



## SOME FIXED POINT THEOREMS ON COMPLEX VALUED MODULAR METRIC SPACES WITH AN APPLICATION

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**ABSTRACT.** In this article, we introduce the notion of complex valued modular metric spaces. We also prove a generalization of Banach Fixed Point Theorem, which is one of the most simple and significant tests for existence and uniqueness of solution of problems arising in mathematics and engineering for complex valued modular metric spaces. In addition, we express some results related to these spaces. Finally, we give an application of our results to digital programming.

### 1. INTRODUCTION AND PRELIMINARIES

In 2011, Azam et al. [6] introduced the notion of complex valued metric spaces and they gave a generalization of Banach contraction mapping principle [10]. Then, this space has been studied by many authors. After that, they obtained various fixed point theorems on these spaces [2, 7, 15, 16, 22, 24, 31, 32, 33, 34]. On the other hand, a lot of researchers have contributed introducing different concepts on these structures. And they extended them to b-metric, rectangular metric, generalized metric spaces, etc. [1, 4, 5, 20, 25, 26, 35].

In 1950, Nakano introduced modular spaces [30]. In 2008, Chistyakov introduced the notion of modular metric spaces, which has a physical interpretation [11] and he gave the fundamental properties of modular metric spaces [12]. In 2011, Mongkolkeha and et. al. proved contraction-type fixed point theorems on modular metric spaces [23]. Since the 2010s, many researchers as Kumam, Cho, Alaca,

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Khamsi, Mutlu have contributed to develop these structures introducing various fixed point theorems on modular metric spaces [9, 3, 8, 13, 14, 17, 18, 19, 27, 28].

The aim of this paper is to introduced the concept of complex valued modular metric spaces, which is more general than well-know modular metric spaces, and give some fixed point theorems under the contraction condition in these spaces. Further, we discuss some results and an application related to these new spaces in digital programming.

Complex valued modular metric spaces form a special class of cone modular metric space. This idea is useful in defining rational expressions which are not meaningful in cone modular metric spaces. Thus, many results of analysis cannot be generalized to cone modular metric spaces. So the complex valued modular metric spaces are important spaces.

Let  $z_1, z_2 \in \mathbb{C}$ ,  $z_1 = a_1 + ib_1$ ,  $z_2 = a_2 + ib_2$  where  $a_1, b_2, a_1, b_2 \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $\preceq$  be a partial order on  $\mathbb{C}$ . Then  $z_1 \preceq z_2 \Leftrightarrow a_1 \leq a_2$  and  $b_1 \leq b_2$ . Therefore, it is obvious that  $z_1 \preceq z_2$ , if

- (i)  $a_1 = a_2$  and  $b_1 = b_2$  or;
- (ii)  $a_1 < a_2$  and  $b_1 = b_2$  or;
- (iii)  $a_1 = a_2$  and  $b_1 < b_2$  or;
- (iv)  $a_1 < a_2$  and  $b_1 < b_2$ .

Specially,  $z_1 \succ z_2$  if  $z_1 \neq z_2$  and one of conditions (ii), (iii), (iv) is satisfied. Also,  $z_1 \prec z_2$  if only the condition (iv) is satisfied.

**Definition 1.** [29] Let  $X$  be a linear space on  $\mathbb{R}$  (or  $\mathbb{C}$ ). If a functional  $\rho : X \rightarrow [0, \infty]$  holds the following conditions, we call that  $\rho$  is a modular on  $X$ : (1)  $\rho(0) = 0$ ;  
 (2) If  $x \in X$  and  $\rho(\alpha x) = 0$  some numbers  $\alpha > 0$ , then  $x = 0$ ;  
 (3)  $\rho(-x) = \rho(x)$ , for all  $x \in X$ ;  
 (4)  $\rho(\alpha x + \beta y) \leq \rho(x) + \rho(y)$  for some  $\alpha, \beta \geq 0$  with  $\alpha + \beta = 1$  and  $x, y \in X$ .

## 2. MAIN RESULTS

Let  $X \neq \emptyset$ ,  $\lambda \in (0, \infty)$  and  $\omega : (0, \infty) \times X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is a function. Throughout this article, the value  $\omega(\lambda, x, y)$  is denoted as  $\omega_\lambda(x, y)$  for all  $\lambda > 0$  and  $x, y \in X$ .

**Definition 2.** Let  $X \neq \emptyset$ . The function  $\omega : (0, \infty) \times X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is called a complex valued metric modular on  $X$ , if

- (CM1)  $\omega_\lambda(x, y) = 0 \Leftrightarrow x = y$ ;
- (CM2)  $\omega_\lambda(x, y) = \omega_\lambda(y, x)$  ;
- (CM3)  $\omega_{\lambda+\mu}(x, y) \preceq \omega_\lambda(x, z) + \omega_\mu(z, y)$

for all  $x, y, z \in X$  and  $\lambda, \mu > 0$ .

If instead of (CM1), we only have the condition

- (CM1\*)  $\omega_\lambda(x, x) = 0$  for all  $\lambda > 0$ ,  $x \in X$ ,

then  $\omega$  is said to be a complex valued metric pseudo-modular on  $X$ .

**Definition 3.** Let  $\omega : (0, \infty) \times X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  be a complex valued metric (pseudo-) modular on  $X$ . For any  $x_0 \in X$ , the sets

$$X_\omega = \{x \in X : \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow \infty} \omega_\lambda(x, x_0) = 0\}$$

and

$$X_\omega^* = \{x \in X : \exists \lambda = \lambda(x) > 0 \text{ such that } \omega_\lambda(x, x_0) < +\infty\}$$

are said to be complex valued modular spaces (around  $x_0$ ).

If  $\omega$  is complex valued metric modular on  $X$ , the complex valued modular spaces  $X_\omega$  can be equipped with a metric, generated by  $\omega$  and given by

$$d_\omega(x, y) = \inf\{\lambda > 0 : \omega_\lambda(x, y) \lesssim \lambda\} \text{ for any } x, y \in X_\omega.$$

**Example 4.** Let  $(X, d)$  be a complex valued metric space. Then the functional  $\omega : (0, \infty) \times X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  defined by

$$\omega_\lambda(x, y) = \frac{d(x, y)}{\lambda}$$

is a complex valued modular metric on  $X$ . Indeed, complex valued metric spaces are also complex valued modular metric spaces.

**Definition 5.** Let  $X_\omega$  be a complex valued modular metric space and  $\{a_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  be a sequence on  $X_\omega$ . Then,

(1)  $\{a_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  is called a complex valued modular convergent sequence to  $a \in X_\omega$ , if for every  $\epsilon \in \mathbb{C}$  with  $\epsilon \succ 0$  there exists  $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $\omega_\lambda(a_n, a) \prec \epsilon$  for all  $\lambda > 0$  and  $n \geq n_0$ . And this is denoted with  $a_n \rightarrow a$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  or  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = a$ .

(2)  $\{a_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  is called a complex valued modular Cauchy sequence, if for every  $\epsilon \in \mathbb{C}$  with  $\epsilon \succ 0$  there exists  $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $\omega_\lambda(a_n, a_{n+m}) \prec \epsilon$  for all  $\lambda > 0$  and  $n \geq n_0$  as  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ . This is denoted with  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \omega_\lambda(a_n, a_{n+m}) = 0$  for all  $\lambda > 0$  and  $m \succ 0$ .

(3)  $X_\omega$  is called a complete complex valued modular metric space, if every modular Cauchy sequence  $\{a_n\}$  on  $X_\omega$  converges to  $a \in X_\omega$ .

(4) The set  $K \subseteq X_\omega$  is called closed, if the limit of a complex valued modular convergent sequence on  $K$  still in  $K$ .

(5) The set  $K \subseteq X_\omega$  is called bounded, if

$$\delta_\omega(K) = \sup\{\omega_\lambda(x, y) \mid x, y \in K\} < \infty$$

for all  $\lambda > 0$ .

**Lemma 6.** Let  $X_\omega$  be a complex valued modular metric space and  $\{a_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  be a sequence on  $X_\omega$ . Then  $\{a_n\}$  converges to  $a \in X_\omega$  if and only if  $\omega_\lambda(a_n, a) \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

**Lemma 7.** Let  $\omega : (0, \infty) \times X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  be a complex valued modular metric space and  $\{a_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  be a sequence on  $X_\omega$ . Then,  $\{a_n\}$  is a complex valued Cauchy sequence on  $X_\omega$  if and only if  $\omega_\lambda(a_n, a_{n+m}) \rightarrow 0$  as  $m, n \rightarrow \infty$  for all  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ .

**Lemma 8.** *Let  $w$  and  $z$  be complex numbers. If  $w \succsim 0$ ,  $|z| < 1$  and  $w \preccurlyeq zw$ , then  $w = 0 \in \mathbb{C}$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $w = a + ib$ ,  $z = c + id$  where  $a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{R}$ . By properties of complex numbers, we have

$$w \succsim 0 \Rightarrow a \geq 0, b \geq 0 \tag{1}$$

and

$$|z| < 1 \Rightarrow \sqrt{c^2 + d^2} < 1 \Rightarrow |c^2 + d^2| < 1.$$

Also, since  $zw = (ac - bd) + i(ad + bc)$ ,  $w \preccurlyeq zw$  implies

$$a \leq ac - bd \text{ and } b \leq ad + bc. \tag{2}$$

We assume that  $a \neq 0$ . Since  $a > 0$  and  $|c| \leq |c^2 + d^2| < 1$ , we get  $ac < a$ . From (2), we have  $bd < 0$ . This implies  $b > 0$  and  $d < 0$ . Then we obtain that  $ad < 0$  which contradicts with  $b(1 - c) \leq ad$  for  $|c| < 1$ . Thus,  $a = 0$ . As  $a = 0$ ,  $0 < 1 - c$ , from (2)  $b(1 - c) \leq 0$  and  $b = 0$ . So,  $w = a + ib = 0 \in \mathbb{C}$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 9.** *Let  $X_\omega$  be a complete complex valued modular metric space. Suppose that  $T : X_\omega \rightarrow X_\omega$  is a mapping satisfying*

$$\omega_\lambda(Tx, Ty) \preccurlyeq z \omega_\lambda(x, y), \quad z \in \mathbb{C} \text{ as } |z| < 1 \tag{3}$$

for all  $\lambda > 0$  and  $x, y \in X_\omega$ . Then  $T$  has a unique fixed point on  $X_\omega$ .

*Proof.* Let  $x_0 \in X_\omega$  be arbitrary. We define a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  such that  $x_{n+1} = Tx_n = T^n x_0$  for all  $n \geq 0$ . Using (3), we have

$$\omega_\lambda(x_n, x_{n+1}) = \omega_\lambda(Tx_{n-1}, Tx_n) \preccurlyeq z \omega_\lambda(x_{n-1}, x_n) \preccurlyeq \dots \preccurlyeq z^n \omega_\lambda(x_0, x_1) \tag{4}$$

for  $\lambda > 0$  and  $n \geq 0$ .

Using (4) and axiom (iii) in the definition of complex valued metric spaces, we obtain that

$$\begin{aligned} \omega_\lambda(x_n, x_{n+s}) &\preccurlyeq \sum_{j=n}^{n+s-1} \omega_{\frac{\lambda}{s}}(x_j, x_{j+1}) \\ &\preccurlyeq \sum_{j=n}^{n+s-1} z^j \omega_{\frac{\lambda}{s}}(x_0, x_1) \\ &\preccurlyeq \frac{z^n}{1-z} \omega_{\frac{\lambda}{s}}(x_0, x_1) \end{aligned}$$

some  $\lambda > 0$ ,  $s > 0$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

Now, we take limit as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \omega_\lambda(x_n, x_{n+s}) &\preccurlyeq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{z^n}{1-z} \omega_{\frac{\lambda}{s}}(x_0, x_1) \\ &= \frac{\omega_{\frac{\lambda}{s}}(x_0, x_1)}{1-z} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} z^n \end{aligned}$$

We know that  $|z^n| = |z|^n \rightarrow 0$ . Then  $z^n \rightarrow 0 \in \mathbb{C}$ . So, we obtain that

$$0 \preccurlyeq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \omega_\lambda(x_n, x_{n+s}) = 0. \tag{5}$$

for all  $\lambda > 0$  and  $s > 0$ . From (5), we can say that  $\{x_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence. As  $X_\omega$  is a complete complex valued modular metric space, there is at least one point  $p \in X_\omega$  such that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \omega_\lambda(x_n, p) = 0$ .

We show that  $p$  is a fixed point of  $T$ . By using (3) and the axiom (iii) in the definition of complex valued modular metrics, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \omega_\lambda(p, Tp) &\lesssim \omega_{\frac{\lambda}{2}}(p, Tx_n) + \omega_{\frac{\lambda}{2}}(Tx_n, Tp) \\ &\lesssim \omega_{\frac{\lambda}{2}}(p, x_{n+1}) + z \omega_{\frac{\lambda}{2}}(x_n, p) \end{aligned} \tag{6}$$

for all  $\lambda > 0$ ,  $n \geq 0$  and  $z \in \mathbb{C}$  with  $|z| < 1$ . If we take limit as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  in (6) for  $\lambda > 0$  and  $z \in \mathbb{C}$ , since  $x_n \rightarrow p$ , we obtain that

$$0 \lesssim \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \omega_\lambda(p, Tp) \lesssim 0. \tag{7}$$

Equation (7) implies  $\omega_\lambda(p, Tp) = 0$ . So,  $Tp = p$ .

In this sequel of the proof, we show the uniqueness of the fixed point  $p$  of the mapping  $T$ . We assume the existence of a point  $r$  which is another fixed point of  $T$  as  $p \neq r$ . From (3), we get

$$\omega_\lambda(p, r) = \omega_\lambda(Tp, Tr) \lesssim z \omega_\lambda(p, r)$$

Since  $\omega_\lambda(p, r)$ ,  $z \in \mathbb{C}$  and  $|z| < 1$ , by Lemma 8, we obtain that  $\omega_\lambda(p, r) = 0$  for all  $\lambda > 0$ . So,  $p = r$ . □

Now, as a corollary of this theorem, we express a generalization of the Banach fixed point principle in complex valued modular metric spaces.

**Corollary 10.** *Let  $X_\omega$  be a complete complex valued modular metric space,  $z$  be a complex number such that  $\text{Im}z = 0$  and  $|z| < 1$ . If  $T : X_\omega \rightarrow X_\omega$  is a mapping satisfying*

$$\omega_\lambda(Tx, Ty) \lesssim z \omega_\lambda(x, y)$$

for all  $\lambda > 0$  and  $x, y \in X_\omega$ , then  $T$  has a unique fixed point.

**Theorem 11.** *Let  $X_\omega$  be a complete complex valued modular metric space. If*

$$\omega_\lambda(T^n x, T^n y) \lesssim z \omega_\lambda(x, y)$$

for all  $\lambda > 0$ ,  $n > 0$ ,  $z \in \mathbb{C}$  and  $x, y \in X_\omega$  as  $|z| < 1$ , then  $T$  has a unique fixed point.

*Proof.* Since

$$\omega_\lambda(T^n x, T^n y) \lesssim z \omega_\lambda(x, y),$$

from Theorem 9, there exists a unique fixed point  $p$  of  $T^n$  on  $X_\omega$ . Then  $T^n p = p$  as  $p \in X_\omega$ . Then, we have

$$T^n(Tp) = T(T^n p) = Tp.$$

Hence,  $Tp$  is further fixed point of  $T^n$ . Since  $p$  is a unique fixed point of  $T^n$ ,  $Tp = p$ . So,  $p$  is a fixed point of the mapping  $T$ . We assume that there exists another fixed

point  $r$  of  $T$ . So,  $Tr = r$ . Therefore,  $T^n(Tr) = Tr$ , which contradicts with the uniqueness of fixed point  $p$  for  $T^n$ . Then,  $p$  is a unique fixed point of  $T$ .  $\square$

**Example 12.** Let  $X = \mathbb{C}$ . The mapping  $\omega : (0, \infty) \times \mathbb{C} \times \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is defined by

$$\omega_\lambda(z_1, z_2) = \frac{|a_1 - a_2| + i|b_1 - b_2|}{\lambda}$$

for all  $\lambda > 0$  where  $z_1 = a_1 + ib_1$  and  $z_2 = a_2 + ib_2$ . Then, it can be shown that

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$T: \mathbb{C}_\omega \rightarrow \mathbb{C}_\omega$  such that  $Tk = \frac{k}{3}$  and we take  $z = \frac{1}{3} \in \mathbb{C}$ . Then, for all  $z_1, z_2 \in \mathbb{C}$  and  $\lambda > 0$ , we have

$$\omega_\lambda(Tz_1, Tz_2) = \omega_\lambda\left(\frac{z_1}{3}, \frac{z_2}{3}\right) = \frac{|a_1 - a_2| + i|b_1 - b_2|}{3\lambda}$$

and

$$\omega_\lambda(z_1, z_2) = \frac{|a_1 - a_2| + i|b_1 - b_2|}{\lambda}.$$

Hence,  $\omega_\lambda(Tz_1, Tz_2) \preceq z\omega_\lambda(z_1, z_2)$ . From Theorem 9,  $T$  has a fixed point, which is immediately seen to be  $0 \in \mathbb{C}$ .

Let  $X_\omega$  be a complex valued modular metric space,  $K \subseteq X_\omega$ ,  $\psi : K \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  be a function and  $\{x_n\}$  be a sequence in  $K$ .  $\psi$  is called lower semi-continuous (l.s.c.) on  $K$  if

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \omega_\lambda(x_n, x) = 0 \text{ and } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \inf(\psi(x_n)) = h \text{ imply } \psi(x) \leq h$$

for all  $\{x_n\} \subseteq K$  and  $\lambda > 0$ .

**Theorem 13.** Let  $X_\omega$  be a complete complex valued modular metric space and  $\psi : X_\omega \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  be a lower semi-continuous function on  $X_\omega$ . If any mapping  $T : X_\omega \rightarrow X_\omega$  satisfying

$$\omega_\lambda(x, Tx) \leq \psi(x) - \psi(Tx) \tag{8}$$

for all  $\lambda > 0$  and  $x, y \in X_\omega$ , then  $T$  has a fixed point in  $X_\omega$ .

*Proof.* For each  $x \in X_\omega$  denote,

$$\begin{aligned} M(x) &= \{y \in X_\omega : \omega_\lambda(x, y) \preceq \psi(x) - \psi(y) \text{ for all } \lambda > 0\}, \\ \alpha(x) &= \inf\{\psi(y) : y \in M(x)\}. \end{aligned}$$

Let  $x \in M(x)$ . Then,  $M(x)$  is not empty and  $0 \leq \alpha(x) \leq \psi(x)$ . We take an arbitrary point  $x \in X_\omega$ . Now, we form a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  on  $X_\omega$  as follows:

Let  $x_1 = x$  and when  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n$  have been chosen, choose  $x_{n+1} \in M(x_n)$  such that

$$\psi(x_{n+1}) \leq \alpha(x_n) + \frac{1}{n}$$

for all  $n \geq 1$ . By doing so, we get a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  satisfying the condition

$$\begin{aligned} \omega_\lambda(x_n, x_{n+1}) &\preceq \psi(x_n) - \psi(x_{n+1}), \\ \alpha(x_n) &\leq \psi(x_{n+1}) \leq \alpha(x_n) + \frac{1}{n} \end{aligned} \tag{9}$$

for all  $n \geq 0$  and  $\lambda > 0$ . Then,  $\{\psi(x_n)\}$  is a nonincreasing sequence and it is bounded from below by zero. So, the sequence  $\{\psi(x_n)\}$  is convergent to a number  $D \geq 0$ . By virtue of (9), we get

$$D = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \psi(x_n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \alpha(x_n). \quad (10)$$

Now, let  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  be arbitrary. From (9) and (10), there exists a number  $N_k$  such that

$$\psi(x_n) < D + \frac{1}{k} \quad \text{for all } n \geq N_k.$$

Since  $\psi(x_n)$  monotone, we get

$$D \leq \psi(x_m) \leq \psi(x_n) < D + \frac{1}{k}$$

for  $m \geq n \geq N_k$ . Then, we obtain that

$$\psi(x_n) - \psi(x_m) < \frac{1}{k} \quad \text{for all } m \geq n \geq N_k. \quad (11)$$

Preserving the generality, suppose that  $m > n$  and  $m, n \in \mathbb{N}$ . From (11), we get

$$\omega_{\frac{\lambda}{m-n}}(x_n, x_{n+1}) \lesssim \psi(x_n) - \psi(x_{n+1})$$

for all  $\frac{\lambda}{m-n} > 0$ . Now, we obtain that

$$\begin{aligned} \omega_\lambda(x_n, x_m) &\lesssim \omega_{\frac{\lambda}{m-n}}(x_n, x_{n+1}) + \omega_{\frac{\lambda}{m-n}}(x_{n+1}, x_{n+2}) + \cdots + \omega_{\frac{\lambda}{m-n}}(x_{m-1}, x_m) \\ &\lesssim \sum_{j=n}^{m-1} [\psi(x_j) - \psi(x_{j+1})] \\ &= \psi(x_n) - \psi(x_m) \end{aligned} \quad (12)$$

for all  $m, n \geq N_k$ . Then, by (11),

$$\omega_\lambda(x_n, x_m) < \frac{1}{k} \quad \text{for all } m \geq n \geq N_k. \quad (13)$$

Letting  $k$  or  $m, n$  to tend to infinity in (13), we conclude that

$$\lim_{m, n \rightarrow \infty} \omega_\lambda(x_n, x_m) = 0.$$

Then,  $\{x_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  is a complex valued modular Cauchy sequence. Hence, from the completeness of  $X_\omega$ , there exist a point  $p \in X_\omega$  such that  $x_n \rightarrow p$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . Since  $\psi$  is lower semi-continuous, using the equation (12), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \psi(p) &\leq \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \inf \psi(x_m) \\ &\lesssim \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \inf (\psi(x_n) - \omega_\lambda(x_n, x_m)) \\ &= \psi(x_n) - \omega_\lambda(x_n, p) \end{aligned}$$

and hence

$$\omega_\lambda(x_n, p) \lesssim \psi(x_n) - \psi(p).$$

Thus,  $p \in M(x_n)$  for all  $n \geq 0$  and  $\alpha(x_n) \leq \psi(p)$ . So, by (10), we have  $D \leq \psi(p)$ . Moreover, by lower semi-continuity of  $\psi$  and (10), we get

$$\psi(p) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \psi(x_n) = S.$$

So,  $\psi(p) = S$ . From 8, we know that  $Tp \in M(p)$ . Since  $p \in M(p)$  for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} \omega_\lambda(x_n, Tp) &\lesssim \omega_{\frac{\lambda}{2}}(x_n, p) + \omega_{\frac{\lambda}{2}}(p, Tp) \\ &\lesssim \psi(x_n) - \psi(p) + \psi(p) - \psi(Tp) \\ &= \psi(x_n) - \psi(Tp). \end{aligned}$$

Then  $Tp \in M(x_n)$  and implies  $\alpha(x_n) \leq \psi(Tp)$ . Thus, we obtain  $S \leq \psi(Tp)$ . Since  $\psi(Tp) \leq \psi(p)$  by (8) and  $\psi(p) = S$ , we get

$$\psi(p) = S \leq \psi(Tp) \leq \psi(p).$$

Therefore,  $\psi(Tp) = \psi(p)$ . Then from (8), we get

$$\omega_\lambda(p, Tp) \lesssim \psi(p) - \psi(Tp) = 0.$$

Thus,  $Tp = p$ . □

**Example 14.** Let  $X = \mathbb{C}$ . We define the mapping  $\omega : (0, \infty) \times \mathbb{C} \times \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  by

$$\omega_\lambda(z_1, z_2) = \frac{|a_1 - a_2| + i|b_1 - b_2|}{\lambda}$$

for all  $\lambda > 0$  where  $z_1 = a_1 + ib_1$  and  $z_2 = a_2 + ib_2$ .  $\mathbb{C}_\omega$  is a complete modular metric space. Define  $T : \mathbb{C}_\omega \rightarrow \mathbb{C}_\omega$  by  $Tz = \frac{z}{4}$  and  $\psi : \mathbb{C}_\omega \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  by  $\psi(z) = |a| + i|b|$  where  $z = a + ib$ . Then for all  $z = a + ib \in \mathbb{C}$  and  $\lambda > 0$ , we have

$$\omega_\lambda(z, Tz) = \frac{|a - \frac{a}{4}| + i|b - \frac{b}{4}|}{\lambda} = \frac{\frac{3}{4}|a| + i\frac{3}{4}|b|}{\lambda} \leq \frac{3}{4}(|a| + i|b|)$$

and

$$\psi(z) - \psi(Tz) = (|a| + i|b|) - \left( \frac{|a|}{4} + i\frac{|b|}{4} \right) = \frac{3}{4}(|a| + i|b|).$$

Hence,  $\omega_\lambda(z, Tz) \leq \psi(z) - \psi(Tz)$ . From Theorem 13, the mapping  $T$  has a fixed point.

### 3. AN APPLICATION TO DYNAMIC PROGRAMMING

In the section, we express an application of Theorem 9 to dynamic programming which is a powerful technique for solving some complex problems in mathematics, economics, computer science and bioinformatics.

Let  $X_\omega$  be a complete complex valued modular metric space induced by  $\omega : (0, \infty) \times \mathbb{C} \times \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ ,  $S \subseteq X_\omega$ ,  $Z$  be a Banach space and  $P \subseteq Z$ .

We consider the functional equation

$$q(x) = \sup_{y \in P} \{f(x, y) + H(x, y, q(\varphi(x, y)))\} \tag{14}$$



where  $x \in S$ ,  $\varphi : S \times P \rightarrow S$ ,  $f : S \times P \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  and  $H : S \times P \times \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ . We show that existence of unique solution of the functional equation (14). We suppose that  $B(S)$  is the set of all bounded complex valued function on  $S$ . We define

$$\|k\| = \sup_{x \in S} |k(x)|$$

for an arbitrary  $k \in B(S)$ . We take complex valued metric modular  $\omega$  on  $B(S)$  as

$$\omega_\lambda(k, g) = \sup_{x \in Z} \left\{ \left| \frac{k(x) - g(x)}{\lambda} \right| + i \left| \frac{k(x) - g(x)}{\lambda} \right| \right\} \quad (15)$$

for all  $k, g \in B(S)$  and  $\lambda > 0$ . On the other hand, we take a Cauchy sequence  $\{k_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  in  $B(S)$ . Then  $\{k_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  is convergent to a function  $t \in B(S)$ .

**Theorem 15.** *Let  $f : S \times P \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  and  $H : S \times P \times \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  be bounded. We suppose that  $T : B(S) \rightarrow B(S)$  defined by*

$$T(k)(x) = \sup_{y \in P} \{f(x, y) + H(x, y, k(\varphi(x, y)))\}$$

for all  $k \in B(S)$  and  $x \in S$ . If

$$\left| \frac{H(x, y, k(x)) - H(x, y, g(x))}{\lambda} \right| + i \left| \frac{H(x, y, k(x)) - H(x, y, g(x))}{\lambda} \right| \lesssim z \omega_\lambda(k, g) \quad (16)$$

for all  $\lambda > 0$ ,  $x \in S$ ,  $y \in P$ ,  $k, g \in B(S)$  and a arbitrary complex number  $z$  where  $|z| < 1$ , the functional equation (14) has a unique solution.

*Proof.* Let  $x \in S$  and  $k, g \in B(S)$ . Then there exist  $y_1, y_2 \in P$  and a complex number  $\delta > 0$  such that

$$T(k)(x) \lesssim f(x, y_1) + H(x, y_1, k(\varphi(x, y_1))) + \delta \quad (17)$$

$$T(g)(x) \lesssim f(x, y_2) + H(x, y_2, g(\varphi(x, y_2))) + \delta \quad (18)$$

$$T(k)(x) \gtrsim f(x, y_1) + H(x, y_1, k(\varphi(x, y_1))) \quad (19)$$

$$T(g)(x) \gtrsim f(x, y_2) + H(x, y_2, g(\varphi(x, y_2))). \quad (20)$$

From (17) and (20), we obtain that

$$\begin{aligned} T(k)(x) - T(g)(x) &\lesssim H(x, y_1, k(\varphi(x, y_1))) - H(x, y_2, g(\varphi(x, y_2))) + \delta \\ &\lesssim |H(x, y_1, k(\varphi(x, y_1))) - H(x, y_2, g(\varphi(x, y_2)))| + \delta. \end{aligned}$$

So, for  $\lambda > 0$

$$\frac{T(k)(x) - T(g)(x)}{\lambda} \lesssim \left| \frac{H(x, y_1, k(\varphi(x, y_1))) - H(x, y_2, g(\varphi(x, y_2)))}{\lambda} \right| + \frac{\delta}{\lambda}. \quad (21)$$

Similarly, combining (18) and (19) we have

$$\frac{T(g)(x) - T(k)(x)}{\lambda} \lesssim \left| \frac{H(x, y_1, k(\varphi(x, y_1))) - H(x, y_2, g(\varphi(x, y_2)))}{\lambda} \right| + \frac{\delta}{\lambda}. \quad (22)$$

Therefore, from (21) and (22),

$$\left| \frac{T(k)(x) - T(g)(x)}{\lambda} \right| \lesssim \left| \frac{H(x, y_1, k(\varphi(x, y_1))) - H(x, y_2, g(\varphi(x, y_2)))}{\lambda} \right| + \frac{\delta}{\lambda} \quad (23)$$

for all  $\lambda > 0$ . Since  $\frac{\delta}{\lambda} > 0$  in inequality (23), we can ignore the contrary the  $\frac{\delta}{\lambda}$ . Therefore,

$$\left| \frac{T(k)(x) - T(g)(x)}{\lambda} \right| \lesssim \lambda \left| \frac{H(x, y_1, k(\varphi(x, y_1))) - H(x, y_2, g(\varphi(x, y_2)))}{\lambda} \right|. \quad (24)$$

From inequality (24), we easily obtain that

$$\left| \frac{T(k)(x) - T(g)(x)}{\lambda} \right| + i \left| \frac{T(k)(x) - T(g)(x)}{\lambda} \right| \lesssim \left| \frac{H(x, y_1, k(\varphi(x, y_1))) - H(x, y_2, g(\varphi(x, y_2)))}{\lambda} \right| + i \left| \frac{H(x, y_1, k(\varphi(x, y_1))) - H(x, y_2, g(\varphi(x, y_2)))}{\lambda} \right|$$

From (15) and (16), we get

$$\omega_\lambda(T(k), T(g)) \lesssim z\omega_\lambda(k, g).$$

Then, from Theorem 9,  $T$  has a unique fixed point  $t \in B(S)$ . That is, the functional equation (14) has a unique solution.  $\square$

**Open problem** How can we obtain coupled fixed point theorems and common fixed point theorems in these metric spaces?

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