SOME FIXED POINT THEOREMS FOR MULTIVALUED MAPPINGS IN GENERALIZED B-METRIC SPACES

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ABSTRACT

The aim of this paper is two fold, first we define the concept of generalized b-metric spaces and then we prove the existence of fixed points for multivalued contraction mappings in generalized b-metric spaces using Picard iteration and also Jungck iteration. Our results extend, improve and unify a multitude of classical results in fixed point theory of single and multivalued contraction mappings. We obtain more general results than those of Nadler[23], Berinde and Berinde[10], M.O. Olatinwo and C.O. Imoru[24] and Daffer and Kaneko[16].

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1. INTRODUCTION

Metric fixed point theory is an important mathematical discipline because of its applications in areas such as variational and linear inequalities, optimization and approximation theory.

The concept of b-metric space appeared in some works, such as N. Bourbaki, I. A. Bakhtin , S. Czerwik , J. Heinonen, ect. Several papers deal with the fixed point theory for singlevalued and multivalued operators in b-metric spaces (see[3],[12],[13]). Generalizations of metric spaces were proposed by Gahler[31],(called 2-metric spaces) and Dhage[2],(called D-metric spaces). Unfortunately, it was shown that certain theorems involving Dhage's D-metric spaces are flawed, and most of the results claimed by Dhage and others are invalid. In 2005, Mustafa and Sims[35] introduced a new structure of generalized metric spaces, which are called G-metric spaces as generalization of metric space (X, d), to develop and introduce a new fixed point theory for various mappings in this new structure. The study of fixed point theorems for multivalued mappings has been initiated by Markin[21] and Nadler[23]. We introduce the concept of generalized b-metric spaces in the sequel. Presently, let (X, G) be a generalized metric space and CB(X) denote the family of all non-empty closed and bounded subsets of X. For A, B, C \subset X, define the distance between A, B and C by $D_G(A,B,C) = \inf\{G(a,b,c) : a \in A, b \in B, c \in C\}$, the diameter of A, B and C by $\delta_G(A,B,C) = \sup\{G(a,b,c) : a \in A, b \in B, c \in C\}$ and the Hausdorff-Pompeiu metric on CB(X) by

 $H_G(A, B, C) = \max\{\sup\{G(a, b, C) : a \in A, b \in B\}, \sup\{G(b, c, A) : b \in B, c \in C\}, \sup\{G(c, a, B) : c \in C, a \in A\}\}$

H_G (A, B, C) is induced by G.

Let P(X) be the family of all non-empty subsets of X and T: $X \to P(X)$ a multivalued mapping. Then an element $x \in X$ such that $x \in T(x)$ is called a fixed point of T. Denote the set of all fixed point of T by Fix(T), that is,

 $Fix(T) = \{x \in X : x \in T(x)\}.$

The following definitions shall be required in the sequel.

Definition 1.1: Let (X, d) be a metric space and T: $X \rightarrow P(X)$ a multivalued operator. T is said to be a multivalued weakly Picard -operator iff for each $x \in X$ and any $y \in T(x)$, their exist a sequence $\{X_n\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$ such that

- (i) $x_0 = x, x_1 = y$;
- (ii) $x_{n+1} \in T(x_n)$ for all n = 0,1,...;
- (iii) the sequence $\left\{X_{\,n}\,\right\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$ is convergent and its limit is a fixed point of T

Definition 1.2: Let (X, d) be a metric space and $S, T: X \rightarrow P(X)$ multivalued operator . The pair (S, T) will be called multivalued weakly Jungck operator iff for each $x \in X$ and any $y \in T(x)$, their exist a sequence $\{Sx_n\}_{n=0}^{\infty} \subset P(X)$ such that

- (iv) $Sx_0=x$, $Sx_1=y$;
- (v) $Sx_{n+1} \in T(x_n)$ for all n = 0, 1, ...;
- (vi) the sequence $\{Sx_n\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$ converges to Sz for some $z \in X$ and $Sz \in Tz$, that is, S and T have a coincidence at z.

Let C(S, T) be the set of coincidence points of S and T.

Definition 1.3: A function $\phi: R_+ \to R_+$ is called (c)-comparison if it satisfies

- (i) ϕ is monotonic increasing;
- (ii) $\phi^n(t) \to 0$ as $n \to \infty$, $\forall t > 0$ (ϕ^n stands for the nth iterate of ϕ);

$$\text{(iii)} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \varphi^n \text{ (t)} < \infty \text{ for all } t > 0.$$

We say that ϕ is a comparison function if it satisfies (i) and (ii) only. See [6] and [30] for detail.

Remark 1.3: Every comparison function $\phi: R_+ \to R_+$ satisfies $\phi(t) < t$.

Theorem 1.1[23]: Let (X, d) be a complete metric space and $T:X \to CB(X)$ a set valued α -contraction ,that is, a mapping for which there exist a constant $\alpha \in (0,1)$, such that

$$H(Tx, Ty) \le \alpha d(x, y)$$

Theorem 1.2: (Berinde and Berinde

- [10]):-Let (X, d) be a complete metric space and $T:X \rightarrow CB(X)$ a generalized multivalued (θ, L) contraction. Then,
- (i) Fix $(T) \neq \phi$
- (ii) for any $x_0 \in X$, there exists an orbit $\left\{X_n\right\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$ of T at the point x_0 that converges to a fixed point u of T for which the following estimates hold:

$$\begin{split} &d(x_n,\!u) \leq & \frac{h^n}{1-h} \;\; d(x_1,\,x_0) \;, \, n=0,\,1,\,2,\,3,\,\dots \\ &d(x_n,\!u) \leq \frac{h}{1-h} \; d(x_n\,,\!x_{n\text{-}1}), \;\; n=\!1,\,2,\!3\dots \end{split}$$

for a certain constant h < 1.

Theorem 1.3: (Berinde and Berinde[10]):- Let (X, d) be a complete metric space and T: $X \rightarrow CB(X)$ a generalized multivalued (α, L) – weak contraction. that is, a mapping for which there exist a function

$$\alpha: [0, \infty) \to [0, 1)$$
 satisfying $\lim_{r \to t^+} \sup \alpha(r) < 1$, for every $t \in [0, \infty)$, such that $H(Tx, Ty) \le \alpha(d(x, y))d(x, y) + LD(y, Tx) \ \forall \ x, y \in X$.

Then T has a fixed point.

The following definitions shall be required in the sequel.

Definition 1.4: Let X be a nonempty set and $s \ge 1$ a real number. A function $G: X \times X \times X \to R^+ \cup \{0\}$ is said to be a generalized b-metric space if it satisfy the following properties:

- (G1) G(x, y, z) = 0 iff x = y = z
- (G2) $0 < G(x, x, y) \forall x, y \in X$, with $x \neq y$.
- (G3) $G(x, x, y) \le G(x, y, z)$, for all $x, y, z \in X$ with $z \ne y$
- (G4) $G(x, y, z) = G(x, z, y) = G(y, z, x) = \dots$, (symmetry in all the three variables)

(G5)
$$G(x, y, z) \le s [G(x, a, a) + G(a, y, z)] \forall x, y, z \in X, a \in X \text{ and } s \ge 1 \text{ (rectangle inequality)}$$

The pair (X, G) is called a generalized b-metric space.

Example of definition 1.4: Let $X = \{x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4\}$, $d(x_1, x_2) = k \ge 2$ and $d(x_1, x_3) = d(x_1, x_4) = d(x_2, x_3) = d(x_2, x_4) = d(x_3, x_4) = 1$,

$$d(x_i, x_i) = d(x_i, x_i)$$
 for all i, $i = 1, 2, 3, 4$

and

$$d(x_i, x_i) = 0, i = 1, 2, 3, 4.$$

If we define generalized metric by G(x, y, z) = d(x, y) + d(y, z) + d(z, x) then

$$G(x,y,z) \leq \frac{k}{2} \left[G(x,a,a) + G(a,y,z) \right] \ \forall \ x,y,z,a \in X$$

So, (X, G) will be a generalized b-metric space.

Definition 1.5: Let (X, G) be a generalized b-metric space and $T: X \to P(X)$ a multivalued operator. T is said to be a generalized multivalued (ψ, ϕ) weak contraction iff there exists a continuous monotonic increasing function $\phi: R_+ \to R_+$ with $\phi(0) = 0$ and a continuous comparison function $\psi: R_+ \to R_+$ such that

$$H_G\left(Tx,\, Tx,\, Ty\right) \leq q^{-1}\left[\psi(G(x,\, x,\, y)) + \phi(D_G(y,\, Tx,\, Tx))\right], \;\; q>1, \; \forall \; x,\, y \in X \tag{*}$$

Definition 1.6: We say that T is a generalized multivalued ϕ -weak contraction iff there exists a function $\alpha:[0,\infty)\to [0,1)$ and two continuous monotonic increasing functions $\phi_1,\phi_2:R_+\to R_+$ with $\phi_1(0)=1$ and $\phi_2(0)=0$ such that

$$H_G(Tx,\,Tx,\,Ty) \leq \left[\alpha(G(x,\,x,\,y))\;G(x,\,x,\,y)\;\right]^{\phi_1(D_G(y,Tx,Tx))} \; + \; \phi_2(D_G(y,\,Tx,\,Tx)), \; \forall \; x,\,y \in X \tag{$**$}$$

where $\lim_{r \to t^+} \sup \alpha(r) < 1$, for every $t \in [0, \infty)$.

Definition 1.7: Let (X, G) be a generalized b-metric space and $S,T: X \to P(X)$ multivalued operators. Then the pair (S,T) will be called a multivalued (θ, ϕ) weak J-contraction iff there exists a constant $\theta \in (0,1)$ and a continuous monotonic increasing function $\phi: R_+ \to R_+$ with $\phi(0) = 0$ such that

$$H_G(Tx, Tx, Ty) \le \theta G(Sx, Sx, Sy) + \phi(D_G(Sy, Tx, Tx)) \quad q > 1, \ \forall \ x, y \in X \tag{***}$$

The contractive condition (***) can be modified to the following form: The pair (S,T) will be called a generalized multi-valued (α , ϕ) –weak J- contraction iff there exist a function α : $[0, \infty) \to [0, 1)$ and a continuous monotonic increasing function ϕ : $R_+ \to R_+$ with $\phi(0) = 0$ such that

$$H_G(Tx, Tx, Ty) \le \alpha(G(Sx, Sx, Sy)) G(Sx, Sx, Sy) + \phi(D_G(Sy, Tx, Tx)) | q > 1, \forall x, y \in X$$
 (****)

where $\lim_{r \to t^+} \sup \alpha(r) < 1$, for every $t \in [0, \infty)$.

We shall require the following lemmas in the sequel.

Lemma 1.1: Let (X,G) be a generalized metric space. Let $A,B\subset X$ and q>1. Then for every $a\in A$, there exists $b\in B$ such that

$$G(a, a, b) \le q H_G(A, A, B)$$
 (1.1)

Proof: If $H_G(A, A, B) = 0$ then $a \in B$ and (1.1) holds for b = a.

If $H_G(A, A, B) > 0$, then let us denote

$$\in = (h^{-1} - 1) H_G(A, A, B) > 0$$
 (1.2)

Using the definition of D_G (a, a, B) and $H_G(A, A, B)$, it follows that, for any $\epsilon > 0$, there exists $b \in B$ such that

$$G(a, a, b) \le D_G(a, a, B) + \epsilon \le H_G(A, A, B) + \epsilon$$
 (1.3)

Now, by inserting (1.2) in (1.3), we get

$$\begin{split} G(a,\,a,\,b) & \leq H_G(A,\,A,\,B) + h^{-1}\,H_G(A,\,A,\,B) - H_G(A,\,A,\,B) \\ & \leq \frac{1}{h}\,\,H_G(A,\,A,\,B) \\ & \leq \,q\,H_G(A,\,A,\,B) \;, \;\; \text{where} \;\; \frac{1}{h} = q. \end{split}$$

Lemma 1.2: Let A, B \subseteq CB(X) and let a \in A. Then, there exists b \in B such that

$$G(a, a, b) \le H_G(A, A, B) + \eta$$
, where $\eta > 0$.

Lemma 1.2 is a simple consequence of the definition of H_G (A, B, C).

2. MAIN RESULTS

Theorem 2.1: Let (X,G) be a complete generalized b-metric space with continuous generalized b-metric and T: $X \rightarrow CB(X)$ a generalized multivalued (ψ,ϕ) – weak contraction. Suppose that $\psi: R_+ \rightarrow R_+$ is continuous (c)–comparison function and $\phi: R_+ \rightarrow R_+$ is a continuous monotonic increasing function such that $\phi(0) = 0$. Then,

- (i) Fix $T \neq \phi$
- (ii) for any $x_0 \in X$, there exists an orbit $\left\{X_n\right\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$ of T at the point x_0 that converges to a fixed point x^* of T
- (iii) the a priori and a posteriori error estimates are given by

$$G(x_n, x_n, x^*) \le s \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \psi^{k+n} \quad (G(x_0, x_0, x_1)), s \ge 1, n = 1, 2, 3, \dots \quad \dots$$
 (2.1.1)

$$G(x_n, x_n, x^*) \le s \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \psi^k (G(x_{n-1}, x_{n-1}, x_n)), s \ge 1, n = 1, 2, 3...$$
 (2.1.2)

respectively.

Proof: Let $x_0 \in X$ and $x_1 \in Tx_0$. If $H_G(Tx_0, Tx_0, Tx_1) = 0$, then $Tx_0 = Tx_1$, that is $x_1 \in Tx_1$, which implies Fix $T \neq \emptyset$.

Let $H_G(Tx_0, Tx_0, Tx_1) \neq 0$. Then, we have by lemma 1.1 that there exists $x_2 \in Tx_1$ such that

$$G(x_1, x_1, x_2) \le q H_G(Tx_0, Tx_0, Tx_1), q > 1$$

so that by (*) we have

$$\begin{split} G(x_1,\,x_1,\,x_2) &\leq q\;q^{-1}\left[\psi(G(x_0,\,x_0,\,x_1\,)) + \varphi(D_G(x_1,\,Tx_0,\,Tx_0))\right] \\ &= \psi(G(x_0,\,x_0,\,x_1)) + \varphi(D_G(x_1,\,x_1,\,x_1)) \\ &= \psi(G(x_0,\,x_0,\,x_1)) \end{split}$$

If $H_G(Tx_1, Tx_1, Tx_2) = 0$, then $Tx_1 = Tx_2$, that is $x_2 \in Tx_2$.

Let $H_G(Tx_1, Tx_1, Tx_2) \neq 0$. Again by lemma 1.1, there exists $x_3 \in Tx_2$ such that $G(x_2, x_2, x_3) \leq q H_G(Tx_1, Tx_1, Tx_2)$

$$\leq qq^{-1}[\psi(G(x_1, x_1, x_2)) + \phi(D_G(x_2, Tx_1, Tx_1))]$$

$$= \psi(G(x_1, x_1, x_2)) + \phi(D_G(x_2, x_2, x_2))$$

$$= \psi(G(x_1, x_1, x_2)) \leq \psi^2(G(x_0, x_0, x_1).$$
(2.1.3)

By induction, we obtain

$$G(x_n, x_n, x_{n+1}) \le \psi^n(G(x_0, x_0, x_1)) \tag{2.1.4}$$

Therefore by the property (G5) of definition 1.4, we have

$$G(x_n,\,x_n,\,x_{n+p}) \leq s[G(x_n,\,x_n,\,x_{n+1}) + G(x_{n+1},\,x_{n+1},\,x_{n+2}) + \ldots \ldots + G(x_{n+p-1},\,x_{n+p-1},\,x_{n+p})]$$

$$\leq s[\psi^{n}(G(x_{0}, x_{0}, x_{1})) + \psi^{n+1}(G(x_{0}, x_{0}, x_{1})) + \dots + \psi^{n+p-1}(G(x_{0}, x_{0}, x_{1}))]$$

$$(2.1.5)$$

$$G(x_n, x_n, x_{n+p}) \le s \sum_{k=n}^{n+p-1} \psi^k (G(x_0, x_0, x_1))$$
(2.1.6)

From (2.1.6), we have

$$G(x_n, x_n, x_{n+p}) \le s \sum_{k=n}^{n+p-1} \psi^k (G(x_0, x_0, x_1))$$

$$= s \left[\sum_{k=0}^{n+p-1} \psi^{k} (G(x_{0}, x_{0}, x_{1}) - \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \psi^{k} (G(x_{0}, x_{0}, x_{1})) \right] \to 0 \text{ as } n \to \infty.$$
 (2.1.7)

We therefore have from (2.1.7), that for any $x_0 \in X$, $\left\{X_n\right\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$ is a Cauchy sequence in X. Since (X,G) is a complete generalized b-metric space, then $\left\{X_n\right\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$ converges to some $x^* \in X$. that is

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} x_n = x^* \tag{2.1.8}$$

Therefore by (*) we have that

$$D_G(x^*,\,x^*,\,Tx^*) \leq s[G(x^*,\,x^*,\,x_{n+1}) + G(x_{n+1},\,\,X_{n+1}\,,\,Tx^*)]$$

$$\leq s[G(x^*, x^*, x_{n+1}) + H_G(Tx_n, TX_n, TX^*)]$$

$$\leq s \; G(x^*, \, x^*, \, x_{n+1}) + sq^{\text{-}1} \left[\psi(G(x_n, \, X_{_{\boldsymbol{n}}}, \boldsymbol{X}^{\, *})) + \phi(D_G(x^*, \, \boldsymbol{TX}_{_{\boldsymbol{n}}}, Tx_n)) \right] \tag{2.1.9}$$

By using (2.1.8), the continuity of the functions ψ , ϕ and the fact that $x_{n+1} \in Tx_n$, then $\phi(D_G(x^*, Tx_n)) \to 0$ as $n \to \infty$ and $\psi(G(x_n, x_n, x^*)) \to 0$ as $n \to \infty$.

It follows from (2.1.9) that $D_G(x^*, x^*, Tx^*) = 0$ as $n \to \infty$. Since Tx^* is closed then $x^* \in Tx^*$.

To prove a priori error estimate in (2.1.1), we have from (2.1.6) that

$$\begin{split} G(x_n,\,x_n,\,x_{n+p}) & \leq s \sum_{k=n}^{n+p-1} \psi^k \ (G(x_0,\,x_0,\,x_1)) \\ & = s \sum_{k=0}^{p-1} \psi^{n+k} \ (G(x_0,\,x_0,\,x_1)) \end{split}$$

from which it follows by the continuity of the generalized b-metric that

$$G(x_{n}, x_{n}, x^{*}) = \lim_{p \to \infty} G(x_{n}, x_{n}, x_{n+p})$$

$$\leq s \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \psi^{n+k} (G(x_{0}, x_{0}, x_{1}))$$

which gives the result in (2.1.1).

To prove result in (2.1.2), we get by condition (*) and lemma 1.1 that $G(x_n, x_n, x_{n+1}) \le q H_G(Tx_{n-1}, Tx_{n-1}, Tx_n)$

$$\begin{split} & \leq qq^{-1}[\psi(G(x_{n-1},\,x_{n-1},\,x_n)) + \, \varphi(D_G(x_n,Tx_{n-1},\,Tx_{n-1}))] \\ & = \psi(G(x_{n-1},\,x_{n-1},\,x_n)) + \varphi(D_G(x_n,\,x_n,\,x_n)) \\ & = \psi(G(x_{n-1},\,x_{n-1},\,x_n)) \end{split}$$

Also, we have

$$G(x_{n+1}, x_{n+1}, x_{n+2}) \le \psi(G(x_n, x_n, x_{n+1}))$$

$$\leq \psi^2(G(x_{n-1}, x_{n-1}, x_n))$$

so that in general we obtain

$$G(x_{n+k}, x_{n+k}, x_{n+k+1}) \le \psi^{k+1}(G(x_{n-1}, x_{n-1}, x_n)), k = 0, 1, 2,$$
(2.1.10)

Using (2.1.10) in (2.1.5) yields

$$G(x_n,\,x_n,\,x_{n+p}) \leq s[\psi(G(x_{n-1},\,x_{n-1},\,x_n)) + \psi^2(G(x_{n-1},\,x_{n-1},\,x_n)) + \ldots + \psi^{p-1}(G(x_{n-1},\,x_{n-1},\,x_n))]$$

$$= s \sum_{k=0}^{p-1} \psi^{k} (G(x_{n-1}, x_{n-1}, x_{n}))$$
 (2.1.11)

Again taking limit in (2.1.11) as $p\rightarrow\infty$ and using the continuity of the generalized b-metric, we have

$$\begin{split} G(x_n,\,x_n,\,x^*) &= \lim_{p\to\infty} G(x_n,\,x_n,\,x_{n+p}) \\ &\leq s \sum_{k=0}^\infty \, \psi^k \; (G(x_{n-1},\,x_{n-1},\,x_n)), \text{ giving the result in (2.1.2)}. \end{split}$$

Remark 2.1: Theorem 2.1 is a generalization of theorem 1.2 as well as theorem 5 of Nadler [29].

Theorem 2.2:- Let (X, G) be a complete generalized b-metric space with continuous generalized b-metric and $T: X \rightarrow CB(X)$ a generalized multi-valued ϕ -weak contraction. Suppose that there exists a function $\alpha: [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, 1)$ satisfying $\lim_{r \rightarrow t^+} \sup \alpha(r) < 1$, for every $t \in [0, \infty)$ and two continuous monotone

increasing functions ϕ_1 and $\phi_2: R_+ \to R_+$ such that $\phi_1(0) = 1$ and $\phi_2(0) = 0$. Then, T has at least one fixed point.

Proof: Suppose $x_0 \in X$ and $x_1 \in Tx_0$. We choose a positive integer N_1 such that

$$\alpha^{N_1}(G(x_0, x_0, x_1)) \le [1 - \alpha(G(x_0, x_0, x_1))] G(x_0, x_0, x_1)$$
 (2.2.1)

By lemma 1.2, there exists $x_2 \in Tx_1$ such that

$$G(x_1, x_1, x_2) \leq H_G(Tx_0, Tx_0, Tx_1) + \alpha^{N_1}(G(x_0, x_0, x_1)) \tag{2.2.2}$$

Using (**) and (2.2.1) in (2.2.2), then we have

$$G(x_1,\,x_1,\,x_2) \leq \left[\alpha(G(x_0,\,x_0,\,x_1))G(x_0,\,x_0,\,x_1)\right]^{\phi_1(D_G(\,x_1,Tx_0,Tx_0))} + \\ \varphi_2(D_G(x_1,\,Tx_0,\,Tx_0)) + \\ \alpha^{N_1}\left(G(x_0,\,x_0,\,x_1)\right) + \\ \alpha^{N_2}\left(G(x_0,\,x_0,\,x_1)\right) + \\ \alpha^{N_2}\left(G(x_0,\,x_1)\right) + \\ \alpha^$$

$$=\alpha(G(x_0,\,x_0,\,x_1))\;G(x_0,\,x_0,\,x_1)\;+\;\alpha^{\;N_1}\left(G(x_0,\,x_0,\,x_1)\right)\leq G(x_0,\,x_0,\,x_1)$$

Now, we choose again a positive integer N_2 , $N_2 > N_1$ such that

$$\alpha^{N_2} \left(G(x_1, x_1, x_2) \right) \le \left[1 - \alpha(G(x_1, x_1, x_2)) \right] G(x_1, x_1, x_2) \tag{2.2.3}$$

Since $Tx_2 \in CB(X)$, by lemma 1.2 again, we can select $x_3 \in Tx_2$ such that

$$G(x_2, x_2, x_3) \le H_G(Tx_1, Tx_1, Tx_2) + \alpha^{N_2} (G(x_1, x_1, x_2))$$
(2.2.4)

Again using (**) and (2.2.3) in (2.2.4), then we get

$$G(x_2,\,x_2,\,x_3) \leq \left[\alpha(G(x_1,\,x_1,\,x_2))\;G(x_1,\,x_1,\,x_2)\;\right]^{\phi_1(D_G\,(x_2,Tx_1,Tx_1))} \; + \; \varphi_2(D_G(x_2,\,Tx_1,\,Tx_1)) \; + \; \alpha^{\;N_2}\left(G(x_1,\,x_1,\,x_2)\right) \; + \; \alpha^{\;N_2}\left(G(x_1,\,x_1,\,x_2)\right)$$

By induction, since $Tx_k \in CB(X)$, for each k, we may choose a positive integer N_k such that

$$\alpha^{N_k} \left(G(x_{k-1}, x_{k-1}, x_k) \right) \leq \left[1 - \alpha(G(x_{k-1}, x_{k-1}, x_k)) \right] G(x_{k-1}, x_{k-1}, x_k) \tag{2.2.5}$$

By selecting $x_{k+1} \in Tx_k$ such that

$$G(x_k, x_k, x_{k+1}) \le H_G(Tx_{k-1}, Tx_{k-1}, Tx_k) + \alpha^{N_k} (G(x_{k-1}, x_{k-1}, x_k))$$
(2.2.6)

so that using (**) and (2.2.5) in (2.2.6) yield

$$G(x_k, x_k, x_{k+1}) \le G(x_{k-1}, x_{k-1}, x_k) \tag{2.2.7}$$

Let $G_k = G(x_{k-1}, x_{k-1}, x_k)$, k = 1, 2,

The inequality relation (2.2.7) shows that the sequence $\{G_k\}$ of non-negative numbers is decreasing. Therefore, $\lim_{k\to\infty}G_k$ exists. Thus, set $\lim_{k\to\infty}G_k=c\geq 0$.

We now prove that the Picard iteration or orbit $\{x_k\} \subset X$ so generated is a Cauchy sequence. By condition on α , for t = c we have

$$\lim_{t\to c^+} \alpha(t) < 1$$

For $k \ge k_0$, let $\alpha(G_k) < h$, where $\lim_{t \to c^+} \sup \alpha(t) < h < 1$.

Using (2.2.6), we have by deduction that $\{G_k\}$ satisfies the recurrence inequality:

$$G_{k+1} \le G_k \alpha(G_k) + \alpha^{N_k} (G_k), k = 1, 2,$$
 (2.2.8)

Using induction in (2.2.8) leads to

$$G_{k+1} \leq \prod_{j=1}^{k} \alpha(G_{j})G_{1} + \sum_{m=1}^{k-1} \prod_{J=m+1}^{k} \alpha(G_{j})\alpha^{N_{m}}(G_{m}) + \alpha^{N_{k}}(G_{k}), \ k \geq 1$$
 (2.2.9)

We now find a suitable upper bound for the right hand side of (2.2.9), using the fact that $\alpha < 1$ as follows:

$$\begin{split} G_{k+1} &\leq \prod_{j=1}^k \alpha(G_j) G_1 + \sum_{m=1}^{k-1} \prod_{J=m+1}^k \alpha(G_j) \alpha^{N_m} (G_m) + \alpha^{N_k} (G_k) \\ &< G_1 h^k + \sum_{m=1}^{k-1} h^{k-m} h^{N_m} + h^{N_k} = G_1 h^k + h^k \sum_{m=1}^{k-1} h^{N_m-m} + h^{N_k} \\ &\leq C1 h^k + C_2 h^k + C_3 h^k = C_4 h^k, \text{ where } C_4 = C_1 + C_2 + C_3 \text{ and } C_1, C_2, C_3, C_4 \text{ are constants.} \end{split}$$

Now, for $k \ge k_0$, and $p \in N$, we have by using (2.2.10) and the repeated application of the rectangle inequality that $G(x_k, x_k, x_{k+p}) \le s[G(x_k, x_k, x_{k+1}) + G(x_{k+1}, x_{k+1}, x_{k+2}) + + G(x_{k+p-1}, x_{k+p-1}, x_{k+p})]$

$$= s[G_{k+1} + G_{+2} + \dots + G_{k+p}]$$

$$\leq s [C_4 (h^k + h^{k+1} + \dots + h^{k+p-1})]$$

$$= C_4 \left(\frac{1 - h^p}{1 - h}\right) h^k s = C_5 h^k s, \qquad (2.2.11)$$

where C₅ is a constant

Since 0 < h < 1, the right hand side of (2.2.11) tends to 0 as $k \to \infty$, showing that $\{x_k\}$ is a Cauchy sequence. Therefore, $x_k \to u \in X$ as $k \to \infty$ since X is complete generalized b-metric space. So,

$$\begin{split} D_G(u,\,u,\,\,T\,u) &\leq s[G(u,\,u,\,x_k) + G(x_k,\,x_k,\,T\,u)\,\,] \\ &\leq s[G(u,\,u,\,x_k) + H_G(Tx_{k-1},\,Tx_{k-1},\,Tu)] \\ &\leq s\,G(u,\,u\,\,,\,x_k) + s[\alpha(G(x_{k-1},\,x_{k-1},\,u))\,G(x_{k-1},\,x_{k-1},\,u)\,\,]^{\rlap/\!\!\!\!\!\phi_l\,\,(D_G\,(u,Tx_{k-1},Tx_{k-1}))} + s\varphi_2(D_G(u,\,Tx_{k-1},\,T\,x_{k-1})) \\ &< s\,G(u,\,u\,\,,\,x_k) + s[h\,G(x_{k-1},\,x_{k-1},\,u)\,\,]^{\rlap/\!\!\!\!\!\phi_l\,\,(D_G\,(u,Tx_{k-1},Tx_{k-1}))} + s\varphi_2(D_G(u,\,Tx_{k-1},\,Tx_{k-1}))\,\,,\,s \geq 1. \end{split} \label{eq:continuous} \tag{2.2.12}$$

By using the fact that $x_k \in Tx_{k-1}$ and $x_k \to u$ as $k \to \infty$, we have $D_G(u, Tx_{k-1}, Tx_{k-1}) \to 0$ as $k \to \infty$. We therefore, have by continuity of $\phi_j(j=1, 2)$ that $\phi_1(D_G(u, Tx_{k-1}, Tx_{k-1})) \to 1$ as $k \to \infty$ and $\phi_2(D_G(u, Tx_{k-1}, Tx_{k-1})) \to 0$ as $k \to \infty$. Hence, since the right hand side terms of (2.2.12) tends to zero as $k \to \infty$, we have $u \in Tu$. Using the continuity of the generalized b-metric in (2.2.11) as $p \to \infty$, we obtain an error estimate $G(x_k, x_k, u) = \lim_{n \to \infty} G(x_k, x_k, x_{k+p}) \le C_5 h^k s$, $k \ge k_0$,

 $s \ge 1$ for the Picard iteration process under condition (**).

Remark 2.2: Theorem 2.2 is a generalization of theorem 1.3, Nadler fixed point theorem [23] as well as theorem 2.1 of Daffer and Kaneko[16].

Theorem 2.3: Let (X, G) be a complete generalized b-metric space with continuous generalized b-metric and $S,T: X \rightarrow CB(X)$ a generalized multivalued (θ, ϕ) – weak j-contraction such that S is continuous and $T(X) \subseteq S(X)$, S(X) a complete subspace of CB(X). Suppose that $\phi: R_+ \rightarrow R_+$ is a continuous monotonic increasing function such that $\phi(0) = 0$. Then,

- (i) $C(S, T) \neq \emptyset$, where C(S, T) is the set of coincidence points of S and T.
- (ii) for any $x_0 \in X$, there exists a Jungck orbit $\left\{SX_n\right\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$ of the pair (S,T) at the point x_0 that converges to Sz for some $z \in X$, and $Sz \in Tz$, that is $z \in C(S,T)$
- (iii) the a priori and a posteriori error estimates are given by

$$G(Sx_n, Sx_n, Sz) \le \frac{sh^n}{1-h}G(Sx_0, Sx_0, Sx_1), s \ge 1, n = 1, 2, 3, ...$$
(2.3.1)

$$G(Sx_n, Sx_n, Sz) \leq \frac{sh}{1-h}G(Sx_{n-1}, Sx_{n-1}, Sx_n), \ s \geq 1, \ n = 1, 2, 3 \dots \eqno(2.3.2)$$

respectively for a certain constant h <1.

Proof: Let $x_0 \in X$ and $Sx_1 \in Tx_0$. If $H_G(Tx_0, Tx_0, Tx_1) = 0$, then $Tx_0 = Tx_1$, that is $Sx_1 \in Tx_1$, which implies that $C(S, T) \neq \emptyset$.

Let $H_G(Tx_0, Tx_0, Tx_1) \neq 0$. Then, we have by lemma 1.1 that there exists $x_2 \in X$ so that $Sx_2 \in Tx_1$ such that

$$G(Sx_1, Sx_1, Sx_2) \le q H_G(Tx_0, Tx_0, Tx_1), q > 1$$

so that by (***) we have

$$\begin{split} G(Sx_1, Sx_1, Sx_2) &\leq q \ \theta \ [G(Sx_0, Sx_0, Sx_1) + \phi(D_G(Sx_1, Tx_0, Tx_0))] \\ &= q \ \theta \ G(Sx_0, Sx_0, Sx_1) \\ &= h \ G(Sx_0, Sx_0, Sx_1), \end{split}$$

where $h = q \theta < 1$.

If $H_G(Tx_1, Tx_1, Tx_2) = 0$, then $Tx_1 = Tx_2$, that is $Sx_2 \in Tx_2$.

Let $H_G(Tx_1, Tx_1, Tx_2) \neq 0$. Again by lemma 1.1, there exists $x_3 \in X$ so that $Sx_3 \in Tx_2$ such that $G(Sx_2, Sx_2, Sx_3) \leq q H_G(Tx_1, Tx_1, Tx_2)$

$$\leq q[\, \boldsymbol{\theta}\, G(Sx_1,\!Sx_1,\!Sx_2) + \varphi(D_G(Sx_2,\!Tx_1,\!Tx_1))]$$

$$= q \theta G(Sx_1,Sx_1,Sx_2)$$

from which it follows that

$$G(Sx_2, Sx_2, Sx_3) \le h G(Sx_1, Sx_1, Sx_2) \le h^2 G(Sx_0, Sx_0, Sx_1)$$
(2.3.3)

By induction, we obtain

$$G(Sx_n, Sx_n, Sx_{n+1}) \le h^n(G(Sx_0, Sx_0, Sx_1))$$
(2.3.4)

Therefore from (2.3.4) and property (G5) of definition 1.4, we have

 $G(Sx_n,Sx_n,Sx_{n+p}) \leq s[G(Sx_n,Sx_n,Sx_{n+1}) + G(Sx_{n+1},Sx_{n+1},Sx_{n+2}) + \ldots + G(Sx_{n+p-1},Sx_{n+p-1},Sx_{n+p})]$

$$\leq s[h^{n}G(Sx_{0},Sx_{0},Sx_{1})+h^{n+1}G(Sx_{0},Sx_{0},Sx_{1})+\ldots\ldots+h^{n+p-1}G(Sx_{0},Sx_{0},Sx_{1})] \tag{2.3.5}$$

$$= \frac{\mathrm{sh}^{n} \left(1 - \mathrm{h}^{p}\right)}{1 - \mathrm{h}} G(\mathrm{Sx}_{0}, \mathrm{Sx}_{0}, \mathrm{Sx}_{1}) \tag{2.3.6}$$

From (2.3.6), we have

 $G(Sx_n, Sx_n, Sx_{n+p}) \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty.$

We therefore have that for any $x_0 \in X$, $\left\{Sx_n\right\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$ is a Cauchy sequence in X. Since (X,G) is a complete generalized b-metric space, there exist a sequence $\left\{x_n\right\}_{n=0}^{\infty} \subset X$ converging to some $z \in X$. Therefore, by the continuity of S, $\left\{Sx_n\right\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$ converges to some $Sz \in X$. That is

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} Sx_n = Sz = w \tag{2.3.7}$$

Therefore, by (***), we have that

 $D_G(Sz, Sz, Tz) = D_G(w, w, Tz) \le s[G(w, w, Sx_{n+1}) + G(Sx_{n+1}, Sx_{n+1}, Tz)]$

$$\leq s[G(w, w, Sx_{n+1}) + H_{G}(Tx_{n}, TX_{n}, TZ)]$$

$$\leq s[G(w, w, Sx_{n+1}) + s[\theta] G(Sx_{n}, Sx_{n}, SZ) + \phi(D_{G}(SZ, TX_{n}, TX_{n}))]$$

$$= s[G(w, w, Sx_{n+1}) + s[\theta] G(Sx_{n}, Sx_{n}, w) + \phi(D_{G}(w, TX_{n}, Tx_{n}))]$$

$$(2.3.8)$$

By using (2.3.7), the continuity of the functions ϕ and the fact that

 $Sx_{n+1} \in Tx_n \text{, then } \varphi(D_G(w,\ TX_n\ Tx_n)) \to 0 \text{ as } n \to \infty \text{ and } G(Sx_n, Sx_n, w) \to 0 \text{ as } n \to \infty.$

It follows from (2.3.8) that $D_G(Sz,Sz,Tz) = 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. Since Tz is closed, then $Sz \in Tz$, $z \in C(S,T)$

To prove a priori error estimate in (2.3.1), we have from (2.3.6) by the continuity of the generalized b- metric that

$$G(Sx_n, Sx_n, Sz) = \lim_{p \to \infty} G(Sx_n, Sx_n, Sx_{n+p}) \le \frac{sh^n}{1-h} G(Sx_0, Sx_0, Sx_1)$$

which gives the result in (2.3.1).

To prove result in (2.3.2), we get by condition (***) and lemma 1.1 that

 $G(Sx_n,Sx_n, Sx_{n+1}) \le q H_G(Tx_{n-1}, Tx_{n-1}, Tx_n)$

$$\leq q[\theta G(Sx_{n-1}, Sx_{n-1}, Sx_n) + \phi(D_G(Sx_n, Tx_{n-1}, Tx_{n-1}))]$$

=
$$q \theta G(Sx_{n-1}, Sx_{n-1}, Sx_n)$$

= $hG(Sx_{n-1}, Sx_{n-1}, Sx_n)$

Also, we have

$$G(Sx_{n+1},\,Sx_{n+1},\,Sx_{n+2}) \leq h \; G(Sx_n,\,Sx_n,\,Sx_{n+1})$$

$$\leq h^2G(Sx_{n-1}, Sx_{n-1}, Sx_n)$$

so that in general we obtain

$$G(Sx_{n+k}, Sx_{n+k}, Sx_{n+k+1}) \le h^{k+1} G(Sx_{n-1}, Sx_{n-1}, Sx_n), k = 0, 1, 2,$$
(2.3.9)

Using (2.3.9) in (2.3.5) yields

$$\begin{split} G(Sx_n, Sx_n, Sx_{n+p}) &\leq s[hG(Sx_{n-1}, Sx_{n-1}, Sx_n) + h^2G(Sx_{n-1}, Sx_{n-1}, Sx_n) + \ldots + h^pG(Sx_{n-1}, Sx_{n-1}, Sx_n)] \\ &= \frac{sh\left(1-h^p\right)}{1-h}G(Sx_{n-1}, Sx_{n-1}, Sx_n) \end{split} \tag{2.3.10}$$

Again taking limit in (2.3.10) as $p\rightarrow\infty$ and using the continuity of the generalized b-metric, we have

$$\begin{split} G(Sx_n,Sx_n,Sz) &= \lim_{p\to\infty} G(Sx_n,Sx_n,Sx_{n+p}) \\ &\leq \frac{sh}{1-h} \ G(Sx_{n-1},Sx_{n-1},Sx_n), \ \text{giving the result in (2.3.2)}. \end{split}$$

Remark 2.4: Theorem 2.3 is a generalization of Theorem 1.2.

Theorem 2.4: Let (X,G) be a complete generalized b-metric space with continuous generalized b-metric and $S, T:X \to CB(X)$ a generalized multi-valued (α,ϕ) -weak j-contraction such that S is continuous and $T(X) \subseteq S(X)$, S(X) a complete subspace of CB(X). Suppose that there exists a function $\alpha:[0,\infty)\to[0,1)$ satisfying $\lim_{x\to x^{++}} \sup \alpha(x) < 1$, for

every $t \in [0, \infty)$ and a continuous monotone increasing function $\phi : R_+ \to R_+$ such that $\phi(0) = 0$. Then, T and S have at least one coincidence point.

Proof: Suppose $x_0 \in X$ with $Sx_1 \in Tx_0$. We choose a positive integer N_1 such that

$$\alpha^{N_1}(G(Sx_0, Sx_0, Sx_1)) \le [1 - \alpha(G(Sx_0, Sx_0, Sx_1))]G(Sx_0, Sx_0, Sx_1)$$
(2.4.1)

By lemma 1.2, there exists $x_2 \in X$ with $Sx_2 \in Tx_1$ such that

$$G\left(Sx_{1},Sx_{1},Sx_{2}\right) \leq H_{G}(Tx_{0},\,Tx_{0},\,Tx_{1}) \,+\, \alpha^{\,\,N_{1}}\left(G(Sx_{0},\,Sx_{0},\,Sx_{1})\right) \tag{2.4.2}$$

Using (****) and (2.4.1) in (2.4.2), we have

$$G(Sx_1, Sx_1, Sx_2) \leq \left[\alpha(G(Sx_0, Sx_0, Sx_1))G(Sx_0, Sx_0, Sx_1) + \phi(D_G(Sx_1, Tx_0, Tx_0)) + \alpha^{N_1}\left(G(Sx_0, Sx_0, Sx_1)\right) + \alpha^{N_2}\left(G(Sx_0, Sx_0, Sx_1)\right) + \alpha^$$

$$=\alpha(\ G(Sx_0,Sx_0,Sx_1))G(Sx_0,\ Sx_0,\ Sx_1)+\ \alpha^{\ N_1}(G(Sx_0,\ Sx_0,\ Sx_1))\leq G(Sx_0,Sx_0,Sx_1)$$

Now, we choose again a positive integer N_2 , $N_2 > N_1$ such that

$$\alpha^{N_2} \left(G\left(Sx_1, Sx_1, Sx_2 \right) \right) \leq \left[1 - \alpha (G(Sx_1, Sx_1, Sx_2)) \right] G(Sx_1, Sx_1, Sx_2) \tag{2.4.3}$$

Since $Tx_2 \in CB(X)$, by lemma 1.2 again, we can select $x_3 \in X$ with $Sx_3 \in Tx_2$ such that

$$G(Sx_2, Sx_2, Sx_3) \leq H_G(Tx_1, Tx_1, Tx_2) + \alpha^{N_2} (G(Sx_1, Sx_1, Sx_2)) \tag{2.4.4}$$

Again using (*****) and (2.4.3) in (2.4.4), we get

$$G(Sx_2, Sx_2, Sx_3) \leq \alpha(G(Sx_1, Sx_1, Sx_2)) \ G(Sx_1, Sx_1, Sx_2) + \phi(D_G(Sx_2, Tx_1, Tx_1)) + \alpha^{N_2} \ (G(Sx_1, Sx_1, Sx_2))$$

$$= G(Sx_1, Sx_1, Sx_2)$$

By induction, since $Tx_k \in CB(X)$, for each k, we may choose a positive integer N_k such that

$$\alpha^{N_k} \left(G(Sx_{k-1}, Sx_{k-1}, Sx_k) \right) \le [1 - \alpha(G(Sx_{k-1}, Sx_{k-1}, Sx_k))] G(Sx_{k-1}, Sx_{k-1}, Sx_k)$$
(2.4.5)

By selecting $x_{k+1} \in X$ with $Sx_{k+1} \in Tx_k$ such that

$$G(Sx_k, Sx_k, Sx_{k+1}) \le H_G(Tx_{k-1}, Tx_{k-1}, Tx_k) + \alpha^{N_k} (G(Sx_{k-1}, Sx_{k-1}, Sx_k)) \tag{2.4.6}$$

so that using (****) and (2.4.5) in (2.4.6) yield

$$G(Sx_k, Sx_k, Sx_{k+1}) \le G(Sx_{k-1}, Sx_{k-1}, Sx_k) \tag{2.4.7}$$

Let $G_k = G(Sx_{k-1}, Sx_{k-1}, Sx_k)$, k = 1, 2,

The inequality relation (2.4.7) shows that the sequence $\{G_k\}$ of non-negative numbers is decreasing. Therefore,

$$\lim_{k\to\infty}G_k \text{ exists. Thus, let } \lim_{k\to\infty}G_k=c\geq 0.$$

We now prove that the Jungck iteration or orbit $\{Sx_k\} \subset X$ so generated is a Cauchy sequence.

By condition on α , for t = c we have $\lim_{t \to c^+} \sup \alpha(t) < 1$.

For $k \ge k_0$, let $\alpha(G_k) < h$, where $\lim_{t \to c^+} \sup \alpha(t) < h < 1$.

Using (2.4.6), we have by deduction that $\{G_k\}$ satisfies the recurrence inequality:

$$G_{k+1} \le G_k \alpha(G_k) + \alpha^{N_k}(G_k), k = 1, 2,$$
 (2.4.8)

Using induction in (2.4.8) leads to

$$G_{k+1} \leq \prod_{j=1}^{k} \alpha(G_j) G_j + \sum_{m=1}^{k-1} \prod_{J=m+1}^{k} \alpha(G_j) \alpha^{N_m} (G_m) + \alpha^{N_k} (G_k), \ k \geq 1$$
 (2.4.9)

We now find a suitable upper bound for the right hand side of (2.5.9), using the fact that $\alpha < 1$ as follows:

$$G_{k+1} \leq \prod_{j=1}^{k} \alpha(G_{j})G_{j} + \sum_{m=1}^{k-1} \prod_{j=m+1}^{k} \alpha(G_{j})\alpha^{N_{m}}(G_{m}) + \alpha^{N_{k}}(G_{k})$$

$$\leq C_1 h^k + C_2 h^k + C_3 h^k = C_4 h^k$$
, where $C_4 = C_1 + C_2 + C_3$ and C_1 , C_2 , C_3 , C_4 are constants.

Now, for $k \ge k_0$, and $p \in N$, we have by using (2.4.10) and the repeated application of the rectangle inequality that $G(Sx_k, Sx_k, Sx_{k+p}) \le s[G(Sx_k, Sx_k, Sx_{k+1}) + G(Sx_{k+1}, Sx_{k+1}, Sx_{k+2}) + \ldots + G(Sx_{k+p-1}, Sx_{k+p-1}, Sx_{k+p})]$

$$= s \left[G_{k+1} + G_{k+2} + \dots + G_{k+p} \right]$$

$$\leq s \left[C_4 \left(h^k + h^{k+1} + \dots + h^{k+p-1} \right) \right]$$

$$= C_4 \left(\frac{1 - h^p}{1 - h} \right) h^k s = C_5 h^k s, \qquad (2.4.11)$$

where C₅ is a constant

Since 0 < h < 1, the right hand side of (2.4.11) tends to 0 as $k \to \infty$, showing that $\{Sx_k\}$ is a Cauchy sequence. Since X is complete generalized b-metric space there exist a sequence $\{X_k\}_{k=1}^{\infty} \subset X$ converging to some $u \in X$. Therefore, by the

continuity of S , $\left\{S_{X_k}\right\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$ converges to some $Su \in X$. , that is

$$\lim_{k \to \infty} Sx_k = Su = w. \tag{2.4.12}$$

So

 $D_G(Su, Su, Tu) = D_G(w, w, Tu) \le s[G(w, w, Sx_k) + G(Sx_k, Sx_k, Tu)]$

$$\leq s[G(w, w, Sx_k) + H_G(Tx_{k-1}, Tx_{k-1}, Tu)]$$

$$\leq s[G(w, w, Sx_k) + s\alpha(G(Sx_{k-1}, Sx_{k-1}, Su)) G(Sx_{k-1}, Sx_{k-1}, Su)$$

$$+ s\varphi_2(D_G(u, Tx_{k-1}, Tx_{k-1}))$$

$$(2.4.13)$$

$$< s \; G(w, \, w \;, \, Sx_k) + sh \; G(Sx_{k-1}, \, Sx_{k-1}, \, Su) \; + s \phi(D_G(Su, \, Tx_{k-1}, \, Tx_{k-1})) \;, \, s \geq 1.$$

By using(2.4.12) and the fact that $Sx_k \in Tx_{k-1}$ we have $D_G(Su, Tx_{k-1}, Tx_{k-1}) \to 0$ as $k \to \infty$. We therefore, have by the continuity of ϕ that $\phi(D_G(Su, Tx_{k-1}, Tx_{k-1})) \to 0$ as $k \to \infty$. Hence, since the right hand side terms of (2.5.13) tends to zero as $k \to \infty$, we have $D_G(Su, Su, Tu) = 0$. Since Tu is closed ,then $Su \in Tu$, $u \in C(S, T)$. Using (2.4.12) and the continuity of the generalized b-metric in (2.4.11) as $p \to \infty$, we obtain an error estimate

 $G(Sx_k,\,Sx_k,Su) = \lim_{p\to\infty} G(Sx_k,\,Sx_k,\,Sx_{k+p}) \leq C_5 \; h^k \, s, \; k\geq k_0 \, , s\geq 1 \; \text{for the Jungck \; iteration process under condition (****)}.$

Remark 2.4: Theorem 2.4 is a generalization of theorem 2.2.

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