

## Some pairs of multivalued operators

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**ABSTRACT.** We study the following problem.

Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space and  $T_1, T_2 : X \rightarrow P(X)$  two multivalued operators. Determine metric conditions on the pair of multivalued operators  $T_1$  and  $T_2$ , which imply that, for each  $x \in X$ , there exists a sequence of successive approximations for the pair  $(T_1, T_2)$  or for the pair  $(T_2, T_1)$ , starting from  $x$ , which converges to a common fixed point or to a common strict fixed point of  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  and, for each  $x \in X$ , there exists a sequence of successive approximations of  $T_i$ , starting from  $x$ , which converges to a fixed point or to a strict fixed point of  $T_i$ , for each  $i \in \{1, 2\}$ .

### 1. INTRODUCTION

Let  $X$  be a nonempty set. We denote by  $P(X)$  the set of all nonempty subsets of  $X$ , i. e.  $P(X) := \{Y \mid \emptyset \neq Y \subseteq X\}$ . Let  $T_1, T_2 : X \rightarrow P(X)$  be two multivalued operators. We denote by  $F_{T_1}$  the fixed points set of  $T_1$ , i. e.  $F_{T_1} := \{x \in X \mid x \in T_1(x)\}$ , by  $(SF)_{T_1}$  the strict fixed points set of  $T_1$ , i. e.  $(SF)_{T_1} := \{x \in X \mid T_1(x) = \{x\}\}$  and by  $(CF)_{T_1, T_2}$  the common fixed points set of  $T_1$  and  $T_2$ , i. e.  $(CF)_{T_1, T_2} := \{x \in X \mid x \in T_1(x) \cap T_2(x)\}$ .

A sequence  $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  is called *sequence of successive approximations of  $T_1$*  if  $x_0 \in X$  and  $x_{n+1} \in T_1(x_n)$ , for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

A sequence  $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  is called *sequence of successive approximations for the pair  $(T_1, T_2)$*  if  $x_0 \in X$ ,  $x_{2n+1} \in T_1(x_{2n})$  and  $x_{2n+2} \in T_2(x_{2n+1})$ , for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

**Definition 1.1.** Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space and  $T : X \rightarrow P(X)$  a multivalued operator. We say that  $T$  is a *weakly Picard multivalued operator* iff for each  $x \in X$  and for every  $y \in T(x)$ , there exists a sequence  $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  such that:

- (i)  $x_0 = x, x_1 = y$ ;
- (ii)  $x_{n+1} \in T(x_n)$ , for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}^*$ ;
- (iii) sequence  $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  is convergent and its limit is a fixed point of  $T$ .

For examples of weakly Picard multivalued operators see for instance [15], [16].

**Definition 1.2.** Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space and  $T_1, T_2 : X \rightarrow P(X)$  two multivalued operators. We say that  $\{T_1, T_2\}$  is a *weakly Picard pair of multivalued operators* iff for each  $x \in X$  and for every  $y \in T_1(x) \cup T_2(x)$ , there exists a sequence  $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  such that:

- (i)  $x_0 = x, x_1 = y$ ;

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- (ii)  $x_{2n+1} \in T_i(x_{2n})$  and  $x_{2n+2} \in T_j(x_{2n+1})$ , for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , where  $i, j \in \{1, 2\}$ ,  $i \neq j$ ;
- (iii) sequence  $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  is convergent and its limit is a common fixed point of  $T_1$  and  $T_2$ .

For examples of weakly Picard pairs of multivalued operators see [18], [19], [20].

Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space.

We denote by  $P_{cl}(X)$  the set of all nonempty and closed subsets of  $X$ , i. e.  $P_{cl}(X) := \{Y \mid Y \in P(X), Y \text{ is a closed set}\}$  and by  $P_b(X)$  the set of all nonempty and bounded subsets of  $X$ , i. e.  $P_b(X) := \{Y \mid Y \in P(X), Y \text{ is a bounded set}\}$ .

We also recall the functional  $D : P(X) \times P(X) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$ , defined by  $D(A, B) = \inf \{d(a, b) \mid a \in A, b \in B\}$ , for each  $A, B \in P(X)$ , and the generalized functionals  $\delta : P(X) \times P(X) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+ \cup \{+\infty\}$ , defined by  $\delta(A, B) = \sup \{d(a, b) \mid a \in A, b \in B\}$ , for each  $A, B \in P(X)$ , and  $H : P(X) \times P(X) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+ \cup \{+\infty\}$ , defined by  $H(A, B) = \max \{\sup_{a \in A} D(a, B), \sup_{b \in B} D(b, A)\}$ , for each  $A, B \in P(X)$ .

The following property of the generalized functional  $H$  is well-known.

**Lemma 1.1.** *Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space,  $A, B \in P(X)$  and  $q \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $q > 1$ .*

*Then for every  $a \in A$ , there exists  $b \in B$  such that  $d(a, b) \leq q H(A, B)$ .*

The purpose of this paper is to study the following problem.

**Problem 1.1.** *Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space and  $T_1, T_2 : X \rightarrow P(X)$  two multivalued operators. Determine metric conditions on the pair of multivalued operators  $T_1$  and  $T_2$ , which imply that, for each  $x \in X$ , there exists a sequence of successive approximations for the pair  $(T_1, T_2)$  or for the pair  $(T_2, T_1)$ , starting from  $x$ , which converges to a common fixed point or to a common strict fixed point of  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  and, for each  $x \in X$ , there exists a sequence of successive approximations of  $T_i$ , starting from  $x$ , which converges to a fixed point or to a strict fixed point of  $T_i$ , for each  $i \in \{1, 2\}$ .*

For singlevalued operators results of this type are given by Rus [13] and Dien [4] and for multivalued operators results which answer to Problem 1.1 are presented by Dien [4] and Sîntămărian [18], [19], [20].

## 2. FIXED POINTS AND COMMON FIXED POINTS

**Theorem 2.1.** *Let  $(X, d)$  be a complete metric space and  $T_1, T_2 : X \rightarrow P_{cl}(X)$  two multivalued operators for which there exist  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}_+^*$ , with  $a + 2b < 1$ , such that*

$$H(T_1(x), T_2(y)) \leq a d(x, y) + b [D(x, T_1(x)) + D(y, T_2(y))],$$

*for each  $x, y \in X$ .*

*Then  $F_{T_1} = F_{T_2} \in P_{cl}(X)$  and  $\{T_1, T_2\}$  is a weakly Picard pair of multivalued operators.*

*If in addition we have  $a + 3b + ab < 1$ , then  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  are weakly Picard multivalued operators.*

*Proof.* From a result given by Popa in [10] it follows that  $F_{T_1} = F_{T_2} \in P(X)$  and that  $\{T_1, T_2\}$  is a weakly Picard pair of multivalued operators. It is easy to verify that  $F_{T_1}$  and  $F_{T_2}$  are closed sets.

Further on we suppose that  $a + 3b + ab < 1$  and we shall prove that  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  are weakly Picard multivalued operators.

Let  $i, j \in \{1, 2\}$ ,  $i \neq j$  and  $q \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $1 < q < [\sqrt{(a + 9b)(a + b)} - (a + 3b)]/(2ab)$ . Let  $x_0 \in X$  and  $x_1 \in T_i(x_0)$ .

There exists  $y_1 \in T_j(x_1)$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} d(x_1, y_1) &\leq q H(T_i(x_0), T_j(x_1)) \leq \\ &\leq q [a d(x_0, x_1) + b D(x_0, T_i(x_0)) + b D(x_1, T_j(x_1))] \leq \\ &\leq q [a d(x_0, x_1) + b d(x_0, x_1) + b d(x_1, y_1)] \end{aligned}$$

and so

$$d(x_1, y_1) \leq q(a + b)/(1 - qb) d(x_0, x_1).$$

Also there exists  $x_2 \in T_i(x_1)$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} d(y_1, x_2) &\leq q H(T_j(x_1), T_i(x_1)) \leq \\ &\leq q [a d(x_1, x_1) + b D(x_1, T_j(x_1)) + b D(x_1, T_i(x_1))] \leq \\ &\leq qb [d(x_1, y_1) + d(x_1, x_2)]. \end{aligned}$$

Using the triangle inequality and taking into account the above inequalities we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} d(x_1, x_2) &\leq d(x_1, y_1) + d(y_1, x_2) \leq \\ &\leq d(x_1, y_1) + qb [d(x_1, y_1) + d(x_1, x_2)] = \\ &= (1 + qb) d(x_1, y_1) + qb d(x_1, x_2) \leq \\ &\leq q(a + b)(1 + qb)/(1 - qb) d(x_0, x_1) + qb d(x_1, x_2) \end{aligned}$$

and so

$$d(x_1, x_2) \leq q(a + b)(1 + qb)/(1 - qb)^2 d(x_0, x_1).$$

Now, there exists  $y_2 \in T_j(x_2)$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} d(x_2, y_2) &\leq q H(T_i(x_1), T_j(x_2)) \leq \\ &\leq q [a d(x_1, x_2) + b D(x_1, T_i(x_1)) + b D(x_2, T_j(x_2))] \leq \\ &\leq q [a d(x_1, x_2) + b d(x_1, x_2) + b d(x_2, y_2)] \end{aligned}$$

and so

$$d(x_2, y_2) \leq q(a + b)/(1 - qb) d(x_1, x_2).$$

Also there exists  $x_3 \in T_i(x_2)$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} d(y_2, x_3) &\leq q H(T_j(x_2), T_i(x_2)) \leq \\ &\leq q [a d(x_2, x_2) + b D(x_2, T_j(x_2)) + b D(x_2, T_i(x_2))] \leq \\ &\leq qb [d(x_2, y_2) + d(x_2, x_3)]. \end{aligned}$$

Using again the triangle inequality and taking into account the above two inequalities we get

$$\begin{aligned} d(x_2, x_3) &\leq d(x_2, y_2) + d(y_2, x_3) \leq d(x_2, y_2) + qb [d(x_2, y_2) + d(x_2, x_3)] = \\ &= (1 + qb) d(x_2, y_2) + qb d(x_2, x_3) \leq \\ &\leq q(a + b)(1 + qb)/(1 - qb) d(x_1, x_2) + qb d(x_2, x_3) \end{aligned}$$

and so

$$d(x_2, x_3) \leq q(a+b)(1+qb)/(1-qb)^2 d(x_1, x_2).$$

By induction we obtain that there exists a sequence  $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  of successive approximations of  $T_i$ , starting from  $(x_0, x_1)$ , with the property that

$$d(x_n, x_{n+1}) \leq q(a+b)(1+qb)/(1-qb)^2 d(x_{n-1}, x_n),$$

for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}^*$ .

It follows that  $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  is a convergent sequence, because  $(X, d)$  is a complete metric space and  $q(a+b)(1+qb)/(1-qb)^2 < 1$ . Let  $x^* = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n$ .

We have

$$\begin{aligned} D(x^*, T_j(x^*)) &\leq d(x^*, x_{n+1}) + D(x_{n+1}, T_j(x^*)) \leq \\ &\leq d(x^*, x_{n+1}) + H(T_i(x_n), T_j(x^*)) \leq \\ &\leq d(x^*, x_{n+1}) + a d(x_n, x^*) + b [D(x_n, T_i(x_n)) + D(x^*, T_j(x^*))] \leq \\ &\leq d(x^*, x_{n+1}) + a d(x_n, x^*) + b d(x_n, x_{n+1}) + b D(x^*, T_j(x^*)), \end{aligned}$$

for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

From this we get

$$D(x^*, T_j(x^*)) \leq (1-b)^{-1} [d(x^*, x_{n+1}) + a d(x_n, x^*) + b d(x_n, x_{n+1})],$$

for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , which implies, by letting  $n$  to tend to infinity, that  $D(x^*, T_j(x^*)) = 0$ . Taking into account the fact that  $T_j(x^*)$  is a closed set, we are able to write that  $x^* \in T_j(x^*)$ , which means that  $x^* \in F_{T_j}$ . But  $F_{T_1} = F_{T_2}$  and therefore  $x^* \in F_{T_i}$ .  $\square$

**Remark 2.1.** If we take  $a = 0$  in Theorem 2.1, then we obtain a result presented in Theorem 2.2 from [18].

**Theorem 2.2.** Let  $(X, d)$  be a complete metric space and  $T_1, T_2 : X \rightarrow P_{cl}(X)$  two multivalued operators. We suppose that:

- (i) there exist  $a_1, b_1 \in \mathbb{R}_+$ , with  $a_1 + 2b_1 < 1$ , such that for each  $x \in X$ , any  $u_x \in T_1(x)$  and for all  $y \in X$ , there exists  $u_y \in T_2(y)$  so that

$$d(u_x, u_y) \leq a_1 d(x, y) + b_1 [d(x, u_x) + d(y, u_y)];$$

- (ii) there exist  $a_2, b_2 \in \mathbb{R}_+$ , with  $a_2 + 2b_2 < 1$ , such that for each  $x \in X$ , any  $u_x \in T_2(x)$  and for all  $y \in X$ , there exists  $u_y \in T_1(y)$  so that

$$d(u_x, u_y) \leq a_2 d(x, y) + b_2 [d(x, u_x) + d(y, u_y)].$$

Then  $F_{T_1} = F_{T_2} \in P_{cl}(X)$  and  $\{T_1, T_2\}$  is a weakly Picard pair of multivalued operators.

If in addition we have that  $b_1 + b_2 + \max \{a_1 + b_1 + a_1 b_2, a_2 + b_2 + a_2 b_1\} < 1$ , then  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  are weakly Picard multivalued operators.

*Proof.* From Theorem 2.2 in [17] it follows that  $F_{T_1} = F_{T_2} \in P_{cl}(X)$  and that  $\{T_1, T_2\}$  is a weakly Picard pair of multivalued operators.

Further on we suppose that  $b_1 + b_2 + \max \{a_1 + b_1 + a_1 b_2, a_2 + b_2 + a_2 b_1\} < 1$ . We shall prove that  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  are weakly Picard multivalued operators.

Let  $i, j \in \{1, 2\}$ ,  $i \neq j$ . Let  $x_0 \in X$  and  $x_1 \in T_i(x_0)$ .

It follows that there exists  $y_1 \in T_j(x_1)$  such that

$$d(x_1, y_1) \leq a_i d(x_0, x_1) + b_i [d(x_0, x_1) + d(x_1, y_1)]$$

and so

$$d(x_1, y_1) \leq (a_i + b_i)/(1 - b_i) d(x_0, x_1).$$

Also there exists  $x_2 \in T_i(x_1)$  such that

$$d(y_1, x_2) \leq a_j d(x_1, x_1) + b_j [d(x_1, y_1) + d(x_1, x_2)] = b_j [d(x_1, y_1) + d(x_1, x_2)].$$

Using the triangle inequality we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} d(x_1, x_2) &\leq d(x_1, y_1) + d(y_1, x_2) \leq d(x_1, y_1) + b_j [d(x_1, y_1) + d(x_1, x_2)] = \\ &= (1 + b_j) d(x_1, y_1) + b_j d(x_1, x_2) \leq \\ &\leq (1 + b_j)(a_i + b_i)/(1 - b_i) d(x_0, x_1) + b_j d(x_1, x_2) \end{aligned}$$

and therefore

$$d(x_1, x_2) \leq (1 + b_j)/(1 - b_j)(a_i + b_i)/(1 - b_i) d(x_0, x_1).$$

Now, there exists  $y_2 \in T_j(x_2)$  such that

$$d(x_2, y_2) \leq a_i d(x_1, x_2) + b_i [d(x_1, x_2) + d(x_2, y_2)]$$

and so

$$d(x_2, y_2) \leq (a_i + b_i)/(1 - b_i) d(x_1, x_2).$$

Also there exists  $x_3 \in T_i(x_2)$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} d(y_2, x_3) &\leq a_j d(x_2, x_2) + b_j [d(x_2, y_2) + d(x_2, x_3)] = \\ &= b_j [d(x_2, y_2) + d(x_2, x_3)]. \end{aligned}$$

Using again the triangle inequality and taking into account the above two inequalities we get

$$\begin{aligned} d(x_2, x_3) &\leq d(x_2, y_2) + d(y_2, x_3) \leq d(x_2, y_2) + b_j [d(x_2, y_2) + d(x_2, x_3)] = \\ &= (1 + b_j) d(x_2, y_2) + b_j d(x_2, x_3) \leq \\ &\leq (1 + b_j)(a_i + b_i)/(1 - b_i) d(x_1, x_2) + b_j d(x_2, x_3) \end{aligned}$$

and therefore

$$d(x_2, x_3) \leq (1 + b_j)/(1 - b_j)(a_i + b_i)/(1 - b_i) d(x_1, x_2).$$

By induction we obtain that there exists a sequence  $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  of successive approximations of  $T_i$ , starting from  $(x_0, x_1)$ , with the property that

$$d(x_n, x_{n+1}) \leq (1 + b_j)/(1 - b_j)(a_i + b_i)/(1 - b_i) d(x_{n-1}, x_n),$$

for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}^*$ .

It follows that  $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  is a convergent sequence, because  $(X, d)$  is a complete metric space and  $(1 + b_j)/(1 - b_j)(a_i + b_i)/(1 - b_i) < 1$ . Let  $x^* = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n$ .

From  $x_n \in T_i(x_{n-1})$  we have that there exists  $u_n \in T_j(x^*)$  such that

$$d(x_n, u_n) \leq a_i d(x_{n-1}, x^*) + b_i [d(x_{n-1}, x_n) + d(x^*, u_n)],$$

for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}^*$ .

Using the triangle inequality we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} d(x^*, u_n) &\leq d(x^*, x_n) + d(x_n, u_n) \leq \\ &\leq d(x^*, x_n) + a_i d(x_{n-1}, x^*) + b_i [d(x_{n-1}, x_n) + d(x^*, u_n)] \end{aligned}$$

and so

$$d(x^*, u_n) \leq (1 - b_i)^{-1} [d(x^*, x_n) + a_i d(x_{n-1}, x^*) + b_i d(x_{n-1}, x_n)],$$

for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}^*$ .

This implies that  $d(x^*, u_n) \rightarrow 0$ , as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . Since  $u_n \in T_j(x^*)$ , for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}^*$  and  $T_j(x^*)$  is a closed set, it follows that  $x^* \in T_j(x^*)$ . Therefore  $x^* \in F_{T_j} = F_{T_i}$ .  $\square$

**Remark 2.2.** *It is not difficult to verify that the sequence  $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  from the proof of Theorem 2.2 has the property that*

$$d(x_n, x^*) \leq \left( \frac{1 + b_j}{1 - b_j} \cdot \frac{a_i + b_i}{1 - b_i} \right)^n \frac{(1 - b_i)(1 - b_j)}{1 - a_i - 2b_i - b_j - a_i b_j} d(x_0, x_1),$$

for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

**Remark 2.3.** *If we take  $a = 0$  in Theorem 2.2, then we obtain a result presented in Theorem 2 from [19].*

### 3. STRICT FIXED POINT AND COMMON STRICT FIXED POINT

There are many strict fixed point and common strict fixed point theorems for multivalued operators which satisfy metric conditions in which functional  $\delta$  appears (see, for example, Reich [11], Ćirić [2], [3], Rus [12], Avram [1], Fisher [5], Khan-Khan-Kubiaczyk [6], Dien [4], Kubiaczyk [8], Khan-Kubiaczyk [7]).

The following result gives an answer to Problem 1.1 for two multivalued operators which satisfy a metric condition in which functional  $\delta$  appears.

**Theorem 3.1.** *Let  $(X, d)$  be a complete metric space and  $T_1, T_2 : X \rightarrow P_b(X)$  two multivalued operators for which there exist  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}_+$ , with  $a + 2b < 1$ , such that*

$$\delta(T_1(x), T_2(y)) \leq a d(x, y) + b [\delta(x, T_1(x)) + \delta(y, T_2(y))],$$

for each  $x, y \in X$ .

*Then  $F_{T_1} = F_{T_2} = (SF)_{T_1} = (SF)_{T_2} = \{x^*\}$  and, for each  $i, j \in \{1, 2\}$ , with  $i \neq j$ , any sequence  $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  of successive approximations for the pair  $(T_i, T_j)$  converges to  $x^*$  and*

$$d(x_n, x^*) \leq \left( \frac{a + b}{1 - b} \right)^n \frac{1 - b}{1 - (a + 2b)} \delta(x_0, T_i(x_0)),$$

for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

*Also, for each  $i \in \{1, 2\}$ , any sequence  $(y_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  of successive approximations of  $T_i$  converges to  $x^*$  and*

$$d(y_n, x^*) \leq \left( \frac{a + b}{1 - b} \right)^{n-1} [a d(y_0, x^*) + b \delta(y_0, T_i(y_0))],$$

for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}^*$ .

**Proof.** The fact that  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  have a unique common fixed point, which is a strict fixed point both of  $T_1$  and of  $T_2$ , it is a known result. In order to prove some other parts of the conclusion we shall take again the proof.

Let  $i, j \in \{1, 2\}$ ,  $i \neq j$ . Let  $x_0 \in X$ ,  $x_{2n-1} \in T_i(x_{2n-2})$  and  $x_{2n} \in T_j(x_{2n-1})$ , for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}^*$ .

We have

$$\begin{aligned}\delta(T_i(x_0), T_j(x_1)) &\leq a d(x_0, x_1) + b [\delta(x_0, T_i(x_0)) + \delta(x_1, T_j(x_1))] \leq \\ &\leq a \delta(x_0, T_i(x_0)) + b [\delta(x_0, T_i(x_0)) + \delta(T_i(x_0), T_j(x_1))] = \\ &= (a + b) \delta(x_0, T_i(x_0)) + b \delta(T_i(x_0), T_j(x_1))\end{aligned}$$

and so

$$d(x_1, x_2) \leq \delta(T_i(x_0), T_j(x_1)) \leq (a + b)/(1 - b) \delta(x_0, T_i(x_0)).$$

For each  $n \in \mathbb{N}^*$  we have

$$\begin{aligned}\delta(T_j(x_{2n-1}), T_i(x_{2n})) &\leq a d(x_{2n-1}, x_{2n}) + b [\delta(x_{2n-1}, T_j(x_{2n-1})) + \delta(x_{2n}, T_i(x_{2n}))] \leq \\ &\leq a \delta(T_i(x_{2n-2}), T_j(x_{2n-1})) + b [\delta(T_i(x_{2n-2}), T_j(x_{2n-1})) + \delta(T_j(x_{2n-1}), T_i(x_{2n}))] = \\ &= (a + b) \delta(T_i(x_{2n-2}), T_j(x_{2n-1})) + b \delta(T_j(x_{2n-1}), T_i(x_{2n}))\end{aligned}$$

and from here we get that

$$d(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}) \leq \delta(T_j(x_{2n-1}), T_i(x_{2n})) \leq (a + b)/(1 - b) \delta(T_i(x_{2n-2}), T_j(x_{2n-1})).$$

Also, for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}^*$  we have

$$\begin{aligned}\delta(T_i(x_{2n}), T_j(x_{2n+1})) &\leq a d(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}) + b [\delta(x_{2n}, T_i(x_{2n})) + \delta(x_{2n+1}, T_j(x_{2n+1}))] \leq \\ &\leq a \delta(T_j(x_{2n-1}), T_i(x_{2n})) + b [\delta(T_j(x_{2n-1}), T_i(x_{2n})) + \delta(T_i(x_{2n}), T_j(x_{2n+1}))] = \\ &= (a + b) \delta(T_j(x_{2n-1}), T_i(x_{2n})) + b \delta(T_i(x_{2n}), T_j(x_{2n+1}))\end{aligned}$$

and so

$$d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2}) \leq \delta(T_i(x_{2n}), T_j(x_{2n+1})) \leq (a + b)/(1 - b) \delta(T_j(x_{2n-1}), T_i(x_{2n})).$$

Now, we are able to write that

$$d(x_n, x_{n+1}) \leq [(a + b)/(1 - b)]^n \delta(x_0, T_i(x_0)),$$

for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

Let  $p \in \mathbb{N}^*$ . Using the triangle inequality we obtain

$$d(x_n, x_{n+p}) \leq [(a + b)/(1 - b)]^n (1 - b)/[1 - (a + 2b)] \delta(x_0, T_i(x_0)),$$

for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . It follows that  $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  is a Cauchy sequence and so a convergent sequence, because  $(X, d)$  is a complete metric space and  $(a + b)/(1 - b) < 1$ . Let  $x^* = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n$ .

Letting  $p$  to tend to infinity in the above inequality we get that

$$d(x_n, x^*) \leq [(a + b)/(1 - b)]^n (1 - b)/[1 - (a + 2b)] \delta(x_0, T_i(x_0)),$$

for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

We have

$$\begin{aligned}\delta(x^*, T_i(x^*)) &\leq d(x^*, x_{2n+2}) + \delta(x_{2n+2}, T_i(x^*)) \leq \\ &\leq d(x^*, x_{2n+2}) + \delta(T_j(x_{2n+1}), T_i(x^*)) \leq \\ &\leq d(x^*, x_{2n+2}) + a d(x_{2n+1}, x^*) + b [\delta(x_{2n+1}, T_j(x_{2n+1})) + \delta(x^*, T_i(x^*))] \leq \\ &\leq d(x^*, x_{2n+2}) + a d(x_{2n+1}, x^*) + b [\delta(T_i(x_{2n}), T_j(x_{2n+1})) + \delta(x^*, T_i(x^*))] \leq \\ &\leq d(x^*, x_{2n+2}) + a d(x_{2n+1}, x^*) + \\ &+ b \{[(a + b)/(1 - b)]^{2n+1} \delta(x_0, T_i(x_0)) + \delta(x^*, T_i(x^*))\},\end{aligned}$$

for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

From this we get that

$$\begin{aligned} \delta(x^*, T_i(x^*)) &\leq (1-b)^{-1} \{d(x^*, x_{2n+2}) + a d(x_{2n+1}, x^*) + \\ &\quad + b[(a+b)/(1-b)]^{2n+1} \delta(x_0, T_i(x_0))\}, \end{aligned}$$

for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

Letting  $n$  to tend to infinity it follows that  $\delta(x^*, T_i(x^*)) = 0$ , so  $T_i(x^*) = \{x^*\}$ . It is easy to verify that  $(CF)_{T_1, T_2} = (SF)_{T_1} = (SF)_{T_2} = \{x^*\}$ .

In order to prove that  $F_{T_i} = \{x^*\}$ , let  $x \in F_{T_i}$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} d(x, x^*) &\leq \delta(T_i(x), T_j(x^*)) \leq a d(x, x^*) + b [\delta(x, T_i(x)) + \delta(x^*, T_j(x^*))] = \\ &= a d(x, x^*) + b \delta(x, T_i(x)) \end{aligned}$$

and therefore

$$d(x, x^*) \leq b/(1-a) \delta(x, T_i(x)).$$

We also have

$$\begin{aligned} \delta(x, T_i(x)) &\leq \delta(T_i(x), T_i(x)) \leq \delta(T_i(x), T_j(x^*)) + \delta(T_j(x^*), T_i(x)) = \\ &= 2 \delta(T_i(x), T_j(x^*)) \leq 2 [a d(x, x^*) + b \delta(x, T_i(x))] \leq \\ &\leq 2[ab/(1-a)\delta(x, T_i(x)) + b\delta(x, T_i(x))] = 2b/(1-a)\delta(x, T_i(x)). \end{aligned}$$

From this we get that  $\delta(x, T_i(x)) = 0$ , so  $T_i(x) = \{x\}$ , i. e.  $x \in (SF)_{T_i}$ .

Let  $y_0 \in X$  and  $y_{n+1} \in T_i(y_n)$ , for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . We have

$$\begin{aligned} d(y_1, x^*) &\leq \delta(T_i(y_0), T_j(x^*)) \leq \\ &\leq a d(y_0, x^*) + b [\delta(y_0, T_i(y_0)) + \delta(x^*, T_j(x^*))] = \\ &= a d(y_0, x^*) + b \delta(y_0, T_i(y_0)). \end{aligned}$$

Taking into account the above inequality we are able to write

$$\begin{aligned} \delta(T_i(y_0), T_i(y_1)) &\leq \delta(T_i(y_0), T_j(x^*)) + \delta(T_j(x^*), T_i(y_1)) \leq \\ &\leq a d(y_0, x^*) + b [\delta(y_0, T_i(y_0)) + \delta(x^*, T_j(x^*))] + \\ &+ a d(x^*, y_1) + b [\delta(x^*, T_j(x^*)) + \delta(y_1, T_i(y_1))] = \\ &= a d(y_0, x^*) + b \delta(y_0, T_i(y_0)) + a d(x^*, y_1) + b \delta(y_1, T_i(y_1)) \leq \\ &\leq a d(y_0, x^*) + b \delta(y_0, T_i(y_0)) + a d(x^*, y_1) + b \delta(T_i(y_0), T_i(y_1)) \leq \\ &\leq (1+a) [a d(y_0, x^*) + b \delta(y_0, T_i(y_0))] + b \delta(T_i(y_0), T_i(y_1)) \end{aligned}$$

and from here we get

$$\delta(T_i(y_0), T_i(y_1)) \leq \frac{1+a}{1-b} [a d(y_0, x^*) + b \delta(y_0, T_i(y_0))].$$

Now we have

$$\begin{aligned} d(y_2, x^*) &\leq \delta(T_i(y_1), T_j(x^*)) \leq a d(y_1, x^*) + b [\delta(y_1, T_i(y_1)) + \delta(x^*, T_j(x^*))] = \\ &= a d(y_1, x^*) + b \delta(y_1, T_i(y_1)) \leq a d(y_1, x^*) + b \delta(T_i(y_0), T_i(y_1)) \leq \\ &\leq \frac{a+b}{1-b} [a d(y_0, x^*) + b \delta(y_0, T_i(y_0))]. \end{aligned}$$



Using this result we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
\delta(T_i(y_1), T_i(y_2)) &\leq \delta(T_i(y_1), T_j(x^*)) + \delta(T_j(x^*), T_i(y_2)) \leq \\
&\leq a d(y_1, x^*) + b [\delta(y_1, T_i(y_1)) + \delta(x^*, T_j(x^*))] + \\
&+ a d(x^*, y_2) + b [\delta(x^*, T_j(x^*)) + \delta(y_2, T_i(y_2))] = \\
&= a d(y_1, x^*) + b \delta(y_1, T_i(y_1)) + a d(x^*, y_2) + b \delta(y_2, T_i(y_2)) \leq \\
&\leq a d(y_1, x^*) + b \delta(T_i(y_0), T_i(y_1)) + a d(x^*, y_2) + b \delta(T_i(y_1), T_i(y_2)) \leq \\
&\leq \frac{a+b}{1-b} (1+a) [a d(y_0, x^*) + b \delta(y_0, T_i(y_0))] + b \delta(T_i(y_1), T_i(y_2))
\end{aligned}$$

and so

$$\delta(T_i(y_1), T_i(y_2)) \leq \frac{a+b}{1-b} \cdot \frac{1+a}{1-b} [a d(y_0, x^*) + b \delta(y_0, T_i(y_0))].$$

We have

$$\begin{aligned}
d(y_3, x^*) &\leq \delta(T_i(y_2), T_j(x^*)) \leq a d(y_2, x^*) + b [\delta(y_2, T_i(y_2)) + \delta(x^*, T_j(x^*))] = \\
&= a d(y_2, x^*) + b \delta(y_2, T_i(y_2)) \leq a d(y_2, x^*) + b \delta(T_i(y_1), T_i(y_2)) \leq \\
&\leq \left( \frac{a+b}{1-b} \right)^2 [a d(y_0, x^*) + b \delta(y_0, T_i(y_0))].
\end{aligned}$$

Using this result we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
\delta(T_i(y_2), T_i(y_3)) &\leq \delta(T_i(y_2), T_j(x^*)) + \delta(T_j(x^*), T_i(y_3)) \leq \\
&\leq a d(y_2, x^*) + b [\delta(y_2, T_i(y_2)) + \delta(x^*, T_j(x^*))] + \\
&+ a d(x^*, y_3) + b [\delta(x^*, T_j(x^*)) + \delta(y_3, T_i(y_3))] = \\
&= a d(y_2, x^*) + b \delta(y_2, T_i(y_2)) + a d(x^*, y_3) + b \delta(y_3, T_i(y_3)) \leq \\
&\leq a d(y_2, x^*) + b \delta(T_i(y_1), T_i(y_2)) + a d(x^*, y_3) + b \delta(T_i(y_2), T_i(y_3)) \leq \\
&\leq \left( \frac{a+b}{1-b} \right)^2 (1+a) [a d(y_0, x^*) + b \delta(y_0, T_i(y_0))] + b \delta(T_i(y_2), T_i(y_3)),
\end{aligned}$$

which implies

$$\delta(T_i(y_2), T_i(y_3)) \leq \left( \frac{a+b}{1-b} \right)^2 \frac{1+a}{1-b} [a d(y_0, x^*) + b \delta(y_0, T_i(y_0))].$$

By induction can be proved that the sequence  $(y_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  has the following properties:

$$d(y_n, x^*) \leq \left( \frac{a+b}{1-b} \right)^{n-1} [a d(y_0, x^*) + b \delta(y_0, T_i(y_0))]$$

and

$$\delta(T_i(y_{n-1}), T_i(y_n)) \leq \left( \frac{a+b}{1-b} \right)^{n-1} \frac{1+a}{1-b} [a d(y_0, x^*) + b \delta(y_0, T_i(y_0))],$$

for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}^*$ .

It follows that  $(y_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  is a convergent sequence and its limit is  $x^*$ . □

**Corollary 3.1.** *Let  $(X, d)$  be a complete metric space and  $T_1, T_2 : X \rightarrow P_b(X)$  two multivalued operators for which there exist  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}_+$ , with  $a + 2b < 1$ , such that*

$$\delta(T_1(x), T_2(y)) \leq a d(x, y) + b [\delta(x, T_1(x)) + \delta(y, T_2(y))],$$

*for each  $x, y \in X$ .*

*Then  $F_{T_1} = F_{T_2} = (SF)_{T_1} = (SF)_{T_2} = \{x^*\}$  and*

$$d(x_0, x^*) \leq (1+b)/(1-a) \min \{\delta(x_0, T_1(x_0)), \delta(x_0, T_2(x_0))\},$$

*for each  $x_0 \in X$ .*

*Proof.* From Theorem 3.1 we have that  $F_{T_1} = F_{T_2} = (SF)_{T_1} = (SF)_{T_2} = \{x^*\}$ .

Let  $i \in \{1, 2\}$ . Let  $x_0 \in X$  and  $x_1 \in T_i(x_0)$ . We have

$$\begin{aligned} d(x_0, x^*) &\leq d(x_0, x_1) + d(x_1, x^*) \leq \delta(x_0, T_i(x_0)) + a d(x_0, x^*) + b \delta(x_0, T_i(x_0)) = \\ &= a d(x_0, x^*) + (1+b) \delta(x_0, T_i(x_0)) \end{aligned}$$

and so

$$d(x_0, x^*) \leq (1+b)/(1-a) \delta(x_0, T_i(x_0)).$$

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