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## THE SYMMETRY CASE FOR G-METRIC SPACES

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**Abstract.** In this paper, with  $D_p$  distance, we introduce a new notion of convex structure and we present some fixed point results in a complete metric spaces  $(X, D_p)$  and in a convex metric spaces  $(X, D_p, W)$ .

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### 1. INTRODUCTION AND PRELIMINARIES

It well known that Banach contraction principle was published in 1922 by S. Banach as follows:

**Theorem 1.** *Let  $(X, d)$  be a complete metric space and a self mapping  $T : X \rightarrow X$ .  $T$  is said to be contraction if there exist  $k \in [0, 1)$  such that for all  $x, y \in X$ ,  $d(Tx, Ty) \leq kd(x, y)$  then  $T$  has a unique fixed point in  $X$ .*

The Banach contraction principle has been extensively studied in various spaces and different generalizations were proposed. See for example [1, 3, 9, 10, 13, 14, 15].

In 2006, Mustapha and Sims[4] introduced a new concept of generalized metric space called G-metric space and studied the fixed point result for a self-mapping in G-metric space.

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In 2020 Sabiri and all [12] introduced a new concept of the measure between  $p$ -points where  $p \geq 2$  and studied convergence and existence results of best proximity points for  $p$ -cyclic contraction in  $(S)$  convex metric space.

In 2021 Sabiri and all [13] proved the existence and uniqueness for a fixed point for various types of tricyclic contractions.

In 1970 W. Takahashi [2] introduced the notion of convex structure in metric space as follows :

**Definition 2.** ([2]) Let  $(X, d)$  be metric space, a mapping  $W : X \times X \times I \rightarrow X$  is to be a convex structure on  $X$  provided that

$$d(u, W(x, y, \lambda)) \leq \lambda d(u, x) + (1 - \lambda)d(u, y) \text{ for all } u, x, y \in X \text{ and } \lambda \in I := [0, 1].$$

A metric space  $(X, d)$  with a convex structure  $W$  is called a convex metric space and is denoted by  $(X, d, W)$ .

In 2019 Isa Yildirim and al ([8]) gave an analogue to definition of convex structure in  $G$ -metric space of Takahashi as follows:

**Definition 3.** ([8]) Let  $(X, G)$  be a  $G$ -metric space. A mapping  $W : X^2 \times I^2 \rightarrow X$  is termed as a convex structure on  $X$  if

$G(W(x, y; \lambda, \beta)u, v) \leq \lambda G(x, u, v) + \beta G(y, u, v)$  for real numbers  $\lambda$  and  $\beta$  in  $I = [0, 1]$  satisfying  $\lambda + \beta = 1$  and  $x, y, u$  and  $v \in X$ .

In 2008, 2009 and 2010 Mustapha, Z. and all in  $(([5]), ([6]), ([7]))$  studied existence and uniqueness of fixed point of contractive mapping defined on a  $G$ -metric space.

**Theorem 4.** ([5]) Let  $(X, G)$  be a  $G$ -metric space and let  $T : X \rightarrow X$  be a mapping such that  $T$  satisfies the following conditions:

$$G(Tx, Ty, Tz) \leq aG(x, y, z) + bG(x, Tx, Tx) + cG(y, Ty, Ty) + dG(z, Tz, Tz)$$

or

$$G(Tx, Ty, Tz) \leq aG(x, y, z) + bG(x, x, Tx) + cG(y, y, Ty) + dG(z, z, Tz)$$

for all  $x, y, z \in X$  where  $0 < a + b + c + d < 1$ .

Then  $T$  has a unique fixed point (say  $u$ , i.e.,  $Tu = u$ ), and  $T$  is  $G$ -continuous at  $u$ .

**Theorem 5.** ([6]) Let  $(X, G)$  be a G-metric space and let  $T : X \rightarrow X$  be a mapping such that  $T$  satisfies the following conditions:

- (1)  $G(Tx, Ty, Tz) \leq aG(x, Tx, Tx) + bG(y, Ty, Ty) + cG(z, Tz, Tz)$  for all  $x, y, z \in X$  where  $0 < a + b + c < 1$ ,
- (2)  $T$  is G-continuous at  $u \in X$ ,
- (3) there is  $x \in X$ ;  $\{T^n x\}$  has a subsequence  $\{T^{n_i} x\}$  G-converges to  $u$ .

Then  $u$  is the unique fixed point of  $T$ .

Very recently with  $d$  the standard metric, we define a new distance as follows.

**Definition 6.** ([12]) Let a metric space  $(X, d)$ , and anteger  $p > 2$ ,

$$D_p : X^p \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+, (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_p) \mapsto D_p(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_p) = \sum_{i < j} d(x_i, x_j) \text{ for } 1 \leq i, j \leq p.$$

We have:

$$D_p(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_p) = 0 \iff x_i = x_{i+1} \text{ for all } x_i \in X \text{ and } 1 \leq i \leq p - 1$$

$$0 < D_p(x, x, \dots, x, y) = D_p(y, y, \dots, y, x) = (p - 1)d(x, y) \text{ for all } x, y \in X \text{ with } x \neq y$$

$$D_p(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_p) = D_p(x_p, x_{p-1}, \dots, x_1) = D_p(x_p, x_1, \dots, x_{p-1}) = \dots \text{ (symetry in all } p\text{-variables)}$$

$$D_p(x_1, x_1, \dots, x_2) \leq D_p(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_p) \text{ for all } x_i \in X \text{ and } 1 \leq i \leq p \text{ with } x_i \neq x_2, 3 \leq i \leq p.$$

Then the fonction  $D_p$  is called a generelized metric or more specifically,  $D_p$ -metric space on  $X$ , and the pair  $(X, D_p)$  is called a  $D_p$ -metric space.

**Definition 7.** Let  $(X, D_p)$  be a  $D_p$ -metric space and let  $\{x_n\}$  a sequence in  $X$  and let  $x \in X$ . We say that  $\{x_n\}$  converge to  $x$  if  $\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} D_p(x, x_n, x_{n+i}, \dots, x_{n+i}) = 0$  for all  $i \geq 1$ . We say that  $\{x_n\}$  is  $D_p$ -convergent to  $x$ .

**Proposition 8.** Let  $(X, D_p)$  be a  $D_p$ -metric space, then the following are equivalent.

[i]  $\{x_n\}$  is  $D_p$ -convergent to  $x$ .

[ii]  $\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} D_p(x_n, x, \dots, x) = 0$

[iii]  $\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} D_p(x_n, x_n, \dots, x_n, x) = 0$ .

In this work, using the famous definition of convexity of Takahashi [2] and inspired by the ideas given in [4, 5, 6, 7, 8]. we give a new and more practical definition of convex structure and we generalize some results and give some fixed point results in  $D_p$ -metric space, where  $p \geq 3$ .

## 2. MAIN RESULTS

**Theorem 9.** Let  $(X, d)$  a complete metric space and a map  $T : X \rightarrow X$  such that

$D_p(Tx_1, Tx_2, \dots, Tx_p) \leq a_0 D_p(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_p) + \sum_{i=1}^p a_i D_p(x_i, Tx_i, \dots, Tx_i)$  for all  $x_i \in X$  and  $0 \leq a_i$  and  $0 \leq \sum_{i=0}^p a_i < 1$ . Then  $T$  has a unique fixed point  $z \in X : Tz = z$  and  $T$  is continuous at  $z$ .

*Proof.* Let  $x, y \in X$ , we have:

$$D_p(Tx, Ty, \dots, Ty) \leq a_0 D_p(x, y, \dots, y) + a_1 D_p(x, Tx, \dots, Tx) + \sum_{i=2}^p a_i D_p(y, Ty, \dots, Ty)$$

and

$$D_p(Ty, Tx, \dots, Tx) \leq a_0 D_p(y, x, \dots, x) + a_1 D_p(y, Ty, \dots, Ty) + \sum_{i=2}^p a_i D_p(x, Tx, \dots, Tx)$$

implies that

$$2(p-1)d(Tx, Ty) \leq a_0 2(p-1)d(x, y) + \sum_{i=1}^p a_i D_p(x, Tx, \dots, Tx) + \sum_{i=1}^p a_i D_p(y, Ty, \dots, Ty)$$

then

$$d(Tx, Ty) \leq a_0 d(x, y) + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^p a_i (d(x, Tx) + d(y, Ty)) \text{ for all } x, y \in X.$$

Let  $x_0 \in X$  and put  $x_{n+1} = Tx_n$   $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$

We have

$$d(x_n, x_{n+1}) = d(T^n x_0, T^{n+1} x_0) \leq a_0 d(T^{n-1} x_0, T^n x_0) + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^p a_i (d(T^n x_0, T^{n+1} x_0) + d(T^{n-1} x_0, T^n x_0))$$

$$\iff d(T^n x_0, T^{n+1} x_0) \left(1 - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^p a_i\right) \leq (a_0 + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^p a_i) d(T^{n-1} x_0, T^n x_0)$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\iff d(T^n x_0, T^{n+1} x_0) \left(2 - \sum_{i=1}^p a_i\right) \leq (2a_0 + \sum_{i=1}^p a_i) d(T^{n-1} x_0, T^n x_0) \\ &\iff d(T^n x_0, T^{n+1} x_0) \leq t d(T^{n-1} x_0, T^n x_0) \text{ with } t = \frac{2a_0 + \sum_{i=1}^p a_i}{2 - \sum_{i=1}^p a_i} < 1. \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$d(T^n x_0, T^{n+1} x_0) \leq t^n d(x_0, Tx_0)$$

implies that

$$\forall m > n, d(T^m x_0, T^n x_0) \leq \frac{t^n}{1-t} d(x_0, Tx_0).$$

Then  $\{x_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence in a complete metric space  $(X, d)$ . So there exist  $z \in X$  such that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} T^n x_0 = z$ .

Now we will show that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} T^{n+1} x_0 = Tz$ .

We have

$$d(T^{n+1} x_0, Tz) \leq a_0 d(T^n x_0, z) + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^p a_i (d(T^n x_0, T^{n+1} x_0) + d(z, Tz))$$

implies that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} d(T^{n+1} x_0, Tz) = d(z, Tz) \leq \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^p a_i (d(z, Tz)) < d(z, Tz)$$

then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} T^{n+1} x_0 = Tz$ .

Now we prove the uniqueness fixed point. Let  $z_1, z_2$  be two fixed points such that  $z_1 \neq z_2$ .

Then

$$d(z_1, z_2) = d(Tz_1, Tz_2) \leq a_0 d(z_1, z_2) + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^p a_i (d(z_1, Tz_1) + d(z_2, Tz_2)) = a_0 d(z_1, z_2).$$

As  $d(z_1, z_2) > 0$  we have  $1 < a_0$ , a contradiction.

To show that  $T$  is continuous at  $z$ , let  $(z_n) \subseteq X$  be a sequence such that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} (z_n) = z$ .

We have

$$d(z, Tz_n) = d(Tz, Tz_n) \leq a_0 d(z, z_n) + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^p a_i (d(z, Tz) + d(z_n, Tz_n))$$

$\iff$

$$\begin{aligned} d(z, Tz_n) &\leq a_0 d(z, z_n) + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^p a_i d(z_n, Tz_n) \\ &\leq a_0 d(z, z_n) + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^p a_i (d(z_n, z) + d(z, Tz_n)). \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$d(z, Tz_n) \leq \frac{(a_0 + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^p a_i)}{(1 - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^p a_i)} d(z, z_n).$$

Us  $\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} (z_n) = z$ , then  $T$  is continuous at  $z$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 10.** Let  $(X, d)$  a complete metric space and a map  $T : X \rightarrow X$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} D_p(Tx_1, Tx_2, \dots, Tx_p) &\leq a_0 D_p(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_p) + a_1 \sum_{i=1}^p D_p(x_i, Tx_i, \dots, Tx_i) \text{ for all } x_i \in X \text{ and } 0 \\ &\leq a_0 + pa_1 < 1 \text{ then } T \text{ has a unique fixed point } z \in X : Tz = z. \end{aligned}$$

**Example 11.** For  $p = 3$  let  $X = \mathbb{R}$  the complete metric space with  $d$  the standard metric  $d(x, y) = |x - y|$  where  $x, y \in X$  and the self map

$$T : X \rightarrow X \text{ such that } Tx = \frac{x}{6}$$

we take

$$a_0 = \frac{1}{12}, a_1 = a_2 = a_3 = a_4 = \frac{1}{5}.$$

We have

$$D_3(Tx_1, Tx_2, Tx_3) = \frac{1}{6} \left( \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq 3} |x_i - x_j| \right)$$

$$a_0 D_3(x_1, x_2, x_3) = \frac{1}{12} \left( \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq 3} |x_i - x_j| \right)$$

and

$$a_1 \sum_{i=1}^3 D_3(x_i, Tx_i, Tx_i) = \frac{1}{3} \left( \sum_{i=1}^3 |x_i| \right)$$

us  $|x - y| \leq |x| + |y|$  for all  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$  we have:

$$\frac{1}{6} \left( \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq 3} |x_i - x_j| \right) \leq \frac{1}{12} \left( \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq 3} |x_i - x_j| \right) + \frac{1}{3} \left( \sum_{i=1}^3 |x_i| \right)$$

So

$$D_3(Tx_1, Tx_2, Tx_3) \leq a_0 D_3(x_1, x_2, x_3) + a_1 \left( \sum_{i=1}^3 D_3(x_i, Tx_i, Tx_i) \right)$$

for all  $x_i \in X$  and  $0 \leq a_0 + 4a_1 < 1$ .

Then  $T$  has a unique fixed point  $z = 0 : Tz = z$ .

**Corollary 12.** *Let  $(X, d)$  a complete metric space and a map  $T : X \rightarrow X$  such that*

*$d(Tx, Ty) \leq a_0 d(x, y) + a_1 (d(x, Tx) + d(y, Ty))$  for all  $x, y \in X$  and  $0 \leq a_0 + 2a_1 < 1$  then  $T$  has a unique fixed point  $z \in X : Tz = z$ .*

In the following theorem we will prove the existence and the uniqueness of fixed point without completeness property in a metric space  $(X, d)$ .

**Theorem 13.** *Let  $(X, d)$  a metric space and a map  $T : X \rightarrow X$  such that:*

*(1)  $D_p(Tx_1, Tx_2, \dots, Tx_p) \leq \sum_{i=1}^p a_i D_p(x_i, Tx_i, \dots, Tx_i)$  for all  $x_i \in X$  where  $0 \leq a_i$  and  $0 < \sum_{i=1}^p a_i < 1$ .*

*(2) There is  $x \in X$  such that  $\{T^n x\}$  has a subsequence  $\{T^{n_k} x\}$  converge to  $z$ .*

*(3)  $T$  is continuous at point  $z \in X$ .*

*Then  $T$  has a unique fixed point  $z \in X : Tz = z$ .*

*Proof.* We have  $T$  is continuous at point  $z$  and  $\{T^{n_k} x\}$  converge to  $z$  which implies that  $\{T^{n_k+1} x\}$  converge to  $Tz$ . Assume  $Tz \neq z$ . For  $0 < \varepsilon < \frac{1}{3}d(z, Tz)$  there exist  $N_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that if  $k > N_0$  we have

$$d(z, T^{n_k} x) < \varepsilon \text{ and } d(Tz, T^{n_k+1} x) < \varepsilon.$$

Then

$$\varepsilon < \frac{1}{3}d(z, Tz) \leq \frac{1}{3} [d(z, T^{n_k} x) + d(T^{n_k} x, T^{n_k+1} x) + d(Tz, T^{n_k+1} x)]$$

$$\implies 3\varepsilon < 2\varepsilon + d(T^{n_k} x, T^{n_k+1} x)$$

$$\varepsilon < d(T^{n_k} x, T^{n_k+1} x) \leq D_p(T^{n_k} x, T^{n_k+1} x, \dots, T^{n_k+1} x) \text{ for } k > N_0.$$

(1) implies

$$\begin{aligned}
D_p(T^{n_k+1}x, T^{n_k+2}x, \dots, T^{n_k+p}x) &\leq a_1 D_p(T^{n_k}x, T^{n_k+1}x, \dots, T^{n_k+1}x) \\
&\quad + \sum_{i=2}^p a_i D_p(T^{n_k+i-1}x, T^{n_k+1}x, \dots, T^{n_k+1}x) \\
&\leq a_1 D_p(T^{n_k}x, T^{n_k+1}x, \dots, T^{n_k+1}x) + \sum_{i=2}^p a_i D_p(T^{n_k+1}x, T^{n_k+2}x, \dots, T^{n_k+p}x).
\end{aligned}$$

Then

$$D_p(T^{n_k+1}x, T^{n_k+2}x, \dots, T^{n_k+p}x) \leq t D_p(T^{n_k}x, T^{n_k+1}x, \dots, T^{n_k+1}x)$$

with  $0 < t = \frac{a_1}{1 - \sum_{i=2}^p a_i} < 1$ , since  $0 < \sum_{i=1}^p a_i < 1$ .

Then

$$D_p(T^{n_k+1}x, T^{n_k+2}x, \dots, T^{n_k+2}x) \leq D_p(T^{n_k+1}x, T^{n_k+2}x, \dots, T^{n_k+p}x) \leq t D_p(T^{n_k}x, T^{n_k+1}x, \dots, T^{n_k+1}x)$$

Consequently

$$d(T^{n_k+1}x, T^{n_k+2}x) \leq t d(T^{n_k}x, T^{n_k+1}x) \text{ for } k > N_0.$$

Similarly we have

$$d(T^{n_k+j}x, T^{n_k+j+1}x) \leq t d(T^{n_k+j-1}x, T^{n_k+j}x) \text{ for } k > N_0 \text{ and } j \geq 1.$$

Then For  $l > k > N_0$  we have:

$$d(T^{n_l}x, T^{n_l+1}x) \leq t d(T^{n_l-1}x, T^{n_l}x) \leq t^2 d(T^{n_l-2}x, T^{n_l-3}x) \leq \dots \leq t^{l-k} d(T^{n_k}x, T^{n_k+1}x)$$

Then

$$\lim_{l \rightarrow +\infty} d(T^{n_l}x, T^{n_l+1}x) = 0 \iff d(z, Tz) = 0$$

which a contradiction, hence  $Tz = z$ . □

**Theorem 14.** Let  $(X, d)$  a complete metric space and a map  $T : X \rightarrow X$  such that

$D_p(Tx_1, Tx_2, \dots, Tx_p) \leq k \max_{1 \leq i \leq p} D_p(x_i, Tx_i, \dots, Tx_i)$  for all  $x_i \in X$  and  $0 \leq k < 1$ , then  $T$  has a unique fixed point  $z \in X : Tz = z$ .

*Proof.* Let  $x, y \in X$  we have:

$$D_p(Tx, Ty, \dots, Ty) \leq k \max(D_p(x, Tx, \dots, Tx), D_p(y, Ty, \dots, Ty))$$

$\iff$

$$d(Tx, Ty) \leq k \max(d(x, Tx), d(y, Ty)).$$

If  $d(x, Tx) \geq d(y, Ty)$  let  $x_0 \in X$  and put  $y = T^n x_0$  and  $x = T^{n-1} x_0$  for  $n \geq 1$ . Then  $d(T^n x_0, T^{n+1} x_0) \leq kd(T^{n-1} x_0, T^n x_0) \leq k^n d(x_0, Tx_0)$ .

Implies that the sequence  $\{T^n x_0\}$  is a Cauchy in a complete metric space  $(X, d)$ ,

If  $d(y, Ty) \geq d(x, Tx)$ , we put  $x = T^n x_0$  and  $y = T^{n-1} x_0$  and we have also the sequence  $\{T^n x_0\}$  is a Cauchy in a complete metric space  $(X, d)$ , then there exist  $z \in X$  such that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} T^n x_0 = z$ .

Now we will show that  $z = Tz$ .

We have

$$d(T^{n+1} x_0, Tz) \leq k \max(d(T^n x_0, T^{n+1} x_0), d(z, Tz))$$

as  $T$  is continuous and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} T^n x_0 = z$ . Then  $d(z, Tz) \leq kd(z, Tz)$ , this implies that  $z = Tz$ .

Now we prove the uniqueness fixed point. Let  $z_1, z_2$  be two fixed points.

Then  $d(z_1, z_2) = d(Tz_1, Tz_2) \leq k \max(d(z_1, Tz_1), d(z_2, Tz_2)) = 0 \implies z_1 = z_2$ .  $\square$

**Example 15.** For  $p = 3$  let  $X = [0, 1]$  the metric space with the usiel norme  $d(x, y) = |x - y|$ , and the self map

$$T : X \longrightarrow X \text{ such that } Tx = \frac{x}{3}$$

we have

$$D_3(Tx_1, Tx_2, Tx_3) = \frac{1}{3} \left( \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq 3} |x_i - x_j| \right)$$

and

$$\max D_3(x_i, Tx_i, Tx_i) = D_3(1, T(1), T(1)) = \frac{4}{3} \text{ for all } x_i \in X$$

For  $k = \frac{3}{4}$ , we have

$$D_3(Tx_1, Tx_2, Tx_3) \leq k \max D_3(x_i, Tx_i, Tx_i) \forall x_i \in X.$$

Then  $T$  has a unique fixed point  $z = 0 : Tz = z$ .

**Definition 16.** Let a  $(X, D_p)$  be  $D_p$ -metric space a map

$$W : X^{p-1} \times I^{p-1} \longrightarrow X$$

is to be a convex structure on  $X$  if:

$$D_p(W(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{p-1}; \lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_{p-1})), u_2, \dots, u_p) \leq \sum_{i=1}^{p-1} \lambda_i D_p(x_i, u_2, \dots, u_p)$$

with  $\sum_{i=1}^{p-1} \lambda_i = 1$ ,  $\lambda_i \in I := [0, 1]$  and  $x_i \in X$  for  $i = 1, \dots, p-1$ ;  $u_j \in X$  for  $j = 2, \dots, p$ .

$(X, D_p, W)$  is called a convex  $D_p$ -metric space. A subset  $C$  of a convex  $D_p$ -metric space is said to be a convex if  $W(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{p-1}; \lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_{p-1}) \in C$  for all  $x_i \in C$ ,  $\lambda_i \in I$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, p-1$ .

**Definition 17.** Let  $(X, D_p, W)$  be convex  $D_p$ -metric space and  $T : X \longrightarrow X$  be a mapping. Let  $\alpha_n^i \in [0, 1]$  with  $\sum_{i=0}^{p-2} \alpha_n^i = 1$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . For  $x_0 \in X$ , we define the sequence  $\{x_n\}$  by :

$$(1) \quad x_{n+1} = W(x_n, Tx_n, \dots, Tx_n; \alpha_n^0, \alpha_n^1, \dots, \alpha_n^{p-2})$$

is called Mann iterative process in the convex metric space  $(X, D_p, W)$ .

Then we have :

$$D_p(x_{n+1}, u_2, u_3, \dots, u_p) = D_p(W(x_n, Tx_n, \dots, Tx_n; \alpha_n^0, \alpha_n^1, \dots, \alpha_n^{p-2}), u_2, u_3, \dots, u_p)$$

$$\leq \alpha_n^0 D_p(x_n, u_2, u_3, \dots, u_p) + \sum_{i=1}^{p-2} \alpha_n^i D_p(Tx_n, u_2, \dots, u_p)$$

$$= \alpha_n^0 D_p(x_n, u_2, u_3, \dots, u_p) + (1 - \alpha_n^0) D_p(Tx_n, u_2, \dots, u_p)$$

**Theorem 18.** Let  $(X, D_p, W)$  be a convex  $D_p$ -metric space and  $T : X \longrightarrow X$  be a mapping such that  $D_p(Tx_1, Tx_2, \dots, Tx_p) \leq a_0 D_p(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_p) + \sum_{i=1}^p a_i D_p(x_i, Tx_i, \dots, Tx_i)$  for all  $x_i \in X$ ,  $0 \leq a_i$ , and  $0 \leq \sum_{i=0}^p a_i < 1$  and let  $z$  a fixed point for  $T$ . Let  $\{x_n\}$  defined by : (1) with  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \alpha_n^i = \infty$  and  $\sum_{i=0}^{p-2} \alpha_n^i = 1$  then  $\{x_n\}$  converges to fixed point of  $T$ .

*Proof.* We have:

$$\begin{aligned} D_p(x_{n+1}, z, z, \dots, z) &= D_p(W(x_n, Tx_n, \dots, Tx_n; \alpha_n^0, \alpha_n^1, \dots, \alpha_n^{p-2}), z, z, \dots, z)) \\ &\leq \alpha_n^0 D_p(x_n, z, z, \dots, z) + \sum_{i=1}^{p-2} \alpha_n^i D_p(Tx_n, z, \dots, z) \end{aligned}$$

We know that

$$\begin{aligned} D_p(Tx_n, z, \dots, z) &= D_p(Tx_n, Tz, \dots, Tz) \leq a_0 D_p(x_n, z, \dots, z) + a_1 D_p(x_n, Tx_n, \dots, Tx_n) \\ &\leq a_0 D_p(x_n, z, \dots, z) + a_1 (D_p(x_n, z, \dots, z) + D_p(z, z, \dots, z, Tx_n)) \\ &\leq a_0 D_p(x_n, z, \dots, z) + a_1 (D_p(x_n, z, \dots, z) + (p-1) D_p(z, z, \dots, z, Tx_n)) \end{aligned}$$

implies that

$$D_p(Tx_n, z, \dots, z) \leq \frac{a_0 + a_1}{1 - (p-1)a_1} D_p(x_n, z, \dots, z).$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} D_p(x_{n+1}, z, z, \dots, z) &\leq \alpha_n^0 D_p(x_n, z, z, \dots, z) + \sum_{i=1}^{p-2} \alpha_n^i \frac{a_0 + a_1}{1 - (p-1)a_1} D_p(x_n, z, \dots, z) \\ &= (\alpha_n^0 + \sum_{i=1}^{p-2} \alpha_n^i \frac{a_0 + a_1}{1 - (p-1)a_1}) D_p(x_n, z, \dots, z) \\ &= (1 - \sum_{i=1}^{p-2} \alpha_n^i + \sum_{i=1}^{p-2} \alpha_n^i \frac{a_0 + a_1}{1 - (p-1)a_1}) D_p(x_n, z, \dots, z) \\ &= (1 - \sum_{i=1}^{p-2} \alpha_n^i (1 - \frac{a_0 + a_1}{1 - (p-1)a_1})) D_p(x_n, z, \dots, z) \\ &= (1 - \sum_{i=1}^{p-2} \alpha_n^i (1 - \delta)) D_p(x_n, z, \dots, z) \text{ with } 0 \leq \delta = \frac{a_0 + a_1}{1 - (p-1)a_1} < 1. \end{aligned}$$

That implies .

$$D_p(x_{n+1}, z, z, \dots, z) \leq \prod_{k=0}^n (1 - \sum_{i=1}^{p-2} \alpha_k^i (1 - \delta)) D_p(x_0, z, \dots, z).$$

As

$$\delta < 1, \sum_{i=1}^{p-2} \alpha_k^i \in [0, 1] \text{ and } \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \alpha_n^i = \infty$$

then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \prod_{k=0}^n \left(1 - \sum_{i=1}^{p-2} \alpha_k^i (1-\delta)\right) = 0$$

which implies that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} D_p(x_{n+1}, z, z, \dots, z) = 0.$$

Hence the sequence  $\{x_n\}$  converge to  $z$  fixed point for  $T$ .  $\square$

## CONFLICT OF INTERESTS

The author(s) declare that there is no conflict of interests.

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