

## DATA DEPENDENCE OF FIXED POINTS IN GAUGE SPACES

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**Abstract.** Data dependence of fixed points for several classes of non-self generalized contractions in gauge spaces is studied.

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### 1. INTRODUCTION

Let  $(X, \mathcal{P})$  be gauge space,  $Y \subset X$  a nonempty subset of  $X$  and  $f : Y \rightarrow X$  an operator. In what follow we shall use the following notations:

$$\begin{aligned} F_f &= \{x \in Y : f(x) = x\} - \text{the fixed points set of } f; \\ I(f) &= \{Z \subset Y : f(Z) \subset Z, Z \neq \emptyset\} - \text{the set of invariant subsets of } f; \\ (MI)_f &= \bigcup_{Z \in I(f)} Z - \text{the maximal invariant subset of } f; \\ (BA)_f(x^*) &= \{x \in Y : f^n(x) \text{ is defined for all } n \in \mathbb{N} \text{ and } f^n(x) \underset{\mathcal{P}}{\rightarrow} x^* \in F_f\}. \\ &\quad - \text{the attraction basin of } x^* \in F_f \text{ with respect to } f; \\ (BA)_f &= \cup (BA)_f(x^*) - \text{the attraction basin of } f; \\ (PH)_{\mathcal{P}} &= ((PH)_{d_\alpha})_{\alpha \in \mathcal{A}}, \text{ where} \\ (PH)_{d_\alpha}(A, B) &:= \max \left( \sup_{a \in A} \inf_{b \in B} d_\alpha(a, b), \sup_{b \in B} \inf_{a \in A} d_\alpha(a, b) \right) \end{aligned}$$

In [3], the authors, using the weakly Picard operator technique, give some data dependence results for the fixed points of nonsself operators in a metric space. In this paper, the data dependence of fixed points for several classes of non-self generalized contractions in gauge spaces is studied.

### 2. PICARD AND WEAKLY PICARD NON-SELF OPERATORS

We begin our considerations by some definitions. Let  $X$  be a nonempty set and let  $\mathcal{P} = (d_\alpha)_{\alpha \in \mathcal{A}}$  be a separated gauge structure on  $X$ . Then the pair  $(X, \mathcal{P})$  is said to be a gauge space (see [4], [10], [11]). Let  $Y$  be a nonempty subset of  $X$ .

**Definition 2.1.** Let  $(X, \mathcal{P})$  be a gauge space,  $Y \subset X$  and let  $f : Y \rightarrow X$  be an operator. We say that the operator  $f$  is a contraction with respect to  $\mathcal{P}$  if for every  $\alpha \in \mathcal{A}$  there exists  $0 < a_\alpha < 1$  such that

$$d_\alpha(f(x), f(y)) \leq a_\alpha d_\alpha(x, y), \text{ for every } x, y \in Y \quad (2.1)$$

In this case we will say that  $f$  is an  $A$ -contraction, where  $A = (a_\alpha)_{\alpha \in \mathcal{A}}$ .

**Definition 2.2.** An operator  $f : Y \rightarrow X$  is said to be a Picard operator (PO) if:

- (i)  $F_f = \{x_f^*\}$ ;
- (ii)  $(MI)_f = (BA)_f$ .

**Definition 2.3.** An operator  $f : Y \rightarrow X$  is said to be a weakly Picard operator (WPO) if:

- (i)  $F_f \neq \emptyset$ ;
- (ii)  $(MI)_f = (BA)_f$ .

**Definition 2.4.** For each WPO  $f : Y \rightarrow X$  we define the operator  $f^\infty : (BA)_f \rightarrow (BA)_f$  by  $f^\infty(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f^n(x)$ .

**Remark 2.1.** Notice that  $f^\infty((BA)_f) = F_f$ , thus  $f^\infty$  is a set retraction of  $(BA)_f$  on  $F_f$ .

**Remark 2.2.** In terms of weakly Picard self operators theory, the above definitions take the following form:

$f : Y \rightarrow X$  is a WPO (PO) iff  $f|_{(MI)_f} : (MI)_f \rightarrow (MI)_f$  is a WPO (PO).

Let  $\Psi = (\psi_\alpha)_{\alpha \in \mathcal{A}}$ , where  $\psi_\alpha : \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$  is increasing, continuous in 0 and  $\psi_\alpha(0) = 0$ , for every  $\alpha \in \mathcal{A}$ .

**Definition 2.5.** An operator  $f : Y \rightarrow X$  is said to be a  $\Psi$ -WPO ( $\Psi$ -PO) if  $f$  is a WPO (PO) and

$$d_\alpha(x, f^\infty(x)) \leq \psi_\alpha(d_\alpha(x, f(x))) \text{ for every } x \in (MI)_f \text{ and every } \alpha \in \mathcal{A}.$$

If  $\psi_\alpha(t) := c_\alpha t$ ,  $t \in \mathbb{R}_+$ , for some  $c_\alpha > 0$  for every  $\alpha \in \mathcal{A}$ , we say that  $f$  is a  $C$ -WPO ( $C$ -PO), where  $C = (c_\alpha)_{\alpha \in \mathcal{A}}$ .

**Example 2.1.** Let  $Y$  be a nonempty subset of the gauge space  $(X, \mathcal{P})$  and let  $f : Y \rightarrow X$  be an  $A$ -contraction such that  $F_f = \{x_f^*\}$ . Then  $f$  is a  $C$ -PO with  $C = \left(\frac{1}{1-a_\alpha}\right)_{\alpha \in \mathcal{A}}$ .

Indeed, for  $x \in (MI)_f$  and  $\alpha \in \mathcal{A}$  we have that  $d_\alpha(f^n(x), x_f^*) \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , i.e.,  $f$  is a PO. On the other hand, for  $x \in (MI)_f$  and  $\alpha \in \mathcal{A}$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} d_\alpha(x, f^n(x)) &\leq d_\alpha(x, f(x)) + d_\alpha(f(x), f^2(x)) + \dots + d_\alpha(f^{n-1}(x), f^n(x)) \\ &\leq (1 + a_\alpha + a_\alpha^2 + \dots + a_\alpha^{n-1})d_\alpha(x, f(x)) \\ &\leq \frac{1}{1 - a_\alpha} d_\alpha(x, f(x)). \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $d_\alpha(x, x_f^*) \leq \frac{1}{1-a_\alpha} d_\alpha(x, f(x))$ , for every  $\alpha \in \mathcal{A}$ .

**Example 2.2.** Let  $Y$  be a nonempty subset of the gauge space  $(X, \mathcal{P})$  and let  $f : Y \rightarrow X$  be a generalized contraction of Ćirić-Reich-Rus type, that is for every  $\alpha \in \mathcal{A}$

$$d_\alpha(f(x), f(y)) \leq a_\alpha d_\alpha(x, f(x)) + b_\alpha d_\alpha(y, f(y)) + c_\alpha d_\alpha(x, y) \text{ for all } x, y \in Y, \quad (2.2)$$

where  $a_\alpha, b_\alpha, c_\alpha$  are non-negative numbers with  $a_\alpha + b_\alpha + c_\alpha < 1$ . We suppose that  $F_f = \{x_f^*\}$ . Then  $f$  is a  $C$ -PO, where  $C = \left( \frac{1-b_\alpha}{1-a_\alpha-b_\alpha-c_\alpha} \right)_{\alpha \in \mathcal{A}}$ .

Indeed, if we let in (2.2)  $y = f(x)$ ,  $x \in (BA)_f$ , we obtain

$$d_\alpha(f(x), f^2(x)) \leq a_\alpha d_\alpha(x, f(x)) + b_\alpha d_\alpha(f(x), f^2(x)) + c_\alpha d_\alpha(x, f(x))$$

and thus

$$d_\alpha(f(x), f^2(x)) \leq \frac{a_\alpha + c_\alpha}{1 - b_\alpha} d_\alpha(x, f(x)), \text{ for all } x \in (BA)_f \text{ and all } \alpha \in \mathcal{A}. \quad (2.3)$$

Then, for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}^*$  and every  $\alpha \in \mathcal{A}$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} d_\alpha(x, f^n(x)) &\leq d_\alpha(x, f(x)) + d_\alpha(f(x), f^2(x)) + \dots + d_\alpha(f^{n-1}(x), f^n(x)) \\ &\leq \frac{1 - b_\alpha}{1 - a_\alpha - b_\alpha - c_\alpha} d_\alpha(x, f(x)). \end{aligned}$$

Consequently,  $f$  is a  $C$ -PO.

**Example 2.3.** Let  $Y$  be a nonempty subset of the gauge space  $(X, \mathcal{P})$  and let  $f : Y \rightarrow X$  be a generalized contraction of Ćirić type, that is for every  $\alpha \in \mathcal{A}$

$$d_\alpha(f(x), f(y)) \leq q_\alpha \max\{d_\alpha(x, y), d_\alpha(x, f(x)), d_\alpha(y, f(y)), d_\alpha(x, f(y)), d_\alpha(y, f(x))\}$$

for all  $x, y \in Y$  and some  $q_\alpha \in [0, \frac{1}{2})$ . We suppose that  $F_f = \{x_f^*\}$ . Then  $f$  is a  $C$ -PO, where  $C = \left( \frac{1-q_\alpha}{1-2q_\alpha} \right)_{\alpha \in \mathcal{A}}$ .

**Example 2.4.** Let  $Y$  be a nonempty subset of the gauge space  $(X, \mathcal{P})$  and let  $f : Y \rightarrow X$  be a graphic contraction with closed graph, i.e., for every  $\alpha \in \mathcal{A}$  there exists  $a_\alpha \in (0, 1)$  such that, for all  $x$  for which  $f^2(x)$  is defined we have:

$$d_\alpha(f^2(x), f(x)) \leq a_\alpha d_\alpha(x, f(x)).$$

We suppose that  $F_f \neq \emptyset$ . Then  $f$  is a  $C$ -WPO, where  $C = \left( \frac{1}{1-a_\alpha} \right)_{\alpha \in \mathcal{A}}$ .

Indeed, the graphic contraction condition implies that for every  $x \in (MI)_f$ , the sequence  $(f^n(x))$  is convergent. Since  $f$  has closed graph the limit of the sequence  $(f^n(x))$  is a fixed point of  $f$ . Thus  $f$  is a WPO. In addition, if  $x \in (BA)_f$ , then for every  $\alpha \in \mathcal{A}$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} d_\alpha(x, f^n(x)) &\leq d_\alpha(x, f(x)) + d_\alpha(f(x), f^2(x)) + \dots + d_\alpha(f^{n-1}(x), f^n(x)) \\ &\leq (1 + a_\alpha + a_\alpha^2 + \dots + a_\alpha^{n-1}) d_\alpha(x, f(x)) \\ &\leq \frac{1}{1 - a_\alpha} d_\alpha(x, f(x)). \end{aligned}$$

Letting  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , we obtain  $d_\alpha(x, f^\infty(x)) \leq \frac{1}{1-a_\alpha} d_\alpha(x, f(x))$  for all  $\alpha \in \mathcal{A}$ .

**Example 2.5.** Let  $(X, \mathcal{P})$  be a gauge space, let  $\Phi = (\varphi_\alpha)_{\alpha \in \mathcal{A}}$  be a family of functions such that for every  $\alpha \in \mathcal{A}$ ,  $\varphi_\alpha : \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$  is a strict comparison function (see [8]), i.e., for every  $\alpha \in \mathcal{A}$ :

- (a)  $\varphi_\alpha$  is increasing;
- (b)  $\varphi_\alpha^n(t) \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , for all  $t \in \mathbb{R}_+$ ;
- (c)  $t - \varphi_\alpha(t) \rightarrow +\infty$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$ .

Let  $Y \subset X$  and  $f : Y \rightarrow X$  be a strict  $\Phi$ -contraction with respect to  $\mathcal{P}$ , i.e.,

$$d_\alpha(f(x), f(y)) \leq \varphi_\alpha(d_\alpha(x, y)) \quad \text{for all } x, y \in Y \text{ and all } \alpha \in \mathcal{A}.$$

Suppose that  $F_f \neq \emptyset$ . Then  $f$  is a  $\Psi_\Phi$ -PO, with  $\Psi_\Phi = (\psi_{\varphi_\alpha})_{\alpha \in \mathcal{A}}$  where  $\psi_{\varphi_\alpha} : \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$ ,

$$\psi_{\varphi_\alpha}(\eta) = \sup\{t \in \mathbb{R}_+ : t - \varphi_\alpha(t) \leq \eta\},$$

for every  $\alpha \in \mathcal{A}$ .

Notice that  $F_f = \{x^*\}$ . Then, for  $x \in (BA)_f$  and  $\alpha \in \mathcal{A}$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} d_\alpha(x, x^*) &\leq d_\alpha(x, f(x)) + d_\alpha(f(x), x^*) \\ &\leq d_\alpha(x, f(x)) + \varphi_\alpha(d_\alpha(x, x^*)). \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $d_\alpha(x, x^*) - \varphi_\alpha(d_\alpha(x, x^*)) \leq d_\alpha(x, f(x))$ . Thus we get that  $d_\alpha(x, x^*) \leq \psi_{\varphi_\alpha}(d_\alpha(x, f(x)))$  for every  $\alpha \in \mathcal{A}$ . Therefore  $f$  is a  $\Psi_\Phi$ -PO.

**Remark 2.3.** It is obvious that if  $f : X \rightarrow X$  is a WPO (PO), then  $f|_Y : Y \rightarrow X$  is also a WPO (PO).

### 3. DATA DEPENDENCE FOR $\Psi$ -WPOS AND $\Psi$ -POS

Let  $(X, \mathcal{P})$  be a gauge space,  $Y \subset X$  be a nonempty subset of  $X$  and  $f, g : Y \rightarrow X$  two operators.

**Theorem 3.1.** Assume that the following conditions are satisfied:

- (i)  $f$  and  $g$  are  $\Psi$ -WPOs;
- (ii)  $F_g \subset (BA)_f$  and  $F_f \subset (BA)_g$ ;
- (iii) for every  $\alpha \in \mathcal{A}$  there exists  $\eta_\alpha > 0$  such that

$$d_\alpha(f(x), g(x)) \leq \eta_\alpha \quad \text{for all } x \in Y.$$

Then

$$(PH)_{d_\alpha}(F_f, F_g) \leq \psi_\alpha(\eta_\alpha), \quad \text{for every } \alpha \in \mathcal{A}.$$

*Proof.* If  $x \in F_g$ , and  $\alpha \in \mathcal{A}$  then

$$d_\alpha(x, f^\infty(x)) \leq \psi_\alpha(d_\alpha(x, f(x))) = \psi_\alpha(d_\alpha(g(x), f(x))) \leq \psi_\alpha(\eta_\alpha).$$

If  $y \in F_f$ , and  $\alpha \in \mathcal{A}$  then

$$d_\alpha(y, g^\infty(y)) \leq \psi_\alpha(d_\alpha(y, g(y))) = \psi_\alpha(d_\alpha(f(y), g(y))) \leq \psi_\alpha(\eta_\alpha).$$

Now the conclusion follows from the next lemma from [8]. □

**Lemma 3.1.** *Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space and  $A, B \subset X$  be two nonempty sets. If  $\tau > 0$  is such that:*

- (1) *for each  $a \in A$  there exists  $b \in B$  such that  $d(a, b) \leq \tau$ ;*
- (2) *for each  $b \in B$  there exists  $a \in A$  such that  $d(a, b) \leq \tau$ ,*  
*then  $(PH)_d(A, B) \leq \tau$ .*

In the case of Picard operators, Theorem 3.1 takes the following form:

**Theorem 3.2.** *Assume that the following conditions are satisfied:*

- (i)  *$f$  is a  $\Psi$ -PO ( $F_f = \{x_f^*\}$ );*
- (ii)  *$\emptyset \neq F_g \subset (BA)_f$ ;*
- (iii) *for every  $\alpha \in A$  there exists  $\eta_\alpha > 0$  such that*

$$d_\alpha(f(x), g(x)) \leq \eta_\alpha \quad \text{for all } x \in Y.$$

Then

$$d_\alpha(x_f^*, x_g^*) \leq \psi_\alpha(\eta_\alpha), \quad \text{for all } x_g^* \in F_g \text{ and all } \alpha \in A.$$

For the case of strict  $\Phi$ -contractions we have the following result:

**Theorem 3.3.** *Assume that the following conditions are satisfied:*

- (i)  *$f$  is a strict  $\Phi$ -contraction with respect to  $\mathcal{P}$  with  $F_f = \{x_f^*\}$ ;*
- (ii)  *$F_g \neq \emptyset$ ;*
- (iii) *for every  $\alpha \in A$  there exists  $\eta_\alpha > 0$  such that*

$$d_\alpha(f(x), g(x)) \leq \eta_\alpha, \quad \text{for all } x \in Y.$$

Then

$$d_\alpha(x_g^*, x_f^*) \leq \psi_{\varphi_\alpha}(\eta_\alpha), \quad \text{for all } x_g^* \in F_g \text{ and all } \alpha \in A.$$

*Proof.* Let  $x_g^* \in F_g$  and  $\alpha \in A$ . We have

$$\begin{aligned} d_\alpha(x_g^*, x_f^*) &\leq d_\alpha(x_g^*, f(x_g^*)) + d_\alpha(f(x_g^*), x_f^*) \\ &\leq \eta_\alpha + \varphi_\alpha(d_\alpha(x_g^*, x_f^*)). \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $d_\alpha(x_g^*, x_f^*) - \varphi_\alpha(d_\alpha(x_g^*, x_f^*)) \leq \eta_\alpha$ , i.e., we get that  $d_\alpha(x_g^*, x_f^*) \leq \psi_{\varphi_\alpha}(\eta_\alpha)$  for every  $\alpha \in A$ .  $\square$

We also have the following result:

**Theorem 3.4.** *Assume that the following conditions are satisfied:*

- (i) *there exist  $a_\alpha, b_\alpha \in \mathbb{R}_+$ ,  $a_\alpha + 2b_\alpha < 1$  such that*

$$d_\alpha(f(x), f(y)) \leq a_\alpha d(x, y) + b_\alpha [d_\alpha(x, f(x)) + d_\alpha(y, f(y))]$$

*for all  $x, y \in X$  and each  $\alpha \in A$ . Suppose that  $F_f = \{x_f^*\}$ ;*

- (ii)  *$F_g \neq \emptyset$ ;*
- (iii) *for every  $\alpha \in A$  there exists  $\eta_\alpha > 0$  such that*

$$d_\alpha(f(x), g(x)) \leq \eta_\alpha, \quad \text{for all } x \in Y.$$

Then

$$d_\alpha(x_g^*, x_f^*) \leq \frac{1 + b_\alpha}{1 - a_\alpha} \eta_\alpha, \quad \text{for all } x_g^* \in F_g \text{ and all } \alpha \in A. \quad (3.1)$$

*Proof.* Let  $x_g^* \in F_g$  and  $\alpha \in \mathcal{A}$ . We have

$$\begin{aligned} d_\alpha(x_g^*, x_f^*) &\leq d_\alpha(x_g^*, f(x_g^*)) + d_\alpha(f(x_g^*), x_f^*) \\ &\leq \eta_\alpha + a_\alpha d_\alpha(x_g^*, x_f^*) + b_\alpha d_\alpha(x_g^*, f(x_g^*)) \\ &\leq \eta_\alpha + a_\alpha d_\alpha(x_g^*, x_f^*) + b_\alpha \eta_\alpha. \end{aligned}$$

□

**Remark 3.1.** *In applications one use continuation principles in order to satisfies condition (i) in Theorem 3.1 and Theorem 3.2 (see [1], [2], [5], [7]).*

#### 4. DATA DEPENDENCE FOR OPERATORS SATISFYING THE $\Psi$ -CONDITION

**4.1. The  $\Psi$ - condition in the case  $F_f = \{x_f^*\}$ .** Let  $\Psi = (\psi_\alpha)_{\alpha \in A}$ , where  $\psi_\alpha : \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$  is increasing, continuous in 0 and  $\psi_\alpha(0) = 0$ , for every  $\alpha \in A$ . Let  $(X, \mathcal{P})$  be a gauge space,  $Y \subset X$  and  $f : Y \rightarrow X$  be an operator with  $F_f = \{x_f^*\}$ .

**Definition 4.1.** *We say that the operator  $f$  satisfies the  $\Psi$ -condition if for every  $\alpha \in A$  one have*

$$d_\alpha(x, x_f^*) \leq \psi_\alpha(d_\alpha(x, f(x))) \text{ for all } x \in Y.$$

**Example 4.1.** *If  $f : Y \rightarrow X$  is an  $A$ -contraction then  $f$  satisfies the  $\Psi$ -condition with respect to  $\Psi = \left(\frac{t}{1-a_\alpha}\right)_{\alpha \in A}$ .*

**Example 4.2.** *If  $f : Y \rightarrow X$  is a strict  $\Phi$ -contraction with respect to  $\mathcal{P}$ , (with  $\Phi := (\varphi_\alpha)_{\alpha \in A}$  a family of strict comparison functions), then  $f$  satisfies the  $\Psi$ -condition, where  $\Psi = (\psi_\alpha)_{\alpha \in A}$ , with  $\psi_\alpha(r) = \sup\{t \in \mathbb{R}_+ : t - \varphi_\alpha(t) \leq r\}$ , for any  $\alpha \in A$ .*

The above examples give rise to the following problems:

**Problem 4.1.** *Which generalized contractions on gauge space satisfy the  $\Psi$ -condition, where  $\Psi = (\psi_\alpha)_{\alpha \in A}$ , for some functions  $\psi_\alpha : \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$ ?*

**Problem 4.2.** *Let  $Y = X$ . For which generalized contractions we have that:*

- (i)  *$f$  satisfies the  $\Psi$ - condition with respect to  $\Psi = (\psi_\alpha)_{\alpha \in A}$ ;*
- (ii)  *$f$  is not a  $\Psi$ -PO.*

**Theorem 4.1.** *Let  $(X, \mathcal{P})$  be a gauge space,  $Y \subset X$  and  $f : Y \rightarrow X$  be an operator with  $F_f = \{x_f^*\}$ . If  $f$  satisfies the  $\Psi$ -condition, then the fixed point problem is well posed for  $f$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \subset Y$  be such that  $d_\alpha(x_n, f(x_n)) \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , for every  $\alpha \in A$ . Then, from the  $\Psi$ -condition, for every  $\alpha \in A$ , we have that  $d_\alpha(x_n, x_f^*) \leq \psi_\alpha(d_\alpha(x_n, f(x_n))) \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . □

**Theorem 4.2.** *Let  $(X, \mathcal{P})$  be a gauge space,  $f : Y \rightarrow X$  be an operator with  $F_f = \{x_f^*\}$ . Assume that the following conditions are satisfied:*

- (i)  *$Y = X$ ;*
- (ii)  *$f$  satisfies the  $\Psi$ - condition with respect to  $\Psi = (\psi_\alpha)_{\alpha \in A}$ ;*
- (iii)  *$f$  is asymptotically regular, i.e., for every  $\alpha \in A$*

$$d_\alpha(f^n(x), f^{n+1}(x)) \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty \text{ for every } x \in X.$$

Then  $f$  is a  $\Psi$ -PO.

*Proof.* Let  $x \in X$ . For every  $\alpha \in A$ , we have that

$$d_\alpha(f^n(x), x_f^*) \leq \psi_\alpha(d_\alpha(f^n(x), f^{n+1}(x))) \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

So,  $f$  is a PO. Now (ii) implies that  $f$  is a  $\Psi$ -PO.  $\square$

Now we state a data dependence result for operators satisfying the  $\Psi$ -condition.

**Theorem 4.3.** *Let  $(X, \mathcal{P})$  be a gauge space,  $Y \subset X$  and  $f, g : Y \rightarrow X$  be two operators. We suppose that:*

- (i)  $f$  satisfies the  $\Psi$ -condition;
- (ii) for every  $\alpha \in A$  there exists  $\eta_\alpha > 0$  such that

$$d_\alpha(f(x), g(x)) \leq \eta_\alpha, \quad \text{for every } x \in Y.$$

Then

$$d_\alpha(x_f^*, x_g^*) \leq \psi_\alpha(\eta_\alpha) \text{ for every } x_g^* \in F_g \text{ and every } \alpha \in A.$$

*Proof.* Let  $x_g^* \in F_g$  and  $\alpha \in A$ . Then (i) and (ii) guarantee that:

$$d_\alpha(x_g^*, x_f^*) \leq \psi_\alpha(d_\alpha(x_g^*, f(x_g^*))) = \psi_\alpha(d_\alpha(g(x_g^*), f(x_g^*))) \leq \psi_\alpha(\eta_\alpha). \quad \square$$

In the case of  $\Phi$ -contractions (see Example 2.5) we have the following result:

**Theorem 4.4.** *Let  $(X, \mathcal{P})$  be a gauge space,  $Y \subset X$  and  $f, g : Y \rightarrow X$  be two operators. We suppose that:*

- (i)  $f$  is a  $\Phi$ -contraction;
- (ii) for every  $\alpha \in A$  there exists  $\eta_\alpha > 0$  such that

$$d_\alpha(f(x), g(x)) \leq \eta_\alpha \quad \text{for every } x \in Y.$$

Then

$$d_\alpha(x_f^*, x_g^*) \leq \psi_\alpha(\eta_\alpha) \text{ for every } x_g^* \in F_g \text{ and every } \alpha \in A.$$

**4.2. The  $\Psi$ -condition in the case  $F_f \neq \emptyset$ .** Let  $\Psi = (\psi_\alpha)_{\alpha \in A}$  where  $\psi_\alpha : \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$  is increasing, continuous in 0 and  $\psi_\alpha(0) = 0$ , for every  $\alpha \in A$ . Let  $(X, \mathcal{P})$  be a gauge space,  $Y \subset X$  and  $f : Y \rightarrow X$  be an operator with  $F_f \neq \emptyset$ .

**Definition 4.2.** *The operator  $f$  satisfies the  $\Psi$ -condition if there exists a set retraction  $\chi_f : Y \rightarrow F_f$  such that*

$$d_\alpha(x, \chi_f(x)) \leq \psi_\alpha(d_\alpha(x, f(x))) \text{ for every } x \in Y \text{ and } \alpha \in A.$$

**Example 4.3.** *Let  $Y = X$  and let  $f : X \rightarrow X$  be a  $\Psi$ -WPO. If we take  $\chi_f = f^\infty$ , then  $f$  satisfies the  $\Psi$ -condition.*

**Example 4.4.** *Let  $(X, \mathcal{P})$  be a gauge space,  $Y \subset X$  and  $f : Y \rightarrow X$ . We suppose that*

- (i)  $Y = \bigcup_{i \in I} Y_i$  is a partition of  $Y$  such that  $F_f \cap Y_i = \{x_i^*\}$ ,  $i \in I$ ;
- (ii)  $f|_{Y_i} : Y_i \rightarrow X$  is an  $A$ -contraction,  $i \in I$ .

Then  $f$  satisfies the  $\Psi$ -condition with respect to  $\Psi = \left( \frac{t}{1-a_\alpha} \right)_{\alpha \in A}$ .

**Problem 4.3.** Which generalized contractions on gauge space satisfy the  $\Psi$ -condition with respect to some family of functions  $\Psi = (\psi_\alpha)_{\alpha \in A}$ ?

**Problem 4.4.** In the case  $Y = X$ , for which generalized contractions on gauge space we have that:

- (i)  $f$  satisfies the  $\Psi$ -condition;
- (ii)  $f$  is not a  $\Psi$ -WPO?

We have the following data dependence result.

**Theorem 4.5.** Let  $(X, \mathcal{P})$  be a gauge space,  $Y \subset X$  and  $f, g : Y \rightarrow X$  two operators. We suppose that:

- (i)  $f, g$  satisfy the  $\Psi$ -condition and  $F_f \neq \emptyset$ ;
- (ii) for every  $\alpha \in A$  there exists  $\eta_\alpha > 0$  such that

$$d_\alpha(f(x), g(x)) \leq \eta_\alpha, \text{ for all } x \in Y;$$

- (iii)  $F_g \neq \emptyset$ .

Then for every  $\alpha \in A$  we have that  $(PH)_{d_\alpha}(F_f, F_g) \leq \psi_\alpha(\eta_\alpha)$ .

*Proof.* Let  $x \in F_g$  and let  $\alpha \in A$ . Then

$$d_\alpha(x, \chi_f(x)) \leq \psi_\alpha(d_\alpha(x, f(x))) = \psi_\alpha(d_\alpha(g(x), f(x))) \leq \psi_\alpha(\eta_\alpha).$$

Similarly, if  $y \in F_f$ , then

$$d_\alpha(y, \chi_g(y)) \leq \psi_\alpha(d_\alpha(y, g(y))) = \psi_\alpha(d_\alpha(f(y), g(y))) \leq \psi_\alpha(\eta_\alpha).$$

Now from Lemma 3.1 we have that  $(PH)_{d_\alpha}(F_f, F_g) \leq \psi(\eta_\alpha)$  for every  $\alpha \in A$ . □

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