}))}{S(x_n, x_n, x_{n-1})} + qS(x_n, x_n, x_{n-1}) \\ &= p \frac{S(x_n, x_n, x_{n+1}) \cdot S(x_{n-1}, x_{n-1}, x_n)}{S(x_n, x_n, x_{n-1})} + qS(x_n, x_n, x_{n-1}) \\ &= pS(x_n, x_n, x_{n+1}) + qS(x_n, x_n, x_{n-1}) \\ S(x_{n+1}, x_{n+1}, x_n) &\leq \left( \frac{q}{1-p} \right) S(x_n, x_n, x_{n-1}) \quad (2) \end{aligned}$$

In a similar fashion and using equation (1), we get

$$S(y_{n+1}, y_{n+1}, y_n) \leq \left(\frac{q}{1-p}\right) S(y_n, y_n, y_{n-1}) \quad (3)$$

Thus from equation (2) and (3)

$$S(x_{n+1}, x_{n+1}, x_n) + S(y_{n+1}, y_{n+1}, y_n) \leq \left(\frac{q}{1-p}\right) (S(x_n, x_n, x_{n-1}) + S(y_n, y_n, y_{n-1}))$$

Or by lemma 1

$$\begin{aligned} S(x_n, x_n, x_{n+1}) + S(y_n, y_n, y_{n+1}) \\ \leq \left(\frac{q}{1-p}\right) (S(x_{n-1}, x_{n-1}, x_n) + S(y_{n-1}, y_{n-1}, y_n)) \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

Let  $I_n = S(x_{n+1}, x_{n+1}, x_n) + S(y_{n+1}, y_{n+1}, y_n)$

$$A = \left(\frac{q}{1-p}\right)$$

By equation (4), we get

$$I_n \leq AI_{n-1} \leq A^2 I_{n-1} \leq \dots \leq A^n I_0 \quad (5)$$

If  $I_n = 0$ , then  $(x_0, y_0)$  is a coupled fixed point of  $T$

For  $I_n \neq 0$ , then for each  $m \in \mathbb{N}$  we get by equation (5) and applying condition 3 of Definition 4,

$$\begin{aligned} S(x_n, x_n, x_{n+m}) + S(y_n, y_n, y_{n+m}) \\ \leq (2S(x_n, x_n, x_{n+1}) + S(x_n, x_n, x_{n+1}) + 2S(y_n, y_n, y_{n+1}) + S(y_n, y_n, y_{n+1})) \\ \leq (2S(x_n, x_n, x_{n+1}) + 2S(x_n, x_n, x_{n+1}) + 2S(y_n, y_n, y_{n+1}) + 2S(y_n, y_n, y_{n+1})) \\ + \dots + (2S(x_{m-2}, x_{m-2}, x_{m-1}) + S(x_{m-1}, x_{m-1}, x_m)) \\ + (2S(y_{m-2}, y_{m-2}, y_{m-1}) + S(y_{m-1}, y_{m-1}, y_m)) \\ \leq (2S(x_n, x_n, x_{n+1}) + 2S(x_n, x_n, x_{n+1})) + \dots + (2S(x_{m-1}, x_{m-1}, x_m) + 2S(y_{m-1}, y_{m-1}, y_m)) \\ \leq 2[I_n + I_{n+1} + \dots + I_{m-1}](S(x_0, x_0, x_1) + S(y_0, y_0, y_1)) \\ \leq \frac{2A^n}{1-A} (S(x_0, x_0, x_1) + S(y_0, y_0, y_1)) \end{aligned}$$

For  $A < 1$  and taking limit as  $n, m \rightarrow \infty$ , we have

$$S(x_n, x_n, x_{n+m}) + S(y_n, y_n, y_{n+m}) \rightarrow 0$$

$$\text{Thus } \lim_{n,m \rightarrow \infty} S(x_n, x_n, x_{n+m}) = 0 \text{ and } \lim_{n,m \rightarrow \infty} S(y_n, y_n, y_{n+m}) = 0$$

This implies  $\{x_n\}$  and  $\{y_n\}$  are Cauchy sequences.

As  $(X, S)$  is a complete  $S$ -metric space, there exists  $x, y \in X$  such that  $x_n \rightarrow x$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  and  $y_n \rightarrow y$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$

The continuity of  $T$  implies that

$$x = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} T(x_{n-1}, y_{n-1}) = T\left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_{n-1}, \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_{n-1}\right) = T(x, y)$$

$$y = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} T(y_{n-1}, x_{n-1}) = T\left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_{n-1}, \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_{n-1}\right) = T(y, x)$$

Thus  $x = T(x, y)$  and  $y = T(y, x)$ .

Hence  $T$  has a coupled fixed point.

## CONCLUSION

As a generalized metric in 3-tuples, the notion of  $S$ -metric was used to state and prove a coupled fixed point theorem for mapping satisfying a contractive condition of rational type in partially ordered  $S$ -metric space.

The result presented here modify and generalize Theorem 2 in the frame work of  $S$ -metric space.

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