

## 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

$$\|TT_\lambda x - TT_\lambda y\| \leq a_1 \|x-y\| + a_2 \|x - TT_\lambda x\| + a_3 \|y - TT_\lambda y\| + a_4 \|x - TT_\lambda y\| + a_5 \|y - TT_\lambda x\|, \tag{1.2}$$

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

$$\|TT_\lambda (TT_\lambda x) - TT_\lambda x\| \leq a \|TT_\lambda x - x\|, \tag{1.3}$$

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)  $T(\lambda u + (1-\lambda) Tu) = \lambda Tu + (1-\lambda) T^2u$ , 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,

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

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)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} T(\lambda x_n + (1-\lambda)Tx_n) = T(\lambda \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n + (1-\lambda)T \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n)$
- (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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