



## APPROXIMATE COINCIDENCE POINTS OF SET-VALUED MAPPINGS

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**Abstract.** In the present paper, we study the existence of approximate coincidence points of set-valued mappings in complete metric spaces and iterative schemes for their generation.

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### 1. INTRODUCTION

Since the seminal result of Banach [2] the fixed point theory of nonexpansive mappings has been a rapidly growing field of research; see, e.g., [3, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 23, 24] and the reference mentioned therein. A significant progress has been done, in particular, in studies of common fixed point problems, which have important applications in engineering and medical sciences [6, 7, 22, 23, 24]. The study of coincidence points of nonlinear mappings is an important topic of the fixed point theory [1, 4, 5, 13, 14, 15].

In this paper, we study the existence of approximate coincidence points of set-valued mappings in complete metric spaces and iterative schemes for their approximation.

Assume that  $(X, \rho)$  is a complete metric space. For each  $x \in X$  and each  $r > 0$ , set

$$B(x, r) = \{y \in X : \rho(x, y) \leq r\}.$$

For each  $x \in X$  and each set  $A \subset X$ , put  $\rho(x, A) = \inf\{\rho(x, y) : y \in A\}$ . Fix, for each pair of sets  $A, B \subset X$ , set

$$H(A, B) = \max\{\sup\{\rho(x, B) : x \in A\}, \sup\{\rho(y, A) : y \in B\}\}.$$

For each  $z \in \mathbb{R}^1$ , set  $z_+ = \max\{z, 0\}$ . Fix  $\theta \in X$ .

Assume that  $g : X \rightarrow X$  and  $T : X \rightarrow 2^X \setminus \{\emptyset\}$ . If  $x \in X$  and  $g(x) \in T(x)$ , then the point  $x$  is called a coincidence point, while the point  $y = g(x)$  is called a point of coincidence. Usually in

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the literature it considered the case when  $T$  is a single-valued map. In this paper  $T$  is a general set-valued map.

## 2. THE FIRST MAIN RESULT

Assume that

$$T(X) \subset g(X), \quad (1)$$

$\phi : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, 1]$  is a decreasing function,

$$\phi(t) < 1, \quad t \in (0, \infty) \quad (2)$$

and that, for each  $x, y \in X$ ,

$$H(T(x), T(y)) \leq \phi(\rho(g(x), g(y)))\rho(g(x), g(y)). \quad (3)$$

In other words,  $T$  is the Rakotch type mapping [19, 20].

In this paper, we prove the following result.

**Theorem 2.1.** *Let  $\varepsilon \in (0, 1)$ ,  $M_1 > M > 0$ ,*

$$M_2 > \max\{M_1, 2M + 1\},$$

$$g^{-1}(B(\theta, 2M + 1)) \subset B(\theta, M_1), \quad (4)$$

$$g(B(\theta, M_1)) \subset B(\theta, M_2), \quad (5)$$

$$0 < \delta < 40^{-1}\varepsilon(1 - \phi(\varepsilon/8)) \quad (6)$$

and a natural number  $n_0$  satisfy

$$n_0 > 8(3 + 6M_2)\varepsilon^{-1}(1 - \phi(\varepsilon/8))^{-1}. \quad (7)$$

Assume that  $\{x_i\}_{i=0}^\infty, \{y_i\}_{i=0}^\infty \subset X$ ,

$$\rho(\theta, x_0) \leq M, \quad \rho(x_0, y_0) < M \quad (8)$$

and that for each integer  $n \geq 0$ ,

$$B(y_n, \delta) \cap T(x_n) \neq \emptyset, \quad \rho(g(x_{n+1}), y) \leq \delta \quad (9)$$

and

$$B(y_{n+1}, \delta) \cap \{\xi \in T(x_{n+1}) : \rho(\xi, y_n) \leq \rho(y_n, T(x_{n+1})) + \delta\} \neq \emptyset. \quad (10)$$

Then, for each integer  $n \geq n_0 + 1$ ,  $\rho(g(x_n), T(x_n)) < \varepsilon$ .

## 3. AUXILIARY RESULTS

**Lemma 3.1.** *Let the assumptions of Theorem 2.1 hold. Then  $\rho(y_0, y_1) \leq 3 + \rho(g(x_0), g(x_1))$ , for each integer  $n \geq 1$ ,  $\rho(y_n, y_{n+1}) \leq \phi((\rho(y_{n-1}, y_n) - 2\delta)_+)\rho(y_{n-1}, y_n)$  and if  $\rho(y_n, y_{n-1}) \geq \varepsilon/4$ , then  $\rho(y_{n-1}, y_n) - \rho(y_n, y_{n+1}) \geq 8^{-1}\varepsilon(1 - \phi(\varepsilon/8))$ .*

*Proof.* By (9), there exists

$$\xi_0 \in T(x_0) \cap B(y_0, \delta). \quad (11)$$

In view of (11) and (8),

$$\rho(x_0, \xi_0) \leq \rho(x_0, y_0) + \delta < M + 1. \quad (12)$$

Let  $n \geq 0$  be an integer. By (10), there exists

$$\xi_{n+1} \in T(x_{n+1}) \quad (13)$$

such that

$$\rho(y_{n+1}, \xi_{n+1}) \leq \delta \quad (14)$$

and

$$\rho(y_n, \xi_{n+1}) \leq \rho(y_n, T(x_{n+1})) + \delta. \quad (15)$$

Equations (3), (9), and (15) imply that

$$\begin{aligned} \rho(\xi_1, y_0) &\leq 1 + \rho(y_0, T(x_1)) \\ &\leq 1 + \rho(y_0, T(x_0)) + H(T(x_0), T(x_1)) \\ &\leq 2 + \rho(g(x_0), g(x_1)). \end{aligned}$$

Combined with (14) this implies that  $\rho(y_0, y_1) \leq 3 + \rho(g(x_0), g(x_1))$ . Let  $n \geq 0$  be an integer. By (3), (11), (13), and (14), one has

$$\begin{aligned} \rho(y_n, T(x_{n+1})) &\leq \rho(y_n, \xi_n) + \rho(\xi_n, T(x_{n+1})) \\ &\leq \delta + H(T(x_n), T(x_{n+1})) \\ &\leq \delta + \phi(\rho(g(x_n), g(x_{n+1})))\rho(g(x_n), g(x_{n+1})). \end{aligned}$$

Let  $n \geq 1$  be an integer. It follows from (2), (9), and the relation above that

$$\begin{aligned} \rho(y_n, T(x_{n+1})) &\leq \delta + \phi(\rho(g(x_n), g(x_{n+1})))\rho(g(x_n), g(x_{n+1})) \\ &\leq \delta + \phi(\rho(g(x_n), g(x_{n+1}))) (\rho(g(x_n), y_{n-1}) + \rho(y_{n-1}, y_n) + \rho(y_n, g(x_{n+1}))) \\ &\leq 3\delta + \phi(\rho(g(x_n), g(x_{n+1})))\rho(y_{n-1}, y_n). \end{aligned} \quad (16)$$

In view of (9), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \rho(g(x_n), g(x_{n+1})) &\geq \rho(y_{n-1}, y_n) - \rho(y_{n-1}, g(x_n)) - \rho(y_n, g(x_{n+1})) \\ &\geq \rho(y_{n-1}, y_n) - 2\delta. \end{aligned} \quad (17)$$

Equations (16) and (17) imply that

$$\rho(y_n, T(x_{n+1})) \leq 3\delta + \phi(\rho(y_{n-1}, y_n) - 2\delta)_+ \rho(y_{n-1}, y_n). \quad (18)$$

By (13), (15), and (18), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \rho(y_n, y_{n+1}) &\leq \rho(y_{n+1}, \xi_{n+1}) + \rho(\xi_{n+1}, y_n) \\ &\leq \delta + \rho(y_n, T(x_{n+1})) + \delta \\ &\leq 5\delta + \phi((\rho(y_{n-1}, y_n) - 2\delta)_+) \rho(y_{n-1}, y_n). \end{aligned} \quad (19)$$

If

$$\rho(y_{n-1}, y_n) \geq \varepsilon/4, \quad (20)$$

then it follows from (6), (19), and (20) that  $\rho(y_n, y_{n+1}) \leq 5\delta + \phi(\varepsilon/8)\rho(y_{n-1}, y_n)$  and

$$\begin{aligned} \rho(y_{n-1}, y_n) - \rho(y_n, y_{n+1}) &\geq \rho(y_n, y_{n-1})(1 - \phi(\varepsilon/8)) - 5\delta \\ &\geq 4^{-1}\varepsilon(1 - \phi(\varepsilon/8)) - 5\delta \\ &\geq 8^{-1}\varepsilon(1 - \phi(\varepsilon/8)). \end{aligned}$$

Lemma 3.1 is proved.  $\square$

**Lemma 3.2.** *Assume that the assumptions of Theorem 2.1 hold. Then  $\rho(g(x_0), g(x_1)) \leq 2M_2$ .*

*Proof.* By (8) and (9), we have  $\rho(g(x_1), y_0) \leq \delta$  and

$$\rho(g(x_1), \theta) \leq \rho(g(x_1), y_0) + \rho(y_0, \theta) \leq 2M + 1.$$

Together with (4) and (5), this implies  $\rho(x_1, \theta) \leq M_1$ ,  $\rho(g(x_1), \theta) \leq M_2$ , and  $\rho(g(x_1), g(x_0)) \leq 2M_2$ . Lemma 3.2 is proved.  $\square$

#### 4. PROOF OF THEOREM 2.1

We show that there exists  $j \in \{1, \dots, n_0\}$  such that  $\rho(y_{j-1}, y_j) \leq \varepsilon/4$ . Assume the contrary. Then, for each  $i \in \{1, \dots, n_0\}$ ,

$$\rho(y_{i-1}, y_i) > \varepsilon/4. \quad (21)$$

Lemma 3.1 and (21) imply that, for each  $i \in \{1, \dots, n_0\}$ ,

$$\rho(y_{i-1}, y_i) - \rho(y_i, y_{i+1}) \geq 8^{-1}\varepsilon(1 - \phi(\varepsilon/8)). \quad (22)$$

Lemmas 3.1 and 3.2 imply that

$$\rho(y_0, y_1) \leq 3 + 3\rho(g(x_0), g(x_1)) \leq 3 + 6M_2. \quad (23)$$

In view of (22) and (23), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} 3 + 6M_2 &\geq \rho(y_0, y_1) \geq \rho(y_0, y_1) - \rho(y_{n_0}, y_{n_0+1}) \\ &= \sum_{i=0}^{n_0-1} (\rho(y_i, y_{i+1}) - \rho(y_{i+1}, y_{i+2})) \\ &\geq 8^{-1}n_0\varepsilon(1 - \phi(\varepsilon/8)), \\ n_0 &\leq 8\varepsilon^{-1}(3 + 6M_2)(1 - \phi(\varepsilon/8))^{-1}. \end{aligned}$$

This contradicts (7). The contradiction that we have reached proves that there exists

$$j \in \{1, \dots, n_0\} \quad (24)$$

for which

$$\rho(y_{j-1}, y_j) \leq \varepsilon/4. \quad (25)$$

We show that, for each integer  $i \geq j$ ,  $\rho(y_i, y_{i+1}) \leq \varepsilon/2$ . Assume the contrary, Then there exists an integer  $k > j$  for which

$$\rho(y_k, y_{k+1}) > \varepsilon/2. \quad (26)$$

By (25), we may assume without loss of generality that  $\rho(y_i, y_{i+1}) \leq \varepsilon/2$ ,  $i = j, \dots, k-1$ . In particular,

$$\rho(y_k, y_{k-1}) \leq \varepsilon/2. \quad (27)$$

There are two cases:  $\rho(y_k, y_{k-1}) > \varepsilon/4$  and  $\rho(y_k, y_{k-1}) \leq \varepsilon/4$ . Assume  $\rho(y_k, y_{k-1}) > \varepsilon/4$ . Lemma 3.1 and (27) imply that  $\rho(y_k, y_{k+1}) \leq \rho(y_k, y_{k-1}) \leq \varepsilon/2$ . This contradicts (26). Therefore  $\rho(y_k, y_{k-1}) \leq \varepsilon/4$ . Lemma 3.1 and (6) imply that

$$\rho(y_k, y_{k+1}) \leq \rho(y_k, y_{k-1}) + 5\delta \leq \varepsilon/4 + 5\delta \leq \varepsilon/2.$$

This contradicts (26). The contradiction we have reached proves  $\rho(y_i, y_{i+1}) \leq \varepsilon/2$  for each integer  $i \geq n_0$ . Let  $n \geq n_0$  be an integer. In view of the relation above, we have

$$\rho(y_n, y_{n+1}) \leq \varepsilon/2. \quad (28)$$

It follows from (9) that

$$\rho(g(x_{n+1}, y_n) \leq \delta \quad (29)$$

and there exists

$$\xi \in T(x_{n+1}) \cap B(y_{n+1}, \delta). \quad (30)$$

It follows from (6) and (28)-(30) that

$$\rho(g(x_{n+1}), T(x_{n+1})) \leq \rho(g(x_{n+1}), y_n) + \rho(y_{n+1}, y_n) + \rho(y_{n+1}, \xi) \leq \delta + \varepsilon/2 + \delta < \varepsilon.$$

Theorem 2.1 is proved.

## 5. THE SECOND MAIN RESULT

Assume that  $g : X \rightarrow X$ ,  $T : X \rightarrow 2^X \setminus \{\emptyset\}$ ,

$$T(X) \subset g(X), \quad (31)$$

$\phi : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, 1]$  is a decreasing function,

$$\phi(t) < 1, \quad t \in (0, \infty) \quad (32)$$

$$x_*, y_* \in X, \quad y_* = g(x_*) \in T(x_*) \quad (33)$$

and that for each  $x \in X$ ,

$$H(y_*, T(x)) \leq \phi(\rho(g(x), y_*))\rho(g(x), y_*). \quad (34)$$

Fix  $\theta \in X$ . In this paper, we prove the following result.

**Theorem 5.1.** *Let  $\{\varepsilon_i\}_{i=0}^\infty \in (0, \infty)$ ,*

$$\sum_{i=0}^\infty \varepsilon_i < \infty, \quad (35)$$

*$\{x_i\}_{i=0}^\infty \subset X$ ,  $\{y_i\}_{i=0}^\infty \subset X$ , for each integer  $n \geq 0$ ,*

$$B(y_n, \varepsilon_n) \cap T(x_n) \neq \emptyset, \quad (36)$$

$$\rho(g(x_{n+1}), y_n) \leq \varepsilon_n \quad (37)$$

and

$$B(y_{n+1}, \varepsilon_{n+1}) \cap \{\xi \in T(x_{n+1}) : \rho(\xi, y_*) \leq \rho(y_*, T(x_{n+1})) + \varepsilon_{n+1}\} \neq \emptyset. \quad (58)$$

Then

$$y_* = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} g(x_n), \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \rho(y_*, T(x_n)) = 0.$$

**Lemma 5.2.** *Assume that the assumptions of Theorem 5.1 hold. Then, for each integer  $n \geq 0$ ,*

$$\rho(y_n, y_*) - \rho(y_*, y_{n+1}) \geq (1 - \phi((\rho(y_*, y_n) - \varepsilon_n)_+))\rho(y_*, y_n) - 3\varepsilon_n.$$

*Proof.* By (36), there exists

$$\xi_0 \in T(x_0) \cap B(y_0, \varepsilon_0). \quad (39)$$

Let  $n \geq 0$  be an integer. By (38), there exists

$$\xi_{n+1} \in T(x_{n+1}) \cap B(y_{n+1}, \varepsilon_{n+1}) \quad (40)$$

such that

$$\rho(y_*, \xi_{n+1}) \leq \rho(y_*, T(x_{n+1})) + \varepsilon_{n+1}. \quad (41)$$

By (34), we have

$$\rho(y_*, T(x_{n+1})) \leq \phi(\rho(y_*, g(x_{n+1})))\rho(y_*, g(x_{n+1})).$$

It follows from (37) and (40)-(42) that

$$\begin{aligned} \rho(y_{n+1}, y_*) &\leq \rho(\xi_{n+1}, y_n) + \rho(y_{n+1}, \xi_{n+1}) \\ &\leq 2\varepsilon_{n+1} + \rho(y_*, T(x_{n+1})) \\ &\leq 2\varepsilon_{n+1} + \phi(\rho(y_*, g(x_{n+1})))\rho(y_*, g(x_{n+1})) \\ &\leq 2\varepsilon_{n+1} + \phi((\rho(y_*, y_n) - \varepsilon_n)_+)\rho(y_*, y_n) + \varepsilon_{n+1} \\ &\leq 3\varepsilon_{n+1} + \phi((\rho(y_*, y_n) - \varepsilon_n)_+)\rho(y_*, y_n) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\rho(y_n, y_*) - \rho(y_*, y_{n+1}) \geq (1 - \phi((\rho(y_*, y_n) - \varepsilon_n)_+))\rho(y_*, y_n) - 3\varepsilon_n.$$

Lemma 5.2 is proved.  $\square$

*Proof of Theorem 5.1.* We show that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \rho(y_n, y_*) = 0$ . Let  $\varepsilon > 0$ . By (35), there exists a natural number  $n_0$  such that

$$\sum_{n=n_0}^{\infty} \varepsilon_n < 24^{-1}\varepsilon(1 - \phi(\varepsilon/8)). \quad (43)$$

We show that there exists an integer  $n_1 > n_0$  such that  $\rho(y_*, y_n) \leq \varepsilon/4$ . Assume the contrary. Then, for each  $n \geq n_0$ ,  $\rho(y_n, y_*) > \varepsilon/4$ . It follows from Lemma 5.2 that

$$\begin{aligned} \rho(y_*, y_n) - \rho(y_*, y_{n+1}) &\geq \rho(y_*, y_n)(1 - \phi(\varepsilon/8)) - 3\varepsilon_n \\ &\geq 4^{-1}\varepsilon(1 - \phi(\varepsilon/8)) - 3\varepsilon_n. \end{aligned}$$

This implies that, for each integer  $p > n_0$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \rho(y_*, y_{n_0}) &\geq \rho(y_*, y_{n_0}) - \rho(y_*, y_p) \\ &= \sum_{n=n_0}^{p-1} (\rho(y_*, y_n) - \rho(y_*, y_{n+1})) \\ &\geq 4^{-1}(p - n_0)\varepsilon(1 - \phi(\varepsilon/8)) - 3 \sum_{n=n_0}^{\infty} \varepsilon_n \rightarrow \infty \end{aligned}$$

as  $p \rightarrow \infty$ . The contradiction we have reached proves that there exists an integer  $n_1 > n_0$  for which  $\rho(y_*, y_{n_1}) \leq \varepsilon/4$ . We show that, for each integer  $i > n_1$ ,  $\rho(y_*, y_i) \leq \varepsilon/2$ . Assume the contrary, Then there exists an integer  $k > n_1$  for which

$$\rho(y_*, y_k) > \varepsilon/2. \quad (44)$$

We may assume without loss of generality that  $\rho(y_*, y_i) \leq \varepsilon/2$ ,  $i = n_1, \dots, k-1$ . In particular,  $\rho(y_*, y_{k-1}) \leq \varepsilon/2$ . If  $\rho(y_*, y_{k-1}) \geq \varepsilon/4$  then by Lemma 5.2 and (43)

$$\rho(y_*, y_k) \leq \rho(y_*, y_{k-1}) \leq \varepsilon/2,$$

which contradicts (44). Therefore  $\rho(y_*, y_{k-1}) < \varepsilon/4$ , which together with Lemma 5.2 implies that  $\rho(y_*, y_k) \leq \rho(y_*, y_{k-1}) + 3\varepsilon_k < \varepsilon/2$ . This contradicts (44). The contradiction that we have reached proves Theorem 5.1.

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