Abstract. In this paper, we introduce the notions of rational type Geraghty contractions. Using this type of contraction, we investigate under which conditions such mappings possess a unique fixed point in the framework of complete metric spaces.

1. Introduction and preliminaries

Fixed point theory on a metric space is started by Banach in 1922. Banach’s Contraction Principle says that, whenever \((M, \sigma)\) is complete, then any contraction selfmap of \(M\) has a unique fixed point. Afterwards, the crucial role of the principle in existence and uniqueness problems arising in mathematics has been realized which fact directed the researchers to extend and generalize the principle in many ways, see e.g. [1, 2, 4–7, 9, 10]. No doubt, one of those is given by Geraghty [8] such that:

Let \(S\) be the family of all functions \(\beta : [0, \infty) \to [0, 1)\) which satisfies the condition

\[
\lim_{n \to \infty} \beta(t_n) = 1 \implies \lim_{n \to \infty} t_n = 0.
\]

Theorem 1. Let \((M, \sigma)\) be a complete metric space and \(T : M \to M\) be a mapping. Suppose that there exists \(\beta \in S\) such that

\[
\sigma(Ta, Tb) \leq \beta(\sigma(a, b))\sigma(a, b),
\]

for all \(a, b \in M\). Then \(T\) has a unique fixed point \(z \in M\). Moreover, for any initial point \(a_0 \in M\), the iterative sequence \(\{T^n a_0\}_{n=1}^\infty\) converges to \(z\).

Recently, in [3] the authors proved the following fixed point theorems that were inspired from the well-known results of Suzuki [10].

Definition 1 ([3]). Suppose that \(\varphi : [0, \infty) \to [0, \infty)\) is a function and \(\beta \in S\). A self mapping \(T\) on a complete metric space \((M, \sigma)\) is called \(\varphi\)--Geraghty contraction if it satisfies the following conditions:

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\((\varphi_1)\) \(\varphi(t) < t\), for all \(t \in (0, \infty)\).

\((\varphi_2)\) For any \(\epsilon > 0\), there exists a \(\delta > 0\) such that
\[
\epsilon < t < \epsilon + \delta \text{ implies } \varphi(t) \leq \epsilon.
\]

\((\varphi_3)\) \(\sigma(Ta, Tb) \leq \beta((\sigma(a, b))(\varphi \circ \sigma(a, b)))\), for all \(a, b \in M\).

**Theorem 2** ([3]). Let \((M, \sigma)\) be a complete metric space. If a self mapping \(T : M \to M\) forms a \(\varphi\)-Geraghty contraction, then \(T\) has a unique fixed point \(z \in M\). Moreover, \(\{T^n a\}\) converges to \(z\) for all \(a \in M\).

Let \(S'\) be the family of all functions \(\beta : [0, \infty) \to [0, 1)\) which satisfies the condition
\[
\lim_{n \to \infty} \sup \beta(t_n) = 1 \implies \lim_{n \to \infty} t_n = 0.
\]

**Definition 2** ([3]). Suppose that \(\varphi : [0, \infty) \to [0, \infty)\) is a function and \(\beta \in S'\). A self mapping \(T\) on a complete metric space \((M, \sigma)\) is called Ćirić type \(\varphi\)-Geraghty contraction if it satisfies the following conditions:

\((\varphi_0)\) \(\varphi\) is upper semicontinuous.

\((\varphi_1)\) \(\varphi(t) < t\), for all \(t \in (0, \infty)\).

\((\varphi_2)\) For any \(\epsilon > 0\), there exists a \(\delta > 0\) such that
\[
\epsilon < t < \epsilon + \delta \text{ implies } \varphi(t) \leq \epsilon.
\]

\((\varphi_3)\) \(\sigma(Ta, Tb) \leq \beta((L(a, b))(\varphi \circ L(a, b)))\), where
\[
L(a, b) = \max\{\sigma(a, b), \frac{\sigma(a, Tb) + \sigma(b, Ta)}{2}, \sigma(a, Ta), \sigma(b, Tb)\}.
\]

**Theorem 3** ([3]). Let \((M, \sigma)\) be a complete metric space. If a self mapping \(T : M \to M\) forms a \(\varphi\)-Geraghty contraction, then \(T\) has a fixed point \(z \in M\). Moreover, \(\{T^n a\}\) converges to \(z\) for all \(a \in M\).

**Remark 1** ([3]). By \((\varphi_1)\) it is easy tho see that \(\varphi_2\) is equivalent to following:

\((\varphi_2')\) For any \(\epsilon > 0\) there exists \(\delta > 0\) such that \(t < \epsilon + \delta\) implies \(\varphi(t) \leq \epsilon\).

Indeed, if \(0 < t \leq \epsilon\), from \((\varphi_1)\) we have \(\varphi(t) < t \leq \epsilon\).

In this paper, we introduce rational type Geraghty contraction and prove some results for this type contraction.

## 2. Main result

Let \(F'\) be the family of all functions \(\beta : [0, \infty) \to [0, 1)\) which satisfies the condition
\[
\lim_{n \to \infty} \sup \beta(t_n) = 1 \implies \lim_{n \to \infty} t_n = 0.
\]

**Definition 3.** Suppose that \(\varphi : [0, \infty) \to [0, \infty)\) is a function and \(\beta \in F'\). A self mapping \(T\) on a complete metric space \((M, \sigma)\) is called rational type \(\varphi\)-Geraghty contraction if it satisfies the following conditions:

\((\varphi_0)\) \(\varphi\) is upper semicontinuous.
(\varphi_1) \varphi(t) < t for all \(t \in (0, \infty)\).

(\varphi_2) for any \(\epsilon > 0\), there exists a \(\delta > 0\) such that
\[
\epsilon < t < \epsilon + \delta \text{ implies } \varphi(t) \leq \epsilon.
\]

(\varphi_3') \(\sigma(Ta, Tb) \leq \beta (K(a, b)) (\varphi (K(a, b)))\), where
\[
K(a, b) = \max \left\{ \sigma(a, b), \sigma(a, fa), \sigma(b, fb), \frac{\sigma(a, fa)\sigma(b, fb)}{1 + \sigma(a, b)}, \frac{\sigma(a, fa)\sigma(b, fb)}{1 + \sigma(fa, fb)} \right\}.
\]

**Theorem 4.** Let \((M, \sigma)\) be a complete metric space. If a self mapping \(T : M \to M\) forms a rational type \(\varphi\)-Geraghty contraction, then \(T\) has a fixed point \(w \in M\). Moreover, \(\{T^na\}\) converges to \(w\) for all \(a \in M\).

*Proof.* Let \(a_0 \in M\). We define a sequence \(\{a_n\}\) in \(M\) by \(a_{n+1} = Ta_n = T^n a_0\), for all \(n \geq 0\). Suppose that \(\sigma(a_n, a_{n+1}) = 0\) for some \(n_0\). In this case, the proof is trivially completed. Consequently, we assume that
\[
\sigma(a_n, a_{n+1}) \neq 0,
\]
for all \(n\). Thus we have \(\sigma(a_n, a_{n+1}) > 0\). By (\(\varphi_3'\)), (\(\varphi_1\)) and definition of function \(\beta\), we have
\[
\sigma(a_{n+1}, a_{n+2}) = \sigma(Ta_n, Ta_{n+1})
\]
\[
\leq \beta \left( \max \left\{ \frac{\sigma(a_n, a_{n+1}), \sigma(a_n, fa_n), \sigma(a_{n+1}, fa_{n+1})}{1 + \sigma(a_n, fa_n)} \right\} \right) \times \varphi \left( \max \left\{ \frac{\sigma(a_n, a_{n+1}), \sigma(a_n, fa_n), \sigma(a_{n+1}, fa_{n+1})}{1 + \sigma(a_n, fa_n)} \right\} \right)
\]
\[
= \beta \left( \max \left\{ \frac{\sigma(a_n, a_{n+1}), \sigma(a_n, a_{n+1}), \sigma(a_{n+1}, a_{n+2})}{1 + \sigma(a_n, a_{n+1})} \right\} \right) \times \varphi \left( \max \left\{ \frac{\sigma(a_n, a_{n+1}), \sigma(a_n, a_{n+1}), \sigma(a_{n+1}, a_{n+2})}{1 + \sigma(a_n, a_{n+1})} \right\} \right)
\]
\[
\leq \beta \left( \max \left\{ \sigma(a_n, a_{n+1}), \sigma(a_{n+1}, a_{n+2}) \right\} \right) \times \varphi \left( \max \left\{ \sigma(a_n, a_{n+1}), \sigma(a_{n+1}, a_{n+2}) \right\} \right)
\]
\[
< \sigma(a_n, a_{n+1})
\]
for all \(n \geq 0\). Hence the non-negative real number sequence \(\{\sigma(a_n, a_{n+1})\}\) is non-increasing. Consequently, this sequence convergence to some \(\epsilon > 0\).
We claim that $\varepsilon = 0$. Firstly, we note $\varepsilon < \sigma(a_n, a_{n+1})$ for all $n \geq 0$. Arguing by contradiction, we assume $\varepsilon > 0$. Then by $(\varphi'_2)$ from Remark 1, there exists $\delta > 0$ such that
\[
t < \varepsilon + \delta \quad \text{implies} \quad \varphi(t) \leq \varepsilon.
\]
On the other hand, for sufficiently large $N \in \mathbb{N}$ we have
\[
0 < \varepsilon < \sigma(a_N, a_{N+1}) < \varepsilon + \delta,
\]
and, taking into account the property $(\varphi'_2)$, we get
\[
0 < \varepsilon \leq \sigma(a_{N+2}, a_{N+3}) < \sigma(a_{N+1}, a_{N+2})
\]
\[
= \sigma(Ta_N, Ta_{N+1})
\]
\[
\leq \beta(K(a_N, a_{N+1}))\varphi(K(a_N, a_{N+1}))
\]
\[
\leq \beta \left( \max \left\{ \frac{\sigma(a_N, a_{N+1}), \sigma(a_N, f a_N), \sigma(a_{N+1}, f a_{N+1}),}{1+\sigma(a_N, a_{N+1})}, \frac{\sigma(a_N, f a_N)\sigma(a_{N+1}, f a_{N+1}),}{1+\sigma(f a_N, f a_{N+1})} \right\} \right)
\times \left( \varphi \left( \max \left\{ \frac{\sigma(a_N, a_{N+1}), \sigma(a_N, f a_N), \sigma(a_{N+1}, f a_{N+1}),}{1+\sigma(a_N, a_{N+1})}, \frac{\sigma(a_N, f a_N)\sigma(a_{N+1}, f a_{N+1}),}{1+\sigma(f a_N, f a_{N+1})} \right\} \right) \right)
\]
\[
= \beta \left( \max \left\{ \frac{\sigma(a_N, a_{N+1}), \sigma(a_N, a_{N+1}), \sigma(a_{N+1}, a_{N+2}),}{1+\sigma(a_N, a_{N+1})}, \frac{\sigma(a_N, a_{N+1})\sigma(a_{N+1}, a_{N+2}),}{1+\sigma(a_{N+1}, a_{N+2})} \right\} \right)
\times \left( \varphi \left( \max \left\{ \frac{\sigma(a_N, a_{N+1}), \sigma(a_N, a_{N+1}), \sigma(a_{N+1}, a_{N+2}),}{1+\sigma(a_N, a_{N+1})}, \frac{\sigma(a_N, a_{N+1})\sigma(a_{N+1}, a_{N+2}),}{1+\sigma(a_{N+1}, a_{N+2})} \right\} \right) \right)
\]
\[
\leq \beta \left( \max \{\sigma(a_N, a_{N+1}), \sigma(a_{N+1}, a_{N+2})\} \right)
\times \left( \varphi \left( \max \{\sigma(a_N, a_{N+1}), \sigma(a_{N+1}, a_{N+2})\} \right) \right)
\]
\[
\leq \varphi \left( \max \{\sigma(a_N, a_{N+1}), \sigma(a_{N+1}, a_{N+2})\} \right)
\]
\[
< \sigma(a_N, a_{N+1}) \leq \varepsilon,
\]
a contradiction. Thus we have
\[
(1) \quad \lim_{n \to \infty} \sigma(a_n, a_{n+1}) = 0.
\]
Now we show that $\{a_n\}$ is a Cauchy sequence. Let $\varepsilon_1 > 0$ fixed. Then there exists $\delta_1 > 0$ which satisfies the following
\[
(2) \quad t < \max\{\varepsilon_1 + \delta_1, \delta_1^2\} \implies \varphi(t) \leq \varepsilon_1.
\]
Because, by (1) we can choose \( k \in \mathbb{N} \) large enough to satisfy \( \sigma(a_k, a_{k+1}) < \delta_1(\epsilon) < \delta_1 \). We will show by induction that

\[
(3) \quad \sigma(a_k, a_{k+l}) < \epsilon_1 + \delta_1,
\]

for all \( k \in \mathbb{N} \). We have already proved for \( k = 1 \), so we suppose the condition (3) is satisfied for some \( j \in \mathbb{N} \). For \( l = j + 1 \), we get

\[
K(a_k, a_{k+j}) = \max\left\{ \frac{\sigma(a_k, a_{k+j}), \sigma(a_k, f a_k), \sigma(a_{k+j}, f a_{k+j})}{1 + \sigma(a_k, a_{k+j})}, \frac{\sigma(a_k, f a_k) \sigma(a_{k+j}, f a_{k+j})}{1 + \sigma(f a_k, f a_{k+j})} \right\}
\]

\[
= \max\left\{ \frac{\sigma(a_k, a_{k+j}), \sigma(a_k, a_{k+1}), \sigma(a_{k+j}, a_{k+1})}{1 + \sigma(a_k, a_{k+j})}, \frac{\sigma(a_{k+1}, \sigma(a_{k+j}, a_{k+1})}{1 + \sigma(a_{k+1}, a_{k+j+1})} \right\}
\]

\[
\leq \max\{\delta_1, \epsilon_1 + \delta_1, \delta_1^2, \delta_1^2\}
\]

\[
\leq \max\{\epsilon_1 + \delta_1, \delta_1^2\}.
\]

Because, by \((\varphi_3')\) and (2) we obtain

\[
\sigma(a_k, a_{k+j+1}) \leq \sigma(a_k, a_{k+1}) + \sigma(a_{k+1}, a_{k+j+1})
\]

\[
= \sigma(a_k, a_{k+1}) + \sigma(T a_k, T a_{k+j})
\]

\[
\leq \sigma(a_k, a_{k+1}) + \beta(\lambda(a_k, a_{k+j})(\varphi \circ \lambda(a_k, a_{k+j}))
\]

\[
< \epsilon_1 + \delta_1.
\]

Consequently, (3) holds for \( l = j + 1 \). Hence \( \sigma(a_k, a_{k+l}) < \epsilon_1 \) for all \( k \in \mathbb{N} \) and \( l \leq 1 \), which means \( \lim_{n \to \infty} \sup_{m > n} \sigma(a_n, a_m) = 0 \). So the sequence \( \{a_n\} \) is Cauchy. Since \((M, \sigma)\) is complete, there exists \( w \in M \) such that \( a_n \to w \) when \( n \to \infty \).

Now, we will show that \( Tw = w \). Suppose on the contrary, that there exists \( r > 0 \) such that \( r = \sigma(w, Tw) > 0 \). Note that due to the fact the sequence \( \{a_n\} \) is convergent to \( w \), we can choose \( l \in \mathbb{N} \) such that \( \sigma(w, a_n) < \frac{r}{2} \) for all \( n \geq l \). So, for \( n \geq l \) we have

\[
K(a_n, w) = \max\left\{ \frac{\sigma(a_n, w), \sigma(a_n, f a_n), \sigma(w, f w)}{1 + \sigma(a_n, w)}, \frac{\sigma(a_n, f a_n) \sigma(w, f w)}{1 + \sigma(f a_n, f w)} \right\}
\]

\[
\leq \max\left\{ \frac{r}{2}, \sigma(a_n, a_{n+1}), \sigma(w, f w) \right\},
\]

\[
\leq \max\left\{ \frac{r}{2}, \sigma(a_n, a_{n+1}), \frac{\sigma(a_n, a_{n+1}) \sigma(w, f w)}{1 + \sigma(a_n, w)}, \frac{\sigma(a_n, a_{n+1}) \sigma(w, f w)}{1 + \sigma(a_n, f w)} \right\}.
\]
It yields that \( \lim_{n \to \infty} \sup K(a_n, w) = r \). By the triangle inequality together with \((\varphi_3)\) we derive that

\[
0 < r = \sigma(w, Tw) \leq \sigma(w, a_{n+1}) + \sigma(a_{n+1}, Tw) \\
\leq \sigma(w, a_{n+1}) + \beta(K(a_n, w))(\varphi(K(a_n, w))).
\]

Letting \( n \to \infty \) in the previous inequality, together with \((\varphi_0)\) and \((\varphi_1)\) we get

\[
0 < r = \sigma(w, Tw) \\
\leq \lim_{n \to \infty} \sup \left[ \sigma(w, a_{n+1}) + \beta(K(a_n, w))(\varphi(K(a_n, w))) \right] \\
= \lim_{n \to \infty} \sup \beta(K(a_n, w)) \lim_{n \to \infty} \sup \varphi(K(a_n, w)) \\
\leq \varphi(r) < r.
\]

Thus \( \lim_{n \to \infty} \sup \beta(K(a_n, w)) = 1 \). Since \( \beta \in F' \), we have

\[
\lim_{n \to \infty} \sup K(a_n, w) = 0.
\]

Accordingly, we have \( \sigma(w, Tw) = r = 0 \), that is \( w \) is a fixed point of \( T \). As a last step, we indicate that the limit point \( w \) of the iterative sequence \( \{a_n\} \) is unique. Suppose on the contrary, that \( v \) is another fixed point of \( T \), with \( w \neq v \). It is clear that \( K(w, v) = \sigma(w, v) \). Thus we have

\[
0 < \sigma(w, v) = \sigma(Tw, Tv) \\
\leq \beta(K((w, v))(\varphi(K((w, v)))) \\
\leq \beta(\sigma(w, v))(\varphi(\sigma(w, v))) \\
< \sigma(w, v),
\]

a contradiction. So fixed point of \( T \) is unique. \( \square \)

**Corollary 1.** Let \((M, \sigma)\) be a complete metric space. If a self mapping \( T : M \to M \) forms a \( \varphi-\)Geraghty contraction such that

\[
\sigma(Ta, Tb) \leq \beta(\max\{\sigma(a, b), \sigma(a, Ta), \sigma(b, Tb)\})(\varphi(\sigma(a, b))),
\]

for all \( a, b \in M \), then \( T \) has a fixed point \( w \in M \). Moreover, \( \{T^n a\} \) converges to \( w \) for all \( a \in M \).

**Corollary 2.** Let \((M, \sigma)\) be a complete metric space. If a self mapping \( T : M \to M \) forms a \( \varphi-\)Geraghty contraction such that

\[
\sigma(Ta, Tb) \leq \beta(\sigma(a, b))(\varphi(\sigma(a, b))),
\]

for all \( a, b \in M \), then \( T \) has a fixed point \( w \in M \). Moreover, \( \{T^n a\} \) converges to \( w \) for all \( a \in M \).
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