

# From interpolative contractive mappings to generalized Ćirić-quasi contraction mappings

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## ABSTRACT

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In this article we consider a restricted version of Ćirić-quasi contraction mapping for showing that this mapping generalizes several known interpolative type contractive mappings. Also here we introduce the concept of interpolative strictly contractive type mapping  $T$  and prove a fixed point theorem for such mapping over a  $T$ -orbitally compact metric space. Some examples are given in support of our established results. Finally we give an observation regarding  $(\lambda, \alpha, \beta)$ -interpolative Kannan contractions introduced by Gaba et al.

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## 1. INTRODUCTION AND PRELIMINARIES

In the year 1922, S. Banach had established a remarkable fixed point theorem, known as 'Banach Contraction Principle' which is given as follows:

**Theorem 1.1** ([2]). *If a mapping  $T$  from a complete metric space  $(X, d)$  to itself satisfies the following condition*

$$(1.1) \quad d(Tx, Ty) \leq \alpha d(x, y) \text{ for all } x, y \in X,$$

*for some  $\alpha \in [0, 1)$  then  $T$  possesses a unique fixed point in  $X$ .*

Several generalizations of this theorem have been made by researchers, working in the area of fixed point theory, by means of different new type contractive mappings.

Recently E. Karapinar [7] proposed a new Kannan-type contractive mapping via the notion of interpolation and proved a fixed point theorem over metric space. In his paper, Karapinar assumed that the interpolative Kannan-type contractive mapping  $T$  over a metric space  $X$  satisfies the contractive condition for all  $x, y \in X$  with  $x \neq Tx$ . But in this situation it is to be noted that if this mapping  $T$  has a fixed in  $X$  then it will be a constant mapping and therefore  $T$  has a unique fixed point trivially. To remove such triviality the authors in [8] assumed that interpolative type mappings satisfy the contractive condition for all  $x, y \in X \setminus Fix(T)$ , where  $Fix(T)$  is the set of all fixed points of  $T$ . Though in this case an interpolative contractive type mapping may possess more than one fixed point.

**Definition 1.2** ([7]). In a metric space  $(X, d)$ , a mapping  $T : X \rightarrow X$  is said to be interpolative Kannan-type contractive mapping if it satisfies

$$(1.2) \quad d(Tx, Ty) \leq \lambda [d(x, Tx)]^\alpha [d(y, Ty)]^{1-\alpha} \text{ for all } x, y \in X \setminus Fix(T),$$

for some  $\lambda \in [0, 1)$  and for some  $\alpha \in (0, 1)$ .

**Theorem 1.3.** [7] *Let  $(X, d)$  be a complete metric space and  $T : X \rightarrow X$  be an interpolative Kannan-type contractive mapping. Then  $T$  has at least one fixed point in  $X$ .*

As an extension of interpolative Kannan-type contractive mappings, Karapinar et al. introduced interpolative Reich-Rus-Ćirić type contractions (See [8]). The definition is given below.

**Definition 1.4** ([8]). In a metric space  $(X, d)$ , a mapping  $T : X \rightarrow X$  is called interpolative Reich-Rus-Ćirić type contraction mapping if it satisfies

$$(1.3) \quad d(Tx, Ty) \leq \lambda [d(x, y)]^\beta [d(x, Tx)]^\alpha [d(y, Ty)]^{1-\alpha-\beta} \text{ for all } x, y \in X \setminus Fix(T),$$

for some  $\lambda \in [0, 1)$  and for  $\alpha, \beta \in (0, 1)$ .

**Theorem 1.5** ([8]). *Let  $(X, d)$  be a complete metric space and  $T : X \rightarrow X$  be an interpolative Reich-Rus-Ćirić type contraction mapping. Then  $T$  has a fixed point in  $X$ .*

Further extension of interpolative Kannan-type contractive mappings has been given by Karapinar et al. [9], which is known as interpolative Hardy-Rogers type contraction. The definition is given as follows.

**Definition 1.6** ([9]). In a metric space  $(X, d)$ , a mapping  $T : X \rightarrow X$  is said to be interpolative Hardy-Rogers type contraction mapping if it satisfies

$$(1.4) \quad d(Tx, Ty) \leq \lambda [d(x, y)]^\beta [d(x, Tx)]^\alpha [d(y, Ty)]^\gamma \left[ \frac{1}{2} (d(x, Ty) + d(y, Tx)) \right]^{1-\alpha-\beta-\gamma}$$

for all  $x, y \in X \setminus \text{Fix}(T)$ , for some  $\lambda \in [0, 1)$  and for  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma \in (0, 1)$  with  $\alpha + \beta + \gamma < 1$ .

**Theorem 1.7 ([9]).** *Let  $(X, d)$  be a complete metric space and  $T : X \rightarrow X$  be an interpolative Hardy-Rogers type contraction mapping. Then  $T$  has at least one fixed point in  $X$ .*

Recently C. B. Ampadu [1] has defined interpolative Berinde weak operator in his paper. The definition is given as follows:

**Definition 1.8 ([1]).** Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space. We say  $T : X \rightarrow X$  is

(i) an interpolative Berinde weak operator if it satisfies

$$(1.5) \quad d(Tx, Ty) \leq \lambda [d(x, y)]^\alpha [d(x, Tx)]^{1-\alpha} \text{ for all } x, y \in X \setminus \text{Fix}(T),$$

for some  $\lambda \in [0, 1)$  and for some  $\alpha \in (0, 1)$ .

(ii) an alternate interpolative Berinde Weak operator if it satisfies

$$(1.6) \quad d(Tx, Ty) \leq \lambda \sqrt{d(x, y)d(x, Tx)} \text{ for all } x, y \in X \setminus \text{Fix}(T),$$

where  $\lambda \in [0, 1)$ .

Any interpolative Berinde weak operator is an alternate interpolative Berinde Weak operator.

**Theorem 1.9 ([1]).** *In a complete metric space  $(X, d)$  an interpolative Berinde weak operator  $T$  always possesses a fixed point.*

As a generalization of 'Banach Contraction Principle', Ćirić [3] had introduced a new contractive mapping known as Ćirić-quasi contraction mapping and proved a fixed point theorem for such mappings.

**Theorem 1.10 ([3]).** *Let  $(X, d)$  be a complete metric space and  $T : X \rightarrow X$  be a self mapping. If  $T$  satisfies the contractive condition*

$$d(Tx, Ty) \leq k \max\{d(x, y), d(x, Tx), d(y, Ty), \frac{d(x, Ty) + d(y, Tx)}{2}\} \text{ for all } x, y \in X,$$

*then  $T$  has a unique fixed point in  $X$ .*

In the next section we find some new forms of interpolative contractive mappings and show that these interpolative contractive mappings are nothing but Ćirić-quasi contraction mappings.

## 2. MAIN RESULTS

Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space,  $\Delta_{IK}$  be the set of all interpolative Kannan type contractions on  $X$  and  $\Delta_{SK} = \{T : X \rightarrow X : d(Tx, Ty) \leq \lambda \sqrt{d(x, Tx)d(y, Ty)} \text{ for all } x, y \in X \setminus \text{Fix}(T), \text{ where } \lambda \in [0, 1)\}$ .

**Theorem 2.1.** *In a metric space  $(X, d)$ ,  $\Delta_{IK} = \Delta_{SK}$ .*

*Proof.* Clearly  $\Delta_{SK} \subset \Delta_{IK}$ . Now let  $T \in \Delta_{IK}$  be chosen as arbitrary. Then there exists  $\lambda \in [0, 1)$  and  $\alpha \in (0, 1)$  such that

$$d(Tx, Ty) \leq \lambda d(x, Tx)^\alpha d(y, Ty)^{1-\alpha} \text{ for all } x, y \in X \setminus \text{Fix}(T).$$

Now for any  $x, y \in X \setminus Fix(T)$  we have

$$(2.1) \quad d(Tx, Ty) \leq \lambda d(x, Tx)^\alpha d(y, Ty)^{1-\alpha}$$

and also due to symmetry

$$(2.2) \quad d(Tx, Ty) = d(Ty, Tx) \leq \lambda d(y, Ty)^\alpha d(x, Tx)^{1-\alpha}.$$

Multiplying the inequalities (2.1) and (2.2) it follows that

$$d(Tx, Ty) \leq \lambda \sqrt{d(x, Tx)d(y, Ty)},$$

which proves that  $T \in \Delta_{SK}$  and hence  $\Delta_{IK} = \Delta_{SK}$ .  $\square$

In a metric space  $(X, d)$ , let  $\Delta_{IR}$  be the set of all interpolative Reich-Rus-Ćirić type contractions on  $X$  and  $\Delta_{SR} = \{T : X \rightarrow X : d(Tx, Ty) \leq \lambda d(x, y)^\alpha \{d(x, Tx)d(y, Ty)\}^{\frac{1-\alpha}{2}} \text{ for all } x, y \in X \setminus Fix(T), \text{ where } \lambda \in [0, 1), \alpha \in (0, 1)\}$ .

**Theorem 2.2.** *In a metric space  $(X, d)$ ,  $\Delta_{IR} = \Delta_{SR}$ .*

*Proof.* It is clearly seen that  $\Delta_{SR} \subset \Delta_{IR}$ . Now let  $T \in \Delta_{IR}$  be chosen arbitrarily. Then there exists  $\lambda \in [0, 1)$  and  $\alpha, \beta \in (0, 1)$  such that

$$d(Tx, Ty) \leq \lambda d(x, y)^\alpha d(x, Tx)^\beta d(y, Ty)^{1-\alpha-\beta} \text{ for all } x, y \in X \setminus Fix(T).$$

Now for any  $x, y \in X \setminus Fix(T)$  we have

$$(2.3) \quad d(Tx, Ty) \leq \lambda d(x, y)^\alpha d(x, Tx)^\beta d(y, Ty)^{1-\alpha-\beta}$$

and also due to symmetry we get

$$(2.4) \quad d(Tx, Ty) = d(Ty, Tx) \leq \lambda d(y, x)^\alpha d(y, Ty)^\beta d(x, Tx)^{1-\alpha-\beta}.$$

Multiplying the inequalities (2.3) and (2.4) it follows that

$$d(Tx, Ty) \leq \lambda d(x, y)^\alpha \{d(x, Tx)d(y, Ty)\}^{\frac{1-\alpha}{2}},$$

which proves that  $T \in \Delta_{SR}$  and hence  $\Delta_{IR} = \Delta_{SR}$ .  $\square$

*Remark 2.3.* From the Theorem 2.2 we observe that,  $\beta$  has no importance to define interpolative Reich-Rus-Ćirić type contraction mappings.

Let us take  $\Delta_{IH}$  as the set of all interpolative Hardy-Rogers type contractions and  $\Delta_{SH} = \{T : X \rightarrow X : d(Tx, Ty) \leq \lambda d(x, y)^\alpha \{d(x, Tx)d(y, Ty)\}^\xi \left(\frac{1}{2}[d(x, Ty) + d(y, Tx)]\right)^{1-\alpha-2\xi} \text{ for all } x, y \in X \setminus Fix(T), \text{ where } \lambda \in [0, 1), \alpha, \xi \in (0, 1) \text{ such that } \alpha + 2\xi < 1\}$ .

**Theorem 2.4.** *In a metric space  $(X, d)$ ,  $\Delta_{IH} = \Delta_{SH}$ .*

*Proof.*  $\Delta_{SH} \subset \Delta_{IH}$  trivially. Now let  $T \in \Delta_{IH}$  be taken as arbitrary. Then there exists  $\lambda \in [0, 1)$  and  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma \in (0, 1)$  with  $\alpha + \beta + \gamma < 1$  such that

$$d(Tx, Ty) \leq \lambda d(x, y)^\alpha d(x, Tx)^\beta d(y, Ty)^\gamma \left(\frac{1}{2}[d(x, Ty) + d(y, Tx)]\right)^{1-\alpha-\beta-\gamma}$$

for all  $x, y \in X \setminus Fix(T)$ . Now for any  $x, y \in X \setminus Fix(T)$  we have

$$(2.5) \quad d(Tx, Ty) \leq \lambda d(x, y)^\alpha d(x, Tx)^\beta d(y, Ty)^\gamma \left( \frac{1}{2} [d(x, Ty) + d(y, Tx)] \right)^{1-\alpha-\beta-\gamma}$$

and also due to the symmetry of  $d$  we get

$$(2.6) \quad d(Tx, Ty) = d(Ty, Tx) \leq \lambda d(y, x)^\alpha d(y, Ty)^\beta d(x, Tx)^\gamma \left( \frac{1}{2} [d(y, Tx) + d(x, Ty)] \right)^{1-\alpha-\beta-\gamma}.$$

Multiplying the inequalities (2.5) and (2.6) it follows that

$$d(Tx, Ty) \leq \lambda d(x, y)^\alpha \{d(x, Tx)d(y, Ty)\}^{\frac{\beta+\gamma}{2}} \left( \frac{1}{2} [d(y, Tx) + d(x, Ty)] \right)^{1-\alpha-\beta-\gamma},$$

which proves that  $T \in \Delta_{SH}$  and hence  $\Delta_{IH} = \Delta_{SH}$ . □

*Remark 2.5.* From Theorem 2.1, 2.2 and 2.4 it is clear that in each of the Definitions,  $T$  can be expressed by fewer constants used as powers in the R.H.S.

Now we consider a version of Ćirić-quasi contraction mapping and show that interpolative contractive mappings are special cases of such type of mappings.

**Definition 2.6.** Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space. A non-identity mapping  $T : X \rightarrow X$  is said to be restricted Ćirić-quasi contraction mapping if there exists  $\lambda \in [0, 1)$  such that

$$(2.7) \quad d(Tx, Ty) \leq \lambda M(x, y) \text{ for all } x, y \in X \setminus Fix(T),$$

where  $M(x, y) = \max\{d(x, y), d(x, Tx), d(y, Ty), \frac{1}{2} [d(y, Tx) + d(x, Ty)]\}$ .

**Theorem 2.7.** *In a complete metric space  $(X, d)$ , a restricted Ćirić-quasi contraction mapping possesses at least one fixed point in  $X$ .*

*Proof.* The proof is straight forward so we omit the proof. □

Clearly any Ćirić-quasi contraction mapping is also a restricted Ćirić-quasi contraction mapping but the converse is not true in general. The following examples proves our assertion.

**Example 2.8.** (i) Let  $X = [0, 1]$  be the metric space endowed with the usual metric and  $T : X \rightarrow X$  be defined by

$$T(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x = 0 \\ \frac{1-x}{2} & \text{if } 0 < x < 1 \\ 1 & \text{if } x = 1. \end{cases}$$

Then it can be easily checked that  $T$  is a restricted Ćirić-quasi contraction mapping but it is not a Ćirić-quasi contraction mapping, because  $T$  has three fixed points  $0, \frac{1}{3}$  and  $1$ .

(ii) Let  $X = [1, 2]$  together with the usual metric and  $T : X \rightarrow X$  be defined by

$$T(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{x+1}{2} & \text{if } 1 \leq x < 2 \\ 2 & \text{if } x = 2. \end{cases}$$

Then it can be easily checked that  $T$  is a restricted Ćirić-quasi contraction mapping but it is not a Ćirić-quasi contraction mapping, since  $T$  has two fixed points 1 and 2.

(iii) Let  $X = [-1, 1]$  be the metric space endowed with the usual metric and  $T : X \rightarrow X$  be defined by

$$T(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2} & \text{if } x = -1 \\ x & \text{if } -1 < x < 1 \\ -\frac{1}{2} & \text{if } x = 1. \end{cases}$$

Then it can be easily checked that  $T$  is a restricted Ćirić-quasi contraction mapping but it is not a Ćirić-quasi contraction mapping, because  $T$  has infinitely many fixed points in  $X$ .

Let  $\Delta_{IW}$  and  $\Delta_{IC}$  be the collections of all alternate interpolative Berinde weak mappings and restricted Ćirić-quasi contraction mappings respectively. Now we prove the following theorem.

**Theorem 2.9.** *In a metric space  $(X, d)$  if  $T \in \Delta_{IK} \cup \Delta_{IR} \cup \Delta_{IH} \cup \Delta_{IW}$  then  $T \in \Delta_{IC}$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $T \in \Delta_{IK}$ . Then there exists  $\lambda \in [0, 1)$  such that  $d(Tx, Ty) \leq \lambda \sqrt{d(x, Tx)d(y, Ty)}$  for all  $x, y \in X \setminus Fix(T)$ . Thus for any  $x, y \in X \setminus Fix(T)$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} d(Tx, Ty) &\leq \lambda \sqrt{d(x, Tx)d(y, Ty)} \\ (2.8) \qquad &\leq \lambda \sqrt{M(x, y)^2} = \lambda M(x, y). \end{aligned}$$

If  $T \in \Delta_{IR}$  then there exist  $\lambda \in [0, 1)$  and  $\alpha \in (0, 1)$  such that  $d(Tx, Ty) \leq \lambda d(x, y)^\alpha \{d(x, Tx)d(y, Ty)\}^{\frac{1-\alpha}{2}}$  for all  $x, y \in X \setminus Fix(T)$ . Thus for any  $x, y \in X \setminus Fix(T)$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} d(Tx, Ty) &\leq \lambda d(x, y)^\alpha \{d(x, Tx)d(y, Ty)\}^{\frac{1-\alpha}{2}} \\ (2.9) \qquad &\leq \lambda M(x, y)^\alpha \{M(x, y)^2\}^{\frac{1-\alpha}{2}} = \lambda M(x, y). \end{aligned}$$

Choose  $T \in \Delta_{IH}$ . Then there exist  $\lambda \in [0, 1)$  and  $\alpha, \xi \in (0, 1)$  with  $\alpha + 2\xi < 1$  such that  $d(Tx, Ty) \leq \lambda d(x, y)^\alpha \{d(x, Tx)d(y, Ty)\}^\xi \left(\frac{1}{2} [d(x, Ty) + d(y, Tx)]\right)^{1-\alpha-2\xi}$  for all  $x, y \in X \setminus Fix(T)$ . Thus for any  $x, y \in X \setminus Fix(T)$  we get

$$\begin{aligned} d(Tx, Ty) &\leq \lambda d(x, y)^\alpha \{d(x, Tx)d(y, Ty)\}^\xi \left(\frac{1}{2} [d(x, Ty) + d(y, Tx)]\right)^{1-\alpha-2\xi} \\ (2.10) \qquad &\leq \lambda M(x, y)^\alpha \{M(x, y)^2\}^\xi (M(x, y))^{1-\alpha-2\xi} = \lambda M(x, y). \end{aligned}$$

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Consider  $T \in \Delta_{IW}$ . Then there exists  $\lambda \in [0, 1)$  such that  $d(Tx, Ty) \leq \lambda \sqrt{d(x, y)d(x, Tx)}$  for all  $x, y \in X \setminus \text{Fix}(T)$ . Thus for any  $x, y \in X \setminus \text{Fix}(T)$  we have

$$(2.11) \quad \begin{aligned} d(Tx, Ty) &\leq \lambda \sqrt{d(x, y)d(x, Tx)} \\ &\leq \lambda \sqrt{M(x, y)^2} = \lambda M(x, y). \end{aligned}$$

Hence from (2.8), (2.9), (2.10) and (2.11) we have in any case  $T \in \Delta_{IC}$ .  $\square$

Theorem 2.2 [7], Corollary 1 [8], Theorem 4 [9] and Theorem 1.2 [1] follow from our next corollary.

**Corollary 2.10.** *In a complete metric space  $(X, d)$  if  $T \in \Delta_{IK} \cup \Delta_{IR} \cup \Delta_{IH} \cup \Delta_{IW}$  then  $T$  has a fixed point in  $X$ .*

*Proof.* From Theorem 2.9 we see that if  $T \in \Delta_{IK} \cup \Delta_{IR} \cup \Delta_{IH} \cup \Delta_{IW}$  then  $T \in \Delta_{IC}$ . Also Theorem 2.7 says that a mapping  $T \in \Delta_{IC}$  always possesses fixed point in  $X$ . Hence the corollary.  $\square$

Any mapping  $T \in \Delta_{IC}$  may not be a member of  $\Delta_{IK} \cup \Delta_{IR} \cup \Delta_{IH} \cup \Delta_{IW}$ . The next example supports our contention.

**Example 2.11.** Let us consider  $X = [0, 1]$  equipped with the usual metric. Also let  $T : X \rightarrow X$  be defined by

$$T(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x = 0 \\ \frac{x}{2} & \text{if } 0 < x < 1 \\ 1 & \text{if } x = 1. \end{cases}$$

Then clearly  $T$  is a restricted Ćirić-quasi contraction mapping for  $\frac{1}{2} \leq \lambda < 1$  but not an usual Ćirić-quasi contraction mapping. Also by taking  $x = \epsilon$  and  $y = 1 - \delta$  with  $0 < \epsilon, \delta < 1$  and letting  $\epsilon, \delta \rightarrow 0$  we see that  $T \notin \Delta_{IK} \cup \Delta_{IR} \cup \Delta_{IH} \cup \Delta_{IW}$ .

In metric fixed point theory, our main objective is to check whether a mapping  $T$  over a complete metric space  $X$  into itself possesses a fixed point in  $X$ . In order to satisfy the interpolative Kannan type contractive condition (1.2) for a mapping  $T : X \rightarrow X$ , we have to know the set  $\text{Fix}(T)$  and whenever we know the whole set  $\text{Fix}(T)$  why we bother about, whether the mapping  $T$  satisfies the contractive condition (1.2) ?

In one word, to check the existence of fixed points for an interpolative contractive mapping  $T$  in  $X$ , we have to know the set  $\text{Fix}(T)$  in advance, which is quite absurd.

Moreover, Theorem 2.7 shows that, if any one of the contractive condition (like Banach, Kannan, Chatterjea) holds "for all  $x, y \in X \setminus \text{Fix}(T)$ " instead of "for all  $x, y \in X$ " then we can easily remove the part *uniqueness* from the like Theorems (Banach, Kannan, Chaterjea), but in each case we have to know first the set  $\text{Fix}(T)$ .

From this point of view we can conclude that the Theorem 1.3 has no real significance.

To avoid such a situation we can redefine the contractive condition (1.2) in the way that is given below.

*Remark 2.12.* In a metric space  $(X, d)$  if we define an interpolative mapping  $T : X \rightarrow X$  satisfying

$$(2.12) \quad d(Tx, Ty) \leq \lambda \sqrt{\max\{d(x, Tx), d(x, y)\} \cdot \max\{d(y, Ty), d(x, y)\}}$$

for all  $x, y \in X$  and for some  $\lambda \in [0, 1)$ , then it is seen that  $T$  can be a non-constant function even if  $T$  has a fixed point in  $X$ .

Clearly the contractive condition (2.12) can also be taken as

$$d(Tx, Ty) \leq \lambda [\max\{d(x, Tx), d(x, y)\}]^\alpha [\max\{d(y, Ty), d(x, y)\}]^{1-\alpha}$$

for all  $x, y \in X$ , for  $\alpha \in (0, 1)$  and for some  $\lambda \in [0, 1)$ .

*Remark 2.13.* It is to be noted that if  $Ba(X)$ ,  $Mi(X)$  and  $Ci(X)$  are the set of all Banach contractions, interpolative contractive mappings satisfying condition (2.12) and Ćirić quasi contractions on  $X$  respectively then  $Ba(X) \subset Mi(X) \subset Ci(X)$ . Therefore it is clear that in a complete metric space  $(X, d)$  an interpolative contractive mapping  $T$  satisfying condition (2.12) has a unique fixed point.

### 3. INTERPOLATIVE STRICTLY CONTRACTIVE MAPPINGS OVER A COMPACT METRIC SPACE

In this section we prove some fixed point theorems for interpolative strictly contractive type mappings in the framework of a metric space which is weaker than compact metric space. First we recall the definitions of  $T$ -orbitally compact metric space with respect to a self mapping  $T$  and orbital continuity of a self mapping over a metric space.

**Definition 3.1** ([4]). A metric space  $(X, d)$  is said to be  $T$ -orbitally compact with respect to a mapping  $T : X \rightarrow X$  if for all  $x \in X$ , every sequence in the orbit of  $T$  at  $x \in X$  given by  $\mathcal{O}(x, T) = \{x, Tx, T^2x, \dots\}$  has a convergent subsequence in  $X$ .

**Definition 3.2** ([5]). Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space. A mapping  $T : (X, d) \rightarrow (X, d)$  is said to be orbitally continuous if  $u \in X$  and such that  $u = \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} T^{n_i}x$  for some  $x \in X$ , then  $Tu = \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} TT^{n_i}x$ .

**Theorem 3.3.** Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space and  $T : X \rightarrow X$  be a mapping which satisfies

$$(3.1) \quad d(Tx, Ty) < \Theta(x, y) \text{ for all } x, y \notin \text{Fix}(T),$$

where  $\Theta(x, y) = \max\{\sqrt{d(x, Tx)d(y, Ty)}, d(x, y)^\mu \{d(x, Tx)d(y, Ty)\}^{\frac{1-\mu}{2}}, d(x, y)^\nu \{d(x, Tx)d(y, Ty)\}^\tau \left(\frac{1}{2} [d(x, Ty) + d(y, Tx)]\right)^{1-\nu-2\tau}, d(x, y)^\xi \left[\frac{(d(x, Tx)+1)d(y, Ty)}{1+d(x, y)}\right]^{1-\xi}\}$  with  $\mu, \nu, \tau, \xi \in (0, 1)$  and  $\nu + 2\tau < 1$ . If  $X$  is compact (or,  $T$ -orbitally compact)



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then  $T$  has atleast one fixed point in  $X$ , provided that  $T$  is orbitally continuous in  $X$ .

*Proof.* Let  $x_0 \in X$  be chosen as arbitrary. Let us construct an iterative sequence  $\{x_n\}$ , where  $x_n = T^n x_0$  for all  $n \geq 1$ . If  $x_n = x_{n+1}$  for some  $n \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$  then  $x_n$  will be a fixed point of  $T$ . So without loss of generality we assume that  $x_n \neq x_{n+1}$  for all  $n \geq 0$ . Now from the contractive condition (3.1) we have

$$(3.2) \quad d(x_n, x_{n+1}) = d(Tx_{n-1}, Tx_n) < \Theta(x_{n-1}, x_n) \text{ for all } n \geq 1.$$

Now we have to consider four cases.

**Case-I:** If  $\Theta(x_{n-1}, x_n) = \sqrt{d(x_{n-1}, x_n)d(x_n, x_{n+1})}$  then we get

$$(3.3) \quad \begin{aligned} d(x_n, x_{n+1}) &< \sqrt{d(x_{n-1}, x_n)d(x_n, x_{n+1})} \\ \Rightarrow d(x_n, x_{n+1}) &< d(x_{n-1}, x_n). \end{aligned}$$

**Case-II:** If  $\Theta(x_{n-1}, x_n) = d(x_{n-1}, x_n)^\mu \{d(x_{n-1}, x_n)d(x_n, x_{n+1})\}^{\frac{1-\mu}{2}}$  then we have

$$(3.4) \quad \begin{aligned} d(x_n, x_{n+1}) &< d(x_{n-1}, x_n)^\mu \{d(x_{n-1}, x_n)d(x_n, x_{n+1})\}^{\frac{1-\mu}{2}} \\ \Rightarrow d(x_n, x_{n+1})^{\frac{1+\mu}{2}} &< d(x_{n-1}, x_n)^{\frac{1+\mu}{2}} \\ \Rightarrow d(x_n, x_{n+1}) &< d(x_{n-1}, x_n). \end{aligned}$$

**Case-III:** If  $\Theta(x_{n-1}, x_n) = d(x_{n-1}, x_n)^\nu \{d(x_{n-1}, x_n)d(x_n, x_{n+1})\}^\tau \times \left(\frac{1}{2} [d(x_{n-1}, x_{n+1}) + d(x_n, x_n)]\right)^{1-\nu-2\tau}$  then we obtain that

$$(3.5) \quad \begin{aligned} d(x_n, x_{n+1}) &< d(x_{n-1}, x_n)^\nu \{d(x_{n-1}, x_n)d(x_n, x_{n+1})\}^\tau \left(\frac{1}{2} [d(x_{n-1}, x_{n+1}) + d(x_n, x_n)]\right)^{1-\nu-2\tau} \\ &\leq d(x_{n-1}, x_n)^\nu \{d(x_{n-1}, x_n)d(x_n, x_{n+1})\}^\tau \left(\frac{1}{2} [d(x_{n-1}, x_n) + d(x_n, x_{n+1})]\right)^{1-\nu-2\tau}. \end{aligned}$$

If  $d(x_{n-1}, x_n) \leq d(x_n, x_{n+1})$  then from (3.5) it follows that

$$(3.6) \quad \begin{aligned} d(x_n, x_{n+1}) &< d(x_{n-1}, x_n)^\nu \{d(x_{n-1}, x_n)d(x_n, x_{n+1})\}^\tau \left(\frac{1}{2} [d(x_{n-1}, x_n) + d(x_n, x_{n+1})]\right)^{1-\nu-2\tau} \\ &\leq d(x_n, x_{n+1}), \text{ a contradiction.} \end{aligned}$$

Which implies that  $d(x_n, x_{n+1}) < d(x_{n-1}, x_n)$ .

**Case-IV:** If  $\Theta(x_{n-1}, x_n) = d(x_{n-1}, x_n)^\xi \left[ \frac{(d(x_{n-1}, x_n)+1)d(x_n, x_{n+1})}{1+d(x_{n-1}, x_n)} \right]^{1-\xi}$  then we have

$$\begin{aligned} d(x_n, x_{n+1}) &< d(x_{n-1}, x_n)^\xi \left[ \frac{(d(x_{n-1}, x_n) + 1)d(x_n, x_{n+1})}{1 + d(x_{n-1}, x_n)} \right]^{1-\xi} \\ &= d(x_{n-1}, x_n)^\xi d(x_n, x_{n+1})^{1-\xi} \\ \Rightarrow d(x_n, x_{n+1})^\xi &< d(x_{n-1}, x_n)^\xi \\ (3.7) \quad \Rightarrow d(x_n, x_{n+1}) &< d(x_{n-1}, x_n). \end{aligned}$$

Thus from equations (3.3), (3.4), (3.5) and (3.7) we see that  $d(x_n, x_{n+1}) < d(x_{n-1}, x_n)$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . So  $\{d(x_{n-1}, x_n)\}$  is a monotonically decreasing sequence which is bounded below. Therefore there exists some  $l \geq 0$  such that  $d(x_{n-1}, x_n) \rightarrow l$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

Now since  $X$  is compact (or,  $T$ -orbitally compact),  $\{x_n\}$  has a convergent subsequence  $\{x_{n_k}\}$ , which converges to some  $u \in X$ . Due to the orbital continuity of  $T$  it follows that  $\{x_{n_k+1}\}$  converges to  $Tu$  and  $\{x_{n_k+2}\}$  converges to  $T^2u$  respectively. Therefore the continuity of the metric  $d$  implies that  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} d(x_{n_k}, x_{n_k+1}) = d(u, Tu)$  and  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} d(x_{n_k+1}, x_{n_k+2}) = d(Tu, T^2u)$ . So  $d(u, Tu) = l = d(Tu, T^2u)$ . If  $l > 0$  then  $u, Tu \notin \text{Fix}(T)$  and therefore

$$(3.8) \quad d(Tu, T^2u) < \Theta(u, Tu) \text{ implies that } d(Tu, T^2u) < d(u, Tu), \text{ a contradiction.}$$

Hence  $l = 0$  and  $Tu = u$  that is  $u$  is a fixed point of  $T$ . □

From the above theorem we get the following immediate corollaries.

**Corollary 3.4.** *Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space and  $T : X \rightarrow X$  be a mapping which satisfies*

$$(3.9) \quad d(Tx, Ty) < d(x, Tx)^\gamma d(y, Ty)^{1-\gamma} \text{ for all } x, y \notin \text{Fix}(T), \gamma \in (0, 1).$$

*If  $X$  is compact (or,  $T$ -orbitally compact) then  $T$  has a fixed point in  $X$ , provided that  $T$  is orbitally continuous in  $X$ .*

**Example 3.5.** Let  $X = [0, \infty)$  with the usual metric,  $M = \{n + (n + \frac{1}{n})^2 : n \geq 2\}$  and  $T : X \rightarrow X$  be defined by

$$T(x) = \begin{cases} n & \text{if } x = n + (n + \frac{1}{n})^2, n \geq 2 \\ x & \text{if } x \in X \setminus M. \end{cases}$$

Then  $T$  satisfies the contractive condition (3.1) in particular the contractive condition (3.9). Also  $X$  is  $T$ -orbitally compact and  $T$  is orbitally continuous on  $X$ . Here we see that  $T$  has infinitely many fixed points in  $X$ .

**Corollary 3.6.** *Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space and  $T : X \rightarrow X$  be a mapping which satisfies*

$$(3.10) \quad d(Tx, Ty) < d(x, y)^\gamma d(x, Tx)^\delta d(y, Ty)^{1-\gamma-\delta} \text{ for all } x, y \notin \text{Fix}(T), \gamma, \delta \in (0, 1).$$

If  $X$  is compact (or,  $T$ -orbitally compact) then  $T$  has atleast one fixed point in  $X$ , provided that  $T$  is orbitally continuous in  $X$ .

**Corollary 3.7.** Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space and  $T : X \rightarrow X$  be a mapping which satisfies

$$(3.11) \quad d(Tx, Ty) < d(x, y)^\gamma d(x, Tx)^\delta d(y, Ty)^\zeta \left( \frac{1}{2} [d(x, Ty) + d(y, Tx)] \right)^{1-\gamma-\delta-\zeta}$$

for all  $x, y \notin \text{Fix}(T)$ , where  $\gamma, \delta, \zeta \in (0, 1)$  with  $\gamma + \delta + \zeta < 1$ . If  $X$  is compact (or,  $T$ -orbitally compact) then  $T$  has a fixed point in  $X$ , provided that  $T$  is orbitally continuous in  $X$ .

**Corollary 3.8.** Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space and  $T : X \rightarrow X$  be a mapping which satisfies

$$(3.12) \quad d(Tx, Ty) < d(x, y)^\xi \left[ \frac{(d(x, Tx) + 1)d(y, Ty)}{1 + d(x, y)} \right]^{1-\xi} \text{ for all } x, y \notin \text{Fix}(T), \xi \in (0, 1).$$

If  $X$  is compact (or,  $T$ -orbitally compact) then  $T$  has atleast one fixed point in  $X$ , provided that  $T$  is orbitally continuous in  $X$ .

#### 4. A REMARK ON INTERPOLATIVE KANNAN CONTRACTIVITY CONDITIONS

In [6] the authors have defined  $(\lambda, \alpha, \beta)$ -interpolative Kannan contraction and prove a fixed point theorem for such mappings. The definition of the mapping is given as follows:

**Definition 4.1** ([6]). Let  $(X, d)$  a metric space and  $T : X \rightarrow X$  be a self map.  $T$  is called a  $(\lambda, \alpha, \beta)$ -interpolative Kannan contraction, if there exist  $\lambda \in [0, 1)$  and  $\alpha, \beta \in (0, 1)$  with  $\alpha + \beta < 1$  such that

$$(4.1) \quad d(Tx, Ty) \leq \lambda d(x, Tx)^\alpha d(y, Ty)^\beta \text{ for all } x, y \in X \setminus \text{Fix}(T).$$

**Theorem 4.2** ([6]). Let  $(X, d)$  a complete metric space and  $T : X \rightarrow X$  be a  $(\lambda, \alpha, \beta)$ -interpolative Kannan contraction with  $\lambda \in [0, 1)$  and  $\alpha, \beta \in (0, 1)$ ,  $\alpha + \beta < 1$ . Then  $T$  has a fixed point in  $X$ .

Theorem 4.2 is not true in general. The next example proves our assertion.

**Example 4.3.** Let  $X = \{\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{2}\}$  with usual metric and  $T : X \rightarrow X$  be given by

$$T(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2} & \text{if } x = \frac{1}{3} \\ \frac{1}{3} & \text{if } x = \frac{1}{2}. \end{cases}$$

Then  $T$  is a  $(\lambda, \alpha, \beta)$ -interpolative Kannan contraction with  $\lambda = \frac{3}{5}$  and  $\alpha = \beta = \frac{1}{3}$ . Here  $X$  is complete but  $T$  has no fixed point in  $X$ .

**Comment/s:** (The reason/s why the proof of Theorem 2 in [6] fails)

In the proof of Theorem 2 (See the line number 5 of Theorem 2 in Page 2 of [6]) the authors used the fact that

(4.2)

$$d(x_n, x_{n+1})^{1-\beta} \leq \lambda d(x_{n-1}, x_n)^\alpha \leq \lambda d(x_{n-1}, x_n)^{1-\beta} \text{ whenever } \alpha < 1 - \beta,$$

which is actually not true in case  $0 < d(x_{n-1}, x_n) < 1$ .

Therefore the contractive condition

$$d(Tx, Ty) \leq \lambda d(x, Tx)^\alpha d(y, Ty)^{1-\alpha}$$

can not be replaced by the contractive condition (4.1).

E. Karapinar have pointed out a similar idea in Example 2 of [10], where he forewarned about the mappings  $T : \{x_0, y_0\} \rightarrow \{x_0, y_0\}$  defined by  $Tx_0 = y_0$  and  $Ty_0 = x_0$ . These particular type of mappings defined on two point sets satisfy the contractive condition (3) (See [10]) but are fixed-points free.

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