



A fixed point theorem for weakly multiplicative contractive mappings in multiplicative metric space

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Abstract

In the present manuscript, a new notion of weakly multiplicative contractive mapping is introduced and a fixed point theorem in multiplicative metric space is proved by using this new notion.

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I. Introduction

In 2008, Bashirov *et al.* [2] introduced a new notion called multiplicative metric space (MMS for short). The main idea was that the usual triangular inequality was replaced by a ‘multiplicative triangle inequality’ as follows:

Definition 1.1. Let \mathcal{B} be a nonempty set. A mapping $m^* : \mathcal{B} \times \mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathfrak{R}_+$ satisfying the followings:

- (1) $m^*(c, d) > 1$, for all $c, d \in \mathcal{B}$ and $m^*(c, d) = 1$ if and only if $c = d$;
 - (2) $m^*(c, d) = m^*(d, c)$ for all $c, d \in \mathcal{B}$;
 - (3) $m^*(c, d) \leq m^*(c, e) \cdot m^*(e, d)$ for all $c, d, e \in \mathcal{B}$; (multiplicative triangle inequality)
- is called a multiplicative metric and the pair (\mathcal{B}, m^*) is called a multiplicative metric space (MMS in short).

Example 1.2.[5] Let $m^* : \mathfrak{R} \times \mathfrak{R} \rightarrow [1, \infty)$ be defined as $m^*(c, d) = a^{|c-d|}$, where $c, d \in \mathfrak{R}$ and $a > 1$. Then m^* is a multiplicative metric and (\mathfrak{R}, m^*) is a multiplicative metric space (usual). One can refer to ([1, 3, 4, 5]) for detailed multiplicative metric topology.

Definition 1.3.[4] Let (\mathcal{B}, m^*) be a multiplicative metric space. Then a sequence $\{c_n\}$ in \mathcal{B} is said to be

- (1) a multiplicative convergent to c if $m^*(c_n, c) \rightarrow 1$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.
- (2) a multiplicative Cauchy sequence if $m^*(c_n, c_p) \rightarrow 1$ as $n, p \rightarrow \infty$.

Remark: If every multiplicative Cauchy sequence in (\mathcal{B}, m^*) is convergent to $c \in \mathcal{B}$, then (\mathcal{B}, m^*) is called a complete multiplicative metric space.

II. Main Result

In this section, a new notion of weakly multiplicative contractive mapping is introduced and a fixed point theorem is proved for such kind of mappings.

Definition 2.1. Let (\mathcal{B}, m^*) be a multiplicative metric space. A self map \mathcal{G} on \mathcal{B} is said to be weakly contractive, if there exists a function $\alpha : (1, \infty) \rightarrow [0, 1)$ with

$$\sup\{\alpha(c) : 1 < a \leq c \leq b\} < 1$$

and such that

$$m^*(\mathcal{G}x, \mathcal{G}y) \leq m^*(x, y)^{\alpha[m^*(x, y)]}. \quad (2.1)$$

Theorem 2.2. Let (\mathcal{B}, m^*) be a multiplicative metric space and let $\mathcal{G} : \mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$ be a mapping satisfying (2.1), then \mathcal{G} has a unique fixed point.

Proof. Let $x \in \mathcal{B}$ be arbitrary. Consider the sequence $\{\mathcal{G}^n x\}$.

If $m^*(\mathcal{G}^n x, \mathcal{G}^{n+1} x) = 1$, for some n , then $\mathcal{G}\mathcal{G}^n x = \mathcal{G}^n x$, that is, $\mathcal{G}^n x$ is a fixed point of \mathcal{G} and so conclusion of Theorem follows.

Suppose now that $m^*(\mathcal{G}^n x, \mathcal{G}^{n+1} x) > 1$, for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

Then as $\alpha(c) < c$, for $c > 1$, from (2.1), we have that \mathcal{g} is multiplicative contractive.

So, we get

$$\begin{aligned} m^*(\mathcal{g}^n x, \mathcal{g}^{n+1} x) &= m^*(\mathcal{g}\mathcal{g}^{n-1} x, \mathcal{g}\mathcal{g}^n x) \\ &\leq m^*(\mathcal{g}^{n-1} x, \mathcal{g}^n x)^{\alpha[m^*(\mathcal{g}^{n-1} x, \mathcal{g}^n x)]} \\ &< m^*(\mathcal{g}^{n-1} x, \mathcal{g}^n x). \end{aligned}$$

Thus $\{m^*(\mathcal{g}^n x, \mathcal{g}^{n+1} x)\}$ is a monotone decreasing sequence of reals and so it converges.

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} m^*(\mathcal{g}^n x, \mathcal{g}^{n+1} x) = r.$$

Now, we show that $r = 1$.

Suppose on the contrary that $r > 1$ and set

$$\alpha = \sup\{\alpha(c) : 1 < r \leq c \leq m^*(x, \mathcal{g}x)\}.$$

Then $\alpha(m^*(\mathcal{g}^n x, \mathcal{g}^{n+1} x)) \leq \alpha$, for all $n \geq 0$, and so we have

$$1 < r < m^*(\mathcal{g}^n x, \mathcal{g}^{n+1} x) \leq m^*(\mathcal{g}^{n-1} x, \mathcal{g}^n x)^\alpha \leq \dots \leq m^*(x, \mathcal{g}x)^{\alpha^n} \rightarrow 1 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty, \text{ a contradiction.}$$

Therefore $r = 1$.

Now, we show that $\{\mathcal{g}^n x\}$ is a multiplicative Cauchy sequence.

$$\text{Let } \varepsilon > 1 \text{ and set } 1 < \alpha(\varepsilon) = \sup\{\alpha(c) : \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \leq c \leq \varepsilon\}.$$

Since $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} m^*(\mathcal{g}^n x, \mathcal{g}^{n+1} x) = 1$ and $\alpha(\varepsilon) - 1 > 0$, there exists $p \in \mathbb{N}$ such that

$$m^*(\mathcal{g}^n x, \mathcal{g}^{n+1} x) < \varepsilon^{\frac{\alpha(\varepsilon)-1}{2}}, \tag{2.2}$$

for all $n \geq p$.

Let $n \geq p$ be any fixed positive integer.

We shall show by induction that

$$m^*(\mathcal{g}^n x, \mathcal{g}^l x) < \varepsilon, \tag{2.3}$$

for all $l > n > p$.

For $l = n + 1$, (2.3) follows from (2.2).

Assume now that (2.3) holds for some $l \geq n + 1$.

If $m^*(\mathcal{g}^n x, \mathcal{g}^l x) \geq \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$, then from (2.1), we have

$$m^*(\mathcal{g}(\mathcal{g}^n x), \mathcal{g}(\mathcal{g}^l x)) \leq m^*(\mathcal{g}^n x, \mathcal{g}^l x)^{\alpha(\varepsilon)} < \varepsilon^{\alpha(\varepsilon)}.$$

Thus, by the multiplicative triangle inequality and (2.2), we get

$$\begin{aligned} m^*(\mathcal{g}^n x, \mathcal{g}^{l+1} x) &\leq m^*(\mathcal{g}^n x, \mathcal{g}(\mathcal{g}^l x)) \cdot m^*(\mathcal{g}(\mathcal{g}^n x), \mathcal{g}(\mathcal{g}^l x)) \\ &< \varepsilon^{\frac{\alpha(\varepsilon)-1}{2}} \varepsilon^{\alpha(\varepsilon)} < \varepsilon. \end{aligned}$$

If $m^*(\mathcal{g}^n x, \mathcal{g}^l x) < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$, then by the multiplicative triangle inequality and (2.2), we have

$$\begin{aligned} m^*(\mathcal{g}^n x, \mathcal{g}^{l+1} x) &\leq m^*(\mathcal{g}^n x, \mathcal{g}^l x) \cdot m^*(\mathcal{g}^l x, \mathcal{g}^{l+1} x) \\ &< \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \cdot \varepsilon^{\frac{\alpha(\varepsilon)-1}{2}} < \varepsilon. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $m^*(\mathcal{g}^n x, \mathcal{g}^{l+1} x) < \varepsilon$, this completes the induction.

From (2.3), we conclude that $\{\mathcal{g}^n x\}$ is a multiplicative Cauchy sequence. The multiplicative completeness of \mathcal{B} guarantees the existence of some point $u \in \mathcal{B}$ such that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathcal{g}^n x = u$.

By continuity of \mathcal{g} , it follows that

$$\mathcal{g}u = \mathcal{g} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathcal{g}^n x = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathcal{g}\mathcal{g}^n x = u.$$

Hence u is a fixed point of \mathcal{g} . The uniqueness of fixed point follows from the multiplicative contractivity of \mathcal{g} .

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