



Fixed points for α -admissible contractive mappings via simulation functions

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Abstract

Based on concepts of α -admissible mappings and simulation functions, we establish some fixed point results in the setting of metric-like spaces. We show that many known results in the literature are simple consequences of our obtained results. We also provide some concrete examples to illustrate the obtained results. ©2016 All rights reserved.

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1. Introduction and preliminaries

As generalizations of standard metric spaces, metric-like spaces were considered first by Hitzler and Seda [10] under the name of dislocated metric spaces and partial metric spaces were introduced by Matthews [13] in 1994 to study the denotational semantics of dataflow networks. Many authors obtained (common) fixed point results in the setting of above spaces, for example see [1, 2, 4, 5, 7–9, 16]. Let us recall some notations and definitions we will need in the sequel.

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Definition 1.1. Let X be a nonempty set. A function $\sigma : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ is said to be a metric-like (or a dislocated metric) on X , if for any $x, y, z \in X$, the following conditions hold:

- (σ_1) $\sigma(x, y) = 0 \implies x = y$;
- (σ_2) $\sigma(x, y) = \sigma(y, x)$;
- (σ_3) $\sigma(x, z) \leq \sigma(x, y) + \sigma(y, z)$.

The pair (X, σ) is then called a metric-like space.

Now, let (X, σ) be a metric-like space. A sequence $\{x_n\}$ in X converges to $x \in X$, if and only if

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sigma(x_n, x) = \sigma(x, x).$$

A sequence $\{x_n\}$ is Cauchy in (X, σ) , if and only if $\lim_{n, m \rightarrow \infty} \sigma(x_n, x_m)$ exists and is finite. Moreover, (X, σ) is complete, if and only if for every Cauchy sequence $\{x_n\}$ in X , there exists $x \in X$ such that $\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \sigma(x, x_n) = \sigma(x, x) = \lim_{n, m \rightarrow +\infty} \sigma(x_n, x_m)$.

Lemma 1.2 ([4, 5]). *Let (X, σ) be a metric-like space and $\{x_n\}$ be a sequence that converges to x with $\sigma(x, x) = 0$. Then, for each $y \in X$ one has*

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sigma(x_n, y) = \sigma(x, y).$$

Definition 1.3. A partial metric on a nonempty set X is a function $p : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$, such that for all $x, y, z \in X$

- (PM1) $p(x, x) = p(x, y) = p(y, y)$, then $x = y$;
- (PM2) $p(x, x) \leq p(x, y)$;
- (PM3) $p(x, y) = p(y, x)$;
- (PM4) $p(x, z) + p(y, y) \leq p(x, y) + p(y, z)$.

The pair (X, p) is then called a partial metric space.

It is known that each partial metric is a metric-like, but the converse is not true in general.

Example 1.4. Let $X = \{0, 1\}$ and $\sigma : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ defined by

$$\sigma(0, 0) = 2, \quad \sigma(x, y) = 1 \quad \text{if } (x, y) \neq (0, 0).$$

Then, (X, σ) is a metric-like space. Note that σ is not a partial metric on X because $\sigma(0, 0) \not\leq \sigma(1, 0)$.

In 2012, Samet et al. [17] introduced the concept of α -admissible mappings.

Definition 1.5 ([17]). For a nonempty set X , let $T : X \rightarrow X$ and $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ be given mappings. We say that T is α -admissible, if for all $x, y \in X$, we have

$$\alpha(x, y) \geq 1 \implies \alpha(Tx, Ty) \geq 1.$$

The concept of α -admissible mappings has been used in many works, see for example [6, 14]. Later, Karapinar et al. [11] introduced the notion of triangular α -admissible mappings.

Definition 1.6 ([11]). Let $T : X \rightarrow X$ and $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ be given mappings. A mapping $T : X \rightarrow X$ is called a triangular α -admissible if

- (T₁) T is α -admissible;
- (T₂) $\alpha(x, y) \geq 1$ and $\alpha(y, z) \geq 1 \implies \alpha(x, z) \geq 1, x, y, z \in X$.

Very recently, Khojasteh et al. [12] introduced a new class of mappings called simulation functions. By using the above concept, they [12] proved several fixed point theorems and showed that many known results in the literature are simple consequences of their obtained results. Later, Argoubi et al. [3] slightly modified the definition of simulation functions by withdrawing a condition.

Let \mathcal{Z}^* be the set of simulation functions in the sense of Argoubi et al. [3].

Definition 1.7 ([3]). A simulation function is a mapping $\zeta : [0, \infty) \times [0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, satisfying the following conditions:

(ζ_1) $\zeta(t, s) < s - t$ for all $t, s > 0$;

(ζ_2) if $\{t_n\}$ and $\{s_n\}$ are sequences in $(0, \infty)$ such that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} t_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_n = \ell \in (0, \infty)$, then

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \zeta(t_n, s_n) < 0.$$

Example 1.8 ([3]). Let $\zeta_\lambda : [0, \infty) \times [0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be the function defined by

$$\zeta_\lambda(t, s) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } (t, s) = (0, 0), \\ \lambda s - t & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

where $\lambda \in (0, 1)$. Then, $\zeta_\lambda \in \mathcal{Z}^*$.

Example 1.9. Let $\zeta : [0, \infty) \times [0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be the function defined by $\zeta(t, s) = \psi(s) - \varphi(t)$ for all $t, s \geq 0$, where $\psi : [0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is an upper semi-continuous function and $\varphi : [0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a lower semi-continuous function such that $\psi(t) < t \leq \varphi(t)$, for all $t > 0$. Then, $\zeta \in \mathcal{Z}^*$.

2. Fixed points via simulation functions

The first main result is as follows.

Theorem 2.1. Let (X, σ) be a complete metric-like space. Let $T : X \rightarrow X$ be a given mapping. Suppose that there exist a simulation function $\zeta \in \mathcal{Z}^*$ and $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ such that

$$\zeta(\sigma(Tx, Ty), M(x, y)) \geq 0 \tag{2.1}$$

for all $x, y \in X$ satisfying $\alpha(x, y) \geq 1$, where

$$M(x, y) = \max\{\sigma(x, y), \sigma(x, Tx), \sigma(y, Ty), \frac{\sigma(x, Ty) + \sigma(y, Tx)}{4}\}.$$

Assume that

- (i) T is triangular α -admissible;
- (ii) there exists an element $x_0 \in X$ such that $\alpha(x_0, Tx_0) \geq 1$;
- (iii) if $\{x_n\}$ is a sequence in X such that $\alpha(x_n, x_{n+1}) \geq 1$ for all n and $x_n \rightarrow x \in X$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$, then there exists a subsequence $\{x_{n(k)}\}$ of $\{x_n\}$ such that $\alpha(x_{n(k)}, x) \geq 1$, for all k .

Then, T has a fixed point $z \in X$ such that $\sigma(z, z) = 0$.

Proof. By assumption (ii), there exists a point $x_0 \in X$ such that $\alpha(x_0, Tx_0) \geq 1$. Define a sequence $\{x_n\}$ by $x_n = T^n x_0$, for all $n \geq 0$.

We split the proof into several steps.

(Step 1): $\alpha(x_n, x_m) \geq 1$, for all $m > n \geq 0$.

We have $\alpha(x_0, x_1) = \alpha(x_0, Tx_0) \geq 1$. Since T is α -admissible, by the induction we have

$$\alpha(x_n, x_{n+1}) \geq 1, \quad \text{for all } n \geq 0.$$

T is triangular α -admissible, then

$$\alpha(x_n, x_{n+1}) \geq 1, \quad \text{and } \alpha(x_{n+1}, x_{n+2}) \geq 1 \Rightarrow \alpha(x_n, x_{n+2}) \geq 1.$$

Thus, by the induction

$$\alpha(x_n, x_m) \geq 1, \quad \text{for all } m > n \geq 0.$$

(Step 2): We shall prove

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sigma(x_n, x_{n+1}) = 0. \tag{2.2}$$

By Step 1, we have $\alpha(x_n, x_m) \geq 1$, for all $m > n \geq 0$. Then, from (2.1)

$$\zeta(\sigma(x_n, x_{n+1}), M(x_{n-1}, x_n)) = \zeta(\sigma(Tx_{n-1}, Tx_n), M(x_{n-1}, x_n)) \geq 0,$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} M(x_{n-1}, x_n) &= \max\{\sigma(x_{n-1}, x_n), \sigma(x_{n-1}, Tx_{n-1}), \sigma(x_n, Tx_n), \frac{\sigma(x_{n-1}, Tx_n) + \sigma(x_n, Tx_{n-1})}{4}\} \\ &= \max\{\sigma(x_{n-1}, x_n), \sigma(x_n, x_{n+1}), \frac{\sigma(x_{n-1}, x_{n+1}) + \sigma(x_n, x_n)}{4}\}. \end{aligned}$$

By a triangular inequality, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\sigma(x_{n-1}, x_{n+1}) + \sigma(x_n, x_n)}{4} &\leq \frac{3\sigma(x_{n-1}, x_n) + \sigma(x_n, x_{n+1})}{4} \\ &\leq \max\{\sigma(x_{n-1}, x_n), \sigma(x_n, x_{n+1})\}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$M(x_{n-1}, x_n) = \max\{\sigma(x_{n-1}, x_n), \sigma(x_n, x_{n+1})\}.$$

It follows that

$$\zeta(\sigma(x_n, x_{n+1}), \max\{\sigma(x_{n-1}, x_n), \sigma(x_n, x_{n+1})\}) \geq 0. \tag{2.3}$$

If $\sigma(x_n, x_{n+1}) = 0$ for some n , then $x_n = x_{n+1} = Tx_n$, that is, x_n is a fixed point of T and so the proof is finished. Suppose now that

$$\sigma(x_n, x_{n+1}) > 0, \quad \text{for all } n = 0, 1, \dots .$$

Therefore, from condition (ζ_1) , we have

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \zeta(\sigma(x_n, x_{n+1}), \max\{\sigma(x_{n-1}, x_n), \sigma(x_n, x_{n+1})\}) \\ &< \max\{\sigma(x_{n-1}, x_n), \sigma(x_n, x_{n+1})\} - \sigma(x_n, x_{n+1}), \quad \text{for all } n \geq 1. \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$\sigma(x_n, x_{n+1}) < \max\{\sigma(x_{n-1}, x_n), \sigma(x_n, x_{n+1})\}, \quad \text{for all } n \geq 1.$$

Necessarily, we have

$$\max\{\sigma(x_{n-1}, x_n), \sigma(x_n, x_{n+1})\} = \sigma(x_{n-1}, x_n), \quad \text{for all } n \geq 1. \tag{2.4}$$

Consequently, we obtain

$$\sigma(x_n, x_{n+1}) < \sigma(x_{n-1}, x_n), \quad \text{for all } n \geq 1, \tag{2.5}$$

which implies that $\{\sigma(x_n, x_{n+1})\}$ is a decreasing sequence of positive real numbers, so there exists $t \geq 0$ such that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sigma(x_n, x_{n+1}) = t.$$

Suppose that $t > 0$. By (2.3), (2.4) and the condition (ζ_2) ,

$$0 \leq \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \zeta(\sigma(x_n, x_{n+1}), \sigma(x_{n-1}, x_n)) < 0,$$

which is a contradiction. Then, we conclude that $t = 0$.

(Step 3): Now, we shall prove that

$$\lim_{n, m \rightarrow \infty} \sigma(x_n, x_m) = 0. \tag{2.6}$$

Suppose to the contrary that there exists $\varepsilon > 0$, for which we can find subsequences $\{x_{m(k)}\}$ and $\{x_{n(k)}\}$ of $\{x_n\}$ with $m(k) > n(k) > k$ such that for every k ,

$$\sigma(x_{n(k)}, x_{m(k)}) \geq \varepsilon. \tag{2.7}$$

Moreover, corresponding to $n(k)$ we can choose $m(k)$ in such a way that it is the smallest integer with $m(k) > n(k)$ and satisfying (2.7). Then

$$\sigma(x_{n(k)}, x_{m(k)-1}) < \varepsilon. \tag{2.8}$$

By using (2.7), (2.8) and the triangular inequality, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \varepsilon &\leq \sigma(x_{n(k)}, x_{m(k)}) \leq \sigma(x_{n(k)}, x_{m(k)-1}) + \sigma(x_{m(k)-1}, x_{m(k)}) \\ &< \sigma(x_{m(k)-1}, x_{m(k)}) + \varepsilon. \end{aligned}$$

By (2.2)

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \sigma(x_{n(k)}, x_{m(k)}) = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \sigma(x_{n(k)}, x_{m(k)-1}) = \varepsilon. \tag{2.9}$$

We also have

$$\sigma(x_{n(k)}, x_{m(k)-1}) - \sigma(x_{n(k)}, x_{n(k)-1}) - \sigma(x_{m(k)}, x_{m(k)-1}) \leq \sigma(x_{n(k)-1}, x_{m(k)}),$$

and

$$\sigma(x_{n(k)-1}, x_{m(k)}) \leq \sigma(x_{n(k)-1}, x_{n(k)}) + \sigma(x_{n(k)}, x_{m(k)}).$$

Letting $k \rightarrow \infty$ in the above inequalities and by using (2.2) and (2.9), we obtain

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \sigma(x_{n(k)-1}, x_{m(k)}) = \varepsilon. \tag{2.10}$$

Moreover, the triangular inequality gives that

$$|\sigma(x_{n(k)-1}, x_{m(k)}) - \sigma(x_{n(k)-1}, x_{m(k)-1})| \leq \sigma(x_{m(k)-1}, x_{m(k)}).$$

Let again $k \rightarrow \infty$ in the above inequality and by using (2.2) and (2.10), we have

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \sigma(x_{n(k)-1}, x_{m(k)-1}) = \varepsilon. \tag{2.11}$$

By (2.1) and as $\alpha(x_{n(k)-1}, x_{m(k)-1}) \geq 1$ for all $k \geq 1$, we get

$$0 \leq \zeta(\sigma(x_{n(k)}, x_{m(k)}), M(x_{n(k)-1}, x_{m(k)-1})),$$

where

$$M(x_{n(k)-1}, x_{m(k)-1}) = \max\left\{\sigma(x_{n(k)-1}, x_{m(k)-1}), \sigma(x_{n(k)-1}, x_{n(k)}), \sigma(x_{m(k)-1}, x_{m(k)}), \frac{\sigma(x_{n(k)-1}, x_{m(k)}) + \sigma(x_{m(k)-1}, x_{n(k)})}{4}\right\}.$$

From (2.9), (2.10), (2.11) and (2.2)

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \sigma(x_{n(k)}, x_{m(k)}) = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} M(x_{n(k)-1}, x_{m(k)-1}) = \varepsilon.$$

On the other hand, if $x_n = x_m$ for some $n < m$, then $x_{n+1} = Tx_n = Tx_m = x_{m+1}$. Equation (2.5) leads to

$$0 < \sigma(x_n, x_{n+1}) = \sigma(x_m, x_{m+1}) < \sigma(x_{m-1}, x_m) < \dots < \sigma(x_n, x_{n+1}),$$

which is a contradiction. Then $x_n \neq x_m$ for all $n < m$. The condition (ζ_2) implies that

$$0 \leq \limsup_{k \rightarrow \infty} \zeta(\sigma(x_{n(k)}, x_{m(k)}), M(x_{n(k)-1}, x_{m(k)-1})) < 0,$$

which is a contradiction. This completes the proof of (2.6).

It follows that $\{x_n\}$ is a Cauchy sequence. Since (X, σ) is complete, there exists some $z \in X$ such that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sigma(x_n, z) = \sigma(z, z) = \lim_{n, m \rightarrow \infty} \sigma(x_n, x_m) = 0. \tag{2.12}$$

(Step 4): Now, we shall prove that z is a fixed point of T .

If there exists a subsequence $\{x_{n_k}\}$ of $\{x_n\}$ such that $x_{n_k} = z$ or $Tx_{n_k} = Tz$ for all k , then $\sigma(z, Tz) = \sigma(z, x_{n_k+1})$ for all k . Let $k \rightarrow \infty$ and use (2.12) to get $\sigma(z, Tz) = 0$, that is, $z = Tz$ and the proof is finished. So, without loss of generality, we may suppose that $x_n \neq z$ and $Tx_n \neq Tz$ for all nonnegative integers n . Suppose that $\sigma(z, Tz) > 0$. By assumption (iii), there exists a subsequence $\{x_{n(k)}\}$ of $\{x_n\}$ such that $\alpha(x_{n(k)}, z) \geq 1$ for all k . By (2.1) and as $\alpha(x_{n(k)}, z) \geq 1$ for all $k \geq 1$, we get

$$0 \leq \zeta(\sigma(x_{n(k)+1}, Tz), M(x_{n(k)}, z)) = \zeta(\sigma(Tx_{n(k)}, Tz), M(x_{n(k)}, z)),$$

where

$$M(x_{n(k)}, z) = \max\left\{\sigma(x_{n(k)}, z), \sigma(x_{n(k)}, x_{n(k)+1}), \sigma(z, Tz), \frac{\sigma(x_{n(k)}, Tz) + \sigma(z, x_{n(k)+1})}{4}\right\}.$$

By Lemma 1.2 and (2.12)

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \sigma(x_{n(k)+1}, Tz) = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} M(x_{n(k)}, z) = \sigma(z, Tz) > 0.$$

From the condition (ζ_2)

$$0 \leq \limsup_{k \rightarrow \infty} \zeta(\sigma(x_{n(k)+1}, Tz), M(x_{n(k)}, z)) < 0,$$

which is a contradiction and hence $\sigma(z, Tz) = 0$, that is, $Tz = z$ and so z is a fixed point of T . This ends the proof of Theorem 2.1. □

By using the same techniques, we obtain the following result.

Theorem 2.2. *Let (X, p) be a complete partial metric space. Let $T : X \rightarrow X$ be a given mapping. Suppose there exist a simulation function $\zeta \in \mathcal{Z}^*$ and $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ such that*

$$\zeta(p(Tx, Ty), M_p(x, y)) \geq 0 \tag{2.13}$$

for all $x, y \in X$ satisfying $\alpha(x, y) \geq 1$, where

$$M_p(x, y) = \max\left\{p(x, y), p(x, Tx), p(y, Ty), \frac{p(x, Ty) + p(y, Tx)}{2}\right\}.$$

Assume that

- (i) T is triangular α -admissible;
- (ii) there exists an element $x_0 \in X$ such that $\alpha(x_0, Tx_0) \geq 1$;
- (iii) if $\{x_n\}$ is a sequence in X such that $\alpha(x_n, x_{n+1}) \geq 1$ for all n and $x_n \rightarrow x \in X$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$, then there exists a subsequence $\{x_{n(k)}\}$ of $\{x_n\}$ such that $\alpha(x_{n(k)}, x) \geq 1$ for all k .

Then, T has a fixed point $z \in X$ such that $p(z, z) = 0$.

Now, we prove the uniqueness fixed point result. For this, we need the following additional condition.

(U): For all $x, y \in \text{Fix}(T)$, we have $\alpha(x, y) \geq 1$, where $\text{Fix}(T)$ denotes the set of fixed points of T .

Theorem 2.3. *By adding condition (U) to the hypotheses of Theorem 2.2, we obtain that z is the unique fixed point of T .*

Proof. We argue by contradiction, that is, there exist $z, w \in X$ such that $z = Tz$ and $w = Tw$ with $z \neq w$. By assumption (U), we have $\alpha(z, w) \geq 1$. So, by (2.13) and by using the condition (ζ_2) , we get that

$$\begin{aligned} 0 \leq \zeta(p(Tz, Tw), M_p(z, w)) &= \zeta(p(z, w), \max\{p(z, w), p(z, z), p(w, w)\}) \\ &= \zeta(p(z, w), p(z, w)) < p(z, w) - p(z, w) = 0, \end{aligned}$$

which is a contradiction. Hence, $z = w$. □

We also state the following result.

Theorem 2.4. *Let (X, σ) be a complete metric-like space. Let $T : X \rightarrow X$ be a given mapping. Suppose that there exist a simulation function $\zeta \in \mathcal{Z}^*$ and $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ such that*

$$\zeta(\sigma(Tx, Ty), \sigma(x, y)) \geq 0 \tag{2.14}$$

for all $x, y \in X$ satisfying $\alpha(x, y) \geq 1$. Assume that

- (i) T is triangular α -admissible;
- (ii) there exists an element $x_0 \in X$ such that $\alpha(x_0, Tx_0) \geq 1$;
- (iii) if $\{x_n\}$ is a sequence in X such that $\alpha(x_n, x_{n+1}) \geq 1$ for all n and $x_n \rightarrow x \in X$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$, then there exists a subsequence $\{x_{n(k)}\}$ of $\{x_n\}$ such that $\alpha(x_{n(k)}, x) \geq 1$ for all k .

Then, T has a fixed point $z \in X$ such that $\sigma(z, z) = 0$.

Proof. By following the proof of Theorem 2.1, we can construct a sequence $\{x_n\}$ such that $\alpha(x_n, x_m) \geq 1$ for all $m > n \geq 0$. $\{x_n\}$ is also Cauchy in (X, σ) and converges to some $z \in X$ such that (2.12) holds. We claim that z is a fixed point of T . Similarly, if there exists a subsequence $\{x_{n_k}\}$ of $\{x_n\}$ such that $x_{n_k} = z$ or $Tx_{n_k} = Tz$ for all k , so z is a fixed point of T and the proof is finished. Without loss of generality, we may suppose that $x_n \neq z$ and $Tx_n \neq Tz$ for all nonnegative integer n . By assumption (iii) and by using (2.14) together with the condition (ζ_1) , again we deduce that

$$0 \leq \zeta(\sigma(Tx_{n(k)}, Tz), \sigma(x_{n(k)}, z)) < \sigma(x_{n(k)}, z) - \sigma(x_{n(k)+1}, Tz).$$

This implies

$$\sigma(x_{n(k)+1}, Tz) < \sigma(x_{n(k)}, z), \quad \forall k \geq 0.$$

Letting $k \rightarrow \infty$ in the above inequality and by Lemma 1.2 and (2.12), we get

$$\sigma(z, Tz) \leq \sigma(z, z) = 0,$$

that is, $\sigma(z, Tz) = 0$ and so $z = Tz$. □

Theorem 2.5. *By adding condition (U) to the hypotheses of Theorem 2.4, we obtain that z is the unique fixed point of T .*

Proof. We argue by contradiction, that is, there exist $z, w \in X$ such that $z = Tz$ and $w = Tw$ with $z \neq w$. By assumption (U), we have $\alpha(z, w) \geq 1$. So, by (2.14) and by using the condition (ζ_2) , we get that

$$0 \leq \zeta(\sigma(Tz, Tw), \sigma(z, w)) < \sigma(z, w) - \sigma(Tz, Tw) = 0,$$

which is a contradiction. Hence, $z = w$. □

Example 2.6. Take $X = [0, \infty)$ endowed with the metric-like $\sigma(x, y) = x + y$. Consider the mapping $T : X \rightarrow X$ given by

$$Tx = \begin{cases} \frac{x^2}{2} & \text{if } x \in [0, 1] \\ x + 1 & \text{if } x > 1. \end{cases}$$

Note that (X, σ) is a complete metric-like space. Define the mapping $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ by

$$\alpha(x, y) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x, y \in [0, 1] \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Let $\zeta(t, s) = s - \frac{2+t}{1+t}t$ for all $s, t \geq 0$. Note that T is α -admissible. In fact, let $x, y \in X$ such that $\alpha(x, y) \geq 1$. By definition of α , this implies that $x, y \in [0, 1]$. Thus,

$$\alpha(Tx, Ty) = \alpha\left(\frac{x^2}{2}, \frac{y^2}{2}\right) = 1.$$

T is also triangular α -admissible. In fact, let $x, y, z \in X$ such that $\alpha(x, y) \geq 1$ and $\alpha(y, z) \geq 1$, this implies that $x, y, z \in [0, 1]$. It follows that $\alpha(x, z) \geq 1$.

Now, we show that the contraction condition (2.14) is verified. Let $x, y \in X$ such that $\alpha(x, y) \geq 1$. So, $x, y \in [0, 1]$. In this case, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \zeta(\sigma(Tx, Ty), \sigma(x, y)) &= \sigma(x, y) - \frac{2 + \sigma(Tx, Ty)}{1 + \sigma(Tx, Ty)}\sigma(Tx, Ty) \\ &= x + y - \frac{(4 + x^2 + y^2)(x^2 + y^2)}{4 + 2(x^2 + y^2)} \\ &= \frac{4(1 - x)x + 4(1 - y)y + (2 - x)x^3 + 2(1 - x)xy^2 + (2 - y)y^3 + 2x^2y}{4 + 2(x^2 + y^2)} \geq 0. \end{aligned}$$

Now, we show that condition (iii) of Theorem 2.4 is verified. Let $\{x_n\}$ be a sequence in X such that $\alpha(x_n, x_{n+1}) \geq 1$ for all n and $x_n \rightarrow x \in X$. Then, $\{x_n\} \subset [0, 1]$ and $x_n + x \rightarrow 2x$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. Thus, $x_n \rightarrow x$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$ in $(X, |\cdot|)$. This implies that $x \in [0, 1]$ and so $\alpha(x_n, x) = 1$ for all n . Moreover, there exists $x_0 \in X$ such that $\alpha(x_0, Tx_0) \geq 1$. In fact, for $x_0 = 1$, we have $\alpha(1, T1) = \alpha(1, \frac{1}{2}) = 1$. Thus, all hypotheses of Theorem 2.4 are verified. Here $x = 0$ is the unique fixed point of T .

On the other, Theorem 5.1 in [15] is not applicable for the partial metric $p(x, y) = \max\{x, y\}$. Indeed, for $x = 2$ and $y = 3$, we have

$$\zeta(p(T2, T3), p(2, 3)) = \zeta(4, 3) = -\frac{9}{5} < 0.$$

Also, the Banach contraction principle is not applicable because, for $x = 2$ and $y = 3$, we have

$$\sigma(T2, T3) = 7 > 5 = \sigma(2, 3).$$

Now, we present the following result in the setting of metric-like spaces which generalizes the result obtained by [15].

Theorem 2.7. *Let (X, σ) be a complete metric-like space. Let $T : X \rightarrow X$ be a given mapping. Suppose that there exist a simulation function $\zeta \in \mathcal{Z}^*$ and a lower semi-continuous function $\varphi : X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ and $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ such that*

$$\zeta(\sigma(Tx, Ty) + \varphi(Tx) + \varphi(Ty), \sigma(x, y) + \varphi(x) + \varphi(y)) \geq 0 \tag{2.15}$$

for all $x, y \in X$ satisfying $\alpha(x, y) \geq 1$. Assume that

- (i) T is triangular α -admissible;
- (ii) there exists an element $x_0 \in X$ such that $\alpha(x_0, Tx_0) \geq 1$;
- (iii) if $\{x_n\}$ is a sequence in X such that $\alpha(x_n, x_{n+1}) \geq 1$ for all n and $x_n \rightarrow x \in X$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$, then there exists a subsequence $\{x_{n(k)}\}$ of $\{x_n\}$ such that $\alpha(x_{n(k)}, x) \geq 1$ for all k .

Then, T has a fixed point $z \in X$ such that $\sigma(z, z) = 0$ and $\varphi(z) = 0$.

Proof. By following the proof of Theorem 2.1, we construct a sequence $\{x_n\}$ such that $\alpha(x_n, x_m) \geq 1$ for all $m > n \geq 0$. We shall prove

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sigma(x_n, x_{n+1}) = 0.$$

Since $\alpha(x_n, x_m) \geq 1$ for all $m > n \geq 0$, it follows from (2.15) that

$$\zeta(\sigma(Tx_{n-1}, Tx_n) + \varphi(Tx_{n-1}) + \varphi(Tx_n), \sigma(x_{n-1}, x_n) + \varphi(x_{n-1}) + \varphi(x_n)) \geq 0.$$

It means that

$$\zeta(\sigma(x_n, x_{n+1}) + \varphi(x_n) + \varphi(x_{n+1}), \sigma(x_{n-1}, x_n) + \varphi(x_{n-1}) + \varphi(x_n)) \geq 0.$$

If $\sigma(x_n, x_{n+1}) = 0$ for some n , then $x_n = x_{n+1} = Tx_n$, that is, x_n is a fixed point of T and so the proof is finished. Suppose now that

$$\sigma(x_n, x_{n+1}) > 0, \quad \text{for all } n = 0, 1, \dots$$

Therefore, from condition (ζ_1) , we have

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \zeta(\sigma(x_n, x_{n+1}) + \varphi(x_n) + \varphi(x_{n+1}), \sigma(x_{n-1}, x_n) + \varphi(x_{n-1}) + \varphi(x_n)) \\ &< \sigma(x_{n-1}, x_n) + \varphi(x_{n-1}) + \varphi(x_n) - [\sigma(x_n, x_{n+1}) + \varphi(x_n) + \varphi(x_{n+1})], \quad \text{for all } n \geq 1. \end{aligned}$$

This leads to

$$\sigma(x_n, x_{n+1}) + \varphi(x_n) + \varphi(x_{n+1}) < \sigma(x_{n-1}, x_n) + \varphi(x_{n-1}) + \varphi(x_n), \quad \text{for all } n \geq 1, \tag{2.16}$$

which implies that $\{\sigma(x_n, x_{n+1}) + \varphi(x_n) + \varphi(x_{n+1})\}$ is a decreasing sequence of positive real numbers, so there exists $t \geq 0$ such that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} [\sigma(x_n, x_{n+1}) + \varphi(x_n) + \varphi(x_{n+1})] = t.$$

Suppose that $t > 0$. From the condition (ζ_2) ,

$$0 \leq \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \zeta(\sigma(x_n, x_{n+1}) + \varphi(x_n) + \varphi(x_{n+1}), \sigma(x_{n-1}, x_n) + \varphi(x_{n-1}) + \varphi(x_n)) < 0,$$

which is a contradiction. Then, we conclude that $t = 0$. Since $\varphi \geq 0$, we get that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sigma(x_n, x_{n+1}) = 0.$$

Also,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \varphi(x_n) = 0. \tag{2.17}$$

From (2.16), mention that $x_n \neq x_m$ for all $n < m$. Now, we shall prove that

$$\lim_{n,m \rightarrow \infty} \sigma(x_n, x_m) = 0. \tag{2.18}$$

Suppose to the contrary that there exists $\varepsilon > 0$ for which we can find subsequences $\{x_{m(k)}\}$ and $\{x_{n(k)}\}$ of $\{x_n\}$ with $m(k) > n(k) > k$ such that for every k

$$\sigma(x_{n(k)}, x_{m(k)}) \geq \varepsilon. \tag{2.19}$$

Moreover, corresponding to $n(k)$, we can choose $m(k)$ in such a way that it is the smallest integer with $m(k) > n(k)$ and satisfying (2.19). By following again the proof of Theorem 2.1 we see that (2.9), (2.10) and (2.11) hold. Put $a_k = \sigma(x_{n(k)}, x_{m(k)})$ and $b_k = \sigma(x_{n(k)-1}, x_{m(k)-1})$. By (2.15) and as $\alpha(x_{n(k)-1}, x_{m(k)-1}) \geq 1$ for all $k \geq 1$, we get

$$0 \leq \zeta (a_k + \varphi(x_{n(k)}) + \varphi(x_{m(k)}), b_k + \varphi(x_{n(k)-1}) + \varphi(x_{m(k)-1})).$$

By (2.9), (2.10), (2.11) and (2.17), we have

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} [a_k + \varphi(x_{n(k)}) + \varphi(x_{m(k)})] = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} [b_k + \varphi(x_{n(k)-1}) + \varphi(x_{m(k)-1})] = \varepsilon.$$

From the condition (ζ_2) , it follows that

$$0 \leq \limsup_{k \rightarrow \infty} \zeta (a_k + \varphi(x_{n(k)}) + \varphi(m(k)), b_k + \varphi(x_{n(k)-1}) + \varphi(x_{m(k)-1})) < 0,$$

which is a contradiction. This completes the proof of (2.18).

Therefore, $\{x_n\}$ is a Cauchy sequence. Since (X, σ) is complete, there exists some $z \in X$ such that

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

By referring to (2.17) and taking into account that φ is lower semi-continuous, we have

$$0 \leq \varphi(z) \leq \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \varphi(x_n) = 0,$$

and so $\varphi(z) = 0$. Now, we claim that z is a fixed point of T . If there exists a subsequence $\{x_{n_k}\}$ of $\{x_n\}$ such that $x_{n_k} = z$ or $Tx_{n_k} = Tz$ for all k , then z is a fixed point of T and the proof is finished. Without loss of generality, we may suppose that $x_n \neq z$ and $Tx_n \neq Tz$ for all nonnegative integer n . By assumption (iii), there exists a subsequence $\{x_{n(k)}\}$ of $\{x_n\}$ such that $\alpha(x_{n(k)}, z) \geq 1$ for all k . By using (2.15) and the condition (ζ_1) , we deduce that

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \zeta (\sigma(x_{n(k)+1}, Tz) + \varphi(x_{n(k)+1}) + \varphi(Tz), \sigma(x_{n(k)}, z) + \varphi(x_{n(k)}) + \varphi(z)) \\ &< \sigma(x_{n(k)}, z) + \varphi(x_{n(k)}) + \varphi(z) - [\sigma(x_{n(k)+1}, Tz) + \varphi(x_{n(k)+1}) + \varphi(Tz)]. \end{aligned}$$

This implies

$$\sigma(x_{n(k)+1}, Tz) + \varphi(x_{n(k)+1}) + \varphi(Tz) < \sigma(x_{n(k)}, z) + \varphi(x_{n(k)}) + \varphi(z), \quad \forall k \geq 0.$$

By letting $k \rightarrow \infty$ in the above inequality and by taking into account that $\varphi \geq 0$ and $\varphi(z) = 0$,

$$\sigma(z, Tz) + \varphi(Tz) \leq \sigma(z, z) + \varphi(z) = 0,$$

that is, $\sigma(z, Tz) + \varphi(Tz) = 0$ and so $\sigma(z, Tz) = 0$. This ends the proof of Theorem 2.7. □

Theorem 2.8. *By adding condition (U) to the hypotheses of Theorem 2.7, we obtain that z is the unique fixed point of T .*

Proof. We argue by contradiction, that is, there exist $z, w \in X$ such that $z = Tz$ and $w = Tw$ with $z \neq w$. By assumption (U), we have $\alpha(z, w) \geq 1$. So, by (2.15) and by using the condition (ζ_2) , we get that

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \zeta(\sigma(Tz, Tw) + \varphi(Tz) + \varphi(Tw), \sigma(z, w) + \varphi(z) + \varphi(w)) \\ &= \zeta(\sigma(z, w) + \varphi(z) + \varphi(w), \sigma(z, w) + \varphi(z) + \varphi(w)) \\ &< \sigma(z, w) + \varphi(z) + \varphi(w) - [\sigma(z, w) + \varphi(z) + \varphi(w)] = 0, \end{aligned}$$

which is a contradiction. Hence, $z = w$. □

Example 2.9. Take $X = [0, \infty)$ endowed with the metric-like $\sigma(x, y) = x^2 + y^2$. Consider the mapping $T : X \rightarrow X$ given by

$$Tx = \begin{cases} \frac{x^2}{x+1} & \text{if } x \in [0, 1], \\ x^2 & \text{if } x > 1. \end{cases}$$

Note that (X, σ) is a complete metric-like space. Define the mapping $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ by

$$\alpha(x, y) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x, y \in [0, 1], \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Let $\zeta(t, s) = \frac{1}{2}s - t$ for all $s, t \geq 0$ and $\varphi(x) = x$ for all $x \in X$. Note that T is α -admissible. In fact, let $x, y \in X$ such that $\alpha(x, y) \geq 1$. By definition of α , this implies that $x, y \in [0, 1]$. Thus,

$$\alpha(Tx, Ty) = \alpha\left(\frac{x^2}{x+1}, \frac{y^2}{y+1}\right) = 1.$$

T is also triangular α -admissible.

Let $x, y \in X$ such that $\alpha(x, y) \geq 1$. So, $x, y \in [0, 1]$. In this case, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma(Tx, Ty) + \varphi(Tx) + \varphi(Ty) &= \left(\frac{x^2}{x+1}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{y^2}{y+1}\right)^2 + \frac{x^2}{x+1} + \frac{y^2}{y+1} \\ &\leq \frac{1}{4}(x^2 + y^2) + \frac{1}{2}(x + y) \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2}(x^2 + y^2 + x + y) \\ &= \frac{1}{2}(\sigma(x, y) + \varphi(x) + \varphi(y)). \end{aligned}$$

It follows that

$$\begin{aligned} &\zeta(\sigma(Tx, Ty) + \varphi(Tx) + \varphi(Ty), \sigma(x, y) + \varphi(x) + \varphi(y)) \\ &= \frac{1}{2}(\sigma(x, y) + \varphi(x) + \varphi(y)) - [\sigma(Tx, Ty) + \varphi(Tx) + \varphi(Ty)] \geq 0. \end{aligned}$$

Now, we show that condition (iii) of Theorem 2.7 is verified. Let $\{x_n\}$ be a sequence in X such that $\alpha(x_n, x_{n+1}) \geq 1$ for all n and $x_n \rightarrow x \in X$. Then, $\{x_n\} \subset [0, 1]$ and $x_n^2 + x^2 \rightarrow 2x^2$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. Thus, $x_n \rightarrow x$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$ in $(X, |\cdot|)$. This implies that $x \in [0, 1]$ and so $\alpha(x_n, x) = 1$ for all n . Moreover, there exists $x_0 \in X$ such that $\alpha(x_0, Tx_0) \geq 1$. In fact, for $x_0 = 1$, we have $\alpha(1, T1) = \alpha(1, \frac{1}{2}) = 1$. Thus, all hypotheses of Theorem 2.7 are verified. Here, $x = 0$ is the unique fixed point of T and $\varphi(0) = 0$.

On the other hand, Theorem 3.2 in [15] is not applicable for the standard metric d . Indeed, for $x = 2$ and $y = 3$, we have

$$\zeta(d(Tx, Ty) + \varphi(Tx) + \varphi(Ty), d(x, y) + \varphi(x) + \varphi(y)) = -15 < 0.$$

Moreover, $\sigma(T\sqrt{2}, T\sqrt{3}) = 13 > 5 = \sigma(\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{3})$, then T is not a Banach contraction on X .

3. Consequences

In this section, as consequences of our obtained results, we provide various fixed point results in the literature including fixed point theorems in partially ordered metric-like spaces.

Corollary 3.1. *Let (X, σ) be a complete metric-like space. Let $T : X \rightarrow X$ be a given mapping. Suppose that there exist $k \in (0, 1)$ and $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ such that*

$$\sigma(Tx, Ty) \leq k \max\{\sigma(x, y), \sigma(x, Tx), \sigma(y, Ty), \frac{\sigma(x, Ty) + \sigma(y, Tx)}{4}\}$$

for all $x, y \in X$, satisfying $\alpha(x, y) \geq 1$. Then, T has a fixed point $z \in X$ such that $\sigma(z, z) = 0$.

Proof. It suffices to take a simulation function $\zeta(t, s) = ks - t$ for all $s, t \geq 0$ in Theorem 2.1. □

Corollary 3.2. *Let (X, σ) be a complete metric-like space. Let $T : X \rightarrow X$ be a given mapping. Suppose that there exist $k \in (0, 1)$ and $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ such that*

$$\sigma(Tx, Ty) \leq k\sigma(x, y)$$

for all $x, y \in X$, satisfying $\alpha(x, y) \geq 1$. Then, T has a fixed point $z \in X$ such that $\sigma(z, z) = 0$.

Corollary 3.3. *Let (X, p) be a complete partial metric space. Let $T : X \rightarrow X$ be a given mapping. Suppose that there exist $k \in (0, 1)$ and $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ such that*

$$p(Tx, Ty) \leq k \max\{p(x, y), p(x, Tx), p(y, Ty), \frac{p(x, Ty) + p(y, Tx)}{2}\}$$

for all $x, y \in X$, satisfying $\alpha(x, y) \geq 1$. Then, T has a fixed point $z \in X$ such that $p(z, z) = 0$.

Proof. It suffices to take a simulation function $\zeta(t, s) = ks - t$ for all $s, t \geq 0$ in Theorem 2.4. □

Corollary 3.4. *Let (X, σ) be a complete metric-like space. Let $T : X \rightarrow X$ be a given mapping. Suppose that there exist a lower semi-continuous function $\varphi : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ with $\varphi(t) > 0$ for all $t > 0$ and $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ such that*

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma(Tx, Ty) \leq & \max\{\sigma(x, y), \sigma(x, Tx), \sigma(y, Ty), \frac{\sigma(x, Ty) + \sigma(y, Tx)}{4}\} \\ & - \varphi(\max\{\sigma(x, y), \sigma(x, Tx), \sigma(y, Ty), \frac{\sigma(x, Ty) + \sigma(y, Tx)}{4}\}) \end{aligned}$$

for all $x, y \in X$, satisfying $\alpha(x, y) \geq 1$. Then, T has a fixed point $z \in X$ such that $\sigma(z, z) = 0$.

Proof. It suffices to take a simulation function $\zeta(t, s) = s - \varphi(s) - t$ for all $s, t \geq 0$ in Theorem 2.1. □

Corollary 3.5. *Let (X, σ) be a complete metric-like space. Let $T : X \rightarrow X$ be a given mapping. Suppose there exist a lower semi-continuous function $\varphi : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ with $\varphi(t) > 0$ for all $t > 0$ and $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ such that*

$$\sigma(Tx, Ty) \leq \sigma(x, y) - \varphi(\sigma(x, y))$$

for all $x, y \in X$, satisfying $\alpha(x, y) \geq 1$. Then, T has a fixed point $z \in X$ such that $\sigma(z, z) = 0$.

Proof. It suffices to take a simulation function $\zeta(t, s) = s - \varphi(s) - t$ for all $s, t \geq 0$ in Theorem 2.4. □

Corollary 3.6. *Let (X, p) be a complete partial metric space. Let $T : X \rightarrow X$ be a given mapping. Suppose there exist a lower semi-continuous function $\varphi : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ with $\varphi(t) > 0$ for all $t > 0$ and $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ such that*

$$p(Tx, Ty) \leq \max\{p(x, y), p(x, Tx), p(y, Ty), \frac{p(x, Ty) + p(y, Tx)}{2}\} - \varphi(\max\{p(x, y), p(x, Tx), p(y, Ty), \frac{p(x, Ty) + p(y, Tx)}{2}\})$$

for all $x, y \in X$, satisfying $\alpha(x, y) \geq 1$. Then, T has a fixed point $z \in X$ such that $p(z, z) = 0$.

Proof. It suffices to take a simulation function $\zeta(t, s) = s - \varphi(s) - t$ for all $s, t \geq 0$ in Theorem 2.2. □

Corollary 3.7. *Let (X, σ) be a complete metric-like space. Let $T : X \rightarrow X$ be a given mapping. Suppose there exist a function $\varphi : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, 1)$ with $\lim_{t \rightarrow r^+} \varphi(t) < 1$ for all $r > 0$ and $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ such that*

$$\sigma(Tx, Ty) \leq \varphi(\max\{\sigma(x, y), \sigma(x, Tx), \sigma(y, Ty), \frac{\sigma(x, Ty) + \sigma(y, Tx)}{4}\}) \max\{\sigma(x, y), \sigma(x, Tx), \sigma(y, Ty), \frac{\sigma(x, Ty) + \sigma(y, Tx)}{4}\})$$

for all $x, y \in X$, satisfying $\alpha(x, y) \geq 1$. Then, T has a fixed point $z \in X$ such that $\sigma(z, z) = 0$.

Proof. It suffices to take a simulation function $\zeta(t, s) = s\varphi(s) - t$ for all $s, t \geq 0$ in Theorem 2.1. □

Corollary 3.8. *Let (X, σ) be a complete metric-like space. Let $T : X \rightarrow X$ be a given mapping. Suppose there exist a function $\varphi : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, 1)$ with $\lim_{t \rightarrow r^+} \varphi(t) < 1$ for all $r > 0$ and $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ such that*

$$\sigma(Tx, Ty) \leq \varphi(\sigma(x, y))\sigma(x, y)$$

for all $x, y \in X$, satisfying $\alpha(x, y) \geq 1$. Then, T has a fixed point $z \in X$ such that $\sigma(z, z) = 0$.

Proof. It suffices to take a simulation function $\zeta(t, s) = s\varphi(s) - t$ for all $s, t \geq 0$ in Theorem 2.4. □

Corollary 3.9. *Let (X, σ) be a complete partial metric space. Let $T : X \rightarrow X$ be a given mapping. Suppose there exist a function $\varphi : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, 1)$ with $\lim_{t \rightarrow r^+} \varphi(t) < 1$ for all $r > 0$ and $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ such that*

$$p(Tx, Ty) \leq \varphi(\max\{p(x, y), p(x, Tx), p(y, Ty), \frac{p(x, Ty) + p(y, Tx)}{2}\}) \max\{p(x, y), p(x, Tx), p(y, Ty), \frac{p(x, Ty) + p(y, Tx)}{2}\})$$

for all $x, y \in X$, satisfying $\alpha(x, y) \geq 1$. Then, T has a fixed point $z \in X$ such that $\sigma(z, z) = 0$.

Proof. It suffices to take a simulation function $\zeta(t, s) = s\varphi(s) - t$ for all $s, t \geq 0$ in Theorem 2.2. □

Corollary 3.10. *Let (X, σ) be a complete metric-like space. Let $T : X \rightarrow X$ be a given mapping. Suppose there exist an upper semi-continuous function $\varphi : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ with $\varphi(t) < t$ for all $t > 0$ and $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ such that*

$$\sigma(Tx, Ty) \leq \varphi(\max\{\sigma(x, y), \sigma(x, Tx), \sigma(y, Ty), \frac{\sigma(x, Ty) + \sigma(y, Tx)}{4}\})$$

for all $x, y \in X$, satisfying $\alpha(x, y) \geq 1$. Then, T has a fixed point $z \in X$ such that $\sigma(z, z) = 0$.

Proof. It suffices to take a simulation function $\zeta(t, s) = \varphi(s) - t$ for all $s, t \geq 0$ in Theorem 2.1. □

Corollary 3.11. *Let (X, σ) be a complete metric-like space. Let $T : X \rightarrow X$ be a given mapping. Suppose there exist an upper semi-continuous function $\varphi : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ with $\varphi(t) < t$ for all $t > 0$ and $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ such that*

$$\sigma(Tx, Ty) \leq \varphi(\sigma(x, y))$$

for all $x, y \in X$, satisfying $\alpha(x, y) \geq 1$. Then, T has a fixed point $z \in X$ such that $\sigma(z, z) = 0$.

Proof. It suffices to take a simulation function $\zeta(t, s) = \varphi(s) - t$ for all $s, t \geq 0$ in Theorem 2.4. □

Corollary 3.12. *Let (X, p) be a complete metric-like space. Let $T : X \rightarrow X$ be a given mapping. Suppose there exist an upper semi-continuous function $\varphi : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ with $\varphi(t) < t$ for all $t > 0$ and $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ such that*

$$p(Tx, Ty) \leq \varphi(\max\{p(x, y), p(x, Tx), p(y, Ty), \frac{p(x, Ty) + p(y, Tx)}{2}\})$$

for all $x, y \in X$, satisfying $\alpha(x, y) \geq 1$. Then, T has a fixed point $z \in X$ such that $p(z, z) = 0$.

Proof. It suffices to take simulation function $\zeta(t, s) = \varphi(s) - t$, for all $s, t \geq 0$ in Theorem 2.2. □

Corollary 3.13. *Let (X, σ) be a complete metric-like space. Let $T : X \rightarrow X$ be a given mapping. Suppose there exist $k \in (0, 1)$ and a lower semi-continuous function $\varphi : X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ and $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ such that*

$$\sigma(Tx, Ty) + \varphi(Tx) + \varphi(Ty) \leq k[\sigma(x, y) + \varphi(x) + \varphi(y)]$$

for all $x, y \in X$, satisfying $\alpha(x, y) \geq 1$. Then, T has a fixed point $z \in X$ such that $\sigma(z, z) = 0$.

Proof. It suffices to take a simulation function $\zeta(t, s) = ks - t$ for all $s, t \geq 0$ in Theorem 2.7. □

Corollary 3.14. *Let (X, σ) be a complete metric-like space. Let $T : X \rightarrow X$ be a given mapping. Suppose there exist two lower semi-continuous function $\varphi, \psi : X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ with $\psi(t) > 0$ for all $t > 0$ and $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ such that*

$$\sigma(Tx, Ty) + \varphi(Tx) + \varphi(Ty) \leq \sigma(x, y) + \varphi(x) + \varphi(y) - \psi(\sigma(x, y) + \varphi(x) + \varphi(y))$$

for all $x, y \in X$, satisfying $\alpha(x, y) \geq 1$. Then, T has a fixed point $z \in X$ such that $\sigma(z, z) = 0$.

Proof. It suffices to take a simulation function $\zeta(t, s) = s - \psi(s) - t$ for all $s, t \geq 0$ in Theorem 2.7. □

Remark 3.15. We can obtain other fixed point results in the class of metric-like spaces via α -admissible mappings by choosing an appropriate simulation function. Moreover, if we take $\alpha(x, y) = 1$ we can obtain known fixed point results in the literature.

Corollary 3.16. *Let (X, σ) be a complete metric-like space. Let $T : X \rightarrow X$ be a given mapping. Suppose there exists a simulation function $\zeta \in \mathcal{Z}^*$ such that*

$$\zeta(\sigma(Tx, Ty), M(x, y)) \geq 0$$

for all $x, y \in X$, where

$$M(x, y) = \max\{\sigma(x, y), \sigma(x, Tx), \sigma(y, Ty), \frac{\sigma(x, Ty) + \sigma(y, Tx)}{4}\}.$$

Then, T has a fixed point $z \in X$ such that $\sigma(z, z) = 0$.

Proof. It suffices to take $\alpha(x, y) = 1$ in Theorem 2.1. □

Corollary 3.17. *Let (X, σ) be a complete metric-like space. Let $T : X \rightarrow X$ be a given mapping. Suppose there exists a simulation function $\zeta \in \mathcal{Z}^*$ such that*

$$\zeta(\sigma(Tx, Ty), \sigma(x, y)) \geq 0$$

for all $x, y \in X$. Then, T has a unique fixed point $z \in X$ such that $\sigma(z, z) = 0$.

Corollary 3.18 ([15], Theorem 5.1). *Let (X, σ) be a complete partial metric space. Let $T : X \rightarrow X$ be a given mapping. Suppose there exists a simulation function ζ such that*

$$\zeta(p(Tx, Ty), p(x, y)) \geq 0, \quad \text{for all } x, y \in X.$$

Then, T has a unique fixed point $z \in X$ such that $p(z, z) = 0$.

Corollary 3.19. *Let (X, σ) be a complete metric-like space. Let $T : X \rightarrow X$ be a given mapping. Suppose there exist a simulation function $\zeta \in \mathcal{Z}^*$ and a lower semi-continuous function $\varphi : X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ such that*

$$\zeta(\sigma(Tx, Ty) + \varphi(Tx) + \varphi(Ty), \sigma(x, y) + \varphi(x) + \varphi(y)) \geq 0, \quad \text{for all } x, y \in X.$$

Then, T has a unique fixed point $z \in X$ such that $\sigma(z, z) = 0$ and $\varphi(z) = 0$.

Proof. It suffices to take $\alpha(x, y) = 1$ in Theorem 2.7. □

Corollary 3.20 ([15], Theorem 3.2). *Let (X, d) be a complete metric space. Let $T : X \rightarrow X$ be a mapping. Suppose there exist a simulation function ζ and a lower semi-continuous function $\varphi : X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ such that*

$$\zeta(\sigma(Tx, Ty) + \varphi(Tx) + \varphi(Ty), \sigma(x, y) + \varphi(x) + \varphi(y)) \geq 0, \quad \text{for all } x, y \in X.$$

Then, T has a unique fixed point $z \in X$ such that $\varphi(z) = 0$.

Now, we give some fixed point results in partially ordered metric-like spaces as consequences of our results.

Definition 3.21. Let X be a nonempty set. We say that (X, σ, \preceq) is a partially ordered metric-like space if (X, σ) is a metric-like space and (X, \preceq) is a partially ordered set.

Definition 3.22. Let $T : X \rightarrow X$ be a given mapping. We say that T is non-decreasing if

$$(x, y) \in X \times X, \quad x \preceq y \Rightarrow Tx \preceq Ty.$$

Corollary 3.23. *Let (X, σ, \preceq) be a complete partially ordered metric-like space. Let $T : X \rightarrow X$ be a given mapping. Suppose there exists a simulation function $\zeta \in \mathcal{Z}^*$ such that*

$$\zeta(\sigma(Tx, Ty), M(x, y)) \geq 0$$

for all $x, y \in X$ satisfying $x \preceq y$, where

$$M(x, y) = \max\{\sigma(x, y), \sigma(x, Tx), \sigma(y, Ty), \frac{\sigma(x, Ty) + \sigma(y, Tx)}{4}\}.$$

Assume that

- (i) T is non-decreasing;
- (ii) there exists an element $x_0 \in X$ such that $x_0 \preceq Tx_0$;
- (iii) if $\{x_n\}$ is a sequence in X such that $x_n \preceq x_{n+1}$ for all n and $x_n \rightarrow x \in X$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$, then there exists a subsequence $\{x_{n(k)}\}$ of $\{x_n\}$ such that $x_{n(k)} \preceq x$ for all k .

Then, T has a fixed point $z \in X$ such that $\sigma(z, z) = 0$.

Proof. Let $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow X$ be such that

$$\alpha(x, y) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x \preceq y; \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Then, all hypotheses of Theorem 2.1 are satisfied and hence T has a fixed point. □

Corollary 3.24. *Let (X, p, \preceq) be a complete partially ordered partial metric space. Let $T : X \rightarrow X$ be a given mapping. Suppose there exists a simulation function $\zeta \in \mathcal{Z}^*$ such that*

$$\zeta(p(Tx, Ty), M_p(x, y)) \geq 0$$

for all $x, y \in X$ satisfying $x \preceq y$, where

$$M(x, y) = \max\{p(x, y), p(x, Tx), p(y, Ty), \frac{p(x, Ty) + p(y, Tx)}{2}\}.$$

Assume that

- (i) T is non-decreasing;
- (ii) there exists an element $x_0 \in X$ such that $x_0 \preceq Tx_0$;
- (iii) if $\{x_n\}$ is a sequence in X such that $x_n \preceq x_{n+1}$ for all n and $x_n \rightarrow x \in X$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$, then there exists a subsequence $\{x_{n(k)}\}$ of $\{x_n\}$ such that $x_{n(k)} \preceq x$ for all k .

Then, T has a fixed point $z \in X$ such that $p(z, z) = 0$.

Corollary 3.25 ([3], Theorem 3.7). *Let (X, d, \preceq) be a complete partially ordered metric space. Let $f : X \rightarrow X$ be a given mapping. Suppose the following conditions hold:*

- (i) f is non-decreasing;
- (ii) there exists $x_0 \in X$ such that $x_0 \preceq fx_0$;
- (iii) if $\{x_n\}$ is a non-decreasing sequence with $x_n \rightarrow z$, then $x_n \preceq z$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$;
- (iv) there exists a simulation function ζ such that for every $(x, y) \in X \times X$ with $x \preceq y$, we have

$$\zeta(d(fx, fy), M(f, x, y)) \geq 0,$$

where

$$M(f, x, y) = \max\{d(x, y), d(x, fx), d(y, fy), \frac{d(x, fy) + d(y, fx)}{2}\}.$$

Then, $\{f^n x_0\}$ converges to a fixed point of f .

Corollary 3.26. *Let (X, σ, \preceq) be a complete partially ordered metric-like space. Let $T : X \rightarrow X$ be a given mapping. Suppose there exist a simulation function $\zeta \in \mathcal{Z}^*$ and a lower semi-continuous function $\varphi : X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ such that*

$$\zeta(\sigma(Tx, Ty) + \varphi(Tx) + \varphi(Ty), \sigma(x, y) + \varphi(x) + \varphi(y)) \geq 0$$

for all $x, y \in X$ satisfying $x \preceq y$. Assume that

- (i) T is non-decreasing;
- (ii) there exists an elements $x_0 \in X$ such that $x_0 \preceq Tx_0$;
- (iii) if $\{x_n\}$ is a sequence in X such that $x_n \preceq x_{n+1}$ for all n and $x_n \rightarrow x \in X$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$, then there exists a subsequence $\{x_{n(k)}\}$ of $\{x_n\}$ such that $x_{n(k)} \preceq x$ for all k .

Then, T has a fixed point $z \in X$ such that $\sigma(z, z) = 0$ and $\varphi(z) = 0$.

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