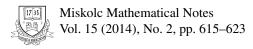


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BEST PROXIMITY POINT THEOREMS FOR *F*-CONTRACTIVE NON-SELF MAPPINGS

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Abstract. In this article, we prove the existence of a best proximity point for F-contractive nonself mappings and state some results in the complete metric spaces. Also we define two kinds of F-proximal contraction and extend some best proximity theorems and improve the recent results.

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1. INTRODUCTION

Let us assume that A, B be two nonempty subsets of a metric space (X, d) and $T : A \longrightarrow B$. Clearly $T(A) \cap A \neq \emptyset$ is a necessary condition for the existence of a fixed point of T. Now if $T(A) \cap A = \emptyset$ then to find an element $x \in A$ such that d(x, Tx) = d(A, B) which called best proximity point is the idea of best proximity point theorems. In the other words, we determine an approximate solution x such that the error of equation d(x, Tx) = 0 is minimum. Several authors such as Prolla [2], Reich [4], Sehgal and Singh [6,7], Vertivel, Veermani and Bhattacharyya [8] and others[1] generalized and extended the best proximity point theorems in many directions. In 2011, Sadiq Basha [5] stated the best proximity points theorems for proximal contractions. On the other hand, Wardowski [9] introduced a new type of contraction which called F-contraction and proved a fixed point result in complete metric spaces. In this paper, by using Wardowski's contraction, we prove the existence of a best proximity point. Moreover we define F-proximal contractions of the first and second kind and establish the best proximity point theorems in spire of Wardowski's contraction.

2. PRELIMINARY

Let A, B be two nonempty subsets of a metric space X. The following notations will be used throughout this paper:

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$$d(y, A) := \inf\{d(x, y) : x \in A\},\$$

 $d(A, B) := \inf\{d(x, y) : x \in A \text{ and } y \in B\},\$

$$A_0 := \{x \in A : d(x, y) = d(A, B) \text{ for some } y \in B\}$$

$$B_0 := \{y \in B : d(x, y) = d(A, B) \text{ for some } x \in A\}.$$

We recall that $x \in A$ is a best proximity point of the mapping $T : A \longrightarrow B$ if d(x, Tx) = d(A, B). It can be observed that a best proximity reduces to a fixed point if the underlying mapping is a self-mapping.

where $x_1, x_2 \in A_0$ and $y_1, y_2 \in B_0$.

It is clear that, for any nonempty subset A of X, the pair (A, A) has the P-property.

Definition 2 ([5]). *A* is said to be approximatively compact with respect to *B* if every sequence $\{x_n\}$ of *A* satisfying the condition that $d(y, x_n) \longrightarrow d(y, A)$ for some *y* in *B* has a convergent subsequence.

It is easy to see that every set is approximatively compact with respect to itself.

Definition 3 ([5]). Given $T : A \longrightarrow B$ and an isometry $g : A \longrightarrow A$, the mapping T is said to preserve isometric distance with respect to g if

$$(Tgx_1, Tgx_2) = d(Tx_1, Tx_2)$$

for all x_1 and x_2 in A.

Recently Wardowski [9] defined the following contraction which was called F-contraction.

Definition 4. Let $F : \mathbb{R}_+ \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a mapping satisfying:

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- (F1) *F* is strictly increasing, i.e. for all $a, b \in \mathbb{R}_+$ such that $\alpha < \beta \Longrightarrow F(\alpha) < F(\beta)$;
- (F2) For each sequence $\{\alpha_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ of positive numbers $\lim_{n \to \infty} \alpha_n = 0$ if and only if $\lim_{n \to \infty} F(\alpha_n) = -\infty$;
- (F3) There exists $k \in (0, 1)$ such that $\lim_{\alpha \to 0^+} \alpha^k F(\alpha) = 0$.

A mapping $T: X \longrightarrow X$ is said to be an *F*-contraction if there exists $\tau > 0$ such that

For all
$$x, y \in X$$
, $(d(Tx, Ty)) > 0 \Longrightarrow \tau + F(d(Tx, Ty)) \le F(d(x, y))$. (2.1)

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Now, we consider the mapping F in the different types, and we obtain the variety of contractions.

Example 1 ([9]). Let $F : \mathbb{R}_+ \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be given by the formula $F(\alpha) = \ln \alpha$. It is clear that F satisfies the (F1)-(F3) ((F3) for any $k \in (0, 1)$) conditions of Definition 4. Each mapping $T : X \longrightarrow X$ satisfying (2.1) is an *F*-contraction such that

$$d(Tx,Ty) \le e^{-\tau}d(x,y), \text{ for all } x,y \in X, Tx \ne Ty.$$

It is clear that for $x, y \in X$ such that Tx = Ty the inequality $d(Tx, Ty) \le e^{-\tau} d(x, y)$ also holds, i.e. T is a Banach contraction.

3. MAIN RESULTS

Now, let us state our main result.

Theorem 1. Let A and B be non-empty, closed subsets of a complete metric space X such that A_0 is nonempty. Let $T : A \longrightarrow B$ be an F-contraction non-self mapping such that $T(A_0) \subseteq B_0$. Assume that the pair (A, B) has the P-property. Then there exists a unique x^* in A such that $d(x^*, Tx^*) = d(A, B)$.

Proof. Choose $x_0 \in A_0$. Since $Tx_0 \in T(A_0) \subseteq B_0$, there exists $x_1 \in A_0$ such that $d(x_1, Tx_0) = d(A, B)$. Again, since $Tx_1 \in T(A_0) \subseteq B_0$, there exists $x_2 \in A_0$ such that $d(x_2, Tx_1) = d(A, B)$. Continuing this process, we can find a sequence $\{x_n\}$ in A_0 such that

$$d(x_{n+1}, Tx_n) = d(A, B), \quad for \ all \ n \in \mathbb{N}.$$
(3.1)

(A, B) satisfies the P-property, therefore from (3.1) we obtain

$$d(x_n, x_{n+1}) = d(Tx_{n-1}, Tx_n), \text{ for all } n \in \mathbb{N}.$$
(3.2)

We will prove that the sequence $\{x_n\}$ is convergent in A_0 . If there exists $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $d(Tx_{n_0-1}, Tx_{n_0}) = 0$, then by (3.2) we have $d(x_{n_0}, x_{n_0+1}) = 0$ that implies $x_{n_0} = x_{n_0+1}$. Therefore

$$Tx_{n_0} = Tx_{n_0+1} \Longrightarrow d(Tx_{n_0}, Tx_{n_0+1}) = 0$$
 (3.3)

From (3.2) and (3.3) we receive that

$$d(x_{n_0+2}, x_{n_0+1}) = d(Tx_{n_0+1}, Tx_{n_0}) = 0 \Longrightarrow x_{n_0+2} = x_{n_0+1}$$

Therefore $x_n = x_{n_0}$, for all $n \ge n_0$ and $\{x_n\}$ is convergent in A_0 . Now let $d(Tx_{n-1}, Tx_n) \ne 0$, for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$. T is a *F*-contraction and (3.2) holds, hence for any positive integer *n* we have

$$\tau + F(d(Tx_n, Tx_{n-1})) \le F(d(x_n, x_{n-1}))$$

$$\implies F(d(x_{n+1}, x_n)) \le F(d(x_n, x_{n-1})) - \tau$$

$$\vdots$$

$$\le F(d(x_1, x_0)) - n\tau.$$
(3.4)

Put $\beta_n := d(x_{n+1}, x_n)$.

From (3.4), we obtain $\lim_{n\to\infty} F(\beta_n) = -\infty$ that together with (F2) gives

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \beta_n = 0 \tag{3.5}$$

Also from (F3) we have

$$\exists k \in (0,1) \text{ such that } \beta_n^k F(\beta_n) = 0$$
(3.6)

By (3.3), the following holds for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$:

$$F(\beta_n) - F(\beta_0) \le -n\tau.$$

Therefore

$$\beta_n^k F(\beta_n) - \beta_n^k F(\beta_0) \le -n\beta_n^k \tau \le 0.$$

Letting $k \to \infty$ in the above inequality and using (3.5),(3.6), we obtain

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} n\beta_n^k = 0.$$

Hence there exists $n_1 \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $n\beta_n^k \leq 1$ for all $n \geq n_1$. Therefore for any $n \geq n_1$,

$$\beta_n \le \frac{1}{n^{\frac{1}{k}}}.\tag{3.7}$$

This means that series $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \beta_i$ is convergent.

Now let $m \ge n \ge n_1$. By the triangular inequality and (3.7), we have

$$d(x_m, x_n) \le \beta_{m-1} + \beta_{m-2} + \dots + \beta_n \le \sum_{i=n}^{\infty} \beta_i$$

Therefore $\{x_n\}$ is a Cauchy sequence in A. Since (X, d) is complete and A is a closed subset of X, there exist $x^* \in A$ such that

 $\lim_{n\to\infty} x_n = x^*$

Since *T* is continuous, we have $Tx_n \longrightarrow Tx^*$. Hence continuity of the metric function *d* which implies that $d(x_{n+1}, Tx_n) \longrightarrow d(x^*, Tx^*)$. From (3.1), $d(x^*, Tx^*) = d(A, B)$. So we show that x^* is a best proximity of *T*.

The uniqueness of the best proximity point follows from the condition that T is F-contraction. That is, suppose that

$$x_1, x_2 \in A$$
 such that $x_1 \neq x_2$ and $d(x_1, Tx_1) = d(x_2, Tx_2) = d(A, B)$.

Then by the P-property of (A, B), we have $d(x_1, x_2) = d(Tx_1, Tx_2)$. Also

$$x_1 \neq x_2 \Longrightarrow d(x_1, x_2) \neq 0.$$

Therefore

$$F(d(x_1, x_2)) = F(d(Tx_1, Tx_2)) \le F(d(x_1, x_2)) - \tau < F(d(x_1, x_2)),$$

which is a contraction. Hence the best proximity point is unique.

The following result is a special case of Theorem 1, obtained by setting A = B.

Corollary 1. Let (X,d) be a complete metric space and A be a nonempty closed subset of X. Let $T : A \longrightarrow A$ be a F-contractive self-map. Then T has a unique fixed point x^* in A.

The next result is an immediate consequence of Theorem 1 by taking $F(\alpha) = \ln \alpha$.

Corollary 2 (Banach Contraction Principle). Let (X,d) be a complete metric space and A be a nonempty closed subset of X. Let $T : A \longrightarrow A$ be a contractive self-map. Then T has a unique fixed point x^* in A.

Let F be the function as in Definition 4, we define the proximal contractions.

Definition 5. A mapping $T : A \longrightarrow B$ is said to be a *F*-proximal contraction of the first kind if there exists a $\tau > 0$ such that

$$\left. \begin{array}{c} d(u_1, Tx_1) = d(A, B) \\ d(u_2, Tx_2) = d(A, B) \\ d(u_1, u_2), d(x_1, x_2) > 0 \end{array} \right\} \Longrightarrow \tau + F(d(u_1, u_2)) \le F(d(x_1, x_2))$$

where $u_1, u_2, x_1, x_2 \in A$.

Remark 1. If $T : A \longrightarrow B$ is a *F*-proximal contraction of the first kind and (A, B) has the P-property then *T* is a *F*-contractive non-self mapping.

Definition 6. A mapping $T : A \longrightarrow B$ is said to be a *F*-proximal contraction of the second kind if there exists a $\tau > 0$ such that

 $\begin{cases} d(u_1, Tx_1) = d(A, B) \\ d(u_2, Tx_2) = d(A, B) \\ d(Tu_1, Tu_2), d(Tx_1, Tx_2) > 0 \end{cases} \Longrightarrow \tau + F(d(Tu_1, Tu_2)) \le F(d(Tx_1, Tx_2))$

where $u_1, u_2, x_1, x_2 \in A$.

The following theorem is a best proximity point theorem for non-self F-proximal contraction of the first kind.

Theorem 2. Let A and B be non-empty, closed subsets of a complete metric space X such that A_0 is non-empty. Let $T : A \longrightarrow B$ and $g : A \longrightarrow A$ satisfy the following conditions:

(a) T is a continuous F-proximal contraction of the first kind.

(b) g is an isometry.

(c) $T(A_0) \subseteq B_0$.

(d) $A_0 \subseteq g(A_0)$.

Then, there exists a unique element $x \in A$ such that

d(gx, Tx) = d(A, B).

Proof. Choose $x_0 \in A_0$. Since $Tx_0 \in T(A_0) \subseteq B_0$ and $A_0 \subseteq g(A_0)$, there exists $x_1 \in A_0$ such that $d(gx_1, Tx_0) = d(A, B)$. If $x_0 = x_1$ then put $x_n := x_1$ for all $n \ge 2$. Also, since $Tx_1 \in T(A_0) \subseteq B_0$ and $A_0 \subseteq g(A_0)$, there exists $x_2 \in A_0$ such that $d(gx_2, Tx_1) = d(A, B)$. If $x_1 = x_2$ then put $x_n := x_2$ for all $n \ge 3$. Continuing this process, we can find a sequence $\{x_n\}$ in A_0 such that

$$d(gx_{n+1}, Tx_n) = d(A, B), \quad for \ all \ n \in \mathbb{N}.$$
(3.8)

We will prove the convergence of the sequence $\{x_n\}$ in A. If there exists $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $d(gx_{n_0}, gx_{n_0+1}) = 0$ then it is clear that the sequence $\{x_n\}$ is convergent. Hence let $d(gx_n, gx_{n+1}) \neq 0$, for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$. T is a F-proximal contraction of the first kind and (3.8) holds, hence for any positive integer n we have

$$\tau + F(d(gx_n, gx_{n+1})) \leq F(d(x_{n-1}, x_n))$$

$$\implies F(d(x_n, x_{n+1})) \leq F(d(x_{n-1}, x_n)) - \tau$$

$$\vdots$$

$$\leq F(d(x_0, x_1)) - n\tau.$$
(3.9)

Similarly as the process in the proof of Theorem 1, $\{x_n\}$ is a Cauchy sequence in A. Since X is complete metric space and A is closed subset of X, there exists $x \in A$

such that $\lim_{n\to\infty} x_n = x$. Since, *T*, *g* and *d* are continuous, therefore with letting $n \to \infty$ in (3.8), we obtain

$$d(gx, Tx) = d(A, B).$$

Now, x^* be in A such that

$$d(gx^*, Tx^*) = d(A, B).$$

We show that $x = x^*$. Suppose to the contrary, that $x \neq x^*$. Hence $d(x, x^*) \neq 0$. Since T is a F-proximal contraction of the first kind and g is an isometry,

$$F(d(x, x^*)) = F(d(gx, gx^*)) \le F(d(x, x^*)) - \tau < F(d(x, x^*)),$$

which is a contraction. Therefore $x = x^*$ and this completes the proof of theorem.

The following result is a special case of Theorem 2, if g is the identity mapping.

Corollary 3. Let A and B be non-empty, closed subsets of a complete metric space X such that A is approximatively compact with respect to B. Further, suppose that A_0 is non-empty. Let $T : A \longrightarrow B$ satisfies the following conditions:

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(a) T is a continuous F-proximal contraction of the first kind.
(b) T(A₀) ⊆ B₀. Then T has a unique best proximity point in A.

The following theorem is a best proximity point theorem for non-self F-proximal contraction of the second kind.

Theorem 3. Let A and B be non-empty, closed subsets of a complete metric space X such that A is approximatively compact with respect to B. Further, suppose that A_0 is non-empty. Let $T : A \longrightarrow B$ and $g : A \longrightarrow A$ satisfy the following conditions: (a) T is a continuous F-proximal contraction of the second kind.

(b) g is an isometry.

(c) $T(A_0) \subseteq B_0$.

(d) $A_0 \subseteq g(A_0)$.

(e) *T* preserves isometric distance with respect to *g*. Then, there exists an element $x \in A$ such that

$$d(gx, Tx) = d(A, B).$$

Moreover, if x^* is another element of A such that $d(gx^*, Tx^*) = d(A, B)$ then $Tx = Tx^*$.

Proof. Choose $x_0 \in A_0$. Since $Tx_0 \in T(A_0) \subseteq B_0$ and $A_0 \subseteq g(A_0)$, there exists $x_1 \in A_0$ such that $d(gx_1, Tx_0) = d(A, B)$. If $Tx_0 = Tx_1$ then put $x_n := x_1$ for all $n \ge 2$. Otherwise again since $Tx_1 \in T(A_0) \subseteq B_0$ and $A_0 \subseteq g(A_0)$, there exists $x_2 \in A_0$ such that $d(gx_2, Tx_1) = d(A, B)$. If $Tx_1 = Tx_2$ then put $x_n := x_2$ for all $n \ge 3$. Continuing this process, we can find a sequence $\{x_n\}$ in A_0 such that

$$d(gx_{n+1}, Tx_n) = d(A, B), \quad for \ all \ n \in \mathbb{N}.$$
(3.10)

We will prove the convergence of the sequence $\{Tx_n\}$ in *B*. If there exists $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $d(Tgx_{n_0}, Tgx_{n_0+1}) = 0$ then it is clear that the sequence $\{Tx_n\}$ is convergent. Hence let $d(Tgx_n, Tgx_{n+1}) \neq 0$, for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$. *T* is a *F*-proximal contraction of the second kind, *T* preserves isometric distance with respect to *g* and (3.10) holds, hence for any positive integer *n* we have

$$\tau + F(d(Tgx_n, Tgx_{n+1})) \le F(d(Tx_{n-1}, Tx_n))$$

$$\implies F(d(Tx_n, Tx_{n+1})) \le F(d(Tx_{n-1}, Tx_n)) - \tau$$

$$\vdots$$

$$\le F(d(Tx_0, Tx_1)) - n\tau.$$
(3.11)

Similarly as the process in the proof of Theorem 1, we receive that $\{Tx_n\}$ is a Cauchy sequence in *B*. Since *X* is complete metric space and *B* is closed subset of *X*, there exists $y \in B$ such that $\lim_{n\to\infty} Tx_n = y$.

By the triangular inequality, we have,

$$d(y, A) \le d(y, gx_n) \le d(y, Tx_{n-1}) + d(Tx_{n-1}, gx_n)$$

= $d(y, Tx_{n-1}) + d(A, B)$
 $\le (y, Tx_{n-1}) + d(y, A)$

Letting $k \longrightarrow \infty$ in the above inequality, we obtain

$$\lim_{n\to\infty} d(y, gx_n) = d(y, A).$$

Since A is approximatively compact with respect to B, there exists a subsequence $\{gx_{n_k}\}$ of $\{gx_n\}$ such that converging to some $z \in A$. Therefore

$$d(z, y) = \lim_{k \to \infty} d(gx_{n_k}, Tx_{n_k-1}) = d(A, B).$$

This implies that $z \in A_0$. Since $A_0 \subseteq g(A_0)$, there exists $x \in A_0$ such that z = gx. As $\lim_{n\to\infty} g(x_{n_k}) = g(x)$ and g is an isometry, we have

$$\lim_{n\to\infty} x_{n_k} = x_{n_k}$$

T is continuous and $\{Tx_n\}$ is convergent to y, Therefore

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} T x_{n_k} = T x = y.$$

Thus, it follows that

$$d(gx, Tx) = \lim_{n \to \infty} d(gx_{n_k}, Tx_{n_k}) = d(A, B).$$

Now let x^* be another element in A such that

$$d(gx^*, Tx^*) = d(A, B).$$

We will show that $Tx = Tx^*$. Suppose to the contrary, that $Tx \neq Tx^*$. Hence $d(Tx, Tx^*) \neq 0$. Since T preserves isometric distance with respect to g and T is a F-proximal contraction of the second kind,

$$F(d(Tx, Tx^*)) = F(d(Tgx, Tgx^*)) \le F(d(Tx, Tx^*)) - \tau < F(d(Tx, Tx^*)),$$

which is a contraction. Therefore $Tx = Tx^*$.

The next result is an immediate consequence of the Theorem 3, if g is the identity mapping.

Corollary 4. Let A and B be non-empty, closed subsets of a complete metric space X such that A is approximatively compact with respect to B. Further, suppose that A_0 is non-empty. Let $T : A \longrightarrow B$ satisfies the following conditions: (a) T is a continuous F-proximal contraction of the second kind. (b) $T(A_0) \subseteq B_0$.

Then, T has a best proximity point in A. Moreover, if x^* is another best proximity point of T then $Tx = Tx^*$.

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