

FIXED DISCS IN QUASI-METRIC SPACES

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Abstract. In this paper, we present some results of fixed disc and common fixed disc in quasi-metric spaces, under some very interesting contractions. Obtained results are supported by illustrative examples.

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1. INTRODUCTION AND PRELIMINARIES

There are various approaches to generalize the known fixed-point results. One of these approaches is to generalize the used metric spaces such as a quasi-metric space.

First, we remind the reader of the definition of a metric space.

Definition 1.1 Let \mathcal{X} be a nonempty set. A mapping $d : \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{X} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ is said to be a metric on \mathcal{X} if for all $x, y, z \in \mathcal{X}$, it satisfies the following conditions:

(d_1) $x = y$ if and only if $d(x, y) = 0$;

(d_2) $d(x, y) = d(y, x)$;

(d_3) $d(x, y) \leq d(x, z) + d(z, y)$.

In this case, the pair (\mathcal{X}, d) is called a metric space.

In quasi-metric spaces, the symmetry condition is dropped.

Definition 1.2 Let \mathcal{X} be a nonempty set. A mapping $q : \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{X} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ is said to be a quasi-metric on \mathcal{X} if for all $x, y, z \in \mathcal{X}$, it satisfies the following conditions:

(q_1) $x = y$ if and only if $q(x, y) = 0$;

(q_2) $q(x, y) \leq q(x, z) + q(z, y)$.

In this case, the pair (\mathcal{X}, q) is called a quasi-metric space.

Notice that every metric is a quasi-metric, but there exist some examples of a quasi-metric which is not a metric (see [12] and [21] for some examples). On the other hand, there are some advantages of quasi-metric spaces with respect to metric spaces as tools in program verification (see [23] and the references therein). So, studying on a quasi-metric space is important for the context of fixed-point theory and generalizations. For more details, we refer the readers to [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 9]. Throughout this paper, we denote by \mathbb{R} the set of all real numbers, and \mathbb{N} represents the set of all positive integers.

Example 1.3 Let $\mathcal{X} = l_1$ be defined by

$$l_1 = \left\{ \{\xi_n\}_{n \geq 1} \subset \mathbb{R} : \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |\xi_n| < \infty \right\}.$$

Consider $q : \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{X} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ such that

$$q(\eta, \xi) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (\xi_n - \eta_n)^+,$$

where $\alpha^+ := \max\{\alpha, 0\}$ denotes the positive part of a number $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$, $\xi = \{\xi_n\}$ and $\eta = \{\eta_n\}$ are in \mathcal{X} . Note that, (\mathcal{X}, q) is a quasi-metric space. For the topological properties of this space one can consult [11].

Now, we mention the some topological notions related to quasi-metric spaces. We recall convergence and completeness on a quasi-metric space.

Definition 1.4 Let (\mathcal{X}, q) be a quasi-metric space, $\{\xi_n\}$ be a sequence in \mathcal{X} and $\xi \in \mathcal{X}$. The sequence $\{\xi_n\}$ converges to ξ if and only if

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} q(\xi_n, \xi) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} q(\xi, \xi_n) = 0. \quad (1.1)$$

Remark 1.5 In a quasi-metric space (\mathcal{X}, q) , the limit for a convergent sequence is unique. Also, if $\xi_n \rightarrow \xi$, we have for all $y \in \mathcal{X}$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} q(\xi_n, \eta) = q(\xi, \eta) \text{ and } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} q(\eta, \xi_n) = q(\eta, \xi).$$

In fact, $\xi_n \rightarrow \xi$ and $\eta_n \rightarrow \eta \Rightarrow q(\xi_n, \eta_n) \rightarrow q(\xi, \eta)$.

Definition 1.6 [22] Let (\mathcal{X}, q) be a quasi-metric space and $\{\xi_n\}$ be a sequence in \mathcal{X} . We say that $\{\xi_n\}$ is right K-Cauchy if and only if for every $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists a positive integer $N = N(\varepsilon)$ such that $q(\xi_n, \xi_m) < \varepsilon$ for all $n \geq m > N$.

Definition 1.7 [22] Let (\mathcal{X}, q) be a quasi-metric space and $\{\xi_n\}$ be a sequence in \mathcal{X} . We say that $\{\xi_n\}$ is left K-Cauchy if and only if for every $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists a positive integer $N = N(\varepsilon)$ such that $q(\xi_n, \xi_m) < \varepsilon$ for all $m \geq n > N$.

Definition 1.8 Let (\mathcal{X}, q) be a quasi-metric space and $\{\xi_n\}$ be a sequence in \mathcal{X} . We say that $\{\xi_n\}$ is Cauchy if and only if for every $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists a positive integer $N = N(\varepsilon)$ such that $q(\xi_n, \xi_m) < \varepsilon$ for all $m, n > N$.

Remark 1.9 A sequence $\{\xi_n\}$ in a quasi-metric space is Cauchy if and only if it is right K-Cauchy and left K-Cauchy.

Definition 1.10 [24] Let (\mathcal{X}, q) be a quasi-metric space.

(1) (\mathcal{X}, q) is said left-complete if and only if each left K-Cauchy sequence in \mathcal{X} is convergent.

(2) (\mathcal{X}, q) is said right-complete if and only if each right K-Cauchy sequence in X is convergent.

(3) (\mathcal{X}, q) is said complete if and only if each Cauchy sequence in \mathcal{X} is convergent.

Remark 1.11 If q is a quasi-metric on X , then $\bar{q}(x, y) = q(y, x)$ for all $x, y \in X$ is another quasi-metric, called the conjugate of q and $q^s(x, y) = \max\{q(x, y), \bar{q}(x, y)\}$ for all $x, y \in X$ is a metric on X . Moreover, we have

$$\begin{aligned} (1) \quad \xi_n \rightarrow_q \xi &\Leftrightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} q(\xi, \xi_n) = 0; \\ (2) \quad \xi_n \rightarrow_{\bar{q}} \xi &\Leftrightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \bar{q}(\xi, \xi_n) = 0 \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} q(\xi_n, \xi) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Also, note that

$$\begin{aligned} \xi_n \rightarrow_{q^s} \xi &\Leftrightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} q(\xi, \xi_n) = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} q(\xi_n, \xi) = 0 \\ &\Leftrightarrow \xi_n \rightarrow_q \xi \quad \text{and} \quad \xi_n \rightarrow_{\bar{q}} \xi. \end{aligned}$$

Hence, $\xi_n \rightarrow_q \xi$ implies $\xi_n \rightarrow_{q^s} \xi$.

Lemma 1.12 Let (\mathcal{X}, q) be a quasi-metric space and $T : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$ be a self-mapping. Suppose that T is continuous at $\xi \in \mathcal{X}$. Then for each sequence $\{\xi_n\}$ in \mathcal{X} such that $\xi_n \rightarrow \xi$, we have $T\xi_n \rightarrow T\xi$, that is,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} q(T\xi_n, T\xi) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} q(T\xi, T\xi_n) = 0.$$

Using the above notions, it has been studied several fixed-point theorems using various approaches and techniques (see [10], [12], [21], [23], [28] and the references therein).

In this paper, we provide some results on fixed-discs for different contractive mappings in the class of quasi-metric spaces. To do this, we use some new techniques and modify some known contractive conditions. As an application, we give a common fixed-disc theorem. The obtained results are supported by several examples.

2. MAIN RESULTS

A recent approach used to generalize the known fixed-point results is to consider the geometric properties of fixed points when the number of fixed points is not unique. In this context, a new approach, the so called the fixed-circle problem, has been studied in metric spaces via different contractive conditions (see [15], [18], [19], [20] and [25] for more details). In some of these studies, fixed-disc results have been appeared simultaneously (see [6], and [17]).

At first, we recall the following definitions from [10].

Let (X, q) be a quasi-metric space, $x_0 \in X$ and $r > 0$. The upper closed ball of radius r centered x_0 and the lower closed ball of radius r centered x_0 are defined by,

$$\overline{B^+}(x_0, r) = \{x \in X : q(x, x_0) \leq r\}$$

and

$$\overline{B}^-(x_0, r) = \{x \in X : q(x_0, x) \leq r\},$$

respectively. Now, we define the notions of a circle and a disc on a quasi-metric space (X, q) as follows: Let $r \geq 0$ and $x_0 \in X$. The circle $C_{x_0, r}^q$ and the disc $D_{x_0, r}^q$ are

$$C_{x_0, r}^q = \{x \in X : q(x_0, x) = q(x, x_0) = r\}$$

and

$$D_{x_0, r}^q = \overline{B}^+(x_0, r) \cap \overline{B}^-(x_0, r) = \{x \in X : q(x_0, x) \leq r \text{ and } q(x, x_0) \leq r\}.$$

We note that the disc $D_{x_0, r}^q$ is, in fact, the closed ball with respect to the associated metric q^s . Indeed, we have

$$q(x_0, x) \leq r \text{ and } q(x, x_0) \leq r \Leftrightarrow \max\{q(x_0, x), q(x, x_0)\} \leq r \Leftrightarrow q^s(x, x_0) \leq r.$$

Let (X, q) be a quasi-metric space and T be a self-mapping on X . To obtain some fixed-disc results, we define new contractive conditions using the following number

$$r = \inf\{q(x, Tx) \mid x \in X, Tx \neq x\}. \quad (2.1)$$

2.1. Quasi-type F_q -contractions. In [27], Wardowski defined a new class of functions as follows.

Definition 2.1 [27] Let \mathbb{F} be the family of all functions $F : (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that

(F_1) F is strictly increasing;

(F_2) For each sequence $\{\alpha_n\}$ in $(0, \infty)$, the following holds

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \alpha_n = 0 \text{ if and only if } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} F(\alpha_n) = -\infty;$$

(F_3) There exists $k \in (0, 1)$ such that $\lim_{\alpha \rightarrow 0^+} \alpha^k F(\alpha) = 0$.

Using this class of functions, we give the following definition.

Definition 2.2 Let (X, q) be a quasi-metric space, T a self-mapping on X and $F \in \mathbb{F}$. Then T is said to be a quasi- F_q -contraction if there exist $t > 0$ and $x_0 \in X$ such that

$$q(x, Tx) > 0 \Rightarrow t + F(q(x, Tx)) \leq F(q(x_0, x)), \quad (2.2)$$

for each $x \in X$.

Let $Fix(T)$ be the fixed-point set of T . In the following theorem, we see that $Fix(T)$ contains a disc.

Theorem 2.3 Let (X, q) be a quasi-metric space, T be a quasi- F_q -contraction with $x_0 \in X$ on X and r defined as in (2.1). Then we have $\overline{B}^-(x_0, r) \subseteq Fix(T)$, in particular T fixes the disc $D_{x_0, r}^q$.

Proof. At first, we show that x_0 is a fixed point of T . Assume that $q(x_0, Tx_0) > 0$. By the quasi- F_q -contractive property of T we deduce that

$$t + F(q(x_0, Tx_0)) \leq F(q(x_0, x_0)),$$

whence $F(q(x_0, Tx_0)) < F(0)$, which leads to a contradiction given the fact that F is strictly increasing. Thus, we get $Tx_0 = x_0$.

If $r = 0$ then we get $\overline{B}^-(x_0, r) = D_{x_0, r}^q = \{x_0\}$ and clearly, T fixes the center of the disc $D_{x_0, r}^q$ and the whole disc $D_{x_0, r}^q$.

Let $r > 0$ and $x \in \overline{B}^-(x_0, r)$ with $Tx \neq x$. By the definition of r , we have $r \leq q(x, Tx)$. Because of the quasi- F_q -contractive property, there exist $F \in \mathbb{F}$, $t > 0$ and $x_0 \in X$ such that

$$t + F(q(x, Tx)) \leq F(q(x_0, x)) \leq F(r) \leq F(q(x, Tx)),$$

for all $x \in X$. This is a contradiction with $t > 0$. Hence it should be $Tx = x$, hence $\overline{B}^-(x_0, r) \subseteq \text{Fix}(T)$, in particular T fixes the disc $D_{x_0, r}^q$.

Now, we introduce a new rational type contractive condition.

Definition 2.4 Let (X, q) be a quasi-metric space, T a self-mapping on X and $F \in \mathbb{F}$. Then T is said to be quasi- F_q -rational contraction if there exist $t > 0$ and $x_0 \in X$ such that

$$q(x, Tx) > 0 \Rightarrow t + F(q(x, Tx)) \leq F(M_R^q(x_0, x)), \quad (2.3)$$

for all $x \in X$, where

$$M_R^q(x, y) = \max \left\{ \begin{array}{l} q(x, y), q(x, Tx), q(y, Ty), \\ \frac{q(x, Tx)q(y, Ty)}{1 + q(x, y)}, \frac{q(x, Tx)q(y, Ty)}{1 + q(Tx, Ty)} \end{array} \right\}.$$

Theorem 2.5 Let (X, q) be a quasi-metric space, T a quasi- F_q -rational contraction self-mapping with $x_0 \in X$ on X , $Tx_0 = x_0$ and r defined as in (2.1). Then we have $\overline{B}^-(x_0, r) \subseteq \text{Fix}(T)$, in particular T fixes the disc $D_{x_0, r}^q$.

Proof. Suppose that $r = 0$. So we have $\overline{B}^-(x_0, r) = D_{x_0, r}^q = \{x_0\}$. Using the hypothesis $Tx_0 = x_0$, T fixes the disc $D_{x_0, r}^q$.

Let $r > 0$ and $x \in \overline{B}^-(x_0, r)$ with $Tx \neq x$. By the definition of r , we have $r \leq q(x, Tx)$. Because of the quasi- F_q -rational contractive property, there exist $F \in \mathbb{F}$, $t > 0$ and $x_0 \in X$ such that

$$t + F(q(x, Tx)) \leq F(M_R^q(x_0, x)),$$

for all $x \in X$. Then we get

$$\begin{aligned} t + F(q(x, Tx)) &\leq F(M_R^q(x_0, x)) \\ &= F \left(\max \left\{ \begin{array}{l} q(x_0, x), q(x_0, Tx_0), q(x, Tx), \\ \frac{q(x_0, Tx_0)q(x, Tx)}{1 + q(x_0, x)}, \frac{q(x_0, Tx_0)q(x, Tx)}{1 + q(Tx_0, Tx)} \end{array} \right\} \right) \\ &\leq F(\max\{r, q(x, Tx)\}) = F(q(x, Tx)), \end{aligned}$$

a contradiction. Hence it should be $Tx = x$. Consequently, $\overline{B}^-(x_0, r) \subseteq \text{Fix}(T)$, in particular T fixes the disc $D_{x_0, r}^q$.

2.2. Quasi- α - x_0 -contractive type mappings. First, we present the definition of an x_0 -contractive mapping in quasi-metric spaces.

Definition 2.6 Let (X, q) be a quasi-metric space, T a self-mapping on X and $0 < k < 1$. Then T is said to be a quasi- x_0 -contractive mapping if there exist $x_0 \in X$ such that

$$q(x, Tx) \leq kq(x_0, x), \quad (2.4)$$

for every $x \in X$.

Clearly, x_0 is always a fixed point of T in Definition 2.6. Now, we show that if T is a quasi- x_0 -contractive mapping, then $Fix(T)$ contains a disc.

Theorem 2.7 Let (X, q) be a quasi-metric space, T a quasi- x_0 -contractive self-mapping with $x_0 \in X$ on X and r defined as in (2.1). Then we have $\overline{B}^-(x_0, r) \subseteq Fix(T)$, in particular T fixes the disc $D_{x_0, r}^q$.

Proof. In the case $r = 0$, it is clear that $\overline{B}^-(x_0, r) = D_{x_0, r}^q = \{x_0\}$ is a fixed disc of T .

Suppose that $r > 0$. Let $x \in \overline{B}^-(x_0, r)$ be such that $Tx \neq x$. By the definition of r , we have $r \leq q(x, Tx)$. On the other hand, using the quasi- x_0 -contractive property of T , we obtain

$$0 < q(x, Tx) \leq kq(x_0, x) \leq kr < r,$$

which leads us to a contradiction. Thus, $Tx = x$ for every $x \in \overline{B}^-(x_0, r)$, that is, $\overline{B}^-(x_0, r) \subseteq Fix(T)$. In particular, T fixes the disc $D_{x_0, r}^q$.

Now, we define the concept of quasi- α - x_0 -contractive self-mappings in a quasi-metric spaces.

Definition 2.8 Let T be a self mapping on a quasi-metric space (X, q) . Then T is said to be a quasi- α - x_0 -contractive self-mapping if there exist a function $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow (0, \infty)$, $0 < k < 1$ and $x_0 \in X$ such that

$$\alpha(x_0, Tx)q(x, Tx) \leq kq(x_0, x), \quad (2.5)$$

for all $x \in X$.

We recall α - x_0 -admissible maps as follows:

Definition 2.9 [6] Let X be a non-empty set. Given a function $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow (0, \infty)$ and $x_0 \in X$. Then T is said to be an α - x_0 -admissible if for every $x \in X$,

$$\alpha(x_0, x) \geq 1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \alpha(x_0, Tx) \geq 1.$$

Theorem 2.10 Let (X, q) be a quasi-metric space, T a quasi- α - x_0 -contractive self-mapping with $x_0 \in X$ on X and r defined as in (2.1). Assume that T is α - x_0 -admissible and $\alpha(x_0, x) \geq 1$ for all $x \in \overline{B}^-(x_0, r)$. Then we have $\overline{B}^-(x_0, r) \subseteq Fix(T)$, in particular T fixes the disc $D_{x_0, r}^q$.

Proof. By the definition of a quasi- α - x_0 -contractive self-mapping, it is easy to see that x_0 is always a fixed point of T . Therefore, if $r = 0$ then we have $\overline{B}^-(x_0, r) = D_{x_0, r}^q = \{x_0\}$ and the proof follows.

Suppose that $r > 0$. Let $x \in \overline{B^-(x_0, r)}$ such that $Tx \neq x$. By the definition of r , we have $r \leq q(x, Tx)$. On the other hand, we have $\alpha(x_0, x) \geq 1$. Using the α - x_0 -admissible property and the quasi- α - x_0 -contractive property of T , we find

$$0 < q(x, Tx) \leq \alpha(x_0, Tx)q(x, Tx) \leq kq(x_0, x) \leq kr < r,$$

which leads us to a contradiction. Thus, $\overline{B^-(x_0, r)} \subseteq \text{Fix}(T)$, in particular T fixes the disc $D_{x_0, r}^q$.

The concept of a quasi- F_q^α -contractive mapping is defined as follows.

Definition 2.11 Let (X, q) be a quasi-metric space, T a self-mapping on X and $F \in \mathbb{F}$. Then T is called a quasi- F_q^α -contraction if there exist $t > 0$, a function $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow (0, \infty)$ and $x_0 \in X$ such that

$$q(x, Tx) > 0 \Rightarrow t + \alpha(x_0, Tx)F(q(x, Tx)) \leq F(q(x_0, x)), \quad (2.6)$$

for all $x \in X$.

Theorem 2.12 Let (X, q) be a quasi-metric space, T a quasi- F_q^α -contractive self-mapping with $x_0 \in X$ and r defined as in (2.1). Suppose that T is α - x_0 -admissible and $\alpha(x_0, x) \geq 1$ for all $x \in \overline{B^-(x_0, r)}$. Then we have $\overline{B^-(x_0, r)} \subseteq \text{Fix}(T)$, in particular T fixes the disc $D_{x_0, r}^q$.

Proof. At first, using the quasi- F_q^α -contractive property, one can easily deduce that $Tx_0 = x_0$. Hence we have $\overline{B^-(x_0, r)} = D_{x_0, r}^q = \{x_0\}$ if $r = 0$. Clearly, T fixes the disc $D_{x_0, r}^q$.

Assume that $r > 0$. Let $x \in \overline{B^-(x_0, r)}$ where $Tx \neq x$. Therefore, by the definition of r , we have $r \leq q(x, Tx)$. On the other hand, we have $\alpha(x_0, x) \geq 1$ and T is α - x_0 -admissible. So, using the quasi- F_q^α -contractive property of T , we deduce

$$F(q(x, Tx)) < t + \alpha(x_0, Tx)F(q(x, Tx)) \leq F(q(x_0, x)) \leq F(r) \leq F(q(x, Tx)).$$

Thus, by the fact that F is strictly increasing and $t > 0$ we get a contradiction. Hence, we have $\overline{B^-(x_0, r)} \subseteq \text{Fix}(T)$, in particular T fixes the disc $D_{x_0, r}^q$.

Definition 2.13 Let (X, q) be a quasi-metric space, T a self-mapping on X and $F \in \mathbb{F}$. Then T is called a Ćirić type quasi- F_q -contraction if there exist $t > 0$ and $x_0 \in X$ such that

$$q(x, Tx) > 0 \implies t + \alpha(x_0, Tx)F(q(x, Tx)) \leq F(M_C^q(x_0, x)), \quad (2.7)$$

for all $x \in X$, where

$$M_C^q(x, y) = \max \left\{ q(x, y), q(x, Tx), q(y, Ty), \frac{q(x, Ty) + q(y, Tx)}{2} \right\}. \quad (2.8)$$

Proposition 2.14 Let (X, q) be a metric space. If T is a Ćirić type quasi- F_q -contraction with $x_0 \in X$ such that $\alpha(x_0, Tx_0) \geq 1$, then we have $Tx_0 = x_0$.

Proof. Assume that $Tx_0 \neq x_0$. From the definition of a Ćirić type quasi- F_q -contraction, we get

$$\begin{aligned} q(x_0, Tx_0) > 0 &\implies t + \alpha(x_0, Tx_0)F(q(x_0, Tx_0)) \leq F(M_C^q(x_0, x_0)) \\ &= F\left(\max\left\{q(x_0, x_0), q(x_0, Tx_0), q(x_0, Tx_0), \frac{q(x_0, Tx_0) + q(x_0, Tx_0)}{2}\right\}\right) \\ &= F(q(x_0, Tx_0)), \end{aligned}$$

which is a contradiction since $t > 0$. Then we have $Tx_0 = x_0$.

We give a generalization of Theorem 2.12.

Theorem 2.15 Let (X, q) be a quasi-metric space, T a Ćirić type quasi- F_q -contraction with $x_0 \in X$ and r defined as in (2.1). Assume that T is α - x_0 -admissible and if for every $x \in D_{x_0, r}^q$, we have $q(x_0, Tx) \leq r$. Then T fixes the disc $D_{x_0, r}^q$.

Proof. If $r = 0$, clearly $D_{x_0, r}^q = \{x_0\}$ is a fixed-disc (point) by Proposition 2.14.

Assume that $r > 0$. Let $x \in D_{x_0, r}^q$. By the definition of r , we have $q(x, Tx) \geq r$. So using the Ćirić type quasi- F_q -contractive property and the fact that T is α - x_0 -admissible and F is increasing, we get

$$\begin{aligned} F(q(x, Tx)) &< \alpha(x_0, Tx)F(q(x, Tx)) + t \leq F(M_C^q(x_0, x)) \\ &= F\left(\max\left\{q(x_0, x), q(x_0, Tx), q(x, Tx), \frac{q(x_0, Tx) + q(x, Tx)}{2}\right\}\right) \\ &\leq F(\max\{r, q(x, Tx), 0, r\}) \leq F(q(x, Tx)), \end{aligned}$$

which leads to a contradiction. Therefore, $q(x, Tx) = 0$ and so $Tx = x$. Hence, T fixes the disc $D_{x_0, r}^q$.

2.3. Quasi- α - φ - x_0 -contractive type mappings. At first, we recall the notion of a (c) -comparison functions [8] (see also [13]).

Definition 2.16 [8] A function $\varphi : \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$ is called a (c) -comparison function if

- (i) $_{\varphi}$ φ is increasing;
- (ii) $_{\varphi}$ There exist $k_0 \in \mathbb{N}$, $a \in (0, 1)$ and a convergent series of nonnegative terms $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} v_k$ such that

$$\varphi^{k+1}(t) \leq a\varphi^k(t) + v_k,$$

for $k \geq k_0$ and any $t \in \mathbb{R}_+$.

The class of (c) -comparison functions will be denoted by Ψ_c .

Lemma 2.17 [8] If $\varphi : \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$ is a (c) -comparison function, then the followings hold:

- (i) φ is a comparison function;
- (ii) $\varphi(t) < t$ for any $t \in \mathbb{R}_+$;
- (iii) φ is continuous at 0;
- (iv) the series $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \varphi^k(t)$ converges for any $t \in \mathbb{R}_+$.

Now, using Definition 2.16 and Lemma 2.17, we introduce two new contractions and obtain two new fixed-disc theorems as follows:

Definition 2.18 Let (X, q) be a quasi-metric space and T a self-mapping on X . Then T is said to be a quasi- α - φ - x_0 -contraction if there exist $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow (0, \infty)$, $\varphi \in \Psi_c$ and $x_0 \in X$ such that

$$q(x, Tx) > 0 \implies \alpha(x_0, Tx)q(x, Tx) \leq \varphi(q(x_0, Tx)),$$

for each $x \in X$.

Theorem 2.19 Let (X, q) be a quasi-metric space, T a quasi- α - φ - x_0 -contractive self-mapping with $x_0 \in X$ and r defined as in (2.1). Assume that T is α - x_0 -admissible. If $\alpha(x_0, x) \geq 1$ for $x \in \overline{B^-(x_0, r)}$ and $0 < q(x_0, Tx) \leq r$ for $x \in \overline{B^-(x_0, r)} - \{x_0\}$, then we have $\overline{B^-(x_0, r)} \subseteq \text{Fix}(T)$, in particular T fixes the disc $D_{x_0, r}^q$.

Proof. Using the quasi- α - φ - x_0 -contractive property, we have $Tx_0 = x_0$. Indeed, we assume $Tx_0 \neq x_0$, that is, $q(x_0, Tx_0) > 0$. Then using the condition (ii) in Lemma 2.17 and α - x_0 -admissibility, we get

$$\alpha(x_0, Tx_0)q(x_0, Tx_0) \leq \varphi(q(x_0, Tx_0)) < q(x_0, Tx_0),$$

a contradiction. It should be $Tx_0 = x_0$.

Suppose that $r = 0$. In this case, $\overline{B^-(x_0, r)} = D_{x_0, r}^q = \{x_0\}$ and the proof follows.

Now we suppose that $r > 0$ and $x \in \overline{B^-(x_0, r)} - \{x_0\}$ such that $x \neq Tx$. Using the definition of r , we have $r \leq q(x, Tx)$. By the hypothesis, we know $\alpha(x_0, x) \geq 1$. From the quasi- α - φ - x_0 -contractive property and α - x_0 -admissibility, we get

$$\alpha(x_0, Tx)q(x, Tx) \leq \varphi(q(x_0, Tx)) < q(x_0, Tx) \leq r,$$

a contradiction. Therefore, $Tx = x$, that is, $\overline{B^-(x_0, r)} \subseteq \text{Fix}(T)$, in particular T fixes the disc $D_{x_0, r}^q$.

Using the number $M_C^q(x, y)$ defined as in (2.8), we define the following new contraction.

Definition 2.20 Let (X, q) be a quasi-metric space and T a self-mapping on X . Then T is said to be a Ćirić type quasi- α - φ - x_0 -contraction if there exist $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow (0, \infty)$, $\varphi \in \Psi_c$ and $x_0 \in X$ such that

$$q(x, Tx) > 0 \implies \alpha(x_0, Tx)q(x, Tx) \leq \varphi(M_C^q(x_0, x)),$$

for each $x \in X$.

Theorem 2.21 Let (X, q) be a quasi-metric space, T a Ćirić type quasi- α - φ - x_0 -contractive self-mapping with $x_0 \in X$ and r defined as in (2.1). Assume that T is α - x_0 -admissible. If $\alpha(x_0, x) \geq 1$ and $q(x_0, Tx) \leq r$ for $x \in D_{x_0, r}^q$, then T fixes the disc $D_{x_0, r}^q$.

Proof. Using the hypothesis, we have $Tx_0 = x_0$. Indeed, we assume $Tx_0 \neq x_0$, that is, $q(x_0, Tx_0) > 0$. Then using the condition (ii) in Lemma 2.17 and α - x_0 -admissibility,

we get

$$M_C^q(x_0, x_0) = \max \left\{ \begin{array}{l} q(x_0, x_0), q(x_0, Tx_0), q(x_0, Tx_0), \\ \frac{q(x_0, Tx_0) + q(x_0, Tx_0)}{2} \end{array} \right\} = q(x_0, Tx_0)$$

and

$$\alpha(x_0, Tx_0)q(x_0, Tx_0) \leq \varphi(M_C^q(x_0, x_0)) < q(x_0, Tx_0),$$

a contradiction. It should be $Tx_0 = x_0$.

Let $r = 0$. In this case, we have $D_{x_0, r}^q = \{x_0\}$.

Now we suppose that $r > 0$ and $x \in D_{x_0, r}^q - \{x_0\}$ such that $x \neq Tx$. Using the definition of r , we have $r \leq q(x, Tx)$. By the hypothesis, we know $\alpha(x_0, x) \geq 1$. By the Ćirić type quasi- α - φ - x_0 -contractive property and α - x_0 -admissibility, we get

$$M_C^q(x_0, x) = \max \left\{ \begin{array}{l} q(x_0, x), q(x_0, Tx_0), q(x, Tx), \\ \frac{q(x_0, Tx) + q(x, Tx_0)}{2} \end{array} \right\} \leq q(x, Tx)$$

and

$$\alpha(x_0, Tx)q(x, Tx) \leq \varphi(M_C^q(x_0, x)) < q(x, Tx),$$

a contradiction. Therefore, $Tx = x$, that is, $D_{x_0, r}^q$ is a fixed disc of T .

2.4. Quasi- α - ψ - φ - x_0 -contractive type mappings. We recall the notion of an altering distance function.

Definition 2.22 [14] A function $\psi : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ is called an altering distance function if the followings hold:

- (i) ψ is continuous and nondecreasing;
- (ii) $\psi(t) = 0$ if and only if $t = 0$.

Using this definition, we present two new contractive conditions and two new fixed-disc results.

Definition 2.23 Let (X, q) be a quasi-metric space and T a self-mapping on X . Then T is said to be a quasi- α - ψ - φ - x_0 -contraction if there exist $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow (0, \infty)$, two altering distance functions ψ, φ and $x_0 \in X$ such that

$$q(x, Tx) > 0 \implies \alpha(x_0, Tx)\psi(q(x, Tx)) \leq \psi(q(x_0, x)) - \varphi(q(x_0, x)),$$

for each $x \in X$.

Theorem 2.24 Let (X, q) be a quasi-metric space, T a quasi- α - ψ - φ - x_0 -contractive self-mapping with $x_0 \in X$ and r defined as in (2.1). Assume that T is α - x_0 -admissible. If $\alpha(x_0, x) \geq 1$ for $x \in \overline{B}^-(x_0, r)$, then we have $\overline{B}^-(x_0, r) \subseteq \text{Fix}(T)$, in particular T fixes the disc $D_{x_0, r}^q$.

Proof. Using the quasi- α - ψ - φ - x_0 -contractive property, we have $Tx_0 = x_0$. Indeed, we assume $Tx_0 \neq x_0$, that is, $q(x_0, Tx_0) > 0$. Then using the condition (ii) in Definition 2.22 and α - x_0 -admissibility, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha(x_0, Tx_0)\psi(q(x_0, Tx_0)) &\leq \psi(q(x_0, x_0)) - \varphi(q(x_0, x_0)) \\ &= \psi(0) - \varphi(0) = 0, \end{aligned}$$

a contradiction. It should be $Tx_0 = x_0$.

Suppose that $r = 0$. In this case, we get $\overline{B^-}(x_0, r) = D_{x_0, r}^q = \{x_0\}$.

Now, we suppose that $r > 0$ and $x \in \overline{B^-}(x_0, r) - \{x_0\}$ such that $x \neq Tx$. Using the definition of r , we have $r \leq q(x, Tx)$. By the hypothesis, we know $\alpha(x_0, x) \geq 1$. By the quasi- α - ψ - φ - x_0 -contractive property and α - x_0 -admissibility, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha(x_0, Tx)\psi(q(x, Tx)) &\leq \psi(q(x_0, x)) - \varphi(q(x_0, x)) \\ &= \psi(r) - \varphi(r) < \psi(r), \end{aligned}$$

a contradiction. Therefore $Tx = x$, that is, $\overline{B^-}(x_0, r) \subseteq \text{Fix}(T)$. In particular, T fixes the disc $D_{x_0, r}^q$.

We define the following contraction using the number $M_C^q(x, y)$ defined as in (2.8).

Definition 2.25 Let (X, q) be a quasi-metric space and T a self-mapping on X . Then T is said to be a Ćirić type quasi- α - ψ - φ - x_0 -contraction if there exist $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow (0, \infty)$, two altering distance functions ψ, φ and $x_0 \in X$ such that

$$q(x, Tx) > 0 \implies \alpha(x_0, Tx)\psi(q(x, Tx)) \leq \psi(M_C^q(x_0, x)) - \varphi(M_C^q(x_0, x)),$$

for each $x \in X$.

Theorem 2.26 Let (X, q) be a quasi-metric space, T a Ćirić type quasi- α - ψ - φ - x_0 -contractive self-mapping with $x_0 \in X$ and r defined as in (2.1). Assume that T is α - x_0 -admissible. If $\alpha(x_0, x) \geq 1$ and $q(x_0, Tx) \leq r$ for $x \in D_{x_0, r}^q$, then T fixes the disc $D_{x_0, r}^q$.

Proof. Using the hypothesis, we have $Tx_0 = x_0$. Indeed, we assume $Tx_0 \neq x_0$, that is, $q(x_0, Tx_0) > 0$ and we get

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha(x_0, Tx_0)\psi(q(x_0, Tx_0)) &\leq \psi(M_C^q(x_0, x_0)) - \varphi(M_C^q(x_0, x_0)) \\ &= \psi(q(x_0, Tx_0)) - \varphi(q(x_0, Tx_0)) \\ &< \psi(q(x_0, Tx_0)), \end{aligned}$$

a contradiction. It should be $Tx_0 = x_0$.

Let $r = 0$. In this case, we have $D_{x_0, r}^q = \{x_0\}$ and the proof follows.

Now, we suppose that $r > 0$ and $x \in D_{x_0, r}^q - \{x_0\}$ such that $x \neq Tx$. Using the definition of r , we have $r \leq q(x, Tx)$. By the hypothesis, we know that $\alpha(x_0, x) \geq 1$. From the Ćirić type quasi- α - ψ - φ - x_0 -contractive property and α - x_0 -admissibility, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha(x_0, Tx)\psi(q(x, Tx)) &\leq \psi(M_C^q(x_0, x)) - \varphi(M_C^q(x_0, x)) \\ &< \psi(q(x, Tx)), \end{aligned}$$

a contradiction. Therefore, $Tx = x$, that is, $D_{x_0, r}^q$ is a fixed disc of T .

2.5. Some comparisons and remarks. In this section, we give some relationships between the above contractions. We also provide some illustrative examples.

Let us take the function $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow (0, \infty)$ as $\alpha(x, y) = 1$ for all $(x, y) \in X \times X$ in Definition 2.8 and Definition 2.11. Then the notions of a quasi- x_0 -contraction and a quasi- α - x_0 -contraction coincide. Similarly, the concepts of a quasi- F_d -contraction and a quasi- F_d^α -contraction coincide.

Now if we consider the function $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow (0, \infty)$ as $\alpha(x, y) \in (0, 1]$ for all $(x, y) \in X \times X$, then every quasi- x_0 -contraction is a quasi- α - x_0 -contraction. Indeed, we get

$$q(x, Tx) > 0 \implies \alpha(x_0, Tx)q(x, Tx) \leq q(x, Tx) \leq kq(x_0, x),$$

for each $x \in X$. On the other hand, if we take the function $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow (0, \infty)$ as $\alpha(x, y) \in [1, \infty)$ for all $(x, y) \in X \times X$, then every quasi- α - x_0 -contraction is a quasi- x_0 -contraction. Indeed, we have

$$q(x, Tx) > 0 \implies q(x, Tx) \leq \alpha(x_0, Tx)q(x, Tx) \leq kq(x_0, x),$$

for each $x \in X$.

Using the above approach, we see that if we consider the function $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow (0, \infty)$ as $\alpha(x, y) \in (0, 1]$ for all $(x, y) \in X \times X$, then every quasi- F_d -contraction is a quasi- F_d^α -contraction. Also, if we take the function $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow (0, \infty)$ as $\alpha(x, y) \in [1, \infty)$ for all $(x, y) \in X \times X$, then every quasi- F_d^α -contraction is a quasi- F_d -contraction.

Notice that the radius r of the fixed disc is independent from the choice of the center x_0 in all of the obtained theorems (see the following examples). Moreover, all of the proved fixed-disc results can be considered as fixed-circle results.

The defined contractive conditions in previous subsections are modified from some classical contractions used to obtain fixed-point theorems on metric or some generalized metric spaces. For example, the notion of a quasi- x_0 -contractive mapping is given by modifying the Banach's contraction principle [7]. For an another example, the notion of a quasi- F_d -contraction is modified using the notion of an F -contraction [27].

Now, we give some examples to show the validity of our obtained results.

Consider $X = \{0, 1, 2\}$. Given the function $q : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ as

x / y	0	1	2
0	0	1	2
1	2	0	1
2	2	1	0

Then the function q is a quasi-metric, but it is not a metric because of $q(0, 1) = 1 \neq q(1, 0) = 2$. Let us define the self-mapping $T : X \rightarrow X$ by

$$T : \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

We obtain

$$r = \inf\{q(x, Tx) \mid Tx \neq x, x \in X\} = 1$$

and the disc

$$D_{1,1}^q = \{x \in X : q(x, 1) \leq 1 \text{ and } q(1, x) \leq 1\} = \{1, 2\}.$$

- The self-mapping T is a quasi- F_d -contraction with $t = \ln 2$, $F = \ln x$ and $x_0 = 1$. Then T satisfies the conditions of Theorem 2.3.
- The self-mapping T is a quasi- F_d -rational contraction with $t = \ln 2$, $F = \ln x$ and $x_0 = 1$. Then T satisfies the conditions of Theorem 2.5.
- The self-mapping T is a quasi- x_0 -contractive mapping with $k = \frac{1}{2}$ and $x_0 = 1$. Then T satisfies the conditions of Theorem 2.7.
- The self-mapping T is a quasi- α - x_0 -contraction with $k = \frac{1}{2}$, $\alpha(x, y) = 1$ and $x_0 = 1$. Then T satisfies the conditions of Theorem 2.10.
- The self-mapping T is a quasi- F_d^α -contraction with $t = \ln 2$, $F = \ln x$, $\alpha(x, y) = 1$ and $x_0 = 1$. Then T satisfies the conditions of Theorem 2.12.
- The self-mapping T is a Ćirić type quasi- F_d -contraction with $t = \ln 2$, $F = \ln x$, $\alpha(x, y) = 4$ and $x_0 = 1$. Then T satisfies the conditions of Theorem 2.15.
- The self-mapping T is a Ćirić type quasi- α - φ - x_0 -contraction with $\varphi(t) = \frac{t}{2}$ ($t \geq 0$), $\alpha(x, y) = 1$ and $x_0 = 1$. Then T satisfies the conditions of Theorem 2.21.
- The self-mapping T is a quasi- α - ψ - φ - x_0 -contraction and a Ćirić type quasi- α - ψ - φ - x_0 -contraction with $\alpha(x, y) = 1$, $x_0 = 1$, $\psi(t) = t$ and

$$\varphi(t) = \begin{cases} \frac{t\sqrt{t}}{1 + \sqrt{t}} & , \quad t \in [0, 1] \\ \frac{t}{2} & , \quad t > 1, \end{cases}$$

where ψ and φ are two altering distance functions given in [16]. Then T satisfies the conditions of Theorem 2.24 and Theorem 2.26.

Consequently, T fixes the disc $D_{1,1}^q$.

Let us define the self-mapping $S : X \rightarrow X$ as

$$S : \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

We obtain

$$r = \inf\{q(x, Sx) \mid Sx \neq x, x \in X\} = 1$$

and the disc

$$D_{0,1}^q = \{x \in X : q(x, 0) \leq 1 \text{ and } q(0, x) \leq 1\} = \{0\}.$$

The self-mapping S is a quasi- α - φ - x_0 -contraction with $\varphi(t) = \frac{t}{2}$ ($t \geq 0$), $\alpha(x, y) = 1$ and $x_0 = 1$. Then S satisfies the conditions of Theorem 2.19. Hence S fixes the disc $D_{0,1}^q$.

Finally, we note that the converse statements of the obtained theorems are not true everwhen. To obtain an example of this situation for Theorem 2.3, let us consider the quasi-metric $q(x, y)$ defined by

$$q(x, y) = \begin{cases} x - y & ; \quad x \geq y \\ 1 & ; \quad x < y, \end{cases}$$

for all $x, y \in X = \mathbb{R}$ given in [12]. If we consider the self-mapping $H : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ defined by

$$Hx = \begin{cases} x + 3 & ; |x| > 2 \\ x & ; |x| \leq 2, \end{cases}$$

H is not a quasi- F_q -contraction for any $F \in \mathbb{F}$, $t > 0$ and $x_0 = 0$. But, the disc $D_{0,1}^q = [-1, 1]$ is fixed by H .

3. AN APPLICATION: A COMMON FIXED-DISC THEOREM

Let (X, q) be a quasi-metric space, $T, S : X \rightarrow X$ be two self-mappings and $D_{x_0, r}^q$ be a disc on X . If $Tx = Sx = x$ for all $x \in D_{x_0, r}^q$, then the disc $D_{x_0, r}^q$ is called as the common fixed disc of the pair (T, S) .

Following [17] and [26], we modify the number $M_C^q(x, y)$ defined in (2.8) as follows:

$$M_{T,S}^q(x, y) = \max \left\{ q(Tx, Sy), q(Tx, Sx), q(Ty, Sy), \frac{q(Tx, Sy) + q(Ty, Sx)}{2} \right\}.$$

To obtain a common fixed-disc theorem, we define the following number:

$$\mu^q = \inf \{ q(Tx, Sx) : x \in X, Tx \neq Sx \}.$$

In the following theorem, we use the numbers $M_{T,S}^q(x, y)$, r which is defined in (2.1), μ^q and ρ defined by

$$\rho = \min\{r, \mu^q\}.$$

Theorem 3.1 Let (X, q) be a quasi-metric space, $T, S : X \rightarrow X$ two self-mappings and T an α - x_0 -admissible map. Assume that there exist $F \in \mathbb{F}$, $t > 0$ and $x_0 \in X$ such that

$$q(Tx, Sx) > 0 \implies t + \alpha(x_0, Tx)F(q(Tx, Sx)) \leq F(M_{T,S}^q(x, x_0)),$$

for each $x \in X$ and

$$\alpha(x_0, x) \geq 1, q(Tx, x_0) \leq \rho, q(x_0, Sx) \leq \rho,$$

for each $x \in D_{x_0, \rho}^q$. If T is a quasi- F_q -contraction with $x_0 \in X$ and r (or S is a quasi- F_q -contraction with $x_0 \in X$ and r), then $D_{x_0, \rho}^q$ is a common fixed disc of the pair (T, S) in X .

Proof. Let $x = x_0$. If $q(Tx_0, Sx_0) > 0$ then we have

$$M_{T,S}^q(x_0, x_0) = \max \left\{ \begin{array}{l} q(Tx_0, Sx_0), q(Tx_0, Sx_0), q(Tx_0, Sx_0), \\ \frac{q(Tx_0, Sx_0) + q(Tx_0, Sx_0)}{2} \end{array} \right\} = q(Tx_0, Sx_0)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} t + \alpha(x_0, Tx_0)F(q(Tx_0, Sx_0)) &\leq F(M_{T,S}^q(x_0, x_0)) = F(q(Tx_0, Sx_0)) \\ \implies t &\leq (1 - \alpha(x_0, Tx_0))F(q(Tx_0, Sx_0)), \end{aligned}$$

a contradiction with $t > 0$. Therefore $Tx_0 = Sx_0$, that is, x_0 is a coincidence point of the pair (T, S) . If T is a quasi- F_q -contraction (or S is a quasi- F_q -contraction) then using Theorem 2.3, we have $Tx_0 = x_0$ (or $Sx_0 = x_0$) and hence $Tx_0 = Sx_0 = x_0$.

Now if $\rho = 0$, then clearly $D_{x_0, \rho}^q = \{x_0\}$ and this disc is a common fixed disc of the pair (T, S) .

Let $\rho > 0$ and $x \in D_{x_0, \rho}^q$. Assume that $Tx \neq Sx$, that is, $q(Tx, Sx) > 0$. Using the hypothesis, α - x_0 -admissibility of T and the definition of ρ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} M_{T,S}^q(x, x_0) &= \max \left\{ q(Tx, Sx_0), q(Tx, Sx), q(Tx_0, Sx_0), \frac{q(Tx, Sx_0) + q(Tx_0, Sx)}{2} \right\} \\ &= \max \left\{ q(Tx, x_0), q(Tx, Sx), \frac{q(Tx, x_0) + q(x_0, Sx)}{2} \right\} \\ &\leq q(Tx, Sx) \end{aligned}$$

and so

$$\begin{aligned} t + \alpha(x_0, Tx)F(q(Tx, Sx)) &\leq F(M_{T,S}^q(x, x_0)) \leq F(q(Tx, Sx)) \\ \implies t &\leq (1 - \alpha(x_0, Tx))F(q(Tx, Sx)), \end{aligned}$$

a contradiction with $t > 0$. We have found that x is a coincidence point of the pair (T, S) , that is, $Tx = Sx$. If T (or S) is a quasi- F_q -contraction, then by Theorem 2.3, we have $Tx = x$ (or $Sx = x$) and hence $Tx = Sx = x$. Consequently, $D_{x_0, \rho}^q$ is a common fixed disc of the pair (T, S) .

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