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# On Some Fixed Point Results for $H^+$ -Type Contraction Mappings in Metric Spaces

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We prove some fixed point theorems for  $H^+$ -type multivalued contractive mappings in the setting of Banach spaces and metric spaces. The results provided allow recovering different well-known results.

## 1. Introduction

The interest in the study of fixed point theory in the frame of multivalued mappings by using the Hausdorff metric has its origin in the contributions of Markin [1] and Nadler [2], which have lead to interesting achievements on this topic with reference to both theoretical results and applications (see the monograph by Singh et al. on fixed point theory [3] and the references therein).

Starting from the work of Nadler [2], many authors have contributed to the huge development of fixed point theory for set-valued contractions. We mention some interesting contributions, such as those made by Reich [4, 5], Lami Dozo [6], Singh [7], Lim [8], Kaneko [9], Mizoguchi and Takahashi [10], Dhompongsa et al. [11], Feng and Liu [12], Klim and Wardowski [13], Suzuki [14], and Pathak and Shahzad [15, 16] (see also the monographs by Goebel and Kirk [17], Petrusel [18], and so forth). We also refer to some recent works on this topic, for instance, those by Hasanzade Asl et al. [19], Samet et al. [20], and Kumam and Sintunavarat [21].

In this paper, we provide an extension of some fixed point results to the context of multivalued  $H^+$ -type  $\varphi$ -contraction mappings, by establishing a common frame which allows obtaining as corollaries some well-known fixed point results.

## 2. Preliminaries

For  $(X, \|\cdot\|)$  a normed linear space and  $K$  a nonempty subset of  $X$ , we denote by  $2^K$ ,  $\mathcal{CB}(K)$ , and  $\mathcal{K}(K)$  the collection of all nonempty subsets of  $K$ , the collection of all nonempty closed and bounded subsets of  $K$ , and the collection of all compact subsets of  $K$ , respectively.

For  $A, B \in \mathcal{CB}(X)$ , we define the following mappings:

$$\begin{aligned} H(A, B) &= \max \{ \rho(A, B), \rho(B, A) \}, \\ H^+(A, B) &= \frac{1}{2} \{ \rho(A, B) + \rho(B, A) \}, \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

where  $\rho(A, B) = \sup_{x \in A} \text{dist}(x, B)$  and  $\text{dist}(x, B) = \inf_{y \in B} \|x - y\|$ . It is well known that the mapping  $H$  is a metric on  $\mathcal{CB}(X)$  called the *Hausdorff metric* induced by the norm in  $X$ . From Proposition 2.1 [16], we also know that  $H^+$  is a metric on  $\mathcal{CB}(X)$ . Moreover,  $H$  and  $H^+$  are equivalent metrics [22], since  $(1/2)H(A, B) \leq H^+(A, B) \leq H(A, B)$ . By the results in the monograph by Kuratowski [22], we deduce that  $(\mathcal{CB}(X), H^+)$  is complete provided that  $(X, d)$  is complete ( $d$  denotes the metric induced by the norm  $\|\cdot\|$ ) and  $\mathcal{K}(X)$  is a closed subspace of  $(\mathcal{CB}(X), H^+)$  (see Theorem 2.6 [16]). The mapping  $H^+ : \mathcal{CB}(X) \times \mathcal{CB}(X) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is

also continuous and satisfies the following properties (see Proposition 2.2 [16]):

- (i)  $H^+(\lambda A, \lambda B) = |\lambda|H^+(A, B)$ , for any  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$  and  $A, B \in \mathcal{CB}(X)$ ;
- (ii)  $H^+(A + a, B + a) = H^+(A, B)$ , for any  $A, B \in \mathcal{CB}(X)$  and  $a \in X$ .

Although we have introduced the definitions of  $H$  and  $H^+$  for normed linear spaces, we can also do it for metric spaces  $(X, d)$  just by using the metric  $d$  instead of the norm; this will be enough for our purpose.

The notions of multivalued contraction and  $H^+$ -contraction mapping are essential to this work and we include it here for completeness.

**Definition 1.** One says that a set-valued mapping  $T : X \rightarrow \mathcal{CB}(X)$  is a multivalued  $k$ -contraction mapping if there exists a fixed real number  $k$ ,  $0 < k < 1$ , such that

$$H(Tx, Ty) \leq k \|x - y\|, \quad \forall x, y \in X. \quad (2)$$

**Definition 2** (see [7]). Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space. A multivalued map  $T : X \rightarrow \mathcal{CB}(X)$  is called  $H^+$ -contraction if the following conditions hold:

- (C1) there exists  $k$  in  $(0, 1)$  such that

$$H^+(Tx, Ty) \leq kd(x, y), \quad \text{for every } x, y \in X, \quad (3)$$

- (C2) for every  $x$  in  $X$ ,  $y$  in  $T(x)$  and  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists  $z$  in  $T(y)$  such that

$$d(y, z) \leq H^+(Ty, Tx) + \varepsilon. \quad (4)$$

Another important concept is the notion of fixed point for a multivalued map.

**Definition 3.** An element  $x \in X$  is said to be a fixed point of a multivalued map  $T : K \subseteq X \rightarrow 2^X$  if  $x \in T(x)$ . One denotes by  $F(T)$  the set of fixed points of  $T$ .

Concerning the existence of fixed points for multivalued contractions, a highly relevant result was provided by Nadler (see [2]).

**Theorem 4** (Theorem 5 [2]). *Let  $(X, d)$  be a complete metric space and  $T : X \rightarrow \mathcal{CB}(X)$  a multivalued contraction mapping. Then  $T$  has a fixed point.*

Pathak and Shahzad [16] have given a generalization of Theorem 4 under a condition weaker than multivalued contractivity by using the metric  $H^+$ , as recalled below.

**Theorem 5** (Theorem 3.2 [16]). *Let  $(X, d)$  be a complete metric space. Every  $H^+$ -type multivalued contraction mapping  $T : X \rightarrow \mathcal{CB}(X)$  with Lipschitz constant  $k < 1$  has a fixed point.*

In the next section, we obtain some fixed point results for a more general class of multivalued  $H^+$ -type contractions. We provide a common structure which allows obtaining as particular cases some well-known fixed point results.

### 3. Fixed Point Results for Multivalued $H^+$ -Type Weak $\varphi$ -Contraction Mappings

In this section, we present the main results, in which the existence of fixed points is deduced for multivalued  $H^+$ -type weak  $\varphi$ -Lipschitz and  $\varphi$ -contraction mappings, as introduced below.

**Definition 6.** Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space. A multivalued map  $T : X \rightarrow \mathcal{CB}(X)$  is called an  $H^+$ -type multivalued weak  $\varphi$ -Lipschitz mapping if condition (C2) in Definition 2 holds and there exist  $M : (\mathbb{R}^+)^5 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$  and  $\varphi : \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$  such that

$$H^+(Tx, Ty) \leq \varphi(\mathcal{M}(d(x, y), d(x, Tx), d(y, Ty), d(x, Ty), d(y, Tx))), \quad \text{for every } x, y \in X. \quad (5)$$

If, moreover, there exists  $k \in (0, 1)$  such that  $\varphi(t) \leq kt$ , for every  $t \geq 0$ , we say that  $T$  is an  $H^+$ -type multivalued weak  $\varphi$ -contraction.

**Remark 7.** In Definition 6, if we take

$$\varphi(t) = kt, \quad \text{with } k \in (0, 1), \quad (6)$$

$$\mathcal{M}(r_1, r_2, r_3, r_4, r_5) = r_1,$$

we get the notion of  $H^+$ -type multivalued contraction mapping.

On the other hand, if we take

$$\varphi(t) = kt, \quad \text{with } k \in (0, 1), \quad (7)$$

$$\mathcal{M}(r_1, r_2, r_3, r_4, r_5) = \max \left\{ r_1, r_2, r_3, \frac{r_4 + r_5}{2} \right\},$$

then we obtain the notion of  $H^+$ -type multivalued weak contractive mapping (see [23, Definition 3.3]), since inequality (5) is reduced to

$$H^+(Tx, Ty) \leq k \max \left\{ d(x, y), d(x, Tx), d(y, Ty), \frac{d(x, Ty) + d(y, Tx)}{2} \right\}, \quad \text{for every } x, y \in X. \quad (8)$$

Finally, if we take

$$\varphi(t) = kt, \quad \text{with } k \in (0, 1), \quad (9)$$

$$\mathcal{M}(r_1, r_2, r_3, r_4, r_5) = \max \{r_1, r_2, r_3, r_4, r_5\},$$

then we obtain the notion of  $H^+$ -type multivalued quasi-contraction mapping (compare inequality with [23, equation (2.3)])

$$H^+(Tx, Ty) \leq k \max \{d(x, y), d(x, Tx), d(y, Ty), d(x, Ty), d(y, Tx)\}, \quad \text{for every } x, y \in X. \quad (10)$$

We start this study by providing a fixed point result for  $H^+$ -type multivalued weak  $\varphi$ -Lipschitz mappings. This result

(Theorem 8) will find an extension below in Theorem 18 and further in Theorem 21, both stated for partial  $H^+$ -type multivalued weak  $\varphi$ -Lipschitz mappings. It is possible to state first these results and, then, obtain Theorem 8 as a corollary. However, by considering Theorem 8 first, we can focus our attention on the properties of function  $\mathcal{M}$ , considering a general expression which immediately connects with some well-known fixed point results. Therefore, we present the main results in several steps:

- (s.i) First, in Theorem 8, we consider a general expression for function  $\mathcal{M}$ , while for function  $\varphi$  it is required that  $\varphi(t) \leq kt, t \geq 0$ .
- (s.ii) Then, in Theorem 18, we extend this result to partial  $H^+$ -type multivalued weak  $\varphi$ -Lipschitz mappings.
- (s.iii) In Theorem 21, the same type of variability is allowed for function  $\mathcal{M}$  and we explore some other possible general expressions for function  $\varphi$ , also for partial  $H^+$ -type multivalued weak  $\varphi$ -Lipschitz mappings.
- (s.iv) We include some considerations concerning  $H^+$ -type weak  $\varphi$ -Lipschitz mappings with respect to a binary relation (including the case of partial orderings).
- (s.v) We complete this study by proving Theorem 32, which considers different restrictions for the selection of functions  $\mathcal{M}$  and  $\varphi$ .

**Theorem 8.** *Let  $(X, d)$  be a complete metric space. Let  $T : X \rightarrow \mathcal{CB}(X)$  be an  $H^+$ -type multivalued weak  $\varphi$ -Lipschitz mapping such that the functions  $\varphi, \mathcal{M}$  satisfy the following:*

- (i) *There exists  $k > 0$  such that  $\varphi(t) \leq kt$ , for every  $t \geq 0$ .*
- (ii) *For every  $i = 2, 3, 4, 5$ , the function  $\mathcal{M}(r_1, r_2, r_3, r_4, r_5)$  is monotonically increasing in the variable  $r_i$ , provided that the other variables  $r_j, j \neq i$ , remain fixed.*
- (iii) *For each  $r > 0$  fixed,  $\mathcal{M}(r_1, r_2, r, r_4, r_5)$  is continuous at  $(r_1, r_2, r_4, r_5) = (0, 0, r, 0)$ .*
- (iv) *There exists a function  $\mathcal{N} : \mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$  such that*
  - (iv-a)  $\mathcal{M}(r, r, s, r + s, 0) \leq \mathcal{N}(r, s)$ , for every  $r, s \in \mathbb{R}^+$ ,
  - (iv-b)  $\mathcal{N}(\cdot, s)$  is monotonically increasing for each  $s \in \mathbb{R}^+$  fixed,
  - (iv-c)  $\mathcal{N}(r, \cdot)$  is monotonically increasing for each  $r \in \mathbb{R}^+$  fixed,
  - (iv-d) there exists  $\tau > 0$  such that  $\mathcal{N}(r, r) \leq \tau r$ , for every  $r > 0$ ,
  - (iv-e) there exists  $\mathcal{R} \geq 0$  such that  $\mathcal{N}(0, s) \leq \mathcal{R}s$ , for every  $s > 0$ .
- (v) *The constants  $k$  in (i) and  $\tau, \mathcal{R}$  in (iv) are such that  $k < 1/\max\{\tau, 2\mathcal{R}\}$ .*

Then  $T$  has a fixed point.

*Proof.* We denote by  $\psi : X \times X \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}^+)^5$  the mapping defined as

$$\psi(x, y) := (d(x, y), d(x, Tx), d(y, Ty), d(x, Ty), d(y, Tx)). \quad (11)$$

By (5) and (i), we get

$$H^+(Tx, Ty) \leq k\mathcal{M}(\psi(x, y)), \quad \text{for every } x, y \in X. \quad (12)$$

We construct a sequence in  $X$  in lines similar to [16, Theorem 3.2] or [23, Theorem 3.4] as follows. Let  $\varepsilon > 0$  be given and take  $x_0 \in X$  to be arbitrary. We fix an element  $x_1 \in Tx_0$ . Now, from property (C2), it is possible to choose  $x_2 \in Tx_1$  such that  $d(x_1, x_2) \leq H^+(Tx_0, Tx_1) + \varepsilon$ . At this step, we could choose  $\varepsilon$  depending on  $x_0$  and  $x_1$ . In general, for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , if  $x_n$  is chosen, then we can select  $x_{n+1} \in Tx_n$  such that

$$d(x_n, x_{n+1}) \leq H^+(Tx_{n-1}, Tx_n) + \varepsilon. \quad (13)$$

At this step, we could choose  $\varepsilon$  depending on  $x_{n-1}$  and  $x_n$ . Note that if  $H^+(Tx_{n-1}, Tx_n) = 0$  for some  $n$ , then  $Tx_{n-1} = Tx_n$  and the proof is complete. By (v), we can take  $A, B > 0$  such that  $A - Bk > 0$  and  $L := A - Bk + k < 1/\max\{\tau, 2\mathcal{R}\}$ . In fact, if we set on each step  $\varepsilon = (A - Bk)\mathcal{M}(\psi(x_{n-1}, x_n)) > 0$ , then, by (13), we obtain, for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , that

$$d(x_n, x_{n+1}) \leq H^+(Tx_{n-1}, Tx_n) + (A - Bk)\mathcal{M}(\psi(x_{n-1}, x_n)), \quad (14)$$

which implies, for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , that

$$\begin{aligned} d(x_n, x_{n+1}) &\leq k\mathcal{M}(\psi(x_{n-1}, x_n)) + (A - Bk) \\ &\cdot \mathcal{M}(\psi(x_{n-1}, x_n)) = (A - Bk + k) \\ &\cdot \mathcal{M}(\psi(x_{n-1}, x_n)) = L\mathcal{M}(d(x_{n-1}, x_n), \\ &d(x_{n-1}, Tx_{n-1}), d(x_n, Tx_n), d(x_{n-1}, Tx_n), \\ &d(x_n, Tx_{n-1})) = L\mathcal{M}(d(x_{n-1}, x_n), d(x_{n-1}, Tx_{n-1}), \\ &d(x_n, Tx_n), d(x_{n-1}, Tx_n), 0) \leq L\mathcal{M}(d(x_{n-1}, x_n), \\ &d(x_{n-1}, x_n), d(x_n, x_{n+1}), d(x_{n-1}, x_{n+1}), 0) \\ &\leq L\mathcal{M}(d(x_{n-1}, x_n), d(x_{n-1}, x_n), d(x_n, x_{n+1}), \\ &d(x_{n-1}, x_n) + d(x_n, x_{n+1}), 0) \leq L\mathcal{N}(d(x_{n-1}, x_n), \\ &d(x_n, x_{n+1})), \end{aligned} \quad (15)$$

where we have used (ii) and (iv-a). Hence,

$$d(x_n, x_{n+1}) \leq L\mathcal{N}(d(x_{n-1}, x_n), d(x_n, x_{n+1})), \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}. \quad (16)$$

If  $x_{n+1} = x_n$  for some  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , then  $x_n = x_{n+1} \in Tx_n$ , so that  $x_n$  is a fixed point of  $T$  and the proof is concluded. Suppose, therefore, that  $d(x_n, x_{n+1}) > 0$ , for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

Now, assuming that  $d(x_n, x_{n+1}) < d(x_n, x_{n+1})$ , for some  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , by (16) and (iv-b), we get

$$d(x_n, x_{n+1}) \leq L\mathcal{N}(d(x_n, x_{n+1}), d(x_n, x_{n+1})), \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N} \quad (17)$$

and, by (iv-d),

$$d(x_n, x_{n+1}) \leq L\tau d(x_n, x_{n+1}), \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N} \quad (18)$$

which is a contradiction since  $d(x_n, x_{n+1}) > 0$  and  $L\tau \in (0, 1)$  (due to inequality  $L < 1/\max\{\tau, 2\mathcal{R}\} \leq 1/\tau$ ). Hence, we have proved that  $d(x_{n-1}, x_n) \geq d(x_n, x_{n+1})$ , for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , so that, by (16) and (iv-c), we have

$$\begin{aligned} d(x_n, x_{n+1}) &\leq L\mathcal{N}(d(x_{n-1}, x_n), d(x_n, x_{n+1})) \\ &\leq L\mathcal{N}(d(x_{n-1}, x_n), d(x_{n-1}, x_n)), \end{aligned} \quad (19)$$

$\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

By (iv-d), we obtain

$$d(x_n, x_{n+1}) \leq L\tau d(x_{n-1}, x_n), \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}. \quad (20)$$

Repeating the same procedure  $n$ -times, we get  $d(x_n, x_{n+1}) \leq (L\tau)^n d(x_0, x_1)$ , for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , where  $L\tau < 1$  by hypothesis (v). Hence,  $\{x_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence since, for  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}$  with  $n < m$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} d(x_n, x_m) &\leq \sum_{i=n}^{m-1} d(x_i, x_{i+1}) \leq \sum_{i=n}^{m-1} (L\tau)^i d(x_0, x_1) \\ &= \frac{(L\tau)^n - (L\tau)^m}{1 - L\tau} d(x_0, x_1) \\ &= \frac{(L\tau)^n}{1 - L\tau} (1 - (L\tau)^{m-n}) d(x_0, x_1). \end{aligned} \quad (21)$$

Therefore, by the complete character of  $X$ , there exists  $u \in X$  such that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = u$ . Suppose that  $d(u, Tu) > 0$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2} \{\rho(Tx_n, Tu) + \rho(Tu, Tx_n)\} &= H^+(Tx_n, Tu) \\ &\leq k\mathcal{M}(\psi(x_n, u)) = k\mathcal{M}(d(x_n, u), d(x_n, Tx_n)), \\ d(u, Tu), d(x_n, Tu), d(u, Tx_n) &\leq k\mathcal{M}(d(x_n, u), \\ d(x_n, x_{n+1}), d(u, Tu), d(x_n, Tu), &d(u, x_{n+1})). \end{aligned} \quad (22)$$

We note that  $d(x_n, Tu) \leq d(x_n, u) + d(u, Tu)$  and  $d(u, Tu) \leq d(u, x_n) + d(x_n, Tu)$ , so that  $d(u, Tu) - d(u, x_n) \leq d(x_n, Tu) \leq d(x_n, u) + d(u, Tu)$ , which implies that  $d(x_n, Tu) \rightarrow d(u, Tu)$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

Hence, from  $d(x_n, u) \rightarrow 0$ ,  $d(x_n, x_{n+1}) \rightarrow 0$ , and  $d(x_n, Tu) \rightarrow d(u, Tu)$ , as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , and using hypothesis (iii), we get from (22)

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2} \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \{\rho(Tx_n, Tu) + \rho(Tu, Tx_n)\} \\ \leq k\mathcal{M}(0, 0, d(u, Tu), d(u, Tu), 0). \end{aligned} \quad (23)$$

Moreover, by (iv-a) and (iv-e), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2} \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \{\rho(Tx_n, Tu) + \rho(Tu, Tx_n)\} \\ \leq k\mathcal{N}(0, d(u, Tu)) \leq k\mathcal{R}d(u, Tu). \end{aligned} \quad (24)$$

Using that

$$\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \{\rho(Tx_n, Tu) + \rho(Tu, Tx_n)\} \leq 2k\mathcal{R}d(u, Tu), \quad (25)$$

we deduce that

$$\begin{aligned} \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \rho(Tx_n, Tu) \\ \leq \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \rho(Tx_n, Tu) + \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \rho(Tu, Tx_n) \\ \leq \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \{\rho(Tx_n, Tu) + \rho(Tu, Tx_n)\} \\ \leq 2k\mathcal{R}d(u, Tu). \end{aligned} \quad (26)$$

Since

$$\begin{aligned} d(u, Tu) &\leq d(u, x_{n+1}) + d(x_{n+1}, Tu) \\ &\leq \rho(Tx_n, Tu) + d(x_{n+1}, u) \end{aligned} \quad (27)$$

and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_{n+1}, u) = 0$ , it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} d(u, Tu) &\leq \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} [\rho(Tx_n, Tu) + d(x_{n+1}, u)] \\ &= \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \rho(Tx_n, Tu) + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_{n+1}, u) \\ &\leq 2k\mathcal{R}d(u, Tu). \end{aligned} \quad (28)$$

Hence, if  $\mathcal{R} = 0$ , then  $d(u, Tu) = 0$ . On the other hand, if  $\mathcal{R} > 0$ , the assumption  $d(u, Tu) > 0$  leads to a contradiction by virtue of hypothesis (v) ( $2k\mathcal{R} < 2\mathcal{R}/\max\{\tau, 2\mathcal{R}\} \leq 1$ ), which implies that  $d(u, Tu) = 0$ . Finally, since  $Tu$  is closed, it is proved that  $u \in Tu$ ; that is,  $u$  is a fixed point of  $T$ .  $\square$

*Remark 9.* Note that if  $\max\{\tau, 2\mathcal{R}\} > 1$ , condition (v) in Theorem 8 implies that  $k < 1$ , so that in this case the  $H^+$ -type multivalued weak  $\varphi$ -Lipschitz mapping  $T$  in Theorem 8 is in fact an  $H^+$ -type multivalued weak  $\varphi$ -contraction. In this sense, both functions  $\varphi$  and  $\mathcal{M}$  may contribute to the contractivity of the multivalued mapping through condition (v) which establishes a relation among the constants involved.

**Corollary 10.** *If one takes  $\varphi(t) := kt$ , with  $k \in (0, 1)$ , and  $\mathcal{M}(r_1, r_2, r_3, r_4, r_5) := r_1$ , then  $\mathcal{M}$  is monotonically increasing in all the variables and continuous. Besides, for  $\mathcal{N}(r, s) := r$ , one has*

$$\mathcal{M}(r, r, s, r + s, 0) = r = \mathcal{N}(r, s), \quad \text{for every } r, s \in \mathbb{R}^+,$$

$\mathcal{N}(r, s)$  is monotonically increasing in  $r$

for  $s \in \mathbb{R}^+$  fixed,

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for  $r \in \mathbb{R}^+$  fixed,

$$\mathcal{N}(r, r) = r, \quad \text{thus (iv-d) holds for } \tau = 1$$

$$\mathcal{N}(0, s) = 0,$$

for every  $s > 0$ , so that (iv-e) holds for  $R = 0$ ,

$$\max\{\tau, 2\mathcal{R}\} = 1,$$

so that (v) is fulfilled for  $0 < k < 1$ .

In this setting of  $H^+$ -type multivalued contraction mappings, we have, as a corollary of Theorem 8, Theorem 3.2 [16] (see Theorem 5).

In the context of  $H^+$ -type multivalued weak contractive mappings, we obtain the following corollary which corrects Theorem 3.4 [23] [see the proof of Theorem 3.4 [23], where it was assumed that  $d(u, Tu) = (1/2)(d(u, Tu) + d(u, Tu)) \leq (1/2)(\rho(Tx_n, Tu) + \rho(Tu, Tx_n)) + d(u, x_{n+1})$ ].

**Corollary 11.** *Let  $(X, d)$  be a complete metric space and  $T : X \rightarrow \mathcal{CB}(X)$  an  $H^+$ -type multivalued weak contractive mapping with  $0 < k < 1/2$ . Then  $T$  has a fixed point.*

*Proof.* If we take  $\varphi(t) := kt$ , with  $k \in (0, 1/2)$ , and

$$\mathcal{M}(r_1, r_2, r_3, r_4, r_5) := \max \left\{ r_1, r_2, r_3, \frac{r_4 + r_5}{2} \right\}, \quad (30)$$

$\mathcal{M}$  is monotonically increasing in all the variables and continuous. Choosing  $\mathcal{N}(r, s) := \max\{r, s\}$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{M}(r, r, s, r + s, 0) &= \max \left\{ r, r, s, \frac{r + s}{2} \right\} = \max\{r, s\} \\ &= \mathcal{N}(r, s), \quad \text{for every } r, s \in \mathbb{R}^+, \end{aligned} \quad (31)$$

$\mathcal{N}(r, s)$  is monotonically increasing in each variable,  $\mathcal{N}(r, r) = \max\{r, r\} = r$ , and thus (iv-d) holds for  $\tau = 1$ ,  $\mathcal{N}(0, s) = \max\{0, s\} = s$ , for every  $s > 0$ , so that (iv-e) holds for  $\mathcal{R} = 1$  and  $\max\{\tau, 2\mathcal{R}\} = 2$ , so that (v) is fulfilled for the choice  $0 < k < 1/2$ . Hence Theorem 8 applies.  $\square$

In the context of  $H^+$ -type multivalued quasi-contraction mappings, we obtain the following corollary which coincides with Theorem 3.6 [23].

**Corollary 12.** *Let  $(X, d)$  be a complete metric space and  $T : X \rightarrow \mathcal{CB}(X)$  an  $H^+$ -type multivalued quasi-contraction mapping with  $0 < k < 1/2$ . Then  $T$  has a fixed point.*

*Proof.* Taking  $\varphi(t) := kt$ , with  $k \in (0, 1/2)$  and

$$\mathcal{M}(r_1, r_2, r_3, r_4, r_5) := \max\{r_1, r_2, r_3, r_4, r_5\}, \quad (32)$$

we have that  $\mathcal{M}$  is monotonically increasing in all the variables and also continuous. Taking  $\mathcal{N}(r, s) := r + s$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{M}(r, r, s, r + s, 0) &= \max\{r, r, s, r + s, 0\} = r + s \\ &= \mathcal{N}(r, s), \quad \text{for every } r, s \in \mathbb{R}^+, \end{aligned} \quad (33)$$

$\mathcal{N}(r, s)$  is monotonically increasing in each variable for the other fixed,  $\mathcal{N}(r, r) = r + r = 2r$ , and thus (iv-d) holds for  $\tau = 2$ ,  $\mathcal{N}(0, s) = s$ , for every  $s > 0$ , so that (iv-e) holds for  $\mathcal{R} = 1$  and  $\max\{\tau, 2\mathcal{R}\} = 2$ , so that (v) is fulfilled for  $0 < k < 1/2$ .  $\square$

On the other hand, if a result similar to Theorem 8 was established for  $H$ -multivalued contractions, we would have the following theorem.

**Theorem 13.** *Let  $(X, d)$  be a complete metric space. Let  $T : X \rightarrow \mathcal{CB}(X)$  be an  $H$ -type multivalued weak  $\varphi$ -Lipschitz*

*mapping, that is, such that there exist  $\mathcal{M} : (\mathbb{R}^+)^5 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$  and  $\varphi : \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$  with*

$$\begin{aligned} H(Tx, Ty) &\leq \varphi(\mathcal{M}(d(x, y), d(x, Tx), d(y, Ty), \\ &d(x, Ty), d(y, Tx))), \quad \text{for every } x, y \in X. \end{aligned} \quad (34)$$

*Suppose that the functions  $\varphi, \mathcal{M}$  satisfy conditions (i)–(iv) in Theorem 8 and*

*(v\*) the constants  $k$  in (i) and  $\tau, \mathcal{R}$  in (iv) are such that  $k < 1/\max\{\tau, \mathcal{R}\}$ .*

*Then  $T$  has a fixed point.*

*Proof.* Identical to the proof of Theorem 8, except the last part, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \rho(Tx_n, Tu) &\leq \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} H(Tx_n, Tu) \\ &\leq k\mathcal{N}(0, d(u, Tu)) \\ &\leq k\mathcal{R}d(u, Tu). \end{aligned} \quad (35)$$

Since

$$\begin{aligned} d(u, Tu) &\leq d(u, x_{n+1}) + d(x_{n+1}, Tu) \\ &\leq \rho(Tx_n, Tu) + d(x_{n+1}, u) \end{aligned} \quad (36)$$

and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_{n+1}, u) = 0$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} d(u, Tu) &\leq \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} [\rho(Tx_n, Tu) + d(x_{n+1}, u)] \\ &= \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \rho(Tx_n, Tu) \leq k\mathcal{R}d(u, Tu). \end{aligned} \quad (37)$$

If  $\mathcal{R} = 0$ , then  $d(u, Tu) = 0$ . If  $\mathcal{R} > 0$ ,  $d(u, Tu) > 0$  leads to a contradiction in the previous inequality due to (v\*) ( $k\mathcal{R} < 1$ ), which implies that  $d(u, Tu) = 0$  and the proof is complete.  $\square$

*Remark 14.* As a consequence of Theorem 13, using the Hausdorff metric  $H$ , the restriction required on  $k$  is

- (r.i) for multivalued contractions  $0 < k < 1$ ,
- (r.ii) for multivalued weak contractive mappings  $0 < k < 1$ ,
- (r.iii) for multivalued quasi-contraction mappings  $0 < k < 1/2$ .

*Remark 15.* In Theorems 8 and 13, conditions (iv-b), (iv-c), and (iv-d) can be removed, adding the property that

(iv-d\*) there exists  $\theta > 0$  such that  $\mathcal{N}(r, s) \leq \theta(r + s)$ , for every  $r, s > 0$ ,

while condition (v) (resp., (v\*)) has to be replaced by the fact that

(v\*\*) the constants  $k$  in (i) and  $\mathcal{R}, \theta$  in (iv) are such that  $k < 1/\max\{2\theta, 2\mathcal{R}\}$  (for  $H^+$ ) or  $k < 1/\max\{2\theta, \mathcal{R}\}$  (for  $H$ ).

This comes from the following ideas: from  $(v^{**})$ , following the proof of Theorem 8, we can take  $A, B > 0$  such that  $A - Bk > 0$  and  $L := A - Bk + k < 1/\max\{2\theta, 2\mathcal{R}\}$  (for the Hausdorff metric  $H$ , we choose them in such a way that  $L := A - Bk + k < 1/\max\{2\theta, \mathcal{R}\}$ ). Supposing that  $d(x_n, x_{n+1}) > 0$ , for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , if we do not have monotonicity of  $\mathcal{N}$ , from (16) and (iv-d<sup>\*</sup>), we get

$$d(x_n, x_{n+1}) \leq L\theta(d(x_{n-1}, x_n) + d(x_n, x_{n+1})), \quad (38)$$

$$\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$$

so that, using  $L\theta < 1$ ,

$$d(x_n, x_{n+1}) \leq \frac{L\theta}{1 - L\theta} d(x_{n-1}, x_n), \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}. \quad (39)$$

Repeating the same procedure  $n$ -times, we get  $d(x_n, x_{n+1}) \leq K^n d(x_0, x_1)$ , for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , where  $K = L\theta/(1 - L\theta) < 1$  by hypothesis  $(v^{**})$ . The rest of the proof is valid.

Now, following the lines in [21] for  $q$ -set-valued quasi-contractions, we give the following definition.

*Definition 16.* Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space and let  $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  be given. A multivalued map  $T : X \rightarrow \mathcal{CB}(X)$  is called a partial  $H^+$ -type multivalued weak  $\varphi$ -Lipschitz mapping if condition (C2) in Definition 2 holds and there exist  $\mathcal{M} : (\mathbb{R}^+)^5 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$  and  $\varphi : \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$  such that

$$H^+(Tx, Ty) \leq \varphi(\mathcal{M}(d(x, y), d(x, Tx), d(y, Ty), d(x, Ty), d(y, Tx))), \quad (40)$$

$$\text{for every } (x, y) \in X \times X \text{ with } \alpha(x, y) \geq 1.$$

If, moreover, there exists  $k \in (0, 1)$  such that  $\varphi(t) \leq kt$ , for every  $t \geq 0$ , we say that  $T$  is a partial  $H^+$ -type multivalued weak  $\varphi$ -contraction.

*Remark 17.* Taking  $\varphi(t) = kt$ , with  $k \in (0, 1)$ , and

$$\mathcal{M}(r_1, r_2, r_3, r_4, r_5) = \max\{r_1, r_2, r_3, r_4, r_5\}, \quad (41)$$

then we obtain the notion of partial  $H^+$ -type  $q$ -set-valued quasi-contraction (compare with [21, Definition 3.1]).

In relation with Definitions 2.21, 3.1 and Theorem 3.2 [21], we can establish the following result.

**Theorem 18.** *Let  $(X, d)$  be a complete metric space, let  $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  be given, and let  $T : X \rightarrow \mathcal{CB}(X)$  be a partial  $H^+$ -type multivalued weak  $\varphi$ -Lipschitz mapping such that*

- (h1)  $T$  is  $\alpha$ -admissible; that is, for each  $x \in X$  and  $y \in Tx$  with  $\alpha(x, y) \geq 1$ , one has  $\alpha(y, z) \geq 1$ , for every  $z \in Ty$ ,
- (h2) there exist  $x_0 \in X$  and  $x_1 \in Tx_0$  such that  $\alpha(x_0, x_1) \geq 1$ ,
- (h3) if  $\{x_n\}$  is a sequence in  $X$  such that  $\alpha(x_n, x_{n+1}) \geq 1$ , for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , and there exists  $x \in X$  such that  $x_n \rightarrow x$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , then  $\alpha(x_n, x) \geq 1$ , for every  $n$ ,

- (h4) the functions  $\varphi, \mathcal{M}$  are such that conditions (i), (ii), (iii), (iv) [(a)-(e)], and (v) in Theorem 8 hold.

Then  $T$  has a fixed point in  $X$ .

*Proof.* We proceed similarly to the proof of Theorem 8 and also Theorem 3.2 [21]. By (40) and (i), we get

$$H^+(Tx, Ty) \leq k\mathcal{M}(\psi(x, y)), \quad (42)$$

$$\text{for every } (x, y) \in X \times X \text{ with } \alpha(x, y) \geq 1.$$

We take  $\varepsilon > 0$  given. We start the sequence with the terms  $x_0$  and  $x_1 \in Tx_0$  and then, using (C2), there exists  $x_2 \in Tx_1$  such that  $d(x_1, x_2) \leq H^+(Tx_0, Tx_1) + \varepsilon$ . Note that since  $T$  is  $\alpha$ -admissible, we have  $\alpha(x_1, x_2) \geq 1$ . In general, for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , if  $x_n \in Tx_{n-1}$  is chosen such that  $\alpha(x_{n-1}, x_n) \geq 1$ , then we can select  $x_{n+1} \in Tx_n$  such that

$$d(x_n, x_{n+1}) \leq H^+(Tx_{n-1}, Tx_n) + \varepsilon \quad (43)$$

and we also have  $\alpha(x_n, x_{n+1}) \geq 1$ . Again,  $\varepsilon$  could have been chosen at each step depending on  $x_{n-1}$  and  $x_n$ . For this, we remark that if  $H^+(Tx_{n-1}, Tx_n) = 0$  for some  $n$ , the proof is concluded, so that we can assume that  $\mathcal{M}(\psi(x_{n-1}, x_n)) > 0$ , for every  $n$  and take on each step  $\varepsilon = (A - Bk)\mathcal{M}(\psi(x_{n-1}, x_n)) > 0$ , where  $A, B > 0$  are fixed, by (v), in such a way that  $A - Bk > 0$  and  $L := A - Bk + k < 1/\max\{\tau, 2\mathcal{R}\}$ . Then, by (43), we get, for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , that

$$d(x_n, x_{n+1}) \leq H^+(Tx_{n-1}, Tx_n) + (A - Bk)\mathcal{M}(\psi(x_{n-1}, x_n)) \quad (44)$$

$$\leq L\mathcal{M}(\psi(x_{n-1}, x_n))$$

which implies, for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , that

$$d(x_n, x_{n+1}) \leq L\mathcal{M}(\psi(x_{n-1}, x_n))$$

$$\leq L\mathcal{M}(d(x_{n-1}, x_n), d(x_{n-1}, x_n), d(x_n, x_{n+1})), \quad (45)$$

$$d(x_{n-1}, x_n) + d(x_n, x_{n+1}), 0) \leq L\mathcal{N}(d(x_{n-1}, x_n), d(x_n, x_{n+1})),$$

using (ii) and (iv-a). As in the proof of Theorem 8, we can suppose that  $d(x_n, x_{n+1}) > 0$ , for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Similarly to the proof of Theorem 8, we deduce that  $d(x_{n-1}, x_n) \geq d(x_n, x_{n+1})$ , for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and

$$d(x_n, x_{n+1}) \leq L\tau d(x_{n-1}, x_n), \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}, \quad (46)$$

so that  $\{x_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence and, by the completeness of  $X$ , there exists  $u \in X$  such that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = u$ .

Finally, if  $d(u, Tu) > 0$ , inequality (22) holds; since  $\alpha(x_n, x_{n+1}) \geq 1$ , for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , and  $x_n \rightarrow u$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , then, by hypotheses,  $\alpha(x_n, u) \geq 1$ , for every  $n$ , so that

$$H^+(Tx_n, Tu) \leq k\mathcal{M}(\psi(x_n, u)), \quad \text{for every } n. \quad (47)$$

Similarly to the proof of Theorem 8, we get that

$$d(u, Tu) \leq d(u, x_{n+1}) + d(x_{n+1}, Tu) \quad (48)$$

$$\leq \rho(Tx_n, Tu) + d(x_{n+1}, u);$$

hence

$$d(u, Tu) \leq 2k\mathcal{R}d(u, Tu), \quad (49)$$

so that if  $\mathcal{R} = 0$ , then  $d(u, Tu) = 0$  and if  $\mathcal{R} > 0$ , the assumption  $d(u, Tu) > 0$  leads to a contradiction again and the proof is complete.  $\square$

The previous result allows formulating a fixed point result for  $H^+$ -type partial quasi-contraction mappings while, in [21], the Pompeiu-Hausdorff metric is used in  $b$ -metric spaces. The procedure in metric spaces could be adapted to  $b$ -metric spaces in the lines of [21].

*Remark 19.* In Theorem 18, if we consider the Pompeiu-Hausdorff metric  $H$ , then condition (v) can be relaxed to hypothesis (v\*) in the statement of Theorem 13.

In particular, for partial  $q$ -set-valued quasi-contractions,  $\varphi(t) := kt$ ,  $k \in (0, 1/2)$ , and  $\mathcal{M}(r_1, r_2, r_3, r_4, r_5) := \max\{r_1, r_2, r_3, r_4, r_5\}$ , we obtain, as a corollary, the assertion of Theorem 3.2 [21] for metric spaces.

*Remark 20.* Inequality (40) is trivially valid if one of the following conditions hold (see Corollaries 3.4–3.6 [21]):

- (r.i)  $\alpha(x, y)H^+(Tx, Ty) \leq \varphi(\mathcal{M}(\psi(x, y)))$ , for every  $x, y \in X$ ;
- (r.ii)  $(H^+(Tx, Ty) + \varepsilon)^{\alpha(x, y)} \leq \varphi(\mathcal{M}(\psi(x, y))) + \varepsilon$ , for every  $x, y \in X$ , where  $\varepsilon \geq 1$ ;
- (r.iii)  $(\alpha(x, y) - 1 + \varepsilon)^{H^+(Tx, Ty)} \leq \varepsilon^{\varphi(\mathcal{M}(\psi(x, y)))}$ , for every  $x, y \in X$ , where  $\varepsilon > 1$ .

**Theorem 21.** *Let  $(X, d)$  be a complete metric space, let  $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  be given, and let  $T : X \rightarrow \mathcal{CB}(X)$  be a partial  $H^+$ -type multivalued weak  $\varphi$ -Lipschitz mapping such that conditions (h1), (h2), and (h3) hold. Suppose also that the functions  $\varphi, \mathcal{M}$  satisfy the following:*

- (A1)  $\varphi$  is monotonically increasing and  $\varphi(0) = 0$ .
- (A2) If  $z_n \rightarrow z$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , then  $\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \varphi(z_n) \leq \varphi(z)$ .
- (A3) Conditions (ii), (iii), and (iv) [(a)–(e)] in Theorem 8 hold.
- (A4) For  $\mathcal{R}$  given in (iv-e), one has that  $2\varphi(\mathcal{R}z) < z$ , for every  $z > 0$ .
- (A5) There exists  $\mathcal{S} > 0$  such that the operator  $\mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{S}} := \varphi + \mathcal{S}I$  (where  $I$  is the identity mapping on  $X$ ) satisfies the following properties:

- (A5.i)  $\mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{S}}(\tau z) < z$ , for every  $z > 0$ ;
- (A5.ii)  $\mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{S}}(\tau z) \leq \tau \mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{S}}(z)$ , for every  $z > 0$ ;
- (A5.iii)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \tau^n \mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{S}}^n(z) < \infty$ , for every  $z > 0$ , where  $\mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{S}}^n := \mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{S}} \circ \dots \circ \mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{S}}$ .

Then  $T$  has a fixed point in  $X$ .

*Proof.* We proceed similarly to the proof of Theorem 18. We take  $x_0$  and  $x_1 \in Tx_0$  given by (h2), with  $\alpha(x_0, x_1) \geq 1$ ; then a sequence is obtained by using (C2) and  $\alpha$ -admissibility. The

process is summarized as follows: for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , if  $x_n \in Tx_{n-1}$  is chosen such that  $\alpha(x_{n-1}, x_n) \geq 1$ , then, by (C2), we can select  $x_{n+1} \in Tx_n$  such that

$$d(x_n, x_{n+1}) \leq H^+(Tx_{n-1}, Tx_n) + \varepsilon, \quad (50)$$

and we also have  $\alpha(x_n, x_{n+1}) \geq 1$ .

We remark that, due to the monotonically increasing character of  $\varphi$ , the mapping  $\mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{S}}$  is always strictly increasing. Note that if  $H^+(Tx_{n-1}, Tx_n) = 0$  for some  $n$ , the proof is concluded, so that we can assume that  $\mathcal{M}(\psi(x_{n-1}, x_n)) > 0$ , for every  $n$ , so that we can take, on each step,  $\varepsilon_n = \mathcal{S}\mathcal{M}(\psi(x_{n-1}, x_n)) > 0$ . Then, for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , by (ii) and (iv-a),

$$\begin{aligned} d(x_n, x_{n+1}) &\leq \varphi(\mathcal{M}(\psi(x_{n-1}, x_n))) \\ &\quad + \mathcal{S}\mathcal{M}(\psi(x_{n-1}, x_n)) \\ &= \mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{S}}(\mathcal{M}(\psi(x_{n-1}, x_n))) \\ &\leq \mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{S}}(\mathcal{N}(d(x_{n-1}, x_n), d(x_n, x_{n+1}))). \end{aligned} \quad (51)$$

If  $x_n = x_{n+1}$ , for some  $n$ , then  $x_n$  is a fixed point of  $T$ , so we assume that  $x_n \neq x_{n+1}$ , for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

Assuming that  $d(x_{n-1}, x_n) < d(x_n, x_{n+1})$ , for some  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , by (iv-b) and (iv-d), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} d(x_n, x_{n+1}) &\leq \mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{S}}(\mathcal{N}(d(x_n, x_{n+1}), d(x_n, x_{n+1}))) \\ &\leq \mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{S}}(\tau d(x_n, x_{n+1})), \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}, \end{aligned} \quad (52)$$

which is a contradiction due to (A5) since  $d(x_n, x_{n+1}) > 0$ . This proves that  $d(x_{n-1}, x_n) \geq d(x_n, x_{n+1})$ , for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Therefore, by (iv-c), we get

$$\begin{aligned} d(x_n, x_{n+1}) &\leq \mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{S}}(\mathcal{N}(d(x_{n-1}, x_n), d(x_n, x_{n+1}))) \\ &\leq \mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{S}}(\mathcal{N}(d(x_{n-1}, x_n), d(x_{n-1}, x_n))) \\ &\leq \mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{S}}(\tau d(x_{n-1}, x_n)) \\ &\leq \tau \mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{S}}(d(x_{n-1}, x_n)), \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}. \end{aligned} \quad (53)$$

This implies, from (A5) and the property that  $\mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{S}}(z) > 0$  for every  $z > 0$ , that

$$\begin{aligned} d(x_n, x_{n+1}) &\leq \tau \mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{S}}(d(x_{n-1}, x_n)) \\ &\leq \tau \mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{S}}(\tau \mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{S}}(d(x_{n-2}, x_{n-1}))) \\ &\leq \tau^2 \mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{S}}^2(d(x_{n-2}, x_{n-1})) \\ &\leq \tau^n \mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{S}}^n(d(x_0, x_1)), \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}. \end{aligned} \quad (54)$$

To check that  $\{x_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence, we observe that, for  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}$  with  $n < m$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} d(x_n, x_m) &\leq \sum_{i=n}^{m-1} d(x_i, x_{i+1}) \leq \sum_{i=n}^{m-1} \tau^i \mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{S}}^i(d(x_0, x_1)) \\ &\rightarrow 0, \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty. \end{aligned} \quad (55)$$

Since  $X$  is complete, there exists  $u \in X$  such that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = u$ . If  $d(u, Tu) > 0$ , using that  $\alpha(x_n, x_{n+1}) \geq 1$ , for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , and  $x_n \rightarrow u$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , then, by (h3), we have  $\alpha(x_n, u) \geq 1$ , for every  $n$ ; hence

$$H^+(Tx_n, Tu) \leq \varphi(\mathcal{M}(\psi(x_n, u))), \quad \text{for every } n \quad (56)$$

so that

$$\begin{aligned} & \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \{\rho(Tx_n, Tu) + \rho(Tu, Tx_n)\} \\ & \leq 2 \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \varphi(\mathcal{M}(\psi(x_n, u))). \end{aligned} \quad (57)$$

Therefore, similarly to inequality (22), we have, by the monotonicity of  $\varphi$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi(\mathcal{M}(\psi(x_n, u))) &= \varphi(\mathcal{M}(d(x_n, u), d(x_n, Tx_n), \\ & d(u, Tu), d(x_n, Tu), d(u, Tx_n))) \\ &\leq \varphi(\mathcal{M}(d(x_n, u), d(x_n, x_{n+1}), d(u, Tu), \\ & d(x_n, Tu), d(u, x_{n+1}))). \end{aligned} \quad (58)$$

Analogously to the proof of Theorem 8 and using (iii),

$$\begin{aligned} & \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathcal{M}(d(x_n, u), d(x_n, x_{n+1}), d(u, Tu), d(x_n, Tu), \\ & d(u, x_{n+1})) = \mathcal{M}(0, 0, d(u, Tu), d(u, Tu), 0). \end{aligned} \quad (59)$$

By (A2), we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \varphi(\mathcal{M}(\psi(x_n, u))) \leq \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \varphi(\mathcal{M}(d(x_n, u), \\ & d(x_n, x_{n+1}), d(u, Tu), d(x_n, Tu), d(u, x_{n+1}))) \\ & \leq \varphi(\mathcal{M}(0, 0, d(u, Tu), d(u, Tu), 0)). \end{aligned} \quad (60)$$

Hence, from this inequality and (57), by (iv-a) and (iv-e), we get

$$\begin{aligned} & \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \{\rho(Tx_n, Tu) + \rho(Tu, Tx_n)\} \\ & \leq 2 \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \varphi(\mathcal{M}(\psi(x_n, u))) \\ & \leq 2\varphi(\mathcal{M}(0, 0, d(u, Tu), d(u, Tu), 0)) \\ & \leq 2\varphi(\mathcal{N}(0, d(u, Tu))) \leq 2\varphi(\mathcal{R}d(u, Tu)). \end{aligned} \quad (61)$$

Similarly to the proof of Theorem 8, we have  $d(u, Tu) \leq 2\varphi(\mathcal{R}d(u, Tu))$ . Therefore, if  $\mathcal{R} = 0$ , then  $d(u, Tu) \leq \varphi(0) = 0$  and the proof is concluded. If  $\mathcal{R} > 0$ , we get to a contradiction due to  $d(u, Tu) > 0$  and (A4). Hence,  $d(u, Tu) = 0$  and the proof is complete, since  $Tu$  is closed, so that  $u \in Tu$ .  $\square$

*Remark 22.* Theorem 8 is a particular case of Theorem 21. Indeed, if we take  $\varphi(t) = kt$ , where  $k > 0$ , and assuming that condition (v) holds, then we have the following:

(r.i)  $\varphi$  is monotonically increasing and  $\varphi(0) = 0$ ; hence (A1) holds.

(r.ii)  $\varphi$  is continuous (so that (A2) holds).

(r.iii) Condition (A4) is valid since  $2\varphi(\mathcal{R}z) < z$ , for every  $z > 0$  (this is true since it is equivalent to  $k < 1/2\mathcal{R}$ ).

(r.iv) Concerning (A5), since we assume that  $k\tau < 1$ , then we can take  $\mathcal{S} > 0$  such that  $(k + \mathcal{S})\tau < 1$  and the operator  $\mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{S}} := \varphi + \mathcal{S}I$  is monotonically increasing and

(r.a)  $\mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{S}}(\tau z) = (k + \mathcal{S})\tau z < z$ , for every  $z > 0$ ;

(r.b)  $\mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{S}}(\tau z) = (k + \mathcal{S})\tau z = \tau(k + \mathcal{S})z = \tau\mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{S}}(z)$ , for every  $z > 0$ ;

(r.c)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \tau^n \mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{S}}^n(z) = z \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (k\tau)^n < \infty$ , for every  $z > 0$ .

It is also obvious that if  $T$  is an  $H^+$ -type multivalued weak  $\varphi$ -Lipschitz mapping and there exists  $k > 0$  such that  $\varphi(t) \leq kt$ , for  $t \geq 0$ , then  $T$  is also an  $H^+$ -type multivalued weak  $\tilde{\varphi}$ -Lipschitz mapping for  $\tilde{\varphi}(t) = kt$ .

*Remark 23.* In the proof of Theorems 18 and 21, it is easy to observe that a proper combination of condition (C2) with the  $\alpha$ -admissible character of the mapping, (h1), would allow relaxing slightly the definition of partial  $H^+$ -type multivalued weak  $\varphi$ -Lipschitz mappings. Indeed, in these theorems, it is possible to replace these hypotheses ((C2) and  $\alpha$ -admissibility of  $T$ ) by the following:

(2\*) for every  $x \in X$ ,  $y \in Tx$  with  $\alpha(x, y) \geq 1$  and  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists  $z \in Ty$  such that  $d(y, z) \leq H^+(Ty, Tx) + \varepsilon$  and  $\alpha(y, z) \geq 1$ .

If we consider self-mappings  $T : X \rightarrow X$ , a procedure similar to Theorem 2.3 [19] gives the following result.

**Theorem 24.** *Let  $(X, d)$  be a complete metric space, let  $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  be given, and let  $T : X \rightarrow X$  be such that*

(t.i) *for each  $x \in X$  with  $\alpha(x, Tx) \geq 1$ , one has  $\alpha(Tx, T(Tx)) \geq 1$ ,*

(t.ii) *there exists  $x_0 \in X$  such that  $\alpha(x_0, Tx_0) \geq 1$ ,*

*and there exist  $\mathcal{M} : (\mathbb{R}^+)^5 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$  and  $\varphi : \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$  with*

$$d(Tx, Ty) \leq \varphi(\mathcal{M}(d(x, y), d(x, Tx), d(y, Ty), d(x, Ty), d(y, Tx))), \quad (62)$$

*for every  $(x, y) \in X \times X$  with  $\alpha(x, y) \geq 1$ .*

*Suppose also that (h3) holds and that the functions  $\varphi, \mathcal{M}$  satisfy the following conditions:*

(I)  *$\varphi$  is monotonically increasing,  $\mathcal{M}$  is increasing in the fourth variable, and conditions (iv) [(a)-(d)] in Theorem 8 hold, where  $\tau \leq 1$ .*

(II) *Consider  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \varphi^n(t) < +\infty$ , for every  $t > 0$ .*

(III) *One of the following conditions holds:*

(III.i) *For  $r_3 > 0$  fixed, if  $r_1, r_2, r_5$  are small enough and  $r_4$  is close enough to  $r_3$ , then  $\mathcal{M}(r_1, r_2, r_3, r_4, r_5) \leq r_3$ .*

(III.ii) (A2) is satisfied and conditions (iii) and (iv-e) in Theorem 8 hold, where  $\mathcal{R} \leq 1$ .

Then  $T$  has a fixed point in  $X$ .

*Proof.* We take  $x_0 \in X$  with  $\alpha(x_0, Tx_0) \geq 1$  and define the sequence  $\{x_n\}$  such that  $x_{n+1} = Tx_n$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . If  $x_n = x_{n+1}$ , for some  $n$ , then we have a fixed point of  $T$ ; thus we assume that  $x_n \neq x_{n+1}$ , for every  $n$  (i.e.,  $d(x_n, x_{n+1}) > 0$ , for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ). Using the hypotheses, it is easy to prove that  $\alpha(x_n, x_{n+1}) \geq 1$ , for every  $n$ . Then, for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , by the nondecreasing character of  $\varphi$  and  $\mathcal{M}$  (in the fourth variable) and (iv-a),

$$\begin{aligned} d(x_n, x_{n+1}) &= d(Tx_{n-1}, Tx_n) \leq \varphi(\mathcal{M}(\psi(x_{n-1}, x_n))) \\ &= \varphi(\mathcal{M}(d(x_{n-1}, x_n), d(x_{n-1}, Tx_{n-1}), \\ &d(x_n, Tx_n), d(x_{n-1}, Tx_n), d(x_n, Tx_{n-1}))) \\ &\leq \varphi(\mathcal{M}(d(x_{n-1}, x_n), d(x_{n-1}, x_n), d(x_n, x_{n+1}), \\ &d(x_{n-1}, x_n) + d(x_n, x_{n+1}), 0)) \\ &\leq \varphi(\mathcal{N}(d(x_{n-1}, x_n), d(x_n, x_{n+1}))). \end{aligned} \tag{63}$$

If  $d(x_{n-1}, x_n) < d(x_n, x_{n+1})$ , for some  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , by the monotonicity of  $\varphi$ , (iv-b), (iv-d),  $\tau \leq 1$ , and (II), we get

$$\begin{aligned} d(x_n, x_{n+1}) &\leq \varphi(\mathcal{N}(d(x_n, x_{n+1}), d(x_n, x_{n+1}))) \\ &\leq \varphi(\tau d(x_n, x_{n+1})) \leq \varphi(d(x_n, x_{n+1})) \\ &< d(x_n, x_{n+1}), \end{aligned} \tag{64}$$

which is a contradiction. Then,  $d(x_{n-1}, x_n) \geq d(x_n, x_{n+1})$ , for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ; hence, by the monotonicity of  $\varphi$ , (iv-c), (iv-d), and  $\tau \leq 1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} d(x_n, x_{n+1}) &\leq \varphi(\mathcal{N}(d(x_{n-1}, x_n), d(x_{n-1}, x_n))) \\ &\leq \varphi(\tau d(x_{n-1}, x_n)) \leq \varphi(d(x_{n-1}, x_n)). \end{aligned} \tag{65}$$

Using (II), the sequence  $\{x_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence. Then there exists  $u$  such that  $x_n \rightarrow u$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . By (h3),  $\alpha(x_n, u) \geq 1$ , for every  $n$ . Suppose that  $d(u, Tu) > 0$ ; then

$$\begin{aligned} d(u, Tu) &\leq d(u, Tx_n) + d(Tx_n, Tu) \leq d(u, x_{n+1}) \\ &+ \varphi(\mathcal{M}(\psi(x_n, u))) = d(x_{n+1}, u) \\ &+ \varphi(\mathcal{M}(d(x_n, u), d(x_n, x_{n+1}), d(u, Tu), \\ &d(x_n, Tu), d(u, x_{n+1}))). \end{aligned} \tag{66}$$

In case (III.i), for  $n$  being large enough, we have

$$d(u, Tu) \leq d(x_{n+1}, u) + \varphi(d(u, Tu)), \tag{67}$$

so that  $d(u, Tu) \leq \varphi(d(u, Tu)) < d(u, Tu)$ , which is a contradiction; hence  $Tu = u$  and the proof is complete. On

the other hand, in case (III.ii), by the monotonicity of  $\varphi$  and (II), we have

$$\begin{aligned} d(u, Tu) &\leq \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \varphi(\mathcal{M}(d(x_n, u), d(x_n, x_{n+1}), \\ &d(u, Tu), d(x_n, Tu), d(u, x_{n+1}))) \\ &\leq \varphi\left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathcal{M}(d(x_n, u), d(x_n, x_{n+1}), d(u, Tu), \right. \\ &d(x_n, Tu), d(u, x_{n+1}))) \leq \varphi(\mathcal{M}(0, 0, d(u, Tu), \\ &d(u, Tu), 0)) \leq \varphi(\mathcal{N}(0, d(u, Tu))) \leq \varphi(\mathcal{R}d(u, \\ &Tu)) \leq \varphi(d(u, Tu)) < d(u, Tu), \end{aligned} \tag{68}$$

a contradiction again and the proof is finished.  $\square$

*Remark 25.* If  $\mathcal{M}(r_1, r_2, r_3, r_4, r_5) := \max\{r_1, r_2, r_3, (r_4 + r_5)/2\}$  in Theorem 24, then we have Theorem 2.3 [19]. Indeed, all the conditions are satisfied (see the proof of Corollary 11) and, for  $r_3 > 0$  fixed, if  $r_1, r_2, r_5$  are small enough and  $r_4$  is close enough to  $r_3$ , then  $\mathcal{M}(r_1, r_2, r_3, r_4, r_5) = r_3$ ; hence (III.i) is also fulfilled.

*Remark 26.* Certain conditions in Theorem 24 also extend some hypotheses in [20].

As indicated in [21], a function  $\alpha$  can be defined in connection with a binary relation  $\mathfrak{R}$  in  $X$  (which could be, e.g., a partial ordering in  $X$ ). Thus, Theorem 4.7 [21] can be extended to  $H^+$ -type multivalued weak  $\varphi$ -Lipschitz mappings with respect to  $\mathfrak{R}$ , which are defined as follows. Here, we only consider the case of metric spaces, but  $b$ -metric spaces could be considered accordingly.

*Definition 27.* Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space and  $\mathfrak{R}$  a binary relation on  $X$ . A multivalued map  $T : X \rightarrow \mathcal{CB}(X)$  is called an  $H^+$ -type multivalued weak  $\varphi$ -Lipschitz mapping with respect to  $\mathfrak{R}$  if condition (C2) in Definition 2 holds and there exist  $\mathcal{M} : (\mathbb{R}^+)^5 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$  and  $\varphi : \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} H^+(Tx, Ty) &\leq \varphi(\mathcal{M}(d(x, y), d(x, Tx), d(y, Ty), \\ &d(x, Ty), d(y, Tx))), \end{aligned} \tag{69}$$

for every  $x, y \in X$  with  $x\mathfrak{R}y$ .

If, moreover, there exists  $k \in (0, 1)$  such that  $\varphi(t) \leq kt$ , for every  $t \geq 0$ , one says that  $T$  is an  $H^+$ -type multivalued weak  $\varphi$ -contraction with respect to  $\mathfrak{R}$ .

**Theorem 28.** Let  $(X, d)$  be a complete metric space,  $\mathfrak{R}$  a binary relation on  $X$ , and  $T : X \rightarrow \mathcal{CB}(X)$  an  $H^+$ -type multivalued weak  $\varphi$ -Lipschitz mapping with respect to  $\mathfrak{R}$  such that

- (H1)  $T$  is weakly preserving, that is, for each  $x \in X$  and  $y \in Tx$  with  $x\mathfrak{R}y$ , one has  $y\mathfrak{R}z$ , for every  $z \in Ty$ ,
- (H2) there exist  $x_0 \in X$  and  $x_1 \in Tx_0$  such that  $x_0\mathfrak{R}x_1$ ,
- (H3) if  $\{x_n\}$  is a sequence in  $X$  such that  $x_n\mathfrak{R}x_{n+1}$ , for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , and there exists  $x \in X$  such that  $x_n \rightarrow x$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , then  $x_n\mathfrak{R}x$ , for every  $n$ ,

(H4) one of the following conditions holds:

- (H4-i) the functions  $\varphi, \mathcal{M}$  satisfy conditions (i), (ii), (iii), (iv) [(a)–(e)], and (v) in Theorem 8 or
- (H4-ii) the functions  $\varphi, \mathcal{M}$  satisfy (A1)–(A5).

Then  $T$  has a fixed point in  $X$ .

*Remark 29.* The condition of weakly preservice of  $T$ , (H1), is fulfilled if the following condition holds:

$$\text{if } x \mathfrak{R} y, \quad \text{then } Tx \leq_{\mathfrak{R}} Ty, \quad (70)$$

where, given  $A, B \subseteq X$ , we define

$$A \leq_{\mathfrak{R}} B \quad \text{if, for each } a \in A, b \in B, \text{ we have } a \mathfrak{R} b. \quad (71)$$

*Remark 30.* In the proof of Theorem 28, we can relax slightly the definition of  $H^+$ -type multivalued weak  $\varphi$ -Lipschitz mappings with respect to  $\mathfrak{R}$ , by replacing hypotheses (C2) and weakly preservice of  $T$ , (H1), by the following combination of both:

- (2\*\*) for every  $x \in X, y \in Tx$  with  $x \mathfrak{R} y$  and  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists  $z \in Ty$  such that  $d(y, z) \leq H^+(Ty, Tx) + \varepsilon$  and  $y \mathfrak{R} z$ .

For self-mappings  $T : X \rightarrow X$ , we have the following corollary of Theorem 24.

**Corollary 31.** *Let  $(X, d)$  be a complete metric space,  $\mathfrak{R}$  a binary relation on  $X$ , and  $T : X \rightarrow X$  such that*

- (c.i) for each  $x, y \in X$  with  $x \mathfrak{R} y$ , one has  $Tx \mathfrak{R} Ty$ ,
- (c.ii) there exists  $x_0 \in X$  such that  $x_0 \mathfrak{R} Tx_0$ ,

and there exist  $\mathcal{M} : (\mathbb{R}^+)^5 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$  and  $\varphi : \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} d(Tx, Ty) &\leq \varphi(M(d(x, y), d(x, Tx), d(y, Ty), \\ &d(x, Ty), d(y, Tx))), \end{aligned} \quad (72)$$

for every  $x, y \in X$  with  $x \mathfrak{R} y$ .

Suppose also that (H3) holds and that the functions  $\varphi, \mathcal{M}$  satisfy conditions (I), (II), and (III) in Theorem 24.

Then  $T$  has a fixed point in  $X$ .

In the previous result, if the metric space admits a partial ordering  $\leq$ , then the relation  $\mathfrak{R}$  can be chosen as  $\leq$ , so that the conditions in Corollary 31 reduce to those in Corollary 2.4 [19].

Also in the lines of [19], we consider the family  $\Phi$  of functions defined as follows:  $\varphi \in \Phi$  if and only if  $\varphi : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  is nondecreasing and such that

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \varphi^n(z) < \infty, \quad \forall z > 0. \quad (73)$$

It is clear that if  $\varphi \in \Phi$ , then  $\varphi(t) < t$ , for every  $t > 0$  (see [19] and the references therein).

We have the following result, where condition (C2) is removed.

**Theorem 32.** *Let  $(X, d)$  be a complete metric space, let  $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  be given, and let  $T : X \rightarrow \mathcal{CB}(X)$  be a multifunction such that conditions (h1), (h2), and (h3) hold. Suppose, further, that there exist  $\mathcal{M} : (\mathbb{R}^+)^5 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$  and  $\varphi : \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$  such that*

$$\begin{aligned} H^+(Tx, Ty) &\leq \varphi(M(d(x, y), d(x, Tx), d(y, Ty), \\ &d(x, Ty), d(y, Tx))), \end{aligned} \quad (74)$$

for every  $(x, y) \in X \times X$  with  $\alpha(x, y) \geq 1$ ,

where the functions  $\varphi, \mathcal{M}$  satisfy that

- (a1)  $\varphi \in \Phi$  is strictly increasing and  $\varphi(0) = 0$ ,
- (a2) there exists  $\beta > 0$  such that  $\mathcal{M}(\psi(x, y)) \leq \beta d(x, y)$ , for every  $x \neq y$ , where  $\beta \leq 1/2$ ,
- (a3) if  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x$ , then  $\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathcal{M}(\psi(x_n, x)) = 0$ .

Then  $T$  has a fixed point in  $X$ .

*Proof.* We proceed similarly to the proof of Theorem 2.1 [19]. We include it here for completeness. We take  $x_0 \in X$  and  $x_1 \in Tx_0$  with  $\alpha(x_0, x_1) \geq 1$  given by hypothesis. The proof is finished if  $x_0 = x_1$  or if  $x_1 \in Tx_1$ . Then, we assume that  $x_0 \neq x_1 \notin Tx_1$  and take  $\varepsilon_0 > 1$  arbitrarily fixed. Then, by the definition of  $H^+$  and inequality (74),

$$\begin{aligned} 0 < \frac{1}{2}d(x_1, Tx_1) &\leq \frac{1}{2}[\rho(Tx_0, Tx_1) + \rho(Tx_1, Tx_0)] \\ &= H^+(Tx_0, Tx_1) \leq \varphi(\mathcal{M}(\psi(x_0, x_1))) \\ &< \varepsilon_0 \varphi(\mathcal{M}(\psi(x_0, x_1))), \end{aligned} \quad (75)$$

so that we can choose  $x_2 \in Tx_1$  such that  $0 < (1/2)d(x_1, x_2) < \varepsilon_0 \varphi(\mathcal{M}(\psi(x_0, x_1)))$  ( $x_1 \neq x_2$  due to  $x_1 \notin Tx_1$ ). By  $\alpha$ -admissibility, we have that  $\alpha(x_1, x_2) \geq 1$ . Moreover, since  $\varphi(0) = 0$ , then  $z_0 := \mathcal{M}(\psi(x_0, x_1)) > 0$  and  $0 < (1/2)d(x_1, x_2) < \varepsilon_0 \varphi(z_0)$ . Since  $\varphi$  is strictly increasing, we have  $\varphi((1/2)d(x_1, x_2)) < \varphi(\varepsilon_0 \varphi(z_0))$ . Next, we take  $\varepsilon_1 = \varphi(\varepsilon_0 \varphi(z_0)) / \varphi((1/2)d(x_1, x_2)) > 1$ . Now, if  $x_2 \in Tx_2$ , the proof is finished, so we assume that  $x_2 \notin Tx_2$  and, similarly, we get

$$\begin{aligned} 0 < \frac{1}{2}d(x_2, Tx_2) &\leq H^+(Tx_1, Tx_2) \\ &\leq \varphi(\mathcal{M}(\psi(x_1, x_2))) < \varepsilon_1 \varphi(\mathcal{M}(\psi(x_1, x_2))); \end{aligned} \quad (76)$$

then there exists  $x_3 \in Tx_2$  ( $x_3 \neq x_2$ ) such that

$$\begin{aligned} 0 < \frac{1}{2}d(x_2, x_3) &< \varepsilon_1 \varphi(\mathcal{M}(\psi(x_1, x_2))) \\ &\leq \varepsilon_1 \varphi(\beta d(x_1, x_2)) \leq \varepsilon_1 \varphi\left(\frac{1}{2}d(x_1, x_2)\right) \\ &= \varphi(\varepsilon_0 \varphi(z_0)). \end{aligned} \quad (77)$$

Besides,  $\alpha(x_2, x_3) \geq 1$ .

Using that  $\varphi$  is strictly increasing, we have  $\varphi((1/2)d(x_2, x_3)) < \varphi^2(\varepsilon_0\varphi(z_0))$ , and we can take  $\varepsilon_2 = \varphi^2(\varepsilon_0\varphi(z_0))/\varphi((1/2)d(x_2, x_3)) > 1$ . Again, if  $x_3 \in Tx_3$ , the proof is finished, so we assume that  $x_3 \notin Tx_3$  and, similarly, we get

$$0 < \frac{1}{2}d(x_3, Tx_3) \leq H^+(Tx_2, Tx_3) \tag{78}$$

$$\leq \varphi(\mathcal{M}(\psi(x_2, x_3))) < \varepsilon_2\varphi(\mathcal{M}(\psi(x_2, x_3))),$$

and then there exists  $x_4 \in Tx_3$  ( $x_4 \neq x_3$ ) such that

$$0 < \frac{1}{2}d(x_3, x_4) < \varepsilon_2\varphi(\mathcal{M}(\psi(x_2, x_3)))$$

$$\leq \varepsilon_2\varphi(\beta d(x_2, x_3)) \leq \varepsilon_2\varphi\left(\frac{1}{2}d(x_2, x_3)\right) \tag{79}$$

$$= \varphi^2(\varepsilon_0\varphi(z_0)).$$

Besides,  $\alpha(x_3, x_4) \geq 1$ .

In general, for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , if  $x_n \in Tx_{n-1}$  ( $x_n \neq x_{n-1}$ ) is chosen such that  $\alpha(x_{n-1}, x_n) \geq 1$  and  $\varphi((1/2)d(x_{n-1}, x_n)) < \varphi^{n-1}(\varepsilon_0\varphi(z_0))$ , we can take  $\varepsilon_{n-1} = \varphi^{n-1}(\varepsilon_0\varphi(z_0))/\varphi((1/2)d(x_{n-1}, x_n)) > 1$ . If  $x_n \in Tx_n$ , the proof is finished, so we assume that  $x_n \notin Tx_n$  and, similarly, we get

$$0 < \frac{1}{2}d(x_n, Tx_n) \leq H^+(Tx_{n-1}, Tx_n)$$

$$\leq \varphi(\mathcal{M}(\psi(x_{n-1}, x_n))) \tag{80}$$

$$< \varepsilon_{n-1}\varphi(\mathcal{M}(\psi(x_{n-1}, x_n))),$$

and then there exists  $x_{n+1} \in Tx_n$  ( $x_{n+1} \neq x_n$ ) such that

$$0 < \frac{1}{2}d(x_n, x_{n+1}) < \varepsilon_{n-1}\varphi(\mathcal{M}(\psi(x_{n-1}, x_n)))$$

$$\leq \varepsilon_{n-1}\varphi(\beta d(x_{n-1}, x_n)) \leq \varepsilon_{n-1}\varphi\left(\frac{1}{2}d(x_{n-1}, x_n)\right) \tag{81}$$

$$= \varphi^{n-1}(\varepsilon_0\varphi(z_0))$$

and  $\alpha(x_n, x_{n+1}) \geq 1$ .

Hence, we can take a sequence  $\{x_n\} \subset X$  with  $x_{n+1} \in Tx_n$ ,  $x_{n+1} \neq x_n$ ,  $\alpha(x_n, x_{n+1}) \geq 1$ , and  $0 < (1/2)d(x_n, x_{n+1}) < \varphi^{n-1}(\varepsilon_0\varphi(z_0))$  for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

This allows proving that  $\{x_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence since, for  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}$  with  $n < m$ , we get

$$d(x_n, x_m) \leq \sum_{i=n}^{m-1} d(x_i, x_{i+1}) \leq 2 \sum_{i=n}^{m-1} \varphi^{i-1}(\varepsilon_0\varphi(z_0)), \tag{82}$$

which tends to 0 as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  since  $\varphi \in \Phi$ .

Now, by completeness of  $X$ , there exists  $u \in X$  such that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = u$ . By hypothesis,  $\alpha(x_n, u) \geq 1$ , for every  $n$ . Suppose that  $d(u, Tu) > 0$ . Then

$$d(u, Tu) \leq d(u, x_{n+1}) + d(x_{n+1}, Tu)$$

$$\leq \rho(Tx_n, Tu) + d(u, x_{n+1}) \tag{83}$$

$$\leq 2H^+(Tx_n, Tu) + d(u, x_{n+1})$$

$$\leq 2\varphi(\mathcal{M}(\psi(x_n, u))) + d(u, x_{n+1}),$$

for every  $n$ . Since  $\varphi(z) < z$ , for all  $z$ , then, for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,

$$0 \leq \varphi(\mathcal{M}(\psi(x_n, u))) \leq \mathcal{M}(\psi(x_n, u)) \tag{84}$$

so that the hypothesis  $\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathcal{M}(\psi(x_n, u)) = 0$  implies that  $\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \varphi(\mathcal{M}(\psi(x_n, u))) = 0$ . This, joint to  $d(u, Tu) - d(u, x_{n+1}) \leq 2\varphi(\mathcal{M}(\psi(x_n, u)))$  and the convergence of  $\{x_n\}$ , implies that  $u \in Tu$ .  $\square$

*Remark 33.* Note that condition (74) coincides with (40). In Theorem 32, if we consider the Hausdorff distance  $H$  in (74) and  $\beta \leq 1$ , the conclusion holds.

*Remark 34.* If we take  $\mathcal{M}(r_1, r_2, r_3, r_4, r_5) := r_1$ , then  $\mathcal{M}(\psi(x, y)) = d(x, y)$  and if  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x$ , then  $\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathcal{M}(\psi(x_n, x)) = \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n, x) = 0$ . Hence, for the Hausdorff distance  $H$ , the existence of fixed point follows, such as in Theorem 2.1 [19], since  $\beta = 1$ . On the other hand, for the metric  $H^+$ , if we consider  $\mathcal{M}(r_1, r_2, r_3, r_4, r_5) := (1/2)r_1$ , then the condition is valid for  $\beta = 1/2$  and Theorem 32 applies.

**Theorem 35.** Let  $(X, d)$  be a complete metric space,  $\mathfrak{R}$  a binary relation on  $X$ , and  $T : X \rightarrow \mathcal{CB}(X)$  such that conditions (H1), (H2), and (H3) hold. Suppose that there exist  $\mathcal{M} : (\mathbb{R}^+)^5 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$  and  $\varphi : \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$  such that

$$H^+(Tx, Ty) \leq \varphi(M(d(x, y), d(x, Tx), d(y, Ty),$$

$$d(x, Ty), d(y, Tx))), \tag{85}$$

for every  $x, y \in X$  with  $xRy$ ,

where the functions  $\varphi, \mathcal{M}$  satisfy conditions (a1), (a2), and (a3) in Theorem 32. Then  $T$  has a fixed point in  $X$ .

*Remark 36.* Conditions (69) and (85) are the same.

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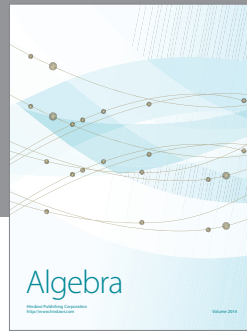
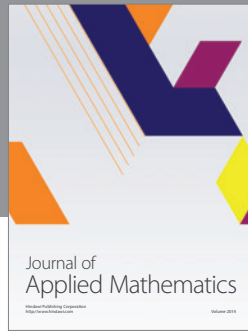
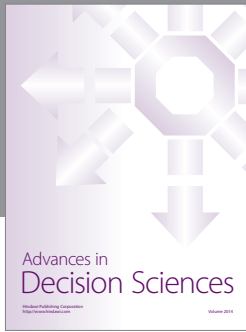
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