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# FIXED POINT THEOREM IN PROBABILISTIC G-METRIC SPACES

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**Abstract :** In this paper we study some fixed point theorems in probabilistic G-metric spaces. We also generalized some previously known results.

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#### **1.1 Introduction and preliminaries**

In 2006 the concept of generalized metric space was introduced [4]. For more results in these spaces one can see [2] and [3].

On the other hand, in 1942, Menger [1] introduced the notion of probabilistic metric space (briefly PM-space) as a generalization of metric space. Such a probabilistic generalization of metric spaces appears to be well adapted for the investigation of physical quantities and physiological thresholds. The development of fixed point theory in PM-spaces was due to Schweizer and Sklar [5, 6]. Fixed point theory has been always an active area of research since 1922 with the celebrated Banach contraction fixed point theorem.

Let X be a nonempty set, and let  $G : X \times X \times X \rightarrow R^+$  be a function satisfying the following axioms:

- 1. G(x, y, z) = 0 if x = y = z,
- 2. G(x, x, y) > 0, for all  $x, y \in X$ , with  $x \neq y$ ,
- 3.  $G(x, x, y) \leq G(x, y, z)$ , for all  $x, y, z \in X$ , with  $z \neq y$ ,
- 4. G(x, y, z) = G(x, z, y) = G(y, z, x) = G(z, y, x) = ...(symmetry in all three variables),
- 5.  $G(x, y, z) \leq G(x, a, a) + G(a, y, z)$ , for all x, y, z,  $a \in X$ , (rectangle inequality).

Then the function G is called a generalized metric, or, more specifically a G –metric on X, and the pair (X, G) is called a G –metric space. A sequence  $(x_n)$  in a G –metric space (X, G) is said to be G –convergent to x if

 $\lim_{n,m\to\infty} G(x,x_n,x_m) = 0; \text{ which means that, for any } \epsilon > 0, \text{ there exists } N \in N \text{ such that } G(x,x_n,x_m) < \epsilon, \text{ for all } n,m \geq N. \text{ Also a sequence } (xn) \text{ is called } G - Cauchy \text{ if for a given } \epsilon > 0, \text{ there is } N \in N \text{ such that } Cauchy \text{ there is } N \in N \text{ such that } Cauchy \text{ and } Cauchy \text{ if for a given } \epsilon > 0, \text{ there is } N \in N \text{ such that } Cauchy \text{ there is }$ 

 $G(x_n, x_m, x_l) < \varepsilon$ , for all n, m,  $l \ge N$ ; that is if  $G(x_n, x_m, x_l) \rightarrow 0$  as n, m,  $l \rightarrow \infty$ .

We may construct G – metrics using an ordinary metric. Indeed if (X, D) is a metric space, then define

$$G_{s}(x, y, z) = d(x, y) + d(z, y) + d(x, z).$$
  

$$G_{m}(x, y, z) = \max\{d(x, y), d(y, z), d(x, z)\}.$$

for all x, y, z  $\in$  X. One can verify that  $G_s$  and  $G_m$  are G –metric.

A distribution function is a function  $F : [-\infty, \infty] = R \rightarrow [0,1]$  that is nondecreasing and left continuous on R; moreover,  $F(-\infty) = 0$  and  $F(\infty) = 1$ .

The set of all the distribution functions is denoted by  $\Delta$  and the set of those distribution functions such that F(0) = 0 is

#### denoted by $\Delta^+$ .

A natural ordering in  $\Delta$  is defined by  $F \leq G$  whenever  $F(x) \leq G(x)$ , for every  $\in R$ . The maximal element in this order for  $\Delta^+$  is  $\varepsilon_0$ , where for  $-\infty \leq a \leq \infty$  the distribution function  $\varepsilon_a$  is defined by

$$\varepsilon_{a}(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } -\infty \le x \le a \\ 1 & \text{if } a < x \le \infty \end{cases}$$

A binary operation on  $\Delta^+$  which is commutative, associative, nondecreasing in each place, and has  $\varepsilon_0$  as identity, is said to be triangle function.

Also a probabilistic metric space (abbreviated, PM-space) is an ordered triple (S, F,  $\tau$ ) where S is a nonempty set,  $\tau$  is a triangle function and F : S × S →  $\Delta^+$  (F(p,q) is denoted by F<sub>p,q</sub>) satisfies the following conditions:

1. 
$$F_{p,p} = \varepsilon_0$$
,

2. If  $p \neq q$ , then  $F_{p,q} \neq \varepsilon_0$ ,

3. 
$$F_{p,q} = F_{q,p}$$
,

4.  $F_{p,r} \geq \tau (F_{p,q}, F_{q,r}),$ 

for every  $p, q, r \in S$ .

If 1), 3), 4) and are satisfied, then (S, F,  $\tau$ ) is called a probabilistic pseudo-metric space.

In section 3.2, we introduce the notion generalized probabilistic metric space. Then Some examples and elementary properties of these spaces are discussed. In section 3.3, generalized Menger probabilistic G –metric space is studied. Finally in section 3.4, some fixed point theorem in generalized Menger probabilistic metric spaces are investigated.

#### 2.1 Probabilistic G-Metric Space

**Definition 2.1**. Suppose X is a nonempty set,  $\tau$  is a triangle function and  $G : X \times X \times X \to \Delta^+$ , is a mapping satisfying

 $G_1 G(p, p, p) = \varepsilon_0,$   $G_2 \text{ if } p \neq q, \text{ then } G(p, p, q) \neq \varepsilon_0,$   $G_3 \text{ if } q \neq r, \text{ then } G(p, p, q) \geq G(p, q, r),$  $G_4 G(p, q, r) = G(p, r, q) = G(q, r, p) = \dots,$ 

 $G_5 G(p,q,r) \geq \tau (G(p,s,s), G(s,q,r)),$ 

for all  $p, q, r, s \in X$ . Then  $(X, G, \tau)$  is called a generalized probabilistic metric space (or briefly, probabilistic G-metric

space). (X, G,  $\tau$ ) is called a probabilistic pseudo G –metric space if G<sub>1</sub>, G<sub>3</sub>, G<sub>4</sub> and G<sub>5</sub> are satisfied.

A probabilistic G – metric space (X, G,  $\tau$ ) is said to be symmetric if for every x, y  $\in$  X,

$$G(x, y, y) = G(y, x, x).$$

A probabilistic G – metric space (X, G,  $\tau$ ) is called proper if  $\tau$  ( $\varepsilon_a, \varepsilon_b$ )  $\geq \varepsilon_{a+b}$ , for all  $a, b \in [0, \infty)$ .

In the following two examples, we construct two probabilistic G-metric space using a PM –space and a G –metric

space, respectively.

**Example 2.2.** With  $\tau(F,G) = \min\{F,G\}$ , let  $(X,F,\tau)$  be a probabilistic metric space. If  $G_M : X^3 \to \Delta^+$  is defined by

defined by  

$$G_{m}(p,q,r) = \min\{F_{p,q}, F_{p,r}, F_{q,r}\},$$
then  $(X, G_{M}, \tau)$  is a probabilistic  $G$  -metric space.  
Indeed if  $p = q = r$  then  
 $G_{m}(p,q,r) = \min\{F_{p,q}, F_{p,r}, F_{q,r}\} = \min\{\varepsilon_{0}, \varepsilon_{0}, \varepsilon_{0}\} = \varepsilon_{0}.$   
Also for  $p \neq q$  by definition of probabilistic metric,  $F_{p,q} \neq \varepsilon_{0}$ , so  
 $G_{m}(p, p, q) = \min\{F_{p,q}, F_{p,p}\} = \min\{F_{p,q}, \varepsilon_{0}\} = F_{p,q} \geq \varepsilon_{0}.$   
Now if  $q \neq r$  then  
 $G_{m}(p, p, q) = \min\{F_{p,q}, \varepsilon_{0}\} = F_{p,q}$   
 $\geq \min\{F_{p,q}, F_{p,r}, F_{q,r}\} = G_{m}(p,q,r).$   
Commutativity of  $G_{m}$  is trivial by commutativity of F. For proving  $G_{5}$ , let  $p, q, r, s \in X$ . We have  
 $\min\{G_{m}(p, s, s), G_{m}(s, q, r)\} = \min\{F_{p,s}, F_{s,s}, F_{s,s}, F_{s,r}, F_{q,r}\}.$   
Thus  
 $G_{m}(p, q, r) = \min\{F_{p,q}, F_{p,r}, F_{q,r}\}$   
 $\geq \min\{\min\{F_{p,s}, F_{s,s}\}, \min\{F_{p,s}, F_{s,r}, F_{s,r}, F_{s,r}\}\}$   
 $= min\{\min\{F_{p,s}, F_{s,s}\}, \min\{F_{s,q}, F_{q,r}, F_{s,r}\}\}$   
 $= r (G_{m}(p, s, s), G_{m}(s, q, r)).$   
**Example 2.3.** Let  $(X, F)$  be a G-metric space. For every  $p, q, r \in X$ , define  
 $G_{p,q,r} = \varepsilon_{F_{p,q,r}}.$   
Also let  $\tau$  is a triangle function for which  
 $\tau (\varepsilon_{q}, \varepsilon_{p}) \leq \varepsilon_{a+b},$   
for all  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}^{+}$ . Then it is strianghtforward to show that  $(X, G, \tau)$  is a probabilistic  $G$  -metric space.  
Also if a proper probabilistic  $G$  -metric space and there exists a function  $F; X \times X \times X \to \mathbb{R}^{+}$ , such that  
 $G_{p,q,r} = \varepsilon_{F_{p,q,r}}$   
then  $(X, F)$  is a  $G$  -metric space.  
Indeed in this case

 $\varepsilon_0 = \mathbf{G}_{\mathbf{p},\mathbf{p},\mathbf{p}} = \varepsilon_{\mathbf{F}_{\mathbf{p},\mathbf{p},\mathbf{p}}} = \varepsilon_0,$ 

so  $F_{p,p,p} = 0$ . If  $p \neq q$  then

$$\varepsilon_0 \neq G_{p,p,q} = \varepsilon_{F_{p,p,q}},$$

which implies that  $F_{p,p,q} \neq 0$ . Also if  $q \neq r$  then the fact that  $G_{p,p,q} \geq G_{p,q,r}$  implies that  $F_{p,p,q} \leq F_{p,q,r}$ . Commutativity of F follows from commutativity of G. For proving

$$F_{p,q,r} \leq F_{p,s,s} + F_{s,q,r}$$

we note that G is proper, so,

$$\varepsilon_{F_{p,q,r}} = G_{p,q,r} \ge \tau \left( \varepsilon_{F_{p,s,s}}, \varepsilon_{F_{s,q,r}} \right) \ge \varepsilon_{F_{p,s,s}} + F_{s,q,r}$$

which implies that (X, G) is a G –metric space.

In the following proposition, it is proved that we may construct a probabilistic G —metric space using a pseudo probabilistic G —metric space. To do this, we introduce the following relation:

Let (X, G,  $\tau$  ) be a probabilistic pseudo G –metric space. For  $\,p,q\,\in\,X,$  we say  $\,p\,\,\sim\,\,q$  if and only if

$$G(p, p, q) = \varepsilon_0$$
 and  $G(p, q, q) = \varepsilon_0$ .

This relation is an equivalence relation. Indeed if  $p \sim q$  and  $q \sim r$ , then

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 $G(p,p,q)=\epsilon_0$  ,  $G(p,q,q)=\epsilon_0$  and  $G(q,q,r)=\epsilon_0, G(r,r,q)=\epsilon_0$ 

But G is a probabilistic pseudo G –metric, so

 $G(p, p, r) = G(r, p, p) \ge \tau \left(G(r, q, q), G(q, p, p)\right) = \tau \left(\varepsilon_0, \varepsilon_0\right) = \varepsilon_0,$ 

which implies that  $G(p, p, r) \ge \varepsilon_0$ . Now maximality of  $\varepsilon_0$  implies that  $G(p, p, r) = \varepsilon_0$ . Similarly  $G(p, r, r) = \varepsilon_0$ . This prove that ~ is transitive. The other properties of ~ to be an equivalence relation is trivial. **Proposition 2.4** Let (X, G,  $\tau$ ) be a probabilistic pseudo G –metric space, for every  $p \in S$ , let  $p^*$  denote the

equivalence class of p and let X<sup>\*</sup> denotes the set of these equivalence classes. Then the expression

$$G^{*}(p^{*},q^{*},r^{*}) = G(p,q,r), p \in p^{*},q \in q^{*},r \in r^{*}$$

define a function  $G^*$  from  $X^* \times X^* \times X^*$  into  $\Delta^+$  and the triple  $(X^*, G^*, \tau)$  is a probabilistic G – metric space, the

quotient space of (X, G,  $\tau$ ).

**Proof.** First we prove that  $G^*$  is well defined, i.e. if  $r, r' \in p^*, q, q' \in q^*$  and  $p, p' \in p^*$ , then G(p, q, r) = G(p', q', r').

Since  $q \sim q', p \sim p'$  and  $r \sim r'$  and  $\tau$  is a triangular function, we have

$$G(p,q,r) \ge \tau (G(p,p',p'),G(p',q,r)) = G(p',q,r)$$
  

$$\ge \tau (G(q,q',q'),G(q',p',r)) = G(q',p',r)$$
  

$$\ge \tau (G(r,r',r'),G(r',p',q') = G(r',p',q')$$
  

$$= G(p',q',r').$$

Similarly we get  $G(p',q',r') \leq G(p,q,r)$ , so  $G^*$  is well defined. Also trivially,

$$G^{\star}(p^{\star}, p^{\star}, p^{\star}) = G(p, p, p) = \varepsilon_0.$$

and if  $p \neq q$ , then  $p \notin q^*$ ,  $q \notin p^*$ .

Hence  $p \not\sim q$ , so G(p, p, q)  $\neq \epsilon_0$ . Thus

$$G^{\star}_{(p^{\star},p^{\star},q^{\star})} = G(p,p,q) \neq \varepsilon_{0}.$$

By the f<mark>act that</mark>,

 $G(p, p, q) \geq G(p, q, r)$ 

we lead to

 $G^{\star}(p, p, q) \geq G^{\star}(p, q, r).$ 

It is trivial to verify the other properties of G<sup>\*</sup>.

#### 3.1 Menger Probabilistic <mark>G —M</mark>et<mark>ric Spac</mark>e

In this section we introduce Menger probabilistic G – metric spaces. Recall that a mapping  $T : [0,1] \times [0,1] \rightarrow [0,1]$ 

is called a triangular norm (abbreviated, t-norm) if the following conditions are satisfied

1. T(a, 1) = a, for every  $a \in [0, 1]$ ,

2. T(a, b) = T(b, a), for every  $a, b \in [0, 1]$ ,

3.  $T(a, c) \ge T(b, d)$ , whenever  $a \ge b$  and  $c \ge d$ ,  $(a, b, c, d \in [0, 1])$ ,

4.  $T(a, T(b, c)) = T(T(a, b), c), (a, b, c \in [0,1]).$ 

The following are the four basic t-norms:

(a) The minimum t –norm,  $T_M$ , is defined by  $T_M(x, y) = \min\{x, y\}$ .

(b) The product t –norm,  $T_P$ , is defined by  $T_P(x, y) = xy$ .

(c) The Lukasiewicz t -norm, T<sub>L</sub>, is defined by

 $T_L(x, y) = \max\{x + y - 1, 0\}.$ 

(d) The weakest t –norm, the drastic product,  $T_{\mbox{\scriptsize D}}$  , is defined by

 $\int_{D} T_{D}(x, y) = \min\{x, y\}, \text{ if } \max\{x, y\} = 1$ 

0, otherwise

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As regards the pointwise ordering, we have the inequalities

 $T_D < T_L < T_P < T_M.$ 

**Definition 3.1.** Suppose S is a nonempty set and T is a t –norm and  $G : S^3 \rightarrow \Delta^+$  is a function. The triple (S, G, T) is called a Menger probabilistic G-metric space if for every p, q, r, s  $\in$  S and x, y > 0,

- 1.  $G(p, p, p) = \varepsilon_0$ ,
- 2. If  $p \neq q$ , then  $G(p, p, q) \neq \varepsilon_0$ ,
- 3.  $G(p, p, q) \ge G(p, q, r)$ ,
- 4. G(p,q,r) = G(p,r,q) = G(q,r,p) = ...,
- 5.  $G(p,q,r) (x + y) \ge T(G(p,s,s)(x),G(s,q,r)(y)).$

In the Menger probabilistic G – metric space (S, G, T) with

$$\sup_{0 < t < 1} T(t, t) = 1$$

a sequence  $\{u_n\}$  in S,

i) is called convergent to  $u \in S$  if for every  $\epsilon, \lambda > 0$ , there exists  $N \in N$  such that,  $\forall n \ge N$ ;  $G_{u_n,u,u}(\epsilon) > 1 - \lambda$ .

ii) is said to be a Cauchy sequence, if for every  $\varepsilon, \lambda > 0$  there exists  $N \in N$  such that,  $\forall m, n, l \ge N$ ;  $G_{u_m,u_n,u_l}(\varepsilon) > 1 - \lambda$ .

As usual a Menger probabilistic G – metric space is said to be complete if every Cauchy sequence in S converges to a  $u \in S$ .

**Theorem 3.2.** Let (S, G, T<sub>L</sub>) be a Menger probabilistic G –metric space and define,

 $G_{p,q,r}^{\star} = \sup\{t \ge 0 | G_{p,q,r}(t) \le 1 - t\}.$ 

Then,

i) G<sup>\*</sup> is a G –metric.

ii) S is G –complete if and only if it is G<sup>\*</sup> –complete.

**Proof.** For any t > 0,  $G_{p,p,p} = \varepsilon_0(t) = 1$ , so

$$G_{p,p,p}^{\star} = \sup\{t \ge 0 | G_{p,p,p}(t) = 1 \le 1 - t\} = 0.$$

Also if  $p \neq q$ , then  $G_{p,p,q} \neq \varepsilon_0$ . Hence

There exists  $t \in (0,1)$  s.t.  $G_{p,p,q}(t) < 1$ ,

so

$$G_{p,p,q}^{\star} = \sup\{t \ge 0 | G_{p,p,q}(t) \le 1 - t\} > 0.$$

Now for any p, q,  $r \in S$  we know,  $G_{p,p,q} \ge G_{p,q,r}$ , so

$$\big\{t\big|G_{(p,p,q)}(t) \ \le \ 1-t\big\} \ \sqsubseteq \ \big\{t\big|G_{p,q,r}(t) \ \le \ 1-t\big\}.$$

Hence  $G_{p,p,q}^{\star} \leq G_{p,q,r}^{\star}$ .

These prove first, second and the third part of definition of G – metric for  $G^*$ . Commutativity of  $G^*$  is trivial.

We are going to prove that,

$$G_{p,q,r}^{\star} \leq G_{p,s,s}^{\star} + G_{s,q,r}^{\star}$$

for all  $p, q, r, s \in S$ .

To do this, put

$$A = \{t | G_{p,q,r} \le 1 - t\}$$
  

$$B = \{\lambda | G_{(p,s,s)(\lambda)} \le 1 - \lambda\}$$
  

$$C = \{\mu | G_{s,q,r} \le 1 - \mu\}.$$

Suppose  $t_1 > G^*(p, s, s)$  and  $t_2 > G^*_{s,q,r}$  are upper bounds for B and C, respectively. Then  $G(p, s, s)(t_1) > 1 - t_1$  and  $G_{s,q,r}(t_2) > 1 - t_2$ . Therefore

$$\begin{split} G_{p,q,r}(t_1 + t_2) &\geq T_L \big( G_{p,s,s}(t_1), G_{(s,q,r)(t_2)} \big) \\ &\geq G_{p,s,s}(t_1) + G_{s,q,r}(t_2) - 1 \\ &> 1 - (t_1 + t_2). \end{split}$$

Thus  $t_1 + t_2$  is an upper bound for A. Hence G<sup>\*</sup>satisfies 3.1. Consequently G<sup>\*</sup> is a G –metric.

For proving ii), let (S, G, T<sub>L</sub>) be G –complete and  $(u_n)$  be a Cauchy sequence in the G<sup>\*</sup> –metric. We prove that  $(u_n)$  is Cauchy with the probabilistic G –metric G. Let  $\epsilon, \lambda > 0$  be given. If  $\epsilon < \lambda$  then for  $\epsilon, N \in N$  s.t.  $\forall m, n, l \ge N$ ;  $G^*_{u_m,u_n,u_l} < \epsilon$ ,

since  $(u_n)$  is  $G^*$  –Cauchy. By definition of  $G^*$ , for every m, n,  $l \ge N$ 

$$G_{u_m,u_n,u_1}(\varepsilon) > 1 - \varepsilon > 1 - \lambda$$

Now if  $\lambda \, < \, \epsilon$  then for  $\, , \, \exists N \, \in \, N \, , \, \forall m, n, l \, \geq \, N \, ; \, G^*_{u_m, u_n, u_l} \, < \, \lambda \, ,$ 

since  $(u_n)$  is  $G^*$  –Cauchy. By definition of  $G^*$ , the fact that  $G_{u_m,u_n,u_l}$  is nondecreasing implies that

$$G_{u_m,u_n,u_l}(\varepsilon) \geq G_{u_m,u_n,u_l}(\lambda) > 1 - \lambda.$$

Thus  $(u_n)$  is G – Cauchy. Now by G – completeness of S with G, there exists  $u \in S$  such that  $(u_n)$  is G – convergent to u.

So for  $\varepsilon > 0$  there exists N  $\in$  N such that, for every m, n  $\ge$  N,

$$G_{u_m,u_n,u}\left(\frac{\varepsilon}{2}\right) > 1 - \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$$

This means that  $\frac{\varepsilon}{2}$  is an upper bound for the segment  $\{t | G_{u_m,u_n,u} \le 1 - t\}$ . Thus  $G_{u_m,u_n,u}^* \le \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \varepsilon <$ , i.e.  $(u_n)$  converges to u with G<sup>\*</sup> and so S is G<sup>\*</sup> – complete.

Conversely suppose that S is  $G^*$  –complete and  $(u_n)$  is a G –Cauchy sequence in S. Thus for given  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists

 $N \in N$  such that, for all  $m, n, l \ge N$ ;

$$G_{u_m,u_n,u_l}\left(\frac{\varepsilon}{2}\right) > 1 - \frac{\varepsilon}{2}.$$

Hence  $\forall m, n, l \ge N$ ;

$$G^*_{u_m,u_n,u_l} < \frac{\varepsilon}{2} < \varepsilon$$
.

This implies that  $(u_n)$  is a  $G^*$  – Cauchy sequence sequence and so is  $G^*$  – convergent to some u in S. Hence for given  $\varepsilon, \lambda$ , with  $< \lambda$ , there exists  $N \in N$  such that  $\forall m, n \ge N$ ;

$$G_{u_m,u_n,u}^{\star} < \varepsilon < \lambda$$
.

By definition of  $G^*$ ,  $\forall m, n \ge N$ ;

$$G_{u_m,u_n,u}(\varepsilon) > 1 - \varepsilon > 1 - \lambda.$$

Now if  $\lambda \leq \varepsilon$  then  $\exists N > 0$  s.t.  $\forall m, n, l \geq N$ ;

$$u_{m,u_{n},u_{l}}(\varepsilon) > G_{u_{m},u_{n},u_{l}}(\lambda) > 1-\lambda \ge 1-\varepsilon$$
,

since  $(u_n)$  is G – Cauchy. By definition of G<sup>\*</sup>  $\forall m, n, l \ge N$ ;

$$G_{u_m,u_n,u_l}^{\star} < \varepsilon$$

But S is  $G^*$  –omplete, so there exists  $u \in S$  such that  $(u_n)$  is  $G^*$  –convergent to u. This implies that there exists  $N \in N$  such that  $\forall m, n \ge N$ ;

$$G_{u_m,u_n,u}^{\star} < \lambda < \varepsilon$$
.

Finally by definition of  $G^* \forall m, n \ge N$ ;

$$G_{u_m,u_n,u}(\epsilon\,)\,\geq\,G_{u_m,u_n,u}(\lambda\,)\,>\,1-\lambda\,.$$

Hence  $(u_n)$  is G – convergent and so S is G – complete.

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#### 4.1 Fixed Points Of Contractive Maps In Menger Probabilistic G – Metric Space

In this section, first we introduce the concept of G – contractive mapping in Menger probabilistic G-metric space and then its relation with G-contractive map in its dependent G-metric space is studied. This result shows that the existence of a convergent subsequence of an iterate sequence (of a contractive map) implies the existence of a fixed point.

In order to do this, we introduce the following definition;

**Definition 4.1.** Let (S, G, T) be a Menger probabilistic G – metric space. a mapping  $f: S \rightarrow S$  is said to be a G – contraction

if for any  $t \in (0, \infty)$ ,

$$G_{p,q,r}(t) > 1-t$$

implies that

$$G_{f(p),f(q),f(r)}(kt) > 1 - kt$$

for some fixed  $k \in (0,1)$ .

One can easily see that if  $f: S \rightarrow S$  is a G – contraction and  $(u_n)$  is a convergent sequence to some u in the Menger probabilistic G – metric space S, then  $(f(u_n))$  converges to f(u).

We recall that a function f on a G <u>—metric</u> space with a G —metric G<sup>\*</sup> is called G —contraction if for any t  $\in$ (0,∞),

the relation  $G_{p,q,r} < t$  implies that  $G_{f(p),f(q),f(r)} < kt$ , for some  $k \in (0,1)$ .

**Lemma 4.2.** Let (S, G, T<sub>L</sub>) be a Menger probabilistic G – metric space and

$$G_{p,q,r}^{\star} = \sup \left\{ t \middle| G_{p,q,r}(t) \le 1 - t \right\}$$

then a function  $f: S \rightarrow S$  is a G – contraction mapping if and only if it is  $G^*$  – contraction.

**Proof.** We know that  $G^*$  is a G – metric on S.

Let f be a G – contraction in the Menger probabilistic G – metric space and for  $t \in (0, \infty)$ 

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G_{p,q,r}^{\star} < t.
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By definition of G<sup>\*</sup>, we get

$$G_{p,q,r}(t) > 1-t$$

But f is G – contraction, so

 $G_{f(p),f(q),f(r)}(kt) > 1 - kt,$ 

for some fixed  $k \in (0,1)$ . Now definition of G<sup>\*</sup> implies that

$$G_{f(p),f(q),f(r)}^{\star} < kt$$

which means that f is  $G^*$  –contraction. The converse of this lemma can be proved similarly.

**Theorem 4.3.** Let (S, G, T<sub>L</sub>) be a Menger probabilistic G – metric space. Suppose A is G – contraction on S and for some u in S,  $A^{n_i}(u)$  is a convergent subsequence of  $A^n(u)$ , then  $\xi = A\left(\lim_{i\to\infty} A^{n_i}(u)\right)$  is the unique

fixed point of A.

**Proof.** Let  $A(\xi) \neq \xi$ , then there exists  $t_0 \in (0, \infty)$  such that,

$$G_{A(\xi),\xi,\xi}(t_0) \neq 1.$$

So there exists  $\lambda \in (0,1)$ , such that

$$1 - \lambda < G_{A(\xi),\xi,\xi}(t_0) < 1.$$

By letting  $t = \max\{t_0, \lambda\}$  we get

$$G_{A(\xi),\xi,\xi}(t) \ge G_{A(\xi),\xi,\xi}(t_0) > 1 - \lambda > 1 - t_0$$

But A is a G – contraction so for some  $k \in (0,1)$ ,

$$G_{A^2(\xi),A(\xi),A(\xi)}(kt) > 1 - kt.$$

Using induction argument one can see that

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$$G_{A^{n+1}(\xi),A^n(\xi),A^n(\xi)}(k^n t) > 1 - k^n t.$$

Taking n and n<sub>i</sub> large enough such that

 $k^n t < 1$  and  $k^{n_i} t < 1$ 

and putting  $p = A^n(\xi)$ , we obtain

$$p = A^{n}(\xi) = A^{n}\left(\lim_{i \to \infty} A^{n_{i}}(u)\right) = \lim_{i \to \infty} \lim_{i \to \infty} A^{n_{i}}(u) + n(u)$$

Let  $s = max\{k^n t, k^{n_i} t\}$ . By 4.1

$$G_{A(p),p,p}(s) > G_{A(p),p,p}(k^n t) > 1 - k^n t > 1 - s.$$

If G<sup>\*</sup> is the G – metric introduced in Lemma 4.1, then

$$G^{\star}_{A(p),p,p} = \sup\{t | G_{A(p),p,p}(t) \le 1 - t\}.$$

So

$$G^{\star}_{A(p),p,p} < s < 1.$$

By the fact that  $A^{n_i}(u) \to \xi$  and  $A^{n_i+1}(u) \to A(\xi)$ , for every  $t, \lambda > 0$ , there exists  $N \in N$ , such that for every  $n_i > N$ ,

$$G_{A^{n_{i}}(u),\xi,\xi}(t) > 1-\lambda, G_{A^{n_{i}+1}(u),A(\xi),A(\xi)}(t) > 1-\lambda$$

Let  $l > j > n + n_i$ . We are going to prove that,

$$G_{A^{n_{l}}(u),A^{n_{l}+1}(u),A^{n_{l}+1}(u)}^{\star} \leq k^{l-j} G_{A^{n_{j}}(u),A^{n_{j}+1}(u),A^{n_{j}+1}(u)}^{\star} \cdot 4.2$$

If we prove this inequality, then the this together with the facts that  $k \in (0,1)$  and

$$G_{A^{n_{j}}(u),A^{n_{j}+1}(u),A}^{*}$$

imply that  $\lim_{l\to\infty} A^{n_l}(u) = \lim_{l\to\infty} A^{n_l+1}(u)$  in the generalized metric G<sup>\*</sup> and so is valid in the Menger probabilistic G. This leads to the equality  $\xi = A(\xi)$  which is a contradiction.

First we prove that,

$$G_{A^{n_{l}}(u),A^{n_{l}+1}(u),A^{n_{l}+1}(u)}^{\star} \leq k G_{A^{n_{l}-1}(u),A^{n_{l}}(u),A^{n_{l}}(u)}^{\star}$$

To do this, let

$$s \in \{t | G_{A^{n_{l}}(u),A^{n_{l+1}}(u),A^{n_{l+1}}(u)}(t) \le 1 - t\}$$

then

$$G_{A^{n_l}(u),A^{n_l+1}(u),A^{n_l+1}(u)}(s) \le 1-s.$$

Put t =  $\frac{s}{r}$ . We find that

$$G_{A^{n_l-1}(u),A^{n_l}(u),A^{n_l}(u)} \le 1-t,$$

since otherwise by contractivity of A it should be

$$G_{A^{n_{l}}(u),A^{n_{l}+1}(u),A^{n_{l}+1}(u)}(kt) = G_{A^{n_{l}}(u),A^{n_{l}+1}(u),A^{n_{l}+1}(u)}(s)$$
  
> 1 - kt = 1 - s.

which is not the case. Therefore

$$t = \frac{s}{k} \in \{t | G_{A^{n_{l}-1}(u),A^{n_{l}}(u),A^{n_{l}}(u)}(t)(t) \le 1 - t\}$$

or equivalently

$$s \in k\{t|G_{A^{n_{l}-1}(u),A^{n_{l}}(u),A^{n_{l}}(u)}(t) \le 1-t\}.$$

So

 $sup\{t \big| G_{A^{n_{l}}(u),A^{n_{l}+1}(u),A^{n_{l}+1}(u)}(t) \leq 1-t \} \leq \ sup\{t | G_{A^{n_{l}-1}(u),A^{n_{l}}(u),A^{n_{l}}(u)}(t) \leq 1-t \}$ and consequently 4.3 is valid. Now by induction argument, one leads to 4.3 which completes the proof.

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