

## COINCIDENCE THEOREMS IN COMPLETE METRIC SPACES

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**Abstract.** The purpose of this paper is to introduce new classes of generalized contractive type set-valued mappings and weakly dissipative mappings and to prove some coincidence theorems for these mappings by using the concept of  $\omega$ -distances.

### 1. Introduction

Recently, in [6] and [8], Kada-Suzuki-Takahashi introduced the new concept of  $\omega$ -distances in metric spaces and improved Caristi's fixed point theorem, Ekeland's  $\varepsilon$ -variational principle and the nonconvex minimization theorem in metric spaces.

On the other hand, in [5], Husain-Latif introduced a class of generalized contractive type set-valued mappings in metric spaces and showed the existence of fixed points for these mappings ([3], [4], [9]).

In this paper, we introduce new classes of generalized contractive type set-valued mappings and weakly dissipative mappings in metric spaces and prove some coincidence theorems for these mappings by using the concept of  $\omega$ -distances. Our main results extend, generalize and improve the results of Caristi ([1]), Nadler ([17]), Kada-Suzuki-Takahashi ([6]) and others ([2]-[5], [9]).

### 2. Preliminaries

Throughout this paper, let  $N$  and  $R$  denote the sets of positive integers and real numbers, respectively.

**Definition 2.1.** ([6]) Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space. A function  $p : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  is called a  $\omega$ -distance on  $X$  if the following conditions are satisfied:

- (1)  $p(x, z) \leq p(x, y) + p(y, z)$  for all  $x, y, z \in X$ ,
- (2) for any  $x \in X$ ,  $p(x, \cdot) : X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  is lower semicontinuous,

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- (3) for any  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists a number  $\delta > 0$  such that  $p(z, x) \leq \delta$  and  $p(z, y) \leq \delta$  imply  $d(x, y) \leq \varepsilon$ .

Some examples of  $\omega$ -distances are given as follows:

**Example.** ([6]) (1) If  $X$  is a metric space with the metric  $d$ , then  $p = d$  is a  $\omega$ -distance on  $X$ .

(2) If  $X$  is a normed linear space with the norm  $\|\cdot\|$ , then a function  $p : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  defined by  $p(x, y) = \|x\| + \|y\|$  for all  $x, y \in X$  is a  $\omega$ -distance on  $X$ .

(3) Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space. If  $T$  is a continuous mapping from  $X$  into itself, then a function  $p : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  defined by  $p(x, y) = \max\{d(Tx, y), D(Tx, Ty)\}$  for all  $x, y \in X$  is a  $\omega$ -distance on  $X$ .

(4) Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space and  $F$  be a bounded and closed subset of  $X$ . If  $F$  contains at least two points and  $C$  is a constant with  $C \geq \text{diam } F$ , where  $\text{diam } F$  denotes the diameter of  $F$ , then a function  $p : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  defined by

$$p(x, y) = \begin{cases} d(x, y) & \text{for } x, y \in F, \\ C & \text{for } x \notin F \text{ or } y \notin F \end{cases}$$

is a  $\omega$ -distance on  $X$ .

We need the following lemma for our main theorems:

**Lemma 2.1.** ([6]) *Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space,  $p$  be a  $\omega$ -distance and  $\{x_n\}, \{y_n\}$  be sequences in  $X$ . Let  $\{a_n\}$  and  $\{\beta_n\}$  be sequences in  $[0, \infty)$  converging to 0 and let  $x, y, z \in X$ . Then we have the following:*

- (1) *If  $p(x_n, y) \leq a_n$  and  $p(x_n, z) \leq \beta_n$  for any  $n \in N$ , then  $y = z$ . In particular, if  $p(x, y) = 0$  and  $p(x, z) = 0$ , then  $y = z$ .*
- (2) *If  $p(x_n, y_n) \leq a_n$  and  $p(x_n, z) \leq \beta_n$  for any  $n \in N$ , then  $\{y_n\}$  converges to  $z$ .*
- (3) *If  $p(x_n, x_m) \leq a_n$  for any  $n, m \in N$  with  $m > n$ , then  $\{x_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence in  $X$ .*
- (4) *If  $p(y, x_n) \leq a_n$  for any  $n \in N$ , then  $\{x_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence in  $X$ .*

Let  $2^X$  denote the family of all nonempty subsets of a metric space  $(X, d)$ .

**Definition 2.2.** Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space and  $M$  be a nonempty subset of  $X$ . Let  $p$  be a  $\omega$ -distance on  $X$  and  $f$  be a function from  $M$  into  $X$ .  $J : M \rightarrow 2^X$  is said to be a weakly  $f$ -contractive type set-valued mapping if, for all  $x \in M$  and  $u_x \in Jx$ , there exists  $v_y \in Jy$  for all  $y \in M$  such that

$$p(u_x, v_y) \leq hp(fx, fy)$$

for some  $h \in [0, 1)$ .

**Definition 2.3.** ([16]) Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space and  $p$  be a  $\omega$ -distance on  $X$ . A set-valued mapping  $J : X \rightarrow 2^X$  is said to be weakly contractive (or  $p$ -contractive) if, for any  $x_1, x_2 \in X$  and  $y_1 \in Jx_1$ , there exists  $y_2 \in Jx_2$  such that

$$p(y_1, y_2) \leq rp(x_1, x_2)$$

for some  $r \in [0, 1)$ .

**Definition 2.4.** ([5]) Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space and  $M$  be a nonempty subset of  $X$ .  $J : M \rightarrow 2^X$  is called a contractive type set-valued mapping if, for all  $x \in M$  and  $u_x \in Jx$ , there exists  $v_y \in Jy$  for all  $y \in M$  such that

$$d(u_x, v_y) \leq hd(x, y)$$

for some  $h \in [0, 1)$ .

**Remark.** It is obvious that a weakly  $f$ -contractive type set-valued mapping is more generalized than the weakly contractive type and contractive type set-valued mappings.

Let  $C(X)$  denote the family of all nonempty closed subsets of a metric space  $(X, d)$  and  $A$  be a set-valued mapping from  $X$  into  $C(X)$ .

**Definition 2.5.** Let  $p$  be a  $\omega$ -distance on  $X$  and  $f : X \rightarrow X$  be a mapping. A function  $\phi : X \rightarrow [0, +\infty)$  is called a  $(f, p)$ -weak entropy of a set-valued mapping  $A : X \rightarrow C(X)$  if, for all  $x \in X$ , there exists  $y \in Ax$  such that

$$p(fx, fy) \leq \phi(x) - \phi(y). \quad (2.1)$$

**Definition 2.6.** A set-valued mapping  $A : X \rightarrow C(X)$  is said to be  $(f, p)$ -weakly dissipative if there exists a  $(f, p)$ -weak entropy of  $A$ .

**Definition 2.7.** A set-valued mapping  $A : X \rightarrow C(X)$  is said to be upper semicontinuous if

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} H_+(Ax_n, Ax) = 0$$

whenever  $\{x_n\}$  is a sequence in  $X$  such that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x \in X$ , where

$$H_+(S, T) = \sup_{y \in Tx} \inf_{x \in S} d(x, y)$$

for all  $S, T \in C(X)$ .

### 3. Main results

Now, we are ready to give our main theorems.

**Theorem 3.1.** *Let  $(X, d)$  be a complete metric space,  $M$  be a nonempty closed subset of  $X$  and  $p$  be a  $\omega$ -distance on  $X$ . Let  $f : M \rightarrow M$  be a function and  $J : M \rightarrow 2^M$  be a weakly  $f$ -contractive type set-valued mapping with closed values. If  $f(M) = M$ , then there exists a point  $z \in M$  such that  $fz \in Jz$ .*

**Proof.** Let  $x_0$  be an arbitrary but fixed element of  $M$  and choose  $y_1 \in J(x_0)$ . Since  $f(M) = M$ , we can choose  $x_1 \in M$  such that  $y_1 = fx_1$ . Moreover, since  $J$  is weakly  $f$ -contractive type, there exists  $y_2 \in Jx_1$  such that, for some  $h \in [0, 1)$ ,

$$p(y_1, y_2) \leq hp(fx_0, fx_1).$$

Since  $f(M) = M$ , we can choose again  $x_2 \in M$  such that  $fx_2 = y_2$ . Inductively, we can obtain a sequence  $\{fx_n\}$  in  $M = f(M)$  such that

$$\begin{cases} fx_{n+1} \in Jx_n, \\ p(fx_n, fx_{n+1}) \leq hp(fx_{n-1}, fx_n) \end{cases} \quad (3.1)$$

for  $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ . Thus we have

$$\begin{aligned} p(fx_n, fx_{n+1}) &\leq hp(fx_{n-1}, fx_n) \\ &\leq \dots \\ &\leq h^n p(fx_0, fx_1). \end{aligned} \quad (3.2)$$

Since  $h \in [0, 1)$ , it follows from (3.2) and Lemma 2.1 that  $\{fx_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence in  $M = f(M)$ . Hence, by the completeness of  $M$ ,  $\{fx_n\}$  converges to a point  $u \in M$ . Since  $f(M) = M$ , there exists  $z \in M$  such that  $fz = u$ .

Furthermore, since  $Fx_{n+1} \in Jx_n$  for  $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ ,  $J$  is weakly  $f$ -contractive type and  $f(M) = M$ , we can choose  $fv_n \in Jz$  such that

$$p(fx_{n+1}, fv_n) \leq hp(fx_n, fz). \quad (3.3)$$

Since  $fx_n \rightarrow fz = u$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , by the lower semicontinuity of  $p$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} p(fx_n, fz) &\leq \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} p(fx_n, fx_m) \\ &\leq \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} h^{m-n} p(fx_0, fx_1) \end{aligned} \quad (3.4)$$

for all  $m, n \in N$  with  $m > n$ . Therefore, from (3.3), (3.4) and lemma 2.1, it follows that  $fv_n \rightarrow fz$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . Since  $Jz$  is closed,  $fz \in Jz$ . This completes the proof.

**Remark.** If  $f = I_X$  (: the identity mapping on  $X$ ), then we obtain Theorem 2 in [6]. Further, if  $f = I_X$  and  $p = d$ , then we have Theorem 2.3 in [2] as a corollary.

Next, we need the following lemma for a generalization of Caristi's fixed point theorem. The proof of the following lemma is similar to that of Lemma 1 in [6]:

**Lemma 3.2.** *Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space and  $p$  be a  $\omega$ -distance on  $X$ . If  $p(x_n, x_m) \leq a_{n,m}$  for any  $n, m \in N$  with  $m > n$  and  $a_{n,m} \geq 0$  with  $a_{n,m} \rightarrow 0$  as  $n, m \rightarrow \infty$ , then  $\{x_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence in  $X$ .*

**Proof.** Note that, for sufficiently large  $m, n \in N$  with  $m > n$ ,  $a_{m,n} \rightarrow 0^+$ . Let  $\varepsilon \geq 0$ . By the definition of  $\omega$ -distance, there exists  $\delta > 0$  such that  $p(u, v) \leq \delta$  and  $p(u, z) \leq \delta$  imply  $d(v, z) \leq \varepsilon$ . Thus, since  $a_{m,n} \rightarrow 0^+$  as  $n, m \rightarrow \infty$ , there exists a positive integer  $n_0 \in N$  such that  $a_{n_0,m} < \delta$  for  $n, m \geq n_0$ , which implies that  $p(x_{n_0}, x_m) < \delta$  and  $p(x_{n_0}, x_n) < \delta$ . Therefore,  $d(x_n, x_m) \leq \varepsilon$ , i.e.,  $\{x_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence in  $X$ . This completes the proof.

**Theorem 3.3.** *Let  $(X, d)$  be a complete metric space and  $p$  be a  $\omega$ -distance on  $X$ . If a function  $f : X \rightarrow X$  is surjective and a set-valued mapping  $A : X \rightarrow C(X)$  is  $(f, p)$ -weakly dissipative and upper semicontinuous, then there exists  $z \in X$  such that  $fz \in Az$ .*

**Proof.** Let  $\phi$  be a  $(f, p)$ -weak entropy of a set-valued mapping  $A : X \rightarrow C(X)$ . By (2.1), we can construct a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $X$  such that

$$\begin{cases} fx_{n+1} \in Ax_n, \\ p(fx_n, fx_{n+1}) \leq \phi(x_n) - \phi(x_{n+1}) \end{cases} \quad (3.5)$$

for  $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ . From (3.5), it follows that  $\phi(x_n) \geq 0$  for  $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$  and  $\{\phi(x_n)\}$  is nonincreasing.

Suppose that  $\phi(x_n) \rightarrow a \in [0, \infty)$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . Then, since, for any  $i, j \in N$  with  $i < j$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} p(fx_i, fx_j) &\leq \sum_{n=i}^{j-1} p(fx_n, fx_{n+1}) \\ &\leq \sum_{n=i}^{j-1} (\phi(x_n) - \phi(x_{n+1})) \\ &= \phi(x_i) - \phi(x_j), \end{aligned} \quad (3.6)$$

from Lemma 3.2, it follows that  $\{fx_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence in  $X$ . Since  $(X, d)$  is complete,  $\{fx_n\}$  converges to a point  $u \in X$ . since  $f$  is surjective, there exists  $z \in X$  such that  $fz = u$ . Furthermore, since  $fx_{n+1} \in Ax_n$ , we have

$$d(fx_{n+1}, Az) \leq H_+(Az, Ax_n). \quad (3.7)$$

Thus, since  $A$  is upper semicontinuous,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} H_+(Az, Ax_n) = 0$ . On the other hand, we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(fx_{n+1}, Az) = d(fz, Az).$$

Therefore, from (3.7), it follows that  $d(fz, Az) = 0$  and so, since  $Az$  is closed,  $fz \in Az$ . This completes the proof.

**Remark.** From Theorem 3.3, we have Caristi's fixed point theorem [1] as a corollary.

The following example illustrates our theorem:

**Example.** Let  $X = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$  and define  $d, p : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  as follows, respectively:

$$\begin{aligned} d(1, 1) &= d(2, 2) = d(3, 3) = d(4, 4) = 0, \\ d(1, 2) &= d(2, 1) = 1, d(1, 3) = d(3, 1) = 2, \\ d(1, 4) &= d(4, 1) = 3, d(2, 3) = d(3, 2) = 2, \\ d(1, 1) &= d(4, 2) = 3, d(3, 4) = d(4, 3) = 1 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} p(1, 1) &= 1, p(1, 2) = 1, p(1, 3) = 2, p(1, 4) = 3, \\ p(2, 1) &= 2, p(2, 2) = 1, p(2, 3) = 3, p(2, 4) = 2, \\ p(3, 1) &= 2, p(3, 2) = 1, p(3, 3) = 2, p(3, 4) = 1, \\ p(4, 1) &= 1, p(4, 2) = 2, p(4, 3) = 2, p(4, 4) = 2. \end{aligned}$$

Clearly  $d$  is a metric and  $p$  is a  $\omega$ -distance on  $X$ , respectively. Define  $f : X \rightarrow X$  by

$$f(1) = 2, f(2) = 3, f(3) = 1, f(4) = 4$$

and  $\phi : X \rightarrow [0, +\infty)$  by

$$\phi(1) = 8, \phi(2) = 4, \phi(3) = 7, \phi(4) = 6.$$

Next, define  $A : X \rightarrow C(X)$  by

$$A(1) = \{2, 3\}, A(2) = \{3, 4\}, A(3) = \{1, 2\}, A(4) = \{2, 4\}.$$

By routine computation, it is easy to check that all the conditions of Theorem 3.3 are satisfied. Moreover, for all  $z \in X$ , we have  $fz \in Az$ .

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