

# Common Fixed-Point Theorems of Caristi-Type Mappings by Using its Absolute Derivative

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**Abstract:** In this article, we introduce common fixed-point theorems of Caristi-type mappings by using the absolute derivative of the mapping as a generator of its Caristi-type maps. The common fixed-point theorem that we obtain covers the single-valued and set-valued mappings. Some of the examples are given to support usability of our result.

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## 1 Introduction

Development of the Caristi's fixed-point theorems [1] has been carried out by researchers through a variety of different ways such as combining the Banach's fixed point theorems to that Caristi's fixed-point theorems [2]. In 1996, Kada-Suzuki and Takahashi used the  $w$ -distance functions to characterize the Caristi-type mappings [3]. Further, there exist several results involving set-valued mappings into Caristi-type conditions (see [4] [5], [6]).

In 1981, Bhakta and Basu [7] introduced a common fixed-point theorems of Caristi-type mappings on complete metric spaces. In 2010, Obama and Kuroiwa [8] proved the same thing by using  $\omega$ -distance function which was introduced by Kada et al [3] as a generalization of common fixed-point theorems of Bhakta and Basu. In 2015, Sitthikul and Saejung discussed the result by Obama with weaker assumption [9]. Moreover, L. Samih et al. introduced common fixed-point theorems of Caristi-type mappings in cone metric spaces [10].

Motivated by the above results, in particular, by Bhakta and Basu [7], in this article, we introduce a common fixed-point theorem of Caristi-type mapping by using the absolute derivative as a generator of its Caristi type. In previous articles, we characterized Caristi-type mapping by its absolute derivative but only for one mapping [11]. In this article, we obtain a common

fixed-point theorem of Caristi-type mapping for two mappings. We also give some examples to illustrate the main results in this article.

## 2 Common fixed-point of Caristi-type mappings

For the convenience, in the next we recall the Caristi's fixed-point theorems as follows.

Let  $(X, d)$  be a complete metric space and  $K \subset X$ . Caristi's fixed-point theorem states that each mapping  $f : K \rightarrow K$  satisfies the condition: there exists a lower semi-continuous function  $\varphi : K \rightarrow [0, +\infty)$  such that

$$d(x, f(x)) \leq \varphi(x) - \varphi(f(x)), \quad (1)$$

for each  $x \in X$  has a fixed point.

Some authors have mentioned that a mapping  $f : K \rightarrow K$  is called **Caristi-type mappings** if the inequalities (1) is satisfied.

Suppose  $(X, d)$  and  $(Y, \rho)$  are two metric spaces. Then we use the notation  $\mathcal{P}_0(X)$  (resp.  $\mathcal{CL}(X)$ ) as the family of all non-empty (resp. closed) subsets of  $X$ .

The mapping  $F : X \rightarrow \mathcal{P}_0(Y)$  is called **set-valued functions** where the maps  $F(x) \in \mathcal{P}_0(Y)$  for each  $x \in X$ .

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We say that a point  $z \in X$  is a fixed point of  $F$  if  $z \in F(z)$ . The function  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is said to be **selection** of  $F$  if  $f(x) \in F(x)$  for all  $x \in X$ .

By using Caristi's fixed-point theorems, in 1989, Mizoguchi and Takahashi [5] resulted in fixed-point theorem for set-valued mappings.

**Theorem 1.** Let  $(X, d)$  be a complete metric space and  $F : X \rightarrow \mathcal{P}_0(X)$  be a set-valued mapping. If there exists  $\varphi : X \rightarrow [0, +\infty)$  is a lower semi continuous function such that for each  $x \in X$ , there exists  $y \in F(x)$  such that

$$d(x, y) \leq \varphi(x) - \varphi(y), \quad (2)$$

then the set-valued map  $F$  has a fixed point.

In 1971 Ćirić [12] introduced the notion of orbital continuity as follows

**Definition 1.** Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space and  $f : X \rightarrow X$  be a mapping. The set

$$\mathcal{O}\{x_0\} = \{x_n = f^n x_0 : n = 1, 2, 3, \dots\} \quad (3)$$

is called orbit of  $f$  at fixed point  $x_0 \in X$ , where  $f^n = \underbrace{f \circ f \circ f \cdots \circ f}_{n\text{-times}}$ . Then the mapping  $f$  is called

orbitally continuous if  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} f^{m_k} x_0 = t$ , then  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} f f^{m_k} x_0 = f(t)$ .

Every continuous mapping  $f : X \rightarrow X$  is orbitally continuous but not conversely [12].

In 1981, Bhakta and Basu [7] proved a common fixed-point theorem of the Caristi-type mapping for two mappings on complete metric spaces. The following theorem in question.

**Theorem 2.** Let  $(X, d)$  be a complete metric space and  $f, g : X \rightarrow X$  be two orbitally continuous mappings on  $X$ . If there are two mappings  $\varphi, \psi : X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  satisfying the condition:

$$d(fx, gy) \leq \varphi(x) - \varphi(fx) + \psi(y) - \psi(gy) \quad (4)$$

for all  $x, y \in X$ , then  $f$  and  $g$  have a unique common fixed point.

Theorem 2 has been generalized by Obama [8] with using  $\omega$ -distance function and then followed by Sitthikul with weaker requirement [9].

### 3 Absolute derivatives

In 1971, E. Braude introduced the derivative of the metric-valued function with abstract metric domains which is known as "metrically differentiable" (see [13]).

**Definition 2.** Let  $(X, d)$  and  $(Y, \rho)$  be two metric spaces and let  $p \in X$  be a limit point. The mapping  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is said **metrically differentiable** at  $p$  if a real number  $f'(p)$  exists with the property that for every  $\varepsilon > 0$  there exists

$\delta > 0$  such that for every  $x, y \in X, x \neq y$  and  $0 < d(x, p) < \delta, 0 < d(y, p) < \delta$ , then

$$\left| \frac{\rho(f(x), f(y))}{d(x, y)} - f'(p) \right| < \varepsilon. \quad (5)$$

On the other hand, in 1975, K. Skaland defined the weaker form of Braude's definition.

**Definition 3.** Let  $(X, d)$  and  $(Y, \rho)$  be a metric spaces and let  $p \in X$  be a limit point. The mapping  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is said **differentiable** at  $p$  if real number  $f'(p)$  exists with the property that for every  $\varepsilon > 0$  there exists  $\delta > 0$  such that for every  $x \in N_\delta(p)$  then

$$\left| \frac{\rho(f(x), f(p))}{d(x, p)} - f'(p) \right| < \varepsilon. \quad (6)$$

A non-negative real number  $f'(p)$  is called **metrically derivative** [13] or **quasiderivative** [14] of the mapping  $f$  at the point  $p \in X$ .

**Example 1.** Let  $X = [-1, 1]$ . The function  $f : [-1, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  with  $f(x) = |x|$  for each  $x \in [-1, 1]$  is metrically differentiable on  $X$ . For  $p = 0 \in [-1, 1]$ , we obtain

$$f'(0) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{||x| - 0|}{|x|} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{|-x|}{|x|} = 1,$$

and

$$f'(0) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{||x| - 0|}{|x|} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{|x|}{|x|} = 1.$$

For each  $0 < x < 1$  and  $-1 < x < 0$ , we have  $f'(x) = 1$ . We know that  $f$  is not differentiable in the classical sense at  $x = 0$ .

Since the value of the derivative is always a non-negative real number, its derivative is called absolute derivative.

Throughout this paper, we use the notation  $f'_{abs}$  as an absolute derivative of the function  $f$  and a function differentiable in the sense of the metric is called metrically differentiable.

### 4 Existence of common fixed point

Our first main result modifies the common fixed-point theorem (Theorem 2). The modification is done by replacing two non-negative real functions  $\varphi$  and  $\psi$  on Theorem 2 by two absolute derivatives of the functions  $f$  and  $g$  provided that the function  $f$  and  $g$  are metrically differentiable.

**Theorem 4.** Let  $(X, d)$  be a complete metric space and  $f, g : X \rightarrow X$  be two orbitally continuous mappings on  $X$ . If  $f$  and  $g$  are metrically differentiable on  $X$  such that the absolute derivative  $f'_{abs}, g'_{abs} : X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  satisfying the condition:

$$d(fx, gy) \leq f'_{abs}(x) - f'_{abs}(fx) + g'_{abs}(y) - g'_{abs}(gy) \quad (7)$$

for all  $x, y \in X$ , then  $f$  and  $g$  have a unique common fixed point.

**Proof.** We take two points  $x_0 \in X$  and  $y_0 \in X$  fixed. Thus, we can form the sequences as follows

$$x_1 = fx_0, x_2 = fx_1 = f^2x_0, \dots, x_k = f^kx_0, \dots$$

and

$$y_1 = gy_0, y_2 = gy_1 = g^2y_0, \dots, y_k = g^ky_0, \dots$$

for  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ .

By inequalities (7), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^n d(x_i, y_i) &= \sum_{i=1}^n d(fx_{i-1}, gy_{i-1}) \\ &\leq \sum_{i=1}^n \{f'_{abs}(x_{i-1}) - f'_{abs}(fx_{i-1}) + g'_{abs}(y_{i-1}) - g'_{abs}(gy_{i-1})\} \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \{f'_{abs}(x_{i-1}) - f'_{abs}(x_i) + g'_{abs}(y_{i-1}) - g'_{abs}(y_i)\} \\ &= f'_{abs}(x_0) - f'_{abs}(x_n) + g'_{abs}(y_0) - g'_{abs}(y_n) \\ &\leq f'_{abs}(x_0) + g'_{abs}(y_0). \end{aligned} \tag{8}$$

Similarly, we can get

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^n d(y_i, x_{i+1}) &= \sum_{i=1}^n d(gy_{i-1}, fx_i) \\ &\leq \sum_{i=1}^n \{f'_{abs}(x_i) - f'_{abs}(fx_i) + g'_{abs}(y_{i-1}) - g'_{abs}(gy_{i-1})\} \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \{f'_{abs}(x_i) - f'_{abs}(x_{n+1}) + g'_{abs}(y_0) - g'_{abs}(y_n)\} \\ &= f'_{abs}(x_1) - f'_{abs}(x_{n+1}) + g'_{abs}(y_0) - g'_{abs}(y_n) \\ &\leq f'_{abs}(x_1) + g'_{abs}(y_0). \end{aligned} \tag{9}$$

From inequalities (8) and (9), we have the inequality as follows

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^n d(x_i, x_{i+1}) &\leq \sum_{i=1}^n \{d(x_i, y_i) + d(y_i, x_{i+1})\} \\ &\leq f'_{abs}(x_0) + f'_{abs}(x_1) + 2g'_{abs}(y_0). \end{aligned}$$

Since partial sums  $\sum_{i=1}^n d(x_i, x_{i+1})$  is a bounded, the series

$\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} d(x_i, x_{i+1})$  is convergent. Consequently the sequence non-negative real number  $\{d(x_i, x_{i+1})\}$  converges to zero (as  $i \rightarrow \infty$ ). For each  $m, n \in \mathbb{N}$  with  $m > n$ , we obtain

$$d(x_n, x_m) \leq \sum_{i=n}^{m-1} d(x_i, x_{i+1}) \rightarrow 0$$

as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . So, the sequence  $\{x_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence on  $X$ .

Similarly, in the same way, the sequence  $\{y_n\}$  is also Cauchy sequence on  $X$ . Since  $X$  is complete, each of them is convergent, namely  $x_n \rightarrow t \in X$  and  $y_n \rightarrow s \in X$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

If  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(x_n) = t$  implies  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(fx_n) = ft$  and if  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} g(x_n) = s$  implies  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} g(gx_n) = gs$  by  $f$  and  $g$  are orbitally continuous. It allows the sequence  $x_{n+1} \rightarrow f(t)$  and  $y_{n+1} \rightarrow g(s)$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . This gives that  $ft = t$  and  $gs = s$ . So the point  $t$  is a fixed point of  $f$  and the point  $s$  is a fixed point of  $g$ . By inequalities (7), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} d(t, s) = d(ft, gs) &\leq f'_{abs}(t) - f'_{abs}(ft) + g'_{abs}(s) - g'_{abs}(gs) \\ &= f'_{abs}(t) - f'_{abs}(t) + g'_{abs}(s) - g'_{abs}(s) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

This means  $t = s$ . In the other words, the point  $t$  is a common fixed point of  $f$  and  $g$  ( $t = ft = gt$ ).

Suppose  $f$  has the other fixed point  $u \in X$  ( $fu = u$ ). By applying (7), we have

$$\begin{aligned} d(u, t) = d(fu, gt) &\leq f'_{abs}(u) - f'_{abs}(fu) + g'_{abs}(t) - g'_{abs}(gt) \\ &= f'_{abs}(u) - f'_{abs}(u) + g'_{abs}(t) - g'_{abs}(t) \\ &= 0, \end{aligned}$$

which implies  $u = t$  (unique). Hence, the point  $t$  is the unique fixed point of  $f$ . Similarly, we can show that  $t$  is also the unique fixed point of  $g$ . This completes the proof.  $\square$ .

**Example 2.** Let  $X = [0.68, 1]$  endowed by usual metrics. Let  $f, g : [0.68, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a real function with  $f(x) = x^{\frac{7}{2}}$  and  $g(x) = -x + 2$  for all  $x \in [0.68, 1]$ . It is clear that  $f$  and  $g$  are orbitally continuous and metrically differentiable on  $(0.68, 1)$  with derivative as follows

$$f'_{abs}(x) = \left| \frac{7x^{\frac{5}{2}}}{2} \right| = \frac{7x^3}{2} \tag{10}$$

and

$$g'_{abs}(x) = |-1| = 1, \tag{11}$$

respectively. From the equation (10) and (11) we obtain

$$f'_{abs}(fx) = \left| \frac{7x^{\frac{35}{4}}}{2} \right| = \frac{x^{\frac{35}{4}}}{2} \tag{12}$$

and

$$g'_{abs}(gx) = |-1| = 1. \tag{13}$$

Now, we investigate as follows: For  $x = y = 0.68$ , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} |f(0.68) - g(0.68)| &= 1.0608 < 1.2147 \\ &= f'_{abs}(0.68) - f'_{abs}f(0.68) + g'_{abs}(0.68) - g'_{abs}g(0.68). \end{aligned} \tag{14}$$

For  $x = y = 1$ , we obtain

$$|f(1) - g(1)| = 0 = f'_{abs}(1) - f'_{abs}f(1) + g'_{abs}(1) - g'_{abs}g(1). \tag{15}$$

For  $x = 0.68$  and  $y = 1$ , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} |f(0.68) - g(1)| &= 0.7408 < 1.2147 \\ &= f'_{abs}(0.68) - f'_{abs}f(0.68) + g'_{abs}(1) - g'_{abs}g(1). \end{aligned} \quad (16)$$

For all  $0.68 < x, y < 0.791$ , we have

$$f'_{abs}x = \frac{7x^{\frac{5}{2}}}{2} \geq -y + 2 = gy$$

and

$$f'_{abs}f(x) = \frac{7x^{\frac{35}{4}}}{2} \leq x^{\frac{7}{2}} = fx$$

so that

$$\begin{aligned} f'_{abs}x - f'_{abs}fx + g'_{abs}y - g'_{abs}gy &= \frac{7x^{\frac{5}{2}}}{2} - \frac{7x^{\frac{35}{4}}}{2} + 1 - 1 \\ &> (-y + 2) - x^{\frac{7}{2}} = |(-y + 2) - x^{\frac{7}{2}}| = |gy - fx| \\ &= |fx - gy|. \end{aligned} \quad (17)$$

For all  $0.791 < x, y < 0.878$ , we have

$$f'_{abs}f(x) = \frac{7x^{\frac{35}{4}}}{2} \leq -y + 2 = gy$$

and

$$f'_{abs}x = \frac{7x^{\frac{5}{2}}}{2} \geq x^{\frac{7}{2}} = fx$$

so that

$$\begin{aligned} f'_{abs}fx - f'_{abs}x &= \frac{7x^{\frac{35}{4}}}{2} - \frac{7x^{\frac{5}{2}}}{2} \\ &< (-y + 2) - x^{\frac{7}{2}} = |(-y + 2) - x^{\frac{7}{2}}|. \end{aligned} \quad (18)$$

If both sides are multiplied by the number  $-1$ , then we have

$$\begin{aligned} f'_{abs}x - f'_{abs}fx &> (-1)|(-y + 2) - x^{\frac{7}{2}}| \\ &= |x^{\frac{7}{2}} - (-y + 2)| = |f(x) - g(y)|. \end{aligned} \quad (19)$$

For all  $0.878 < x, y < 1$ , we have  $\frac{7x^{\frac{35}{4}}}{2} \geq -y + 2 > 0$  and  $\frac{7x^{\frac{5}{2}}}{2} \geq x^{\frac{7}{2}} > 0$  so that

$$\begin{aligned} f'_{abs}x - f'_{abs}fx + g'_{abs}y - g'_{abs}gy &= \frac{7x^{\frac{5}{2}}}{2} - \frac{7x^{\frac{35}{4}}}{2} + 1 - 1 \\ &> (-y + 2) - x^{\frac{7}{2}} = |(-y + 2) - x^{\frac{7}{2}}| = |f(x) - g(y)|. \end{aligned} \quad (20)$$

Since the inequality (7) is satisfied, the function  $f$  and  $g$  have a unique fixed point, namely  $1 = f(1) = g(1)$ .

Let  $\mathcal{F} = \{f \mid f : X \rightarrow X\}$  be a collection of all metrically differentiable.

**Corollary 1.** Let  $(X, d)$  be a complete metric space. If two mappings  $f, g \in \mathcal{F}$  such that the absolute derivative  $f'_{abs}$  and  $g'_{abs}$  satisfying the following condition:

$$d(fx, gy) \leq f'_{abs}(x) - f'_{abs}(fx) + g'_{abs}(y) - g'_{abs}(gy)$$

for all  $x, y \in X$ , then  $f$  and  $g$  have a unique common fixed point.

**Proof** By Theorem 4, it is clear  $f$  and  $g$  have a unique common fixed point  $x_0 \in X$ . If  $h$  is the other mapping in  $\mathcal{F}$ , then  $f$  and  $h$  have a unique common fixed point  $u \in X$  by Theorem 4. Since  $x_0 \in X$  is the unique fixed point of the mapping  $f$ , hence  $x_0 = u$ . So the point  $x_0$  is a unique common fixed point of  $f, g$  and  $h$ . Of course,  $x_0$  is a unique common fixed point of the mappings in  $\mathcal{F}$  because  $h$  is an arbitrary mapping in the collection  $\mathcal{F}$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 5.** Let  $(X, d)$  be a complete metric space and  $f, g : X \rightarrow X$  be two mappings on  $X$ . If  $f$  and  $g$  are metrically differentiable on  $X$  such that the absolute derivative  $f'_{abs}, g'_{abs} : X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  satisfying the condition :

$$\begin{aligned} d(x, y) + d(x, fx) + d(y, gy) \\ \leq f'_{abs}(x) - f'_{abs}(fx) + g'_{abs}(y) - g'_{abs}(gy) \end{aligned} \quad (21)$$

for all  $x, y \in X$ , then  $f$  and  $g$  have a unique common fixed point.

**Proof** Now consider two points  $x_0 \in X$  and  $y_0 \in X$  as fixed. Then, we can form sequences as follows.

$$x_1 = fx_0, x_2 = fx_1 = f^2x_0, \dots, x_k = f^kx_0, \dots$$

and

$$y_1 = gy_0, y_2 = gy_1 = f^2y_0, \dots, y_k = g^ky_0, \dots$$

for  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ .

By inequalities (21), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} &\sum_{i=1}^n d(x_{i-1}, x_i) \\ &\leq \sum_{i=1}^n \{d(x_{i-1}, y_{i-1}) + d(x_{i-1}, x_i) + d(y_{i-1}, y_i)\} \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \{d(x_{i-1}, y_{i-1}) + d(x_{i-1}, fx_{i-1}) + d(y_{i-1}, gy_{i-1})\} \\ &\leq \sum_{i=1}^n \{f'_{abs}(x_{i-1}) - f'_{abs}(x_i) + g'_{abs}(y_{i-1}) - g'_{abs}(y_i)\} \\ &= f'_{abs}(x_0) - f'_{abs}(x_n) + g'_{abs}(y_0) - g'_{abs}(y_n) \\ &\leq f'_{abs}(x_0) + g'_{abs}(y_0). \end{aligned} \quad (22)$$

This implies that the series  $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} d(x_{i-1}, x_i)$  is convergent.

As the proof in Theorem 4, the sequence  $\{x_n\}$  is a Cauchy

sequence. Likewise, the sequence  $\{y_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence.

Since metric space  $X$  is complete, each of them is convergent, namely  $x_n \rightarrow u \in X$  and  $y_n \rightarrow v \in X$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

If  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(x_n) = u$  implies  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(fx_n) = fu$  and if  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} g(x_n) = v$  implies  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} g(gx_n) = gv$  by  $f$  and  $g$  are orbitally continuous. It allows the sequence  $x_{n+1} \rightarrow f(u)$  and  $y_{n+1} \rightarrow g(v)$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . This gives that  $fu = u$  and  $gv = v$ . So the point  $u$  is a fixed point of  $f$  and the point  $v$  is a fixed point of  $g$ .

By inequalities (21), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} d(u, v) &\leq d(u, v) + d(u, fu) + d(v, gv) \\ &\leq f'_{abs}(u) - f'_{abs}(fu) + g'_{abs}(v) - g'_{abs}(gv) \\ &= f'_{abs}(u) - f'_{abs}(u) + g'_{abs}(v) - g'_{abs}(v) \\ &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

This means  $u = v$ . In the other words, the point  $u$  is a common fixed point of  $f$  and  $g$  ( $u = fu = gu$ ).

Suppose  $f$  has the other fixed point  $w \in X$  ( $fw = w$ ). By applying (21), we have

$$\begin{aligned} d(w, u) &\leq d(w, u) + d(w, fw) + d(u, gu) \\ &\leq f'_{abs}(w) - f'_{abs}(fw) + g'_{abs}(u) - g'_{abs}(gu) \\ &= f'_{abs}(w) - f'_{abs}(w) + g'_{abs}(u) - g'_{abs}(u) \\ &= 0, \end{aligned}$$

which implies  $w = u$  (unique). Hence, the point  $u$  is the unique fixed point of  $f$ . Similarly, we can show that  $u$  is also the unique fixed point of  $g$ . This completes the proof.  $\square$

**Example 3.**

Let  $X = [0.6, 1]$  be endowed by usual metrics. Let  $f, g : [0.6, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a real function with  $f(x) = x^2$  and  $g(x) = x^3$  for all  $x \in [0.6, 1]$ . It is clear that  $f$  and  $g$  orbitally continuous and metrically differentiable on  $[0.6, 1]$  with absolute derivative as follows

$$f'_{abs}(x) = |2x| = 2x \tag{23}$$

and

$$g'_{abs}(x) = |3x^2| = 3x^2, \tag{24}$$

respectively. From the equation (23) and (24) we obtain

$$f'_{abs}(fx) = |2x^2| = 2x^2 \tag{25}$$

and

$$g'_{abs}(gx) = |3x^6| = 3x^6, \tag{26}$$

respectively. Now, we investigate as follows: From (23) and (25) we have that

$$f'_{abs}(x) - f'_{abs}(fx) = 2x - 2x^2 \geq 0$$

for all  $x \in [0.6, 1]$ .

From (24) and (26) we have that

$$g'_{abs}(y) - g'_{abs}(gy) = 3y^2 - 3y^6 \geq 0$$

for all  $y \in [0.6, 1]$ .

Since  $(x-x^2) \geq 0$  and  $(y-y^3) \geq 0$  for all  $x, y \in [0.6, 1]$ , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} |x - fx| &= |x - x^2| = (x - x^2) \\ &\leq 2(x - x^2) = f'_{abs}(x) - f'_{abs}(fx) \end{aligned} \tag{27}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} |y - gy| &= |y - y^3| = (y - y^3) \\ &\leq 3(y^2 - y^6) = g'_{abs}(y) - g'_{abs}(gy) \end{aligned} \tag{28}$$

for all  $x, y \in [0.6, 1]$ .

Further, we consider the form  $|x - y| + |x - fx| + |y - gy| = |x - y| + (x - x^2) + (y - y^3)$  for all  $x \neq y \in [0.6, 1]$ .

If  $x - y > 0$ , then we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} |x - y| + |x - fx| + |y - gy| &= (x - y) + (x - x^2) + (y - y^3) \\ &= (2x - x^2) - y^3 < (2x - 2x^2) + (y^2 - y^3) \\ &< (2x - 2x^2) + (y^2 - y^6) \\ &< 2(x - x^2) + 3(y^2 - y^6) \\ &= f'_{abs}(x) - f'_{abs}(fx) + g'_{abs}(y) - g'_{abs}(gy), \end{aligned} \tag{29}$$

for all  $x \neq y \in [0.6, 1]$  by inequalities (27) and (28).

If  $x - y < 0$ , then we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} |x - y| + |x - fx| + |y - gy| &= (-x + y) + (x - x^2) + (y - y^3) \\ &= -x^2 + (2y - y^3) < (x - x^2) + (2y - y^3) \\ &< 2(x - x^2) + 3(y^2 - y^6) \\ &= f'_{abs}(x) - f'_{abs}(fx) + g'_{abs}(y) - g'_{abs}(gy), \end{aligned} \tag{30}$$

for all  $x \neq y \in [0.6, 1]$  by inequalities (27) and (28). Thus, all of the calculations above were fulfilling the inequality (21) so that  $f$  and  $g$  have common fixed point  $z = 1 = f(1) = g(1)$ .

**5 Common fixed-point for set-valued functions**

Next, we consider common fixed-point theorems of Caristi-type mappings for set-valued mappings. To the proof of theorem below, we shall use the following Lemma.

**Lemma 5.** [15] Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space and let  $F : X \rightarrow \mathcal{CL}(X)$  be an upper semi-continuous. Suppose  $\{x_n\}$  is a sequence in  $X$  such that  $x_{n+1} \in Fx_n$ . If the sequence  $\{x_n\}$  converges to  $u \in X$ , then  $u \in Fu$ .

**Theorem 6.** Let  $(X, d)$  be a complete metric space and  $F, G : X \rightarrow \mathcal{CL}(X)$  be two upper semi-continuous set-valued mappings on  $X$ . If there exists selection  $f \in F$  and  $g \in G$  are metrically differentiable on  $X$  such that the absolute derivative  $f'_{abs}, g'_{abs} : X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  satisfying the following condition: For each two points  $x, y \in X$  there exists  $u \in Fx$  and  $v \in Gy$  such that

$$d(u, v) \leq f'_{abs}(x) - f'_{abs}(u) + g'_{abs}(y) - g'_{abs}(v), \quad (31)$$

then  $F$  and  $G$  have a unique common fixed point.

**Proof** We take two points  $x_0 \in X$  and  $y_0 \in X$  fixed. Thus, we can form sequences as follows.

$$x_1 \in Fx_0, x_2 \in Fx_1, \dots, x_k \in Fx_{k-1}, \dots$$

and

$$y_1 \in Gy_0, y_2 \in Gy_1, \dots, y_k \in Gy_{k-1}, \dots$$

for  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . In general we have

$$x_n \in Fx_{n-1} \quad \text{and} \quad y_n \in Gy_{n-1}$$

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

Suppose two points  $x_{i-1}, y_{i-1}$  are arbitrary in  $X$ , we can choose a point  $x_i \in Fx_{i-1}$  and a point  $y_i \in Gy_{i-1}$ . By inequalities (31), we obtain

$$d(x_i, y_i) \leq f'_{abs}(x_{i-1}) - f'_{abs}(x_i) + g'_{abs}(y_{i-1}) - g'_{abs}(y_i) \quad (32)$$

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

Suppose two points  $x_i, y_{i-1}$  are arbitrary in  $X$ , we can choose a point  $x_{i+1} \in Fx_i$  and a point  $y_i \in Gy_{i-1}$ . By inequalities (31), we obtain

$$d(x_{i+1}, y_i) \leq f'_{abs}(x_i) - f'_{abs}(x_{i+1}) + g'_{abs}(y_{i-1}) - g'_{abs}(y_i) \quad (33)$$

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

Suppose two points  $x_i, y_i$  is arbitrary in  $X$ , we can choose a point  $x_{i+1} \in Fx_i$  and a point  $y_{i+1} \in Gy_i$ . By inequalities (31), we obtain

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

From inequality (32), (33) and (34) and similar way to proof of Theorem 4, both sequences  $\{x_n\}$  and  $\{y_n\}$  are Chauchy sequences.

Since  $X$  is complete metric spaces, each of them is convergent, namely,  $x_n \rightarrow u \in X$  and  $y_n \rightarrow v \in X$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . Since  $F$  and  $G$  are upper semi-continuous, by Lemma 5, we have  $u \in Fu$  and  $v \in Gv$ . From inequalities (31), we obtain

$$d(u, v) \leq f'_{abs}(u) - f'_{abs}(u) + g'_{abs}(v) - g'_{abs}(v) = 0.$$

This means  $u = v$ . Hence,  $u \in Fu \cap Gu$ .

Suppose  $F$  has the other fixed point  $w \in X$  ( $w \in Fw$ ). By applying (31), we have

$$d(w, u) \leq f'_{abs}(w) - f'_{abs}(w) + g'_{abs}(u) - g'_{abs}(u) = 0.$$

So,  $w = u$ . In the other words, the point  $u$  is the only fixed point of  $F$ .

Suppose  $t \in X$  satisfies  $t \in Gt$ . By applying (31) again, we have

$$d(u, t) \leq f'_{abs}(u) - f'_{abs}(u) + g'_{abs}(t) - g'_{abs}(t) = 0.$$

So,  $t = u$ . In the other words, the point  $u$  is the only fixed point of  $G$ . Thus the point  $u$  is a unique common fixed point of  $F$  and  $G$ . This completes the proof.  $\square$

**Example 4.** Let  $X = [0, 1]$  be endowed by usual metrics. Let  $F, G : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be an interval-valued function with  $Fx = [x^2 - x, x]$  and  $Gx = [\frac{1}{2}x^2 + \frac{1}{2}, 1]$  for all  $x \in [0, 1]$ . We choose selections  $fx = (x^2 - x) \in Fx$  and  $gx = (\frac{1}{2}x^2 + \frac{1}{2}) \in Gx$  It is clear that  $f$  and  $g$  are metrically differentiable on  $[0, 1]$  with absolute derivative

$$f'_{abs}x = |2x - 1| = 2x - 1, \quad g'_{abs}x = |x| = x \quad (35)$$

since  $x \in [1, 2]$ .

For each  $x, y \in X$ , we choose the points  $u \in Fx = [x^2 - x, x]$  and  $v \in Gy = [\frac{1}{2}y^2 + \frac{1}{2}, 1]$  such that

$$x^2 - x \leq u \leq x, \quad \frac{1}{2}y^2 + \frac{1}{2} \leq v \leq 1. \quad (36)$$

Now, we calculate as follows:

Let  $(u - v) \geq 0, v \leq u \leq x, x \leq y$ . From (35) and (36) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} |u - v| &= u - v = (3u - 2u) - v \leq (3x - 2u) - v \\ &\leq (2x - 2u) + (x - v) \\ &\leq (2x - 2u) + (y - v) \\ &= (2x - 1) - (2u - 1) + (y - v) \\ &= f'_{abs}x - f'_{abs}u + g'_{abs}y - g'_{abs}v. \end{aligned}$$

Let  $(u - v) \leq 0, u \leq v \leq x, x \leq y$ . From (35) and (36) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} |u - v| &= v - u = v + (u - 2u) \leq x + (x - 2u) \\ &\leq (2x - 2u) + (y - v) \\ &= (2x - 1) - (2u - 1) + (y - v) \\ &= f'_{abs}x - f'_{abs}u + g'_{abs}y - g'_{abs}v. \end{aligned}$$

Let  $(u - v) \geq 0, v \leq u \leq y, y \leq x$ . From (35) and (36) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} |u - v| &= u - v = (3u - 2u) - v \leq (3y - 2u) - v \\ &\leq (2y - 2u) + (y - v) \\ &\leq (2x - 2u) + (y - v) \\ &= (2x - 1) - (2u - 1) + (y - v) \\ &= f'_{abs}x - f'_{abs}u + g'_{abs}y - g'_{abs}v. \end{aligned}$$

Let  $(u - v) \leq 0$ ,  $u \leq v \leq y$ ,  $y \leq x$ . From (35) and (36) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} |u - v| &= v - u = v + (u - 2u) \leq y + (y - 2u) = 2y - 2u \\ &\leq (2x - 2u) \leq (2x - 1) - (2u - 1) + (y - v) \\ &= f'_{abs}x - f'_{abs}u + g'_{abs}y - g'_{abs}v. \end{aligned}$$

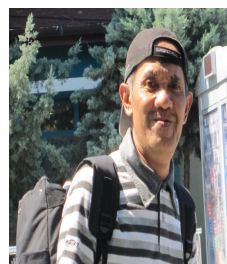
Thus, all of the calculations above are fulfilling the inequality (31) and the point  $z = 1 \in F(1) \cap G(1)$  is unique common fixed point of set-valued  $F$  and  $G$ .

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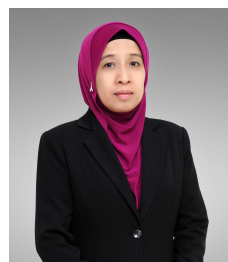


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