

# Banach fixed point theorem on incomplete orthogonal $S$ -metric spaces

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## Abstract

In this paper, we are interested in obtaining fixed point theorem for mappings in  $S$ -metric space by weakening the completeness of  $S$ -metric space using relations. As a consequence, an application to existence and uniqueness of solution of integral equation is given.

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## 1 Introduction

The concept of standard metric spaces is a fundamental tool in topology, functional analysis and nonlinear analysis. This structure has attracted a considerable attention from mathematicians because of the development of the fixed point theory in standard metric spaces.

In recent years, several generalizations of standard metric spaces have appeared [6, 7, 8, 9, 11]. Sedghi et al. [10] have introduced the concept of  $S$ -metric spaces and gave some of their properties. Then a common fixed point theorem for a self-mapping on complete  $S$ -metric spaces have given.

Sedghi et al. [10] considered the concept of  $S$ -metric spaces as follows:

**Definition 1.1.** [10] Let  $X$  be a nonempty set. A  $S$ -metric on  $X$  is a function  $S : X^3 \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  that satisfies the following condition, for each  $x, y, z, a \in X$ ,

1.  $S(x, y, z) \geq 0$ ,
2.  $S(x, y, z) = 0$  if and only if  $x = y = z$ ,
3.  $S(x, y, z) \leq S(x, x, a) + S(y, y, a) + S(z, z, a)$ .

The pair  $(X, S)$  is called an  $S$ -metric space.

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**Definition 1.2.** [10] A sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $X$  converges to  $x \in X$  if and only if  $S(x_n, x_n, x) \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

**Definition 1.3.** [10] A sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $X$  is called Cauchy sequence if for each  $\varepsilon > 0$  there exists  $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $S(x_n, x_n, x_m) < \varepsilon$  for each  $n, m \geq n_0$ .

**Definition 1.4.** [10] The S-metric space  $(X, S)$  is said to be complete if every Cauchy sequence is convergent.

**Lemma 1.5.** [10] In an S-metric space, we have  $S(x, x, y) = S(y, y, x)$ .

They also proved the following fixed point theorem in S-metric spaces [10].

**Theorem 1.6.** [10] Let  $(X, d)$  be a complete S-metric space and  $f : X \rightarrow X$  be a contraction. Then  $f$  has a unique fixed point  $x^* \in X$ . Furthermore, for any  $x \in X$  we have  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f^n(x) = x^*$  with

$$S(f^n(x_0), f^n(x_0), x^*) \leq \frac{2L^n}{1-L} S(x, x, f(x)).$$

Eshaghi and et. al [2] introduced the notion of orthogonal sets as follows (also see [1, 3, 4, 5, 12, 13, 14, 15]):

**Definition 1.7.** [2] Let  $X \neq \phi$  and  $\perp \subseteq X \times X$  be a binary relation. If  $\perp$  satisfies the following condition

$$\exists x_0; ((\forall y; y \perp x_0) \text{ or } (\forall y; x_0 \perp y)),$$

it is called an orthogonal set (briefly O-set). We denote this O-set by  $(X, \perp)$ .

**Definition 1.8.** [2] Let  $(X, \perp)$  be an O-set. A sequence  $\{x_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  is called orthogonal sequence (briefly O-sequence) if

$$((\forall n; x_n \perp x_{n+1}) \text{ or } (\forall n; x_{n+1} \perp x_n)).$$

**Definition 1.9.** [2] Let  $(X, d, \perp)$  be an orthogonal metric space ( $(X, \perp)$  is an O-set and  $(X, d)$  is a metric space). The space  $X$  is orthogonally complete (briefly O-complete) if every Cauchy O-sequence is convergent.

It is easy to see that every complete metric space is O-complete and the converse is not true (see [2]). For instance, let  $X = [0, 1]$  and  $d(x, y) = |x - y|$  for all  $x, y \in X$ . It is easy to see that  $(X, d)$  is incomplete metric space. If we consider  $\perp = \leq$ , then one can show that  $X$  is O-complete metric space.

**Definition 1.10.** [2] Let  $(X, d, \perp)$  be an orthogonal metric space and  $0 < k < 1$ .

1. A mapping  $f : X \rightarrow X$  is said to be orthogonal contractive ( $\perp$ -contractive) mapping with Lipchitz constant  $k$  if

$$d(fx, fy) \leq kd(x, y) \quad \text{if } x \perp y.$$

2. A mapping  $f : X \rightarrow X$  is called orthogonal preserving ( $\perp$ -preserving) mapping if  $x \perp y$  then  $f(x) \perp f(y)$ .
3. A mapping  $f : X \rightarrow X$  is orthogonal continuous ( $\perp$ -continuous) mapping in  $a \in X$  if for each O-sequence  $\{a_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  in  $X$  if  $a_n \rightarrow a$  then  $f(a_n) \rightarrow f(a)$ . Also  $f$  is  $\perp$ -continuous on  $X$  if  $f$  is  $\perp$ -continuous in each  $a \in X$ .

They also proved the following theorem which can be considered as a real extension of Banach fixed point theorem [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 12, 13, 14, 15].

**Theorem 1.11.** [2] Let  $(X, d, \perp)$  be an O-complete metric space (not necessarily complete metric space). Let  $f : X \rightarrow X$  be  $\perp$ -continuous,  $\perp$ -contraction (with Lipschitz constant  $k$ ) and  $\perp$ -preserving, then  $f$  has a unique fixed point  $x^*$  in  $X$ . Also,  $f$  is a Picard operator, that is,  $\lim f^n(x) = x^*$  for all  $x \in X$ .

One of the most important conditions in Banach contraction principle is the completeness of the space. Also, in many generalizations of this theorem in different spaces such as S-metric spaces and fuzzy metric spaces the completeness of spaces is one of the most important condition and here, there is a question that how we can weaken the completeness condition of the space.

Let us consider the following integral equation

$$x(t) = \int_0^T K(t, s, x(s))ds + g(t), \quad t \in I = [0, T], \quad (1.1)$$

where  $T > 0$ .

Inspired and motivated by the above results, in this paper, we are interested in weakening the completeness condition of  $S$ -metric space by considering a relation on  $S$ -metric space and by using this relation. As an application, we find the existence and uniqueness of solution of integral equation 1.1.

## 2 Main Result

In this section, we introduce some new definitions to prove the main results. We begin with the following definitions.

Let  $(X, S)$  be a  $S$ -metric space. Let  $\perp$  be an arbitrary relation on  $X$ .

**Definition 2.1.** The  $S$ -metric space  $(X, S)$  is  $\perp$ -complete if every Cauchy  $\perp$ -sequence is convergent.

Let  $(X, S)$  be a  $S$ -metric space. Let  $\perp$  be an arbitrary relation on  $X$ . In the following, we denote this by  $(X, S, \perp)$ .

**Definition 2.2.** • A mapping  $f : (X, S, \perp) \rightarrow (X, S, \perp)$  is  $\perp$ -preserving if for  $a \perp b$  we have  $f(a) \perp f(b)$  for all  $a, b \in X$ .

• A map  $f : (X, S, \perp) \rightarrow (X, S, \perp)$  is said to be  $(S, \perp)$ -contraction if there exists a constant  $0 \leq L < 1$  such that

$$S(f(x), f(x), f(y)) \leq LS(x, x, y),$$

for all  $x, y \in X, x \perp y$ .

• A map  $f : (X, S, \perp) \rightarrow (X, S, \perp)$  is  $(S, \perp)$ -continuous if for  $\perp$ -sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $X$  such that  $x_n \rightarrow x$ , we have  $f(x_n) \rightarrow f(x)$ .

Now, we are ready to prove the main theorem of this paper which can be consider as a real extension of Theorem 1.11 (Theorem 3.11 of [2]).

**Theorem 2.3.** Let  $(X, S, \perp)$  be a  $\perp$ -complete  $S$ -metric space such that there exists  $x_0 \in X$  such that  $x_0 \perp f(x)$  for all  $x \in X$ . Let  $f : X \rightarrow X$  be  $\perp$ -preserving,  $(S, \perp)$ -continuous and  $(S, \perp)$ -contraction. Then  $f$  has a unique fixed point  $x^* \in X$ . Furthermore, for any  $x \in X$  we have  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f^n(x) = x^*$  i.e.  $f$  is a Picard operator (P.O.).

**Proof .** By hypothesis, there exists  $x_0 \in X$  such that  $x_0 \perp f(x)$  for all  $x \in X$ . It follows that  $x_0 \perp f(x_0)$ . Let

$$x_1 := f(x_0), x_2 := f(x_1) = f^2(x_0), \dots, x_{n+1} := f(x_n) = f^n(x_0).$$

Since  $f$  is  $\perp$ -preserving,  $\{f^n(x_0)\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$  is an  $\perp$ -sequence. For  $n = 0, 1, \dots$ , we get by induction

$$\begin{aligned} S(f^n(x_0), f^n(x_0), f^{n+1}(x_0)) &\leq LS(f^{n-1}(x_0), f^{n-1}(x_0), f^n(x_0)) \\ &\leq \dots \\ &\leq L^n S(x_0, x_0, f(x_0)). \end{aligned}$$

In order to show that the  $R$ -sequence  $\{f^n(x_0)\}$  is Cauchy, consider  $m, n \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $m > n$ . From the definition

of the  $(S, \perp)$ -metric space and by Lemma 1.5 we have

$$\begin{aligned}
S(f^n(x_0), f^n(x_0), f^m(x_0)) &\leq S(f^n(x_0), f^n(x_0), f^{n+1}(x_0)) + S(f^n(x_0), f^n(x_0), f^{n+1}(x_0)) \\
&\quad + S(f^m(x_0), f^m(x_0), f^{n+1}(x_0)) \\
&= 2S(f^n(x_0), f^n(x_0), f^{n+1}(x_0)) + S(f^{n+1}(x_0), f^{n+1}(x_0), f^m(x_0)) \\
&\leq 2S(f^n(x_0), f^n(x_0), f^{n+1}(x_0)) + S(f^{n+1}(x_0), f^{n+1}(x_0), f^{n+2}(x_0)) \\
&\quad + S(f^{n+1}(x_0), f^{n+1}(x_0), f^{n+2}(x_0)) + S(f^m(x_0), f^m(x_0), f^{n+2}(x_0)) \\
&= 2S(f^n(x_0), f^n(x_0), f^{n+1}(x_0)) + 2S(f^{n+1}(x_0), f^{n+1}(x_0), f^{n+2}(x_0)) \\
&\quad + S(f^{n+2}(x_0), f^{n+2}(x_0), f^m(x_0)) \\
&\leq \dots \\
&\leq 2\sum_{i=n}^{m-2} S(f^i(x_0), f^i(x_0), f^{i+1}(x_0)) + S(f^{m-1}(x_0), f^{m-1}(x_0), f^m(x_0)) \\
&\leq 2L^n S(x_0, x_0, f(x_0)) [1 + L + L^2 + \dots] \\
&\leq \frac{2L^n}{1-L} S(x_0, x_0, f(x_0)).
\end{aligned}$$

Thus, for  $m > n$  we have

$$S(f^n(x_0), f^n(x_0), f^m(x_0)) \leq \frac{2L^n}{1-L} S(x_0, x_0, f(x_0)). \quad (2.1)$$

From the above we find that  $\{f^n(x_0)\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$  is Cauchy  $\perp$ -sequence. By  $\perp$ -completeness of  $X$ , there exists  $x^* \in X$  such that  $f^n(x_0) \rightarrow x^*$ . On the other hand,  $f$  is  $(S, \perp)$ -continuous and hence  $f(f^n(x_0)) \rightarrow f(x^*)$ . As  $n$  tends to  $\infty$  we have

$$f(x^*) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(f^n(x_0)) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f^{n+1}(x_0) = x^*.$$

Therefore,  $x^*$  is a fixed point of  $f$ .

To prove the uniqueness of the fixed point, let  $y^* \in X$  be a fixed point of  $f$ . Then we have  $f^n(y^*) = y^*$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . By our choice of  $x_0$  in the hypothesis we have  $x_0 \perp y^*$  (because  $y^* = f(y^*) \in f(X)$ ).

Since  $f$  is  $\perp$ -preserving, we have

$$f^n(x_0) \perp f^n(y^*),$$

for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . On the other hand,  $f$  is a  $(S, \perp)$ -contraction, then we have

$$\begin{aligned}
S(x^*, x^*, y^*) &= S(f^n(x^*), f^n(x^*), f^n(y^*)) \leq S(f^n(x^*), f^n(x^*), f^n(x_0)) + S(f^n(x^*), f^n(x^*), f^n(x_0)) \\
&\quad + S(f^n(y^*), f^n(y^*), f^n(x_0)) \\
&\leq L^n S(x^*, x^*, x_0) + L^n(x^*, x^*, x_0) + L^n(y^*, y^*, x_0) \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty.
\end{aligned}$$

Then  $S(x^*, x^*, y^*) = 0$ , hence  $x^* = y^*$ .

Let  $x \in X$  be arbitrary. By hypothesis we have  $x_0 \perp f(x)$ . Since  $f$  is  $\perp$ -preserving then

$$f^n(x_0) \perp f^n(f(x)),$$

for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . On the other hand,  $f$  is a  $(S, \perp)$ -contraction, then we get

$$\begin{aligned}
S(f^n(f(x)), f^n(f(x)), x^*) &= S(f^n(f(x)), f^n(f(x)), f^n(x^*)) \\
&\leq S(f^n(f(x)), f^n(f(x)), f^n(x_0)) + S(f^n(f(x)), f^n(f(x)), f^n(x_0)) \\
&\quad + S(f^n(x^*), f^n(x^*), f^n(x_0)) \\
&\leq 2L^n S(f(x), f(x), x_0) + L^n(x^*, x^*, x_0) \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty.
\end{aligned}$$

So,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f^n(f(x)) = x^*$ . Hence,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f^n(x) = x^*$ . Therefore,  $f$  is a P.O.

□

One can easily prove the following result.

**Corollary 2.4.** Let  $(X, S, \perp)$  be an O-complete S-metric space. Let  $f : X \rightarrow X$  be  $\perp$ -preserving,  $(S, \perp)$ -continuous and  $(S, \perp)$ -contraction. Then  $f$  has a unique fixed point  $x^* \in X$ . Furthermore, for any  $x \in X$  we have  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f^n(x) = x^*$  i.e.  $f$  is a Picard operator (P.O.).

### 3 Application in integral equation

Consider the integral equation

$$x(t) = \int_0^T K(t, s, x(s))ds + g(t), \quad t \in I = [0, T],$$

where  $T > 0$ . The aim of this section is to give an existence and uniqueness theorem for a solution of the above integral equation using results in the previous section.

Let

$$X = \{u \in C(I, \mathbb{R}); u(t) > 1 \text{ for almost every } t \in I\}.$$

Suppose the mapping

$$S : X \times X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$$

defined by

$$S(x, y, z) = \sup_{t \in I} |x(t) - y(t)| + \sup_{t \in I} |x(t) - z(t)| + \sup_{t \in I} |y(t) - z(t)|,$$

for  $x, y, z \in X$ . Define the following relation  $\perp$  in  $X$ :

$$x \perp y \text{ if } x(t)y(t) \geq y(t),$$

for almost every  $t \in I$ . Its easy to see that  $(X, S)$  is  $\perp$ -complete  $S$ -metric space.

**Theorem 3.1.** Suppose the following hypotheses hold:

1.  $K : I \times I \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  and  $g : I \rightarrow [1, \infty)$  are continuous.
2. There exists a continuous function  $G : I \times I \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  such that

$$|K(t, s, u) - K(t, s, v)| \leq G(t, s)|u - v|,$$

for each  $u, v \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $u \perp v$  and each  $t, s \in I$ .

3.  $\sup_{t \in I} \int_0^T G(t, s)ds < r$  for each  $r < 1$ .

Then the integral equation 1.1 has a solution  $u \in C(I, \mathbb{R})$ .

**Proof .** In  $(S, \perp)$ -metric space  $(X, S, \perp)$ a mapping

$$A : (X, S, \perp) \rightarrow (X, S, \perp),$$

can be defined by

$$Ax(t) = \int_0^T K(t, s, x(s))ds + g(t),$$

for almost every  $t \in I$ .

Note that if  $x \in X$  is a fixed point of  $A$ , then  $x$  is a solution to the 1.1.

First, we claim that for every  $x \in X$ ,  $Ax \in X$ . To see this, for every  $t \in I$ ,  $x \in X$ , we have

$$Ax(t) = \int_0^T K(t, s, x(s))ds + g(t) \geq 1.$$

One can conclude that  $Ax(t) > 1$  and we have  $Ax \in X$ . Now, we check that the hypotheses in Theorem 2.3 is satisfied. to do this, we show that

1. There exists  $x_0 \in x$  such that  $x_0 \perp Ax$  for all  $x \in X$ .
2.  $A$  is  $\perp$ -preserving.
3.  $A$  is  $(S, \perp)$ -contraction.
4.  $A$  is  $(S, \perp)$ -continuous.

**Proof .**

1. Put  $x_0 = 2$  (the constant function  $x_0 = 2$ ), we have  $2 \perp Ax$  for all  $x \in X$ .

2. We recall that  $A$  is  $\perp$ -preserving if for every  $x, y \in X$ ,  $x \perp y$ , we have  $Ax \perp Ay$ . We have shown above that  $Ax(t) > 1$  for every  $t \in I$ , which implies that  $Ax(t)Ay(t) \geq Ay(t)$  for all  $t \in I$ . So  $Ax \perp Ay$ .
3. Let  $x, y \in X$ ,  $x \perp y$  and  $t \in I$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 |Ax(t) - Ay(t)| &= \left| \int_0^T K(t, s, x(s))ds + g(t) - \int_0^T K(t, s, y(s))ds - g(t) \right| \\
 &= \left| \int_0^T [K(t, s, x(s)) - K(t, s, y(s))]ds \right| \\
 &\leq \int_0^T |K(t, s, x(s)) - K(t, s, y(s))|ds \\
 &\leq \int_0^T G(t, s)|x(s) - y(s)|ds \\
 &\leq \sup_{t \in I} |x(t) - y(t)| \sup_{t \in I} \int_0^T G(t, s)ds \\
 &\leq r \sup_{t \in I} |x(t) - y(t)|.
 \end{aligned}$$

So,

$$\sup_{t \in I} |Ax(t) - Ay(t)| \leq r \sup_{t \in I} |x(t) - y(t)|.$$

Therefore, we have

$$S(Ax, Ax, Ay) = 2 \sup_{t \in I} |Ax(t) - Ay(t)| \leq 2r \sup_{t \in I} |x(t) - y(t)| = rS(x, x, y).$$

This proves that  $A$  is  $(S, \perp)$ -contraction with Lipchitz constant  $\lambda = r < 1$ .

4. Let  $\{x_n\}$  be an  $(S, \perp)$ -sequence in  $X$  such that  $\{x_n\}$  converges to some  $x \in X$ . Since  $A$  is  $\perp$ -preserving,  $\{Ax_n\}$  is an  $(S, \perp)$ -sequence, too. For each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , by (2) we have

$$|Ax_n - Ax| \leq \lambda |x_n - x|.$$

As  $n$  goes to infinity, it follows that  $A$  is  $\perp$ -continuous.

□

The mapping  $A$  satisfies the hypotheses of the Theorem 2.3. Thus, existence and uniqueness of its fixed point  $x^* \in X$  has been guaranteed by Theorem 2.3. As noted above  $x^*$  is a unique solution to integral equation 1.1. □

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