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Common Fixed Points Of (α, η, β) -b-Branciari F-Rational Type Contractions In (α, η) -Complete Branciari b-Metric Spaces^{*}

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Abstract

The aim of this paper is to present the notion of (α, η, β) -b-Branciari *F*-rational type contractions. We also establish some new common fixed point theorems for such mappings in an (α, η) -complete Branciari b-metric spaces. We then derive some common fixed point results in complete Branciari *b*-metric spaces endowed with a graph or a partial order. We give examples in support of the obtained results.

1 Introduction

Since the introduction of Banach contraction principle in 1922, the study of existence and uniqueness of fixed points and common fixed points has become a subject of great interest because of its wide applications. Many authors proved the Banach contraction principle in various generalized metric spaces. In [10], Bakhtin introduced the concept of *b*-metric spaces as a generalization of metric spaces. He proved the contraction mapping principle in *b*-metric spaces that generalized the famous Banach contraction principle in metric spaces and extensively applied by Czerwik in [11, 12]. Since then, several papers have dealt with fixed point theory or the variational principle for singlevalued and multi-valued operators in *b*-metric spaces, (see [1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 14, 16, 18] and the references therein).

In the sequel, the letters \mathbb{N} , \mathbb{R}^+ , \mathbb{R} , Fix(T) and CFix(S,T) will denote the set of natural numbers, the set of all positive real numbers, the set of all real numbers, the set of all fixed points of T and the set of all common fixed points of S and T, respectively.

DEFINITION 1.1 ([11]). Let X be a nonempty set and $s \ge 1$ be a real number. A function $d: X \times X \to [0, \infty)$ is said to be a *b*-metric if for all $x, y, z \in X$,

(i) d(x, y) = 0 if and only if x = y;

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- (ii) d(x, y) = d(y, x);
- (iii) $d(x, y) \le s [d(x, z) + d(z, y)].$

In this case, the pair (X, d) is called a *b*-metric space (with constant *s*).

In [13], Branciari introduced the following definition.

DEFINITION 1.2 ([13]). Let X be a non-empty set and $d: X \times X \longrightarrow [0, \infty)$ be a mapping such that for all $x, y \in X$ and all distinct points $u, v \in X$, each of them is different from x and y, one has

- (i) $d(x,y) = 0 \iff x = y;$
- (ii) d(x,y) = d(y,x);
- (iii) $d(x, y) \le d(x, u) + d(u, v) + d(v, y)$.

Then (X, d) is called a Branciari metric space (for short, BMS). Roshan et al. [27] announced the following notion by combining conditions used for definitions of *b*-metric and Branciari metric spaces.

DEFINITION 1.3 ([27]). Let X be a non-empty set and $s \ge 1$ be a real number. Given $B_b : X \times X \longrightarrow [0, \infty)$. Suppose that for all $x, y \in X$ and for all distinct points $u, v \in X$ such that each of them is different from x and y, one has the following conditions:

- (i) $B_b(x,y) = 0 \iff x = y;$
- (ii) $B_b(x, y) = B_b(y, x);$
- (iii) $B_b(x,y) \le s [B_b(x,u) + B_b(u,v) + B_b(v,y)].$

Then (X, B_b) is called a Branciari *b*-metric space (for short, BbMS).

EXAMPLE 1.1. Let $X = A \cup B$ where $A = \left\{\frac{1}{n} : n \in \{2, 3, 4, 5\}\right\}$ and B = [1, 2]. Define $B_b : X \times X \longrightarrow [0, \infty)$ such that $B_b(x, y) = B_b(y, x)$ for all $x, y \in X$, and

$$B_b\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{3}\right) = B_b\left(\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{5}\right) = \frac{3}{100},$$

$$B_b\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{5}\right) = B_b\left(\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{4}\right) = \frac{2}{100},$$

$$B_b\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{4}\right) = B_b\left(\frac{1}{5}, \frac{1}{3}\right) = \frac{6}{100},$$

$$B_b\left(x, y\right) = |x - y|^2 \text{ otherwise.}$$

Then (X, B_b) is a Branciari *b*-metric space with coefficient s = 4. But, (X, B_b) is neither a metric space, nor a Branciari metric space.

LEMMA 1.1 ([27]). Let (X, B_b) be a Branciari *b*-metric space.

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(i) Suppose that the sequences $\{x_n\}$ and $\{y_n\}$ in X are such that $x_n \longrightarrow x$ and $y_n \longrightarrow y$ as $n \longrightarrow \infty$, with $x_n \neq x$ and $y_n \neq y$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Then

$$\frac{1}{s}B_{b}\left(x,y\right) \leq \lim_{n \longrightarrow \infty} \inf B_{b}\left(x_{n},y_{n}\right) \leq \lim_{n \longrightarrow \infty} \sup B_{b}\left(x_{n},y_{n}\right) \leq sB_{b}\left(x,y\right).$$

(ii) If $y \in X$ and $\{x_n\}$ is a Cauchy sequence in X with $x_n \neq x_m$ for infinitely many $m \neq n \in \mathbb{N}$, converging to $x \neq y$, then

$$\frac{1}{s}B_{b}(x,y) \leq \lim_{n \to \infty} \inf B_{b}(x_{n},y) \leq \lim_{n \to \infty} \sup B_{b}(x_{n},y) \leq sB_{b}(x,y),$$

for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

Hussain et al.[23] (see also [21]) extended the notions of α - ψ -contractive and α admissible mappings. They stated some interesting results. Also, Hussain et al. [23] introduced a weaker notion than the concept of completeness and called it α -completeness for a metric space.

DEFINITION 1.4 ([23]). Let $T: X \to X$ be a self-mapping and $\alpha, \eta: X \times X \to [0, +\infty)$ be two functions. We say that T is (α, η) -admissible if

$$x, y \in X, \ \alpha(x, y) \ge 1 \Longrightarrow \alpha(Tx, Ty) \ge 1,$$

and

$$x, y \in X, \ \eta(x, y) \le 1 \Longrightarrow \eta(Tx, Ty) \le 1.$$

DEFINITION 1.5 ([23]). Given $T: X \to X$ and $\alpha, \eta: X \times X \to [0, +\infty)$. T is said triangular (α, η) -admissible if

- $(T_1) \ \alpha(x,y) \ge 1 \Longrightarrow \alpha(Tx,Ty) \ge 1, x, y \in X;$
- $(T_2) \ \eta(x,y) \le 1 \Longrightarrow \eta(Tx,Ty) \le 1, x,y \in X;$
- $(T_3) \begin{cases} \alpha(x,u) \ge 1\\ \alpha(u,y) \ge 1 \end{cases} \implies \alpha(x,y) \ge 1, \text{ for all } x, u, y \in X;$
- $(T_4) \begin{cases} \eta(x,u) \leq 1\\ \eta(u,y) \leq 1 \end{cases} \implies \eta(x,y) \leq 1, \text{ for all } x, u, y \in X.$

DEFINITION 1.6 ([23]). Let (X, d) be a metric space or a Branciari *b*-metric space and $\alpha, \eta : X \times X \longrightarrow [0, \infty)$ be two functions. Then X is said to be (α, η) -complete if every Cauchy sequence $\{x_n\}$ in X satisfying $\alpha(x_n, x_{n+1}) \ge 1$ or $\eta(x_n, x_{n+1}) \le 1$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$, is convergent in X.

DEFINITION 1.7 ([23]). Let (X, d) be a metric space or a Branciari *b*-metric space. Let $T: X \to X$ be a mapping and $\alpha, \eta: X \times X \to [0, +\infty)$ be two given functions. T is (α, η) -continuous on (X, d) if for given $x \in X$ and a sequence $\{x_n\}$ in X with $\alpha(x_n, x_{n+1}) \ge 1$ or $\eta(x_n, x_{n+1}) \le 1$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $x_n \to x$ as $n \to +\infty$, then $Tx_n \to Tx$ as $n \to +\infty$.

DEFINITION 1.8. Let (X, d) be a metric space or a Branciari *b*-metric space and $\alpha, \eta : X \times X \longrightarrow [0, \infty)$ be two given functions. We say that (X, d) is (α, η) -regular if $x_n \longrightarrow x^*$ as $n \longrightarrow \infty$ where $\alpha(x_n, x_{n+1}) \ge 1$ or $\eta(x_n, x_{n+1}) \le 1$, for all $n \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$, imply that $\alpha(x_n, x^*) \ge 1$ or $\eta(x_n, x^*) \le 1$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$.

In 2012, Wardowski [20] introduced the notion of F-contractions and proved variant fixed point theorems concerning F-contractions. For particular cases for functions F, one can obtain several known contractions from the literature, including the Banach contraction (see [3, 9, 22, 28]).

DEFINITION 1.9 ([20]). Let (X, d) be a metric space. A mapping $T : X \to X$ is said to be a *F*-contraction if there exist $F \in \mathcal{F}$ and $\tau > 0$ such that

$$\forall x, y \in X, \ d(Tx, Ty) > 0 \Rightarrow \tau + F\left(d(Tx, Ty)\right) \le F\left(d(x, y)\right),$$

where F is the set of functions $F: (0, \infty) \to (-\infty, \infty)$ satisfying the following conditions:

(F1) F is strictly increasing, i.e., for all $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^+$ such that x < y, F(x) < F(y);

(F2) For each sequence $\{\alpha_n\}$ of positive numbers,

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} F(\alpha_n) = -\infty \text{ if and only if } \lim_{n \to \infty} \alpha_n = 0;$$

(F3) There exists $k \in (0, 1)$ such that $\lim_{\alpha \to 0^+} \alpha^k F(\alpha) = 0$.

THEOREM 1.1 ([20]). Let (X, d) be a complete metric space and let $T : X \to X$ be a F- contraction. Then T has a unique fixed point $x^* \in X$ and for every $x \in X$, the sequence $\{T^n x\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ converges to x^* .

Later, Piri and Kumam [17] modified the notion of F-contractions by changing (F3) by (F'3): F is continuous.

Denote Δ_F the set of functions $F: (0,\infty) \to (-\infty,\infty)$ satisfying (F1), (F2) and (F'3).

EXAMPLE 1.2. The following are some examples of functions belonging to Δ_F :

(1) $F_1(t) = \ln t$, (3) $F_3(t) = t - \frac{1}{t}$, (5) $F_5(t) = \frac{1}{1 - e^t}$.

(2)
$$F_2(t) = \frac{1}{t^r}, \ r > 0,$$
 (4) $F_4(t) = \frac{e^t}{1 - e^{2t}},$

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DEFINITION 1.10 ([28]). Let (X, d) be a Branciari metric space. Then $T: X \longrightarrow X$ is said to be a Branciari *F*-rational contraction, if there exist $F \in F$ and $\tau > 0$ such that

$$\forall x, y \in X, \ d(Tx, Ty) > 0 \Rightarrow \tau + F\left(d(Tx, Ty)\right) \le F\left(M(x, y)\right),$$

where

$$M(x,y) = \max\left\{ d(x,y), d(x,Tx), d(y,Ty), \frac{d(x,Tx)d(y,Ty)}{1+d(x,y)}, \frac{d(x,Tx)d(y,Ty)}{1+d(Tx,Ty)} \right\}.$$

THEOREM 1.2 ([28]). Let (X, d) be a complete Branciari metric space and $T : X \longrightarrow X$ be a Branciari *F*-rational contraction. If *T* or *F* is continuous, then *T* has a unique fixed point in *X*.

As in [29], let Δ_{β} be the set of functions $\beta : (0, \infty) \longrightarrow (0, \infty)$ satisfying the following conditions:

(β 1) lim inf_{i $\longrightarrow \infty$} $\beta(t_i) > 0$ for all real sequences { t_i } with $t_i > 0$;

($\beta 2$) $\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \beta(t_i) = +\infty$ for each positive sequence $\{t_i\}$.

Hussain et al. [29] established some fixed point results for generalized F-contractive mappings in the setup of Branciari *b*-metric spaces as follows.

THEOREM 1.3 ([29]). Let (X, B_b) be a complete Branciari *b*-metric space with parameter $s \ge 1$. Given $\alpha, \eta: X \times X \longrightarrow [0, \infty)$ and $T: X \longrightarrow X$. Assume that

- (i) T is triangular (α, η) -admissible;
- (ii) for all $x, y \in X$ (with $\alpha(x, y) \ge 1$ or $\eta(x, y) \le 1$) and $B_b(Tx, Ty) > 0$, we have

$$\beta\left(B_b(x,y)\right) + F\left(s^2 B_b(Tx,Ty)\right) \le F\left(\begin{array}{c}\alpha_1 B_b(x,y) + \alpha_2 B_b(x,Tx) + \\ \alpha_3 B_b(y,Ty) + \alpha_4 B_b(y,Tx)\end{array}\right),$$

where $\beta \in \Delta_{\beta}$, $F \in \Delta_{F}$ and $\alpha_{i} \geq 0$ for $i \in \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ such that $\sum_{i=1}^{4} \alpha_{i} = 1$ and $\alpha_{3} < \frac{1}{s}$;

- (iii) there exists $x_0 \in X$ such that $\alpha(x_0, Tx_0) \ge 1$ or $\eta(x_0, Tx_0) \le 1$;
- (iv) T is (α, η) -continuous.

Then T has a fixed point. If in addition, $\alpha(x, y) \ge 1$ or $\eta(x, y) \le 1$ for all $x, y \in Fix(T)$, then such fixed point is unique.

2 Main Results

We begin with the following concepts.

DEFINITION 2.1. Let $S, T : X \to X$ be self-mappings and $\alpha, \eta : X \times X \to [0, +\infty)$ be two functions. We say that the pair (S, T) is (α, η) -admissible if

$$x, y \in X, \ \alpha(x, y) \ge 1 \Longrightarrow \alpha(Sx, Ty) \ge 1 \text{ and } \alpha(Sx, Ty) \ge 1,$$

and

$$x, y \in X, \ \eta(x, y) \le 1 \Longrightarrow \eta(Sx, Ty) \le 1 \text{ and } \eta(Sx, Ty) \le 1.$$

DEFINITION 2.2. Let $S, T : X \to X$ and $\alpha, \eta : X \times X \to [0, +\infty)$. We say that the pair (S, T) is triangular (α, η) -admissible if

- $(T_1) \ \alpha(x,y) \ge 1 \Longrightarrow \alpha(Sx,Ty) \ge 1 \text{ and } \alpha(Sx,Ty) \ge 1 \text{ for all } x,y \in X;$
- (T_2) $\eta(x,y) \leq 1 \Longrightarrow \eta(Sx,Ty) \leq 1$ and $\eta(Sx,Ty) \leq 1$ for all $x, y \in X$;
- $(T_3) \begin{cases} \alpha(x,u) \ge 1\\ \alpha(u,y) \ge 1 \end{cases} \implies \alpha(x,y) \ge 1 \text{ for all } x, u, y \in X;$ $(T_4) \begin{cases} \eta(x,u) \le 1\\ \eta(u,y) \le 1 \end{cases} \implies \eta(x,y) \le 1 \text{ for all } x, u, y \in X.$

DEFINITION 2.3. Let (X, B_b) be a Branciari *b*-metric space with parameter $s \ge 1$ and let S, T be self-mappings on X. Suppose that $\alpha, \eta : X \times X \longrightarrow [0, \infty)$ are two functions. We say that the pair (S, T) is an (α, η, β) -*b*-Branciari *F*-rational contraction, if for all $x, y \in X$ with $(\alpha(x, y) \ge 1 \text{ or } \eta(x, y) \le 1)$ and $B_b(Sx, Ty) > 0$, we have

$$\forall x, y \in X, \ d(Tx, Ty) > 0 \Rightarrow \beta \left(B_b(x, y) \right) + F \left(s^2 B_b(Sx, Ty) \right) \le F \left(W_b(x, y) \right), \quad (1)$$

where $\beta \in \Delta_{\beta}, F \in \Delta_F$ and

$$W_b(x,y) = \max \left\{ \begin{array}{c} B_b(x,y), B_b(x,Sx), B_b(y,Ty), B_b(y,Sx), \\ \frac{B_b(x,Sx)B_b(y,Ty)}{s+B_b(x,y)}, \frac{B_b(x,Sx)B_b(y,Ty)}{s+B_b(Sx,Ty)} \end{array} \right\}.$$
 (2)

THEOREM 2.1. Let (X, B_b) be a complete Branciari *b*-metric space with parameter s and let $S, T: X \longrightarrow X$ be self-mappings satisfying the following conditions:

(i) the pair (S,T) is triangular (α,η) -admissible;

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- (ii) (S,T) is an (α, η, β) -b-Branciari F-rational contraction;
- (iii) there exists $x_0 \in X$ such that $\alpha(x_0, Sx_0) \ge 1$ or $\eta(x_0, Sx_0) \le 1$;
- (iv) S and T are (α, η) -continuous.

Then S and T have a common fixed point. Moreover, S and T have a unique common fixed point when $\alpha(x, y) \ge 1$ or $\eta(x, y) \le 1$ for all $x, y \in CFix(S, T)$.

PROOF. Let $x_0 \in X$ such that $\alpha(x_0, Tx_0) \geq 1$ or $\eta(x_0, Tx_0) \leq 1$. Define a sequence $\{x_n\}$ by $x_{2i+1} = Sx_{2i}$ and $x_{2i+2} = Tx_{2i+1}$ for i = 0, 1, 2, ... Since the pair (S, T) is triangular (α, η) -admissible, we get $\alpha(x_1, x_2) = \alpha(Sx_0, Tx_1) \geq 1$ or $\eta(x_1, x_2) = \eta(Sx_0, Tx_1) \leq 1$. Continuing in this process, we get

$$\alpha(x_n, x_{n+1}) \ge 1 \text{ or } \eta(x_n, x_{n+1}) \le 1,$$

for all $n \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$. If for some $n, x_n = x_{n+1}$, then x_n is a common fixed point of T and S. From now on, without loss of generality, we can assume that

$$x_n \neq x_{n+1}, \forall \ n \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$$

Since (S,T) is an (α,η,β) -b-Branciari F-rational contraction, we derive

$$F(B_b(x_{2i+1}, x_{2i+2})) = F(B_b(Sx_{2i}, Tx_{2i+1})) < \beta(B_b(x_{2i}, x_{2i+1})) + F(B_b(Sx_{2i}, Tx_{2i+1})) \leq F(W_b(x_{2i}, x_{2i+1})),$$
(3)

where

$$W_{b}(x_{2i}, x_{2i+1}) = \max \begin{cases} B_{b}(x_{2i}, x_{2i+1}), B_{b}(x_{2i}, Sx_{2i}), \\ B_{b}(x_{2i+1}, Tx_{2i+1}), B_{b}(x_{2i+1}, Sx_{2i}), \\ B_{b}(x_{2i}, Sx_{2i})B_{b}(x_{2i+1}, Tx_{2i+1}), \\ \frac{B_{b}(x_{2i}, Sx_{2i})B_{b}(x_{2i+1}, Tx_{2i+1})}{s+B_{b}(Sx_{2i}, Tx_{2i+1})}, \\ \\ B_{b}(x_{2i}, x_{2i+1}), B_{b}(x_{2i}, x_{2i+1}), \\ B_{b}(x_{2i+1}, x_{2i+2}), B_{b}(x_{2i+1}, x_{2i+1}), \\ \\ \frac{B_{b}(x_{2i}, x_{2i+1})B_{b}(x_{2i+1}, x_{2i+2})}{s+B_{b}(x_{2i}, x_{2i+1})}, \\ \\ \frac{B_{b}(x_{2i}, x_{2i+1})B_{b}(x_{2i+1}, x_{2i+2})}{s+B_{b}(x_{2i+1}, x_{2i+2})} \\ \\ = \max \left\{ B_{b}(x_{2i}, x_{2i+1}), B_{b}(x_{2i+1}, x_{2i+2}) \\ B_{b}(x_{2i}, x_{2i+1}), B_{b}(x_{2i+1}, x_{2i+2}) \\ \end{array} \right\}$$

If $W_b(x_{2i}, x_{2i+1}) = B_b(x_{2i+1}, x_{2i+2})$ for some *i*, then from (3), we have

$$F(B_b(x_{2i+1}, x_{2i+2})) < F(B_b(x_{2i+1}, x_{2i+2})),$$

which is a contradiction. We conclude that $W_b(x_{2i}, x_{2i+1}) = B_b(x_{2i}, x_{2i+1})$ for all *i*. By (3), we get that

$$F(B_b(x_{2i+1}, x_{2i+2})) < F(B_b(x_{2i}, x_{2i+1})).$$

Since F is strictly increasing, we deduce that

$$B_b(x_{2i+1}, x_{2i+2}) < B_b(x_{2i}, x_{2i+1})$$
 for all $i \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$.

This implies that

$$B_b(x_{n+1}, x_{n+2}) < B_b(x_n, x_{n+1})$$
 for all $n \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$.

Again, (1) implies that

$$F(B_b(x_{n+1}, x_{n+2})) < F(B_b(x_n, x_{n+1})) - \beta(B_b(x_n, x_{n+1})).$$

Therefore,

$$F(B_b(x_{n+1}, x_{n+2})) < F(B_b(x_n, x_{n+1})) - \beta(B_b(x_n, x_{n+1})) < F(B_b(x_n, x_{n+1})) - \beta(B_b(x_n, x_{n+1})) - \beta(B_b(x_{n-1}, x_n)) ... < F(B_b(x_0, x_1)) - \sum_{z=0}^n \beta(B_b(x_z, x_{z+1})).$$

Letting $n \longrightarrow \infty$ in above inequality and using ($\beta 2$), we have

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} F\left(B_b(x_{n+1}, x_{n+2})\right) = -\infty,$$

and from (F2), we obtain

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} B_b(x_{n+1}, x_{n+2}) = 0.$$
(4)

On the other hand,

$$F(B_b(x_{2i+1}, x_{2i+3})) < F(s^2 B_b(x_{2i+1}, x_{2i+3})) < \beta(B_b(x_{2i}, x_{2i+2})) + F(s^2 B_b(Sx_{2i}, Tx_{2i+2})) \leq F(W_b(x_{2i}, x_{2i+2})),$$
(5)

where

$$\begin{split} W_b(x_{2i}, x_{2i+2}) &= \max \left\{ \begin{array}{l} B_b(x_{2i}, x_{2i+2}), B_b(x_{2i}, Sx_{2i}), \\ B_b(x_{2i+2}, Tx_{2i+2}), B_b(x_{2i+2}, Sx_{2i}), \\ B_b(x_{2i}, Sx_{2i}) B_b(x_{2i+2}, Tx_{2i+2}), \\ \frac{B_b(x_{2i}, Sx_{2i}) B_b(x_{2i+2}, Tx_{2i+2})}{s+B_b(Sx_{2i}, Tx_{2i+2})}, \\ \frac{B_b(x_{2i}, x_{2i+2}), B_b(x_{2i}, x_{2i+2})}{s+B_b(Sx_{2i}, Tx_{2i+2})} \right\} \\ &= \max \left\{ \begin{array}{l} B_b(x_{2i}, x_{2i+2}), B_b(x_{2i}, x_{2i+1}), \\ B_b(x_{2i+1}, x_{2i+3}), B_b(x_{2i+2}, x_{2i+1}), \\ \frac{B_b(x_{2i}, x_{2i+1}) B_b(x_{2i+2}, x_{2i+3})}{s+B_b(x_{2i}, x_{2i+2})}, \\ \frac{B_b(x_{2i}, x_{2i+1}) B_b(x_{2i+2}, x_{2i+3})}{s+B_b(x_{2i+1}, x_{2i+3})} \\ \end{array} \right\} \\ &= \max \left\{ B_b(x_{2i}, x_{2i+2}), B_b(x_{2i+1}, x_{2i+3}) \right\}. \end{split} \right.$$

If $W_b(x_{2i}, x_{2i+2}) = B_b(x_{2i+1}, x_{2i+3})$ for some *i*, then from (5), we have

$$F(B_b(x_{2i+1}, x_{2i+3})) < F(B_b(x_{2i+1}, x_{2i+3})),$$

which is a contradiction. We conclude that $W_b(x_{2i}, x_{2i+1}) = B_b(x_{2i}, x_{2i+2})$ for all *i*. By (5), we get that

$$F(B_b(x_{2i+1}, x_{2i+2})) < F(B_b(x_{2i}, x_{2i+1})).$$

Since F is strictly increasing, we deduce that

$$B_b(x_{2i+1}, x_{2i+3}) < B_b(x_{2i}, x_{2i+2})$$
 for all $i \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$

This implies that

$$B_b(x_{n+1}, x_{n+3}) < B_b(x_n, x_{n+2})$$
 for all $n \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$.

Taking the limit as $n \longrightarrow \infty$ in the above and using (4), we have

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} B_b(x_{n+1}, x_{n+3}) = 0.$$
(6)

Next, we show that $\{x_n\}$ is a B_b -Cauchy sequence in X. Suppose that there exists $\varepsilon > 0$ such that for all $k \in \mathbb{N}$, there exist $m_j > n_j > j$ such that $B_b(x_{m_j}, x_{n_j}) \ge \varepsilon$. Let n_j be the smallest number satisfying the condition above. We have

$$B_b\left(x_{m_j}, x_{n_j-1}\right) < \varepsilon. \tag{7}$$

Therefore,

$$\varepsilon \leq B_{b}(x_{m_{j}}, x_{n_{j}}) \\ \leq s \left[B_{b}(x_{m_{j}}, x_{m_{j}+1}) + B_{b}(x_{m_{j}+1}, x_{n_{j}+1}) + B_{b}(x_{n_{j}}, x_{n_{j+1}}) \right].$$
(8)

By taking the upper limit as $j \to \infty$ in (8) and using (4), we get

$$\frac{\varepsilon}{s} \le \lim_{j \to \infty} \sup B_b\left(x_{m_j+1}, x_{n_{j+1}}\right).$$
(9)

From rectangular inequality, we have

$$B_b\left(x_{m_j}, x_{n_j}\right) \le s[B_b\left(x_{m_j}, x_{n_j-1}\right) + B_b\left(x_{n_j-1}, x_{n_j+1}\right) + B_b\left(x_{n_j-1}, x_{n_j}\right)].$$
(10)

By (4), (6) and (7), we have

$$\lim_{j \to \infty} \sup B_b\left(x_{m_j}, x_{n_j}\right) \le s\varepsilon.$$
(11)

Also,

$$B_b(x_{n_j}, x_{m_j+1}) \le s[B_b(x_{n_j}, x_{n_j-1}) + B_b(x_{n_j-1}, x_{m_j}) + B_b(x_{m_j}, x_{m_j+1})].$$

Again, from (4) and (7),

$$\lim_{j \to \infty} \sup B_b\left(x_{n_j}, x_{m_j+1}\right) \le s\varepsilon.$$
(12)

Applying (1) to conclude that

$$F(s^{2}B_{b}(x_{m_{j}+1}, x_{n_{j}+1})) = F(s^{2}B_{b}(Sx_{m_{j}}, Tx_{n_{j}}))$$

$$\leq F(W_{b}(x_{m_{j}}, x_{n_{j}})) - \beta(B_{b}(x_{m_{j}}, x_{n_{j}})),$$

where

$$W_b(x_{m_j}, x_{n_j}) = \max \left\{ \begin{array}{c} B_b(x_{m_j}, x_{n_j}), B_b(x_{m_j}, x_{m_j+1}), \\ B_b(x_{n_j}, x_{n_j+1}), B_b(x_{n_j}, x_{m_j+1}), \\ \frac{B_b(x_{m_j}, x_{m_j+1})B_b(x_{n_j}, x_{n_j+1})}{s + B_b(x_{m_j}, x_{n_j})}, \frac{B_b(x_{m_j}, x_{m_j+1})B_b(x_{n_j}, x_{n_j+1})}{s + B_b(x_{m_j+1}, x_{n_j+1})} \end{array} \right\}.$$

Taking the upper limit as $j \to \infty$ and using (F1), (9), (11) and (12), we have

$$F\left(s^{2}\frac{\varepsilon}{s}\right) \leq F\left(s^{2}\lim_{j\to\infty}\sup B_{b}(x_{m_{j}+1}, x_{nj+1})\right)$$

$$\leq F\left(\max\left\{\lim_{\substack{j\to\infty\\\lim_{j\to\infty}\sup B_{b}(x_{m_{j}}, x_{n_{j}}),\\\lim_{j\to\infty}\sup B_{b}(x_{n_{j}}, x_{m_{j}+1})\\imma{} \right\}\right) - \lim_{j\to\infty}\inf\beta\left(B_{b}(x_{m_{j}}, x_{n_{j}})\right)$$

$$\leq F\left(\max\left\{s\varepsilon, s\varepsilon\right\}\right) - \lim_{j\to\infty}\inf\beta\left(B_{b}(x_{m_{j}}, x_{n_{j}})\right),$$

which implies that

$$\lim_{j \to \infty} \inf \beta \left(B_b(x_{m_j}, x_{n_j}) \right) = 0.$$
(13)

It is a contradiction with respect to the fact that $B_b(x_{m_j}, x_{n_j}) \geq \varepsilon$, because of the property (β 1). Therefore, $\{x_n\}$ is a B_b -Cauchy sequence. Since (X, B_b) is (α, η) -complete and $\alpha(x_n, x_{n+1}) \geq 1$ or $\eta(x_n, x_{n+1}) \leq 1$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$, the sequence $\{x_n\}$ B_b -converges to some point $x^* \in X$, that is, $\lim_{n \to \infty} B_b(x_{2i+1}, x^*) = 0$ and $\lim_{i \to \infty} B_b(x_{2i+2}, x^*) = 0$. Since T is (α, η) -continuous, by Lemma 1.1, one writes

$$\frac{1}{s}B_b\left(x^*, Tx^*\right) = \liminf_{i \to \infty} B_b\left(x_{2i+1}, Tx_{2i+1}\right) \\
\leq \limsup_{i \to \infty} B_b\left(x_{2i+1}, Tx_{2i+1}\right) = \limsup_{i \to \infty} B_b\left(x_{2i+1}, x_{2i+2}\right) = 0.$$

Hence $B_b(x^*, Tx^*) = 0$, and so $x^* = Tx^*$. Similarly, $x^* = Sx^*$. Therefore, x^* is a common fixed point of S and T. Let $y^* \in CFix(S,T)$ such that $y^* \neq x^*$, and $\alpha(x^*, y^*) \geq 1$ or $\eta(x^*, y^*) \leq 1$. Then

$$\beta \left(B_b(x^*, y^*) \right) + F \left(B_b(Sx^*, Ty^*) \right) \\ \leq \beta \left(B_b(x^*, y^*) \right) + F \left(s^2 B_b(Sx^*, Ty^*) \right) \\ \leq F \left(\max \left\{ \begin{array}{c} B_b(x^*, y^*), B_b(x^*, Sx^*), B_b(y^*, Ty^*), \\ B_b(y^*, Sx^*), \\ \frac{B_b(x^*, Sx^*) B_b(y^*, Ty^*)}{s + B_b(x^*, y^*)}, \\ \frac{B_b(x^*, Sx^*) B_b(y^*, Ty^*)}{s + B_b(Sx^*, Ty^*)} \end{array} \right\} \right).$$

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We get

$$\beta \left(B_b(x^*, y^*) \right) + F \left(B_b(x^*, y^*) \right) \le F \left(B_b(x^*, y^*) \right)$$

which is a contradiction. Hence $x^* = y^*$. Therefore, S and T have a unique common fixed point.

Theorem 2.1 is illustrated by the following example.

EXAMPLE 2.1. Let $X = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$. It is easy to check that the mapping $B_b: X \times X \to [0, +\infty)$ given by

$$B_{b}(x, x) = 0, \text{ for all } x \in X,$$

$$B_{b}(1,3) = B_{b}(1,5) = B_{b}(2,3) = B_{b}(3,5) = 1,$$

$$B_{b}(2,4) = B_{b}(2,5) = B_{b}(4,5) = 4,$$

$$B_{b}(1,2) = 9,$$

$$B_{b}(1,4) = B_{b}(3,4) = 10,$$

$$B_{b}(x,y) = B_{b}(y,x), \text{ for all } x, y \in X,$$

is a Branciari *b*-metric on X with s = 3. Define $\beta : (0, \infty) \longrightarrow (0, \infty)$ by $\beta(t) = t + \frac{1}{150}$. Then $\beta \in \Delta_{\beta}$. Also, define $F : (0, \infty) \longrightarrow (-\infty, \infty)$ by $F(t) = t + \ln t$, for all t > 0. Then $F \in \Delta_F$. Define the mappings $S, T : X \longrightarrow X$ and $\alpha, \eta : X \times X \longrightarrow [0, \infty)$ by

$$Sx = 3$$
 for all $x \in X$,
 $T(1) = 3$, $T(2) = 5$, $T(3) = 3$,
 $T(4) = 1$, $T(5) = 2$,

and

$$\alpha \left(x, y \right) = \begin{cases} 1 + \cosh \left(x + y \right), & (x, y) \in \left\{ \begin{array}{c} (1, 4), \\ (3, 4), (3, 1) \end{array} \right\} \\ \frac{1}{2 + e^{(x+y)}}, & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases} \\ \eta \left(x, y \right) = \begin{cases} \tanh \left(x + y \right), & (x, y) \in \left\{ \begin{array}{c} (1, 4), \\ (3, 4), (3, 1) \end{array} \right\}, \\ 3 + e^{-(x+y)}, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Then S and T are (α, η) -continuous and the pair (S, T) is triangular (α, η) -admissible. Let $x_0 = 1$. We have

$$\alpha(1, S(1)) = \alpha(1, 1) \ge 1 \text{ or } \eta(1, S(1)) = \eta(1, 1) \le 1.$$

For $(x, y) \in \{(1, 4), (3, 4)\}$, $\alpha(x, y) \ge 1$ or $\eta(x, y) \le 1$ and $B_b(Sx, Ty) > 0$, we have

$$\beta \left(B_b(x,y) \right) + F\left(s^2 B_b(Sx,Ty) \right) \le F\left(W_b(x,y) \right).$$

Thus all conditions of Theorem 2.1 are satisfied and 3 is the unique common fixed point of S and T.

THEOREM 2.2. Let (X, B_b) be a complete Branciari *b*-metric space with parameter $s \ge 1$ and let $S, T: X \longrightarrow X$ be self-mappings satisfying the following conditions:

- (i) the pair (S,T) is triangular (α,η) -admissible;
- (ii) (S,T) is an (α, η, β) -b-Branciari F-rational contraction;
- (iii) there exists $x_0 \in X$ such that $\alpha(x_0, Sx_0) \ge 1$ or $\eta(x_0, Sx_0) \le 1$;
- (iv) (X, B_b) is an (α, η) -regular Branciari *b*-metric space.

Then S and T have a common fixed point. Moreover, S and T have a unique common fixed point when $\alpha(x, y) \ge 1$ or $\eta(x, y) \le 1$ for all $x, y \in CFix(S, T)$.

PROOF. Let $x_0 \in X$ such that $\alpha(x_0, Sx_0) \geq 1$ or $\eta(x_0, Sx_0) \leq 1$. As in the proof as in Theorem 2.1, we construct a sequence $\{x_n\}$ in X defined by $x_{2i+1} \in Sx_{2i}$ and $x_{2i+2} \in Tx_{2i+1}$ $(i \geq 0)$ such that $\alpha(x_n, x_{n+1}) \geq 1$ or $\eta(x_n, x_{n+1}) \leq 1$, for all $n \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ and $x_n \longrightarrow x^* \in X$ as $n \longrightarrow \infty$. By condition (iv), we have $\alpha(x_n, x^*) \geq 1$ or $\eta(x_n, x^*) \leq 1$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$. From (1), we have

$$\beta (B_b(x_{2n}, x^*)) + F (B_b(Sx_{2n}, Tx^*)) \\ \leq \beta (B_b(x_{2n}, x^*)) + F (s^2 B_b(Sx_{2n}, Tx^*)) \\ \leq F \left(\max \left\{ \begin{array}{c} B_b(x_{2n}, x^*), B_b(x_{2n}, Sx_{2n}), B_b(x^*, Tx^*), \\ B_b(x^*, Sx_{2n}), \\ \frac{B_b(x_{2n}, Sx_{2n}) B_b(x^*, Tx^*)}{s + B_b(x_{2n}, x^*)}, \\ \frac{B_b(x_{2n}, Sx_{2n}) B_b(x^*, Tx^*)}{s + B_b(Sx_{2n}, Tx^*)} \end{array} \right\} \right),$$

which implies

$$F\left(B_b(x_{2n+1}, Tx^*)\right) \le F\left(\max\left\{\begin{array}{c}B_b(x_{2n}, x^*), B_b(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}), B_b(x^*, Tx^*),\\B_b(x^*, x_{2n+1}),\\\frac{B_b(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1})B_b(x^*, Tx^*)}{s+B_b(x_{2n+1}, Tx^*)},\\\frac{B_b(x_n, x_{2n+1})B_b(x^*, Tx^*)}{s+B_b(x^*, Tx^*)},\\\frac{B_b(x_n, x_{2n+1})B_b(x^*, Tx^*)}{s$$

From (F1), we have

$$B_b(x_{2n+1}, Tx^*) \le \max \left\{ \begin{array}{c} B_b(x_{2n}, x^*), B_b(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}), B_b(x^*, Tx^*), \\ B_b(x^*, x_{2n+1}), \\ \frac{B_b(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1})B_b(x^*, Tx^*)}{s+B_b(x_{2n}, x^*)}, \\ \frac{B_b(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1})B_b(x^*, Tx^*)}{s+B_b(x_{2n+1}, Tx^*)} \end{array} \right\}.$$

Suppose that $x^* \neq Tx^*$, then $B_b(x^*, Tx^*) > 0$. From Lemma 1.1, we get

$$\frac{1}{s}B_b(x^*, Tx^*) = \liminf_{n \to \infty} B_b(x_{2n+1}, Tx^*)$$

$$\leq \limsup_{n \to \infty} B_b(x_{2n+1}, Tx^*) \leq B_b(x^*, Tx^*).$$

Hence $B_b(x^*, Tx^*) = 0$, which is a contradiction. Therefore, $x^* = Tx^*$. Similarly, $x^* = Sx^*$, so x^* is a common fixed point of S and T. The uniqueness follows similarly as in Theorem 2.1.

Now, we state the following corollaries. The first one is easy.

COROLLARY 2.1. Let $\alpha, \eta : X \times X \longrightarrow [0, \infty)$ be two functions and (X, B_b) be an (α, η) -complete Branciari *b*-metric space. Consider $S, T: X \longrightarrow X$ two self-mappings satisfying the following conditions:

(i) for all $x, y \in X$ with $(\alpha(x, y) \ge 1 \text{ or } \eta(x, y) \le 1)$ and $B_b(Sx, Ty) > 0$, we have

$$\beta \left(B_b(x,y) \right) + F \left(s^2 B_b(Sx,Ty) \right)$$

$$\leq F \left(\alpha_1 B_b(x,y) + \alpha_2 B_b(x,Sx) + \alpha_3 B_b(y,Ty) + \alpha_4 B_b(y,Sx) \right)$$

where $\beta \in \Delta_{\beta}$ and $\alpha_i \ge 0$ for $i \in \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ such that $\sum_{i=1}^4 \alpha_i = 1$, $\alpha_3 < \frac{1}{s}$ and $F \in \Delta_F$;

- (ii) the pair (S, T) is triangular (α, η) -admissible;
- (iii) there exists $x_0 \in X$ such that $\alpha(x_0, Sx_0) \ge 1$ or $\eta(x_0, Sx_0) \le 1$;
- (iv) either S and T are (α, η) -continuous, or (X, B_b) is an (α, η) -regular Branciari b-metric space.

Then S and T have a common fixed point.

Taking S = T in Corollary 2.1, we state the following result.

COROLLARY 2.2 ([29]). Let $\alpha, \eta : X \times X \longrightarrow [0, \infty)$ be two functions and (X, B_b) be an (α, η) -complete Branciari *b*-metric space. Let $T: X \longrightarrow X$ be a self-mapping satisfying the following conditions:

(i) for all $x, y \in X$ with $(\alpha(x, y) \ge 1 \text{ or } \eta(x, y) \le 1)$ and $B_b(Tx, Ty) > 0$, we have

$$\beta \left(B_b(x,y) \right) + F \left(s^2 B_b(Tx,Ty) \right)$$

$$\leq F \left(\alpha_1 B_b(x,y) + \alpha_2 B_b(x,Tx) + \alpha_3 B_b(y,Ty) + \alpha_4 B_b(y,Tx) \right),$$

where $\beta \in \Delta_{\beta}$ and $\alpha_i \ge 0$ for $i \in \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ such that $\sum_{i=1}^4 \alpha_i = 1, \alpha_3 < \frac{1}{s}$ and $F \in \Delta_F$;

- (ii) T is triangular (α, η) -admissible;
- (iii) there exists $x_0 \in X$ such that $\alpha(x_0, Tx_0) \ge 1$ or $\eta(x_0, Tx_0) \le 1$;
- (iv) either T is (α, η) -continuous, or (X, B_b) is an (α, η) -regular Branciari b-metric space.

Then T has a fixed point. Taking $\beta(t) = \tau(> 0)$ in Theorem 2.1 and Theorem 2.2, we state the following corollary (an extension of Wardowski result [20]).

COROLLARY 2.3. Let $\alpha, \eta : X \times X \longrightarrow [0, \infty)$ be two functions. Let (X, B_b) be an (α, η) -complete Branciari *b*-metric space. Consider $S, T: X \longrightarrow X$ two self-mappings satisfying the following conditions:

- (i) the pair (S, T) is triangular (α, η) -admissible;
- (ii) for all $x, y \in X$ with $\alpha(x, y) \ge 1$ or $\eta(x, y) \le 1$ and $B_b(Sx, Ty) > 0$, we have

$$\tau + F\left(s^2 B_b(Sx, Ty)\right) \le F\left(B_b(x, y)\right),$$

where $\tau > 0$ and $F \in \Delta_F$;

- (iii) there exists $x_0 \in X$ such that $\alpha(x_0, Sx_0) \ge 1$ or $\eta(x_0, Sx_0) \le 1$;
- (iv) either S and T are (α, η) -continuous, or (X, B_b) is an (α, η) -regular Branciari *b*-metric space.

Then S and T have a common fixed point.

Taking S = T in Corollary 2.3, we have

COROLLARY 2.4. Let $\alpha, \eta : X \times X \longrightarrow [0, \infty)$ be two functions, (X, B_b) be an (α, η) -complete Branciari *b*-metric space and let $S: X \longrightarrow X$ be a self-mapping satisfying the following conditions:

- (i) S is a triangular (α, η) -admissible mapping;
- (ii) for all $x, y \in X$ with $\alpha(x, y) \ge 1$ or $\eta(x, y) \le 1$ and $B_b(Sx, Sy) > 0$, we have

$$\tau + F\left(s^2 B_b(Sx, Sy)\right) \le F\left(B_b(x, y)\right),$$

where $\tau > 0$ and $F \in \Delta_F$;

- (iii) there exists $x_0 \in X$ such that $\alpha(x_0, Sx_0) \ge 1$ or $\eta(x_0, Sx_0) \le 1$;
- (iv) either S is (α, η) -continuous, or (X, B_b) is an (α, η) -regular Branciari b-metric space.

Then S has a fixed point.

EXAMPLE 2.2. Let $X = \{0, 1, 2, 3\}$. Define $B_b : X \times X \longrightarrow [0, \infty)$ by

$$B_b(0,3) = B_b(2,3) = B_b(0,2) = 1,$$

$$B_b(1,3) = 3, \quad B_b(0,1) = 6, \quad B_b(1,2) = 5,$$

 $B_b(x,x) = 0$ and $B_b(x,y) = B_b(y,x)$, for all $x, y \in X$.

Obviously, (X, B_b) is a Branciari *b*-metric space with $s = \frac{6}{5}$, but (X, B_b) is not a *b*-metric space with the same coefficient *s* because the triangle inequality does not hold for all $x, y, z \in X$. Indeed,

$$6 = B_b(0,1) > \frac{6}{5} \left[B_b(0,3) + B_b(3,1) \right] = \frac{6}{5} \left[1+3 \right] = \frac{24}{5}.$$

Note that (X, B_b) is not a Branciari metric space because the rectangular inequality does not hold for all all $x, y, u, v \in X$. Indeed,

$$6 = B_b(0,1) > B_b(0,2) + B_b(2,3) + B_b(3,1) = 1 + 1 + 3 = 5$$

Let $S, T: X \longrightarrow X$ be defined as

$$S(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & x \in \{0, 1, 2\}, \\ 2, & x = 3, \end{cases} \text{ and } T(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & x = 0, \\ 2, & x \in \{1, 2\}, \\ 1, & x = 3. \end{cases}$$

Define $F : (0, \infty) \longrightarrow (-\infty, \infty)$ by $F(t) = \ln t$, for all t > 0. Also, we define $\alpha, \eta : X \times X \longrightarrow [0, \infty)$ by

$$\alpha\left(x,y\right) = \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} 2, & x \in (x,y) \in \{0,1,2\}\,, \\ \frac{1}{5}, & \text{otherwise}, \end{array} \right. \text{ and } \eta\left(x,y\right) = \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} 1, & x \in \{0,1,2\}\,, \\ \frac{1}{3}, & \text{otherwise}. \end{array} \right.$$

For $(x, y) \in \{(0, 1), (1, 2)\}$ such that $\alpha(x, y) \ge 1$ or $\eta(x, y) \le 1$ and $B_b(Sx, Ty) > 0$, we have

$$\tau + F\left(s^2 B_b(Sx, Ty)\right) \le F\left(B_b(x, y)\right)$$

Thus all the conditions of Corollary 2.3 are satisfied with $\tau \in (0, 1]$. Thus S and T has a common fixed point, which is, x = 0.

Now, taking $F(t) = \ln t$ in Theorem 2.1 and Theorem 2.2, we state the following result.

COROLLARY 2.5. Let $\alpha, \eta : X \times X \longrightarrow [0, \infty)$ be two functions. Let (X, B_b) be an (α, η) -complete Branciari *b*-metric space. Consider $S, T: X \longrightarrow X$ two self-mappings satisfying the following conditions:

- (i) the pair (S,T) is triangular (α,η) -admissible;
- (ii) for all $x, y \in X$ with $\alpha(x, y) \ge 1$ or $\eta(x, y) \le 1$ and $B_b(Sx, Ty) > 0$, we have

$$s^2 B_b(Sx, Ty) \le e^{-\beta(B_b(x, y))} W_b(x, y),$$

where $\beta \in \Delta_{\beta}$, $F \in \Delta_F$ and $W_b(x, y)$ is defined by (2)

- (iii) there exists $x_0 \in X$ such that $\alpha(x_0, Sx_0) \ge 1$ or $\eta(x_0, Sx_0) \le 1$;
- (iv) either S and T are (α, η) -continuous, or (X, B_b) is an (α, η) -regular Branciari b-metric space.

Then S and T have a common fixed point.

3 G- β -b-Branciari F-Rational Contractions

Consistent with Jachymski [31], let (X, B_b) be a Branciari *b*-metric space and let Δ denote the diagonal of the Cartesian product $X \times X$. Consider a directed graph G such that the set V(G) of its vertices coincides with X, and the set E(G) of its edges contains all loops, that is, $E(G) \supseteq \Delta$. We assume that G has no parallel edges, so we can identify G with the pair (V(G), E(G)).

DEFINITION 3.1 ([29]). Let (X, B_b) be a Branciari *b*-metric space endowed with a graph and let $S: X \longrightarrow X$ be a given mapping.

- (i) (X, B_b) is said to be *G*-complete if every Cauchy sequence $\{x_n\}$ in *X* satisfying $(x_n, x_{n+1}) \in E(G)$ or $(x_{n+1}, x_n) \in E(G)$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$, is convergent in *X*.
- (ii) (X, B_b) is said to be *G*-regular if for each sequence $\{x_n\}$ in *X* satisfying $x_n \longrightarrow x$ and $(x_n, x_{n+1}) \in E(G)$ (resp. $(x_{n+1}, x_n) \in E(G)$), we have $(x_n, x) \in E(G)$ (resp. $(x, x_n) \in E(G)$) for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$, we have

$$x_n \longrightarrow x \Longrightarrow Sx_n \longrightarrow Sx.$$

The main result of this section is

THEOREM 3.1. Let (X, B_b) be a *G*-complete Branciari *b*-metric space such that for all $(x, y) \in E(G)$ and $(y, z) \in E(G)$, we have $(x, z) \in E(G)$. Let $S, T : X \longrightarrow X$ be self-mappings satisfying the following assertions:

- (i) for all $x, y \in X$ with $(x, y) \in E(G)$, we have $(Sx, Ty) \in E(G)$;
- (ii) S and T are monotone and the following inequality holds

$$\beta \left(B_b(x,y) \right) + F\left(s^2 B_b(Sx,Ty) \right) \le F\left(W_b(x,y) \right),$$

for all $x, y \in X$ with $((x, y) \in E(G) \text{ or } (y, x) \in E(G))$ and $B_b(Sx, Ty) > 0$, where $\beta \in \Delta_{\beta}, F \in \Delta_F$ and $W_b(x, y)$ is defined by (2);

- (iii) there exists $x_0 \in X$ such that $(x_0, Sx_0) \in E(G)$ or $(Sx_0, x_0) \in E(G)$;
- (iv) either S and T are G-continuous, or (X, B_b) is a G-regular Branciari b-metric space.

Then S and T have a common fixed point. Moreover, S and T have a unique common fixed point when $(x, y) \in E(G)$ or $(y, x) \in E(G)$ for all $x, y \in CFix(S, T)$.

PROOF. This result is obtained as a consequence of Theorem 2.1 and Theorem 2.2 by taking

$$\alpha(x,y) = \begin{cases} 1, & (x,y) \in E(G), \\ 0, & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases} \text{ and } \eta(x,y) = \begin{cases} 1, & (y,x) \in E(G), \\ 2, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

As a consequence of Theorem 3.1, we have

COROLLARY 3.1. Let (X, B_b) be a *G*-complete Branciari *b*-metric space such that for all $(x, y) \in E(G)$ and $(y, z) \in E(G)$, we have $(x, z) \in E(G)$. Let $S, T : X \longrightarrow X$ be self-mappings satisfying the following assertions:

- (i) for all $x, y \in X$ with $(x, y) \in E(G)$, we have $(Sx, Ty) \in E(G)$;
- (ii) S and T are monotone and the following inequality holds for all $x, y \in X$ with $((x, y) \in E(G) \text{ or } (y, x) \in E(G))$ such that $B_b(Sx, Ty) > 0$ and

 $s^2 B_b(Sx, Ty) \le e^{-\beta(B_b(x, y))} W_b(x, y),$

where $\beta \in \Delta_{\beta}$, $F \in \Delta_F$ and $W_b(x, y)$ is defined by (2);

- (iii) there exists $x_0 \in X$ such that $(x_0, Sx_0) \in E(G)$ or $(Sx_0, x_0) \in E(G)$;
- (iv) either S and T are G-continuous, or (X, B_b) is a G-regular Branciari b-metric space.

Then S and T have a common fixed point.

4 Ordered β -b-Branciari F-Rational Contractions

Fixed point theorems for monotone operators in ordered metric spaces have been widely investigated and have had various applications in differential and integral equations and other branches, (see [23, 24, 25, 26] and the references therein).

Let \leq be a partial order on X. Recall that $T: X \longrightarrow X$ is nondecreasing if for all $x, y \in X$,

$$x \preceq y \Longrightarrow Tx \preceq Ty.$$

DEFINITION 4.1 ([29]). Let (X, B_b, \preceq) be an ordered Branciari *b*-metric space and S: $X \longrightarrow X$ be a given mapping.

- (i) (X, B_b) is said to be \preceq -complete if every Cauchy sequence $\{x_n\}$ in X satisfying $x_n \preceq x_{n+1}$ or $x_{n+1} \preceq x_n$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$, is convergent in X.
- (ii) (X, B_b) is said to be \preceq -regular if for each sequence $\{x_n\}$ in X satisfying $x_n \longrightarrow x$ and $x_n \preceq x_{n+1}$ (resp. $x_{n+1} \preceq x_n$), we have $x_n \preceq x$ (resp. $x \preceq x_n$) for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$, we have

$$x_n \longrightarrow x \Longrightarrow Sx_n \longrightarrow Sx.$$

Our result is

THEOREM 4.1. Let (X, B_b, \preceq) be an \preceq -complete partially ordered Branciari *b*metric space. Let $S, T: X \longrightarrow X$ be two self-mappings satisfying the following assertions:

- (i) the pair (S,T) is triangular (α,η) -admissible;
- (ii) S and T are monotone and the following inequality holds

$$\beta \left(B_b(x,y) \right) + F\left(s^2 B_b(Sx,Ty) \right) \le F\left(W_b(x,y) \right),$$

for all $x, y \in X$ with $(x \leq y \text{ or } y \leq x)$ and $B_b(Sx, Ty) > 0$, where $\beta \in \Delta_\beta$, $F \in \Delta_F$ and $W_b(x, y)$ is defined by (2);

- (iii) there exists $x_0 \in X$ such that $x_0 \preceq Sx_0$ or $Sx_0 \preceq x_0$;
- (iv) either S and T are \leq -continuous, or (X, B_b) is \leq -regular.

Then S and T have a common fixed point.

PROOF. It suffices to take in Theorems 2.1 and 2.2,

$$\alpha(x,y) = \begin{cases} 1, & x \leq y, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases} \text{ and } \eta(x,y) = \begin{cases} 1, & y \leq x, \\ 2, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Taking $F(t) = \ln t$ in Theorem 4.1, we state the following corollary.

COROLLARY 4.1. Let (X, B_b, \preceq) be an \preceq -complete partially ordered Branciari *b*metric space. Let $S, T: X \longrightarrow X$ be self-mappings satisfying the following assertions:

- (i) the pair (S,T) is triangular (α,η) -admissible;
- (ii) S and T are monotone and the following inequality holds

$$s^2 B_b(Sx, Ty) \le e^{-\beta(B_b(x,y))} W_b(x, y),$$

for all $x, y \in X$ with $(x \leq y \text{ or } y \leq x)$ and $B_b(Sx, Ty) > 0$, where $\beta \in \Delta_\beta$, $F \in \Delta_F$ and $W_b(x, y)$ is defined by (2);

- (iii) there exists $x_0 \in X$ such that $x_0 \preceq Sx_0$ or $Sx_0 \preceq x_0$;
- (iv) either S and T are \leq -continuous, or (X, B_b) is \leq -regular.

Then S and T have a common fixed point.

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