



On best proximity points for various α -proximal contractions on metric-like spaces

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Abstract

We establish some best proximity points for various α -proximal contractive non-self-mappings in the class of metric-like spaces. We provide concrete examples. We also present some best proximity point theorems in metric (metric-like) spaces endowed with a graph and in partially ordered metric spaces. ©2016 All rights reserved.

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1. Introduction and preliminaries

The notion of a metric-like (or a dislocated metric) was rediscovered by Harandi [1]. In the last years, many (common) fixed point results by using the concept of metric-like have been proved, see for example [2–6].

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

$$(\sigma_1) \quad \sigma(x, y) = 0 \implies x = y;$$

$$(\sigma_2) \quad \sigma(x, y) = \sigma(y, x);$$

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$$(\sigma_3) \quad \sigma(x, z) \leq \sigma(x, y) + \sigma(y, z).$$

Then the pair (X, σ) is called a metric-like space.

Example 1.2. Let $X = [0, \infty)$. Consider the mapping $\sigma : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ defined by $\sigma(x, y) = (x + y)$ for all $x, y \in X$. Then (X, σ) is a metric-like space.

Mention that each metric-like on X generates a T_0 topology τ_σ on X which has a base the family of open σ -balls $\{B_\sigma(x, \varepsilon) : x \in X, \varepsilon > 0\}$, where $B_\sigma(x, \varepsilon) = \{y \in X : |\sigma(x, y) - \sigma(x, x)| < \varepsilon\}$, for all $x \in X$ and $\varepsilon > 0$.

Definition 1.3. Let (X, σ) be a metric-like space, $\{x_n\}$ be a sequence in X and $x \in X$. The sequence $\{x_n\}$ converges to x if and only if

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

In a metric-like space, the limit for a convergent sequence is not unique in general.

Definition 1.4. Let (X, σ) be a metric-like space and $\{x_n\}$ be a sequence in X . We say that $\{x_n\}$ is Cauchy if and only if $\lim_{n, m \rightarrow \infty} \sigma(x_n, x_m)$ exists and is finite.

Definition 1.5. Let (X, σ) be a metric-like space. We say that (X, σ) is complete if and only if each Cauchy sequence in X is convergent.

In what follows, we recall some notations and definitions which will be needed in the sequel. For A and B two nonempty subsets of a metric-like space (X, σ) , define

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma(A, B) &= \inf\{\sigma(a, b) : a \in A, b \in B\}, \\ A_0 &= \inf\{a \in A : \sigma(a, b) = \sigma(A, B), \text{ for some } b \in B\}, \\ B_0 &= \inf\{b \in B : \sigma(a, b) = \sigma(A, B), \text{ for some } a \in A\}. \end{aligned}$$

The concept of (P) -property was introduced by Raj and Veeramani [14]. This concept was weakened later by Zhang et al. [18] where the concept of weak P -property was introduced. In the class of metric-like spaces, we have the following.

Definition 1.6. Let A and B be nonempty subsets of a metric-like space (X, σ) with $A_0 \neq \emptyset$. The pair (A, B) is said to have the weak (P) -property if and only if

$$\begin{cases} \sigma(x_1, y_1) = \sigma(A, B), \\ \sigma(x_2, y_2) = \sigma(A, B), \end{cases} \Rightarrow \sigma(x_1, x_2) \leq \sigma(y_1, y_2),$$

where $x_1, x_2 \in A$ and $y_1, y_2 \in B$.

Example 1.7. Let $X = \{(1, 2), (0, 1), (1, 3), (3, 1)\}$ endowed with the metric-like $\sigma((x_1, x_2), (y_1, y_2)) = x_1 + x_2 + y_1 + y_2$ for all $(x_1, x_2), (y_1, y_2) \in X$. Let $A = \{(1, 2), (0, 1)\}$ and $B = \{(1, 3), (3, 1)\}$. We have

$$\sigma((0, 1), (1, 3)) = 5 = \sigma(A, B) \quad \text{and} \quad \sigma((0, 1), (3, 1)) = \sigma(A, B).$$

Moreover,

$$\sigma((0, 1), (0, 1)) = 2 < 8 = \sigma((1, 3), (3, 1)).$$

Also, $A_0 \neq \emptyset$. Hence, the pair (A, B) satisfies the weak (P) -property.

As in [8], we introduce in the setting of metric-like spaces the following.

Definition 1.8. Let A and B be nonempty subsets of a metric-like space (X, σ) and $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$. A mapping $T : A \rightarrow B$ is named α -proximal admissible if

$$\begin{cases} \alpha(x_1, x_2) \geq 1, \\ \sigma(u_1, Tx_1) = \sigma(A, B), \\ \sigma(u_2, Tx_2) = \sigma(A, B), \end{cases} \Rightarrow \alpha(u_1, u_2) \geq 1,$$

for all $x_1, x_2, u_1, u_2 \in A$.

If $\sigma(A, B) = 0$, mention that T is α -proximal admissible implies that T is α -admissible [17].

We introduce the following notions.

Definition 1.9. Let A and B be nonempty subsets of a metric-like space (X, σ) and $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$. A mapping $T : A \rightarrow B$ is named triangular α -proximal admissible if

(T₁) T is α -proximal admissible;

(T₂) $\alpha(x, y) \geq 1$ and $\alpha(y, z) \geq 1 \Rightarrow \alpha(x, z) \geq 1, x, y, z \in A$.

Now, let Ψ be the set of functions $\psi : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ satisfying:

(ψ_1) ψ is nondecreasing;

(ψ_2) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \psi^n(t) < \infty$ for each $t \in \mathbb{R}^+$, where ψ^n is the n th iterate of ψ .

Consider also Φ as the set of functions $\phi : [0, \infty) \times [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ satisfying:

(ϕ_1) ϕ is continuous;

(ϕ_2) $\phi(x, y) = 0$ if and only if $x = y = 0$.

In the following, we give some generalized α -proximal contractions.

Definition 1.10. Let A and B be two nonempty subsets of a metric-like space (X, σ) . Consider a non-self-mapping $T : A \rightarrow B$ and a given function $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$.

(i) T is called an α -proximal contraction if

$$\alpha(x, y)\sigma(Tx, Ty) \leq \psi(\sigma(x, y)) \tag{1.1}$$

for all $x, y \in A$, where $\psi \in \Psi$.

(ii) T is called an α -proximal C -contraction if

$$\alpha(x, y)\sigma(Tx, Ty) \leq \frac{\sigma(x, Ty) + \sigma(y, Tx) - 2\sigma(A, B)}{2} - \phi(\sigma(x, Ty) - \sigma(A, B), \sigma(y, Tx) - \sigma(A, B)) \tag{1.2}$$

for all $x, y \in A$, where $\phi \in \Phi$.

On the other hand, the definition of a best proximity point is as follows.

Definition 1.11. Let (X, σ) be a metric-like space. Consider A and B as the two nonempty subsets of X . An element $a \in X$ is said to be a best proximity point of $T : A \rightarrow B$ if

$$\sigma(a, Ta) = \sigma(A, B).$$

Note that a fixed point coincides with a best proximity point in the case of $\sigma(A, B) = 0$. For some results on above concept, see for example [7, 9–13, 15, 16].

In this paper, we establish some existence results on best proximity points for various α -proximal contractions in the setting of metric-like spaces. We will support the obtained theorems by some concrete examples. Some nice consequences are also provided.

2. Main results

The first main result is:

Theorem 2.1. *Let A and B be nonempty closed subsets of a complete metric-like space (X, σ) such that $A_0 \neq \emptyset$. Let $T : A \rightarrow B$ be a given non-self-mapping. Suppose that*

- (i) $T(A_0) \subseteq B_0$ and (A, B) satisfies the weak (P) -property;
- (ii) T is α -proximal admissible;
- (iii) there exist elements x_0 and x_1 in A_0 such that

$$\sigma(x_1, Tx_0) = \sigma(A, B), \quad \text{and} \quad \alpha(x_0, x_1) \geq 1;$$

- (iv) T is a continuous α -proximal contraction.

Then, there exists $u \in A$ such that $\sigma(u, u) = 0$. Assume in addition that

- (v) $\alpha(z, z) \geq 1$ for each $z \in A_0$ such that $\sigma(z, z) = 0$.

Then, such u is a best proximity point of T , that is,

$$\sigma(u, Tu) = \sigma(A, B).$$

Proof. By assumption (iii), there exist x_0 and $x_1 \in A_0$ such that

$$\sigma(x_1, Tx_0) = \sigma(A, B), \quad \text{and} \quad \alpha(x_0, x_1) \geq 1. \quad (2.1)$$

From condition (i), we have $T(A_0) \subseteq B_0$, so there exists $x_2 \in A_0$ such that

$$\sigma(x_2, Tx_1) = \sigma(A, B). \quad (2.2)$$

By (2.1), (2.2) and the fact that T is α -proximal admissible, we have

$$\alpha(x_1, x_2) \geq 1.$$

By repeating the above strategy, by the induction, we arrive to construct a sequence $\{x_n\}$ in A_0 such that

$$\sigma(x_{n+1}, Tx_n) = \sigma(A, B), \quad \text{and} \quad \alpha(x_n, x_{n+1}) \geq 1, \quad \text{for all } n \geq 0. \quad (2.3)$$

From condition (i), the pair (A, B) satisfies the weak (P) -property, so

$$\sigma(x_n, x_{n+1}) \leq \sigma(Tx_{n-1}, Tx_n), \quad \text{for all } n \geq 1. \quad (2.4)$$

The non-self-mapping T is an α -proximal contraction, so for all $n \geq 1$, by using (2.3) and (2.4)

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma(x_n, x_{n+1}) &\leq \sigma(Tx_{n-1}, Tx_n) \\ &\leq \alpha(x_{n-1}, x_n) \sigma(Tx_{n-1}, Tx_n) \\ &\leq \psi(\sigma(x_{n-1}, x_n)) \\ &\leq \psi^n(\sigma(x_0, x_1)). \end{aligned}$$

Since $\psi \in \Psi$, so the right-hand side of above inequality tends to 0 as $n \rightarrow \infty$, that is,

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

For all $k \in \mathbb{N}$, we have

$$\sigma(x_n, x_{n+k}) \leq \sum_{m=n}^{n+k-1} \sigma(x_m, x_{m+1}) \leq \sum_{m=n}^{n+k-1} \psi^m(\sigma(x_0, x_1))$$

$$\leq \sum_{m=n}^{\infty} \psi^m(\sigma(x_0, x_1)) \rightarrow 0, \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

It follows that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sigma(x_n, x_{n+k}) = 0$ for all $k \in \mathbb{N}$, that is, $\{x_n\}$ is a Cauchy sequence in A . Since A is a closed subset of the complete metric-like space (X, σ) , then there exists $u \in A$ such that $x_n \rightarrow u$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$, that is,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sigma(x_n, u) = \sigma(u, u) = \lim_{n, m \rightarrow \infty} \sigma(x_n, x_m) = 0. \tag{2.5}$$

We have obtained $\sigma(u, u) = 0$. Thus, by condition (v), $\alpha(u, u) \geq 1$. Consequently, from condition (iv),

$$\sigma(Tu, Tu) \leq \alpha(u, u)\sigma(Tu, Tu) \leq \psi(\sigma(u, u)) = \psi(0) = 0,$$

which implies that $\sigma(Tu, Tu) = 0$. The mapping T is continuous at u , so

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sigma(Tx_n, Tu) = \sigma(Tu, Tu) = 0. \tag{2.6}$$

On the other hand, by triangular inequality and by using (2.3),

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma(A, B) &\leq \sigma(u, Tu) \\ &\leq \sigma(u, x_{n+1}) + \sigma(x_{n+1}, Tx_n) + \sigma(Tx_n, Tu) \\ &= \sigma(u, x_{n+1}) + \sigma(A, B) + \sigma(Tx_n, Tu). \end{aligned}$$

By letting $n \rightarrow \infty$ in above inequalities, by (2.5) and (2.6),

$$\sigma(A, B) \leq \sigma(u, Tu) \leq \sigma(A, B),$$

that is, $\sigma(A, B) = \sigma(u, Tu)$, i.e., u is a best proximity point of T . □

In the next result, we replace the continuity hypothesis by the following condition in A :

(H) if $\{x_n\}$ is a sequence in A such that $\alpha(x_n, x_{n+1}) \geq 1$ for all n and $x_n \rightarrow x \in A$ 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 .

Theorem 2.2. *Let A and B be nonempty closed subsets of a complete metric-like space (X, σ) such that $A_0 \neq \emptyset$. Let $T : A \rightarrow B$ be a given non-self-mapping. Suppose that*

- (i) $T(A_0) \subseteq B_0$ and (A, B) satisfies the weak (P)-property;
- (ii) T is α -proximal admissible;
- (iii) there exist elements x_0 and x_1 in A_0 such that

$$\sigma(x_1, Tx_0) = \sigma(A, B) \quad \text{and} \quad \alpha(x_0, x_1) \geq 1;$$

- (iv) T is an α -proximal contraction;
- (iv) (H) holds.

Then, there exists $u \in A$ such that

$$\sigma(u, Tu) = \sigma(A, B) \quad \text{and} \quad \sigma(u, u) = 0.$$

Proof. By following the proof of Theorem 2.1, there exists a sequence $\{x_n\}$ in A_0 such that (2.3) holds. Also, $\{x_n\}$ is Cauchy in the subset A , which is closed in the complete metric-like space (X, σ) , then there exists $u \in A$ such that $x_n \rightarrow u$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. By hypothesis (H), there exists a subsequence $\{x_{n(k)}\}$ of $\{x_n\}$ such that $\alpha(x_{n(k)}, u) \geq 1$ for all k . Now, from condition (iv), we have

$$\sigma(Tx_{n(k)}, Tu) \leq \alpha(x_{n(k)}, u)\sigma(Tx_{n(k)}, Tu) \leq \psi(\sigma(x_{n(k)}, u)).$$

On the other hand, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma(A, B) &\leq \sigma(u, Tu) \\ &\leq \sigma(u, x_{n(k)+1}) + \sigma(x_{n(k)+1}, Tx_{n(k)}) + \sigma(Tx_{n(k)}, Tu) \\ &= \sigma(u, x_{n(k)+1}) + \sigma(A, B) + \sigma(Tx_{n(k)}, Tu). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\sigma(A, B) \leq \sigma(u, Tu) \leq \sigma(u, x_{n(k)+1}) + \sigma(A, B) + \psi(\sigma(x_{n(k)}, u)).$$

By (2.5) and a property of ψ , as $n \rightarrow \infty$, we get

$$\sigma(A, B) \leq \sigma(u, Tu) \leq \sigma(A, B),$$

that is, $\sigma(A, B) = \sigma(u, Tu)$, i.e., u is a best proximity point of T . □

Now, we prove the uniqueness of such best proximity point. For this, we need the following additional condition.

(U) For all $x, y \in B(T)$, we have $\alpha(x, y) \geq 1$, where $B(T)$, denotes the set of best proximity points of T .

Theorem 2.3. *By adding condition (U) to the hypotheses of Theorem 2.1 (resp. Theorem 2.2), we obtain that u is the unique best proximity point of T .*

Proof. We argue by contradiction, that is, there exist $u, v \in A$ such that $\sigma(A, B) = \sigma(u, Tu) = \sigma(v, Tv)$ with $u \neq v$. By assumption (U), we have $\alpha(u, v) \geq 1$. So, as the pair (A, B) satisfies the weak (P)-property, then by (1.1), we have

$$0 < \sigma(u, v) \leq \sigma(Tu, Tv) \leq \alpha(u, v)\sigma(Tu, Tv) \leq \psi(\sigma(u, v)) < \sigma(u, v),$$

which is a contradiction. Hence, $u = v$. □

We provide the following example.

Example 2.4. Let $X = \{0, 1, 2, 3\}$ endowed with the metric-like σ given as

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma(0, 0) &= \frac{3}{2}, \quad \sigma(1, 1) = \sigma(3, 3) = 0, \quad \sigma(2, 2) = 2, \\ \sigma(0, 1) = \sigma(1, 0) &= 2, \quad \sigma(0, 2) = \sigma(2, 0) = \sigma(3, 1) = \sigma(1, 3) = \frac{3}{2}, \\ \sigma(0, 3) = \sigma(2, 3) &= \frac{5}{2}, \quad \text{and} \quad \sigma(1, 2) = \sigma(2, 1) = 3, \end{aligned}$$

Take $A = \{1, 2\}$ and $B = \{2, 3\}$. Consider the mapping $T : A \rightarrow B$ defined by

$$T2 = 2, \quad \text{and} \quad T1 = 3.$$

Remark that $\sigma(A, B) = \sigma(1, 3) = \frac{3}{2}$. Also, $A_0 = \{1\}$ and $B_0 = \{3\}$. Note that $T(A_0) \subseteq B_0$. Now, let $x_1, x_2 \in A$ and $y_1, y_2 \in B$ such that

$$\begin{cases} \sigma(x_1, y_1) = \sigma(A, B) = \frac{3}{2}, \\ \sigma(x_2, y_2) = \sigma(A, B) = \frac{3}{2}. \end{cases}$$

Then, we have $(x_1 = 1, y_1 = 3)$ and $(x_2 = 1, y_2 = 3)$. In this case,

$$\sigma(x_1, x_2) = 0 = \sigma(y_1, y_2),$$

that is, the pair (A, B) has the weak (P) -property.

Take $\psi(t) = \frac{11}{12}t$, for all $t \geq 0$. Define $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ as follows

$$\begin{cases} \alpha(x, y) = 1, & \text{if } (x, y) \in \{(1, 2), (2, 1), (1, 1)\}, \\ \alpha(x, y) = 0, & \text{if not.} \end{cases}$$

Let x_1, x_2, u_1 and u_2 in $A = \{1, 2\}$ such that

$$\begin{cases} \alpha(x_1, x_2) \geq 1, \\ \sigma(u_1, Tx_1) = \sigma(A, B) = \frac{3}{2}, \\ \sigma(u_2, Tx_2) = \sigma(A, B) = \frac{3}{2}. \end{cases}$$

Then, necessarily, we have $(x_1 = x_2 = u_1 = u_2 = 1)$. So

$$\alpha(u_1, u_2) \geq 1,$$

that is, T is α -proximal admissible. By the symmetry of α and σ , it suffices to study the cases $(x = 1, y = 2)$ and $(x = y = 1)$.

If $(x = 1, y = 2)$, we have

$$\alpha(x, y)\sigma(Tx, Ty) = \sigma(3, 2) = \frac{5}{2} \leq \psi(3) = \psi(\sigma(1, 2)) = \psi(\sigma(x, y)).$$

If $(x = y = 1)$, we have

$$\alpha(x, y)\sigma(Tx, Ty) = \sigma(3, 3) = 0 = \psi(0) = \psi(\sigma(1, 1)) = \psi(\sigma(x, y)).$$

Thus, (1.1) is satisfied for all $x, y \in A$. Moreover, the conditions (H) and (iii) with $x_0 = x_1 = 1$ in Theorem 2.2 are verified. So T has a best proximity point which is $u = 1$. It is also unique and verifies $\sigma(u, u) = 0$.

Theorem 2.5. *Let A and B be nonempty closed subsets of a complete metric-like space (X, σ) such that $A_0 \neq \emptyset$. Let $T : A \rightarrow B$ be a given non-self-mapping. Suppose that*

- (i) $T(A_0) \subseteq B_0$ and (A, B) satisfies the weak (P) -property;
- (ii) T is triangular α -proximal admissible;
- (iii) there exist elements x_0 and x_1 in A_0 such that

$$\sigma(x_1, Tx_0) = \sigma(A, B), \quad \text{and} \quad \alpha(x_0, x_1) \geq 1;$$

- (iv) T is a continuous α -proximal C -contraction.

Then, there exists $u \in A$ such that $\sigma(u, u) = 0$. Assume in addition that

- (v) $\alpha(z, z) \geq 1$ for each $z \in A$ such that $\sigma(z, z) = 0$.

Then, such u is a best proximity point of T , that is,

$$\sigma(u, Tu) = \sigma(A, B).$$

Proof. By following the proof of Theorem 2.1, we construct a sequence $\{x_n\}$ in A_0 such that (2.3) holds, that is,

$$\sigma(x_{n+1}, Tx_n) = \sigma(A, B), \quad \text{and} \quad \alpha(x_n, x_{n+1}) \geq 1, \quad \text{for all } n \geq 0.$$

Since T is triangular α -proximal admissible, then

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

Thus by the induction, we get

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

Again, (2.4) is satisfied, that is,

$$\sigma(x_n, x_{n+1}) \leq \sigma(Tx_{n-1}, Tx_n), \text{ for all } n \geq 1.$$

By condition (iv), T is an α -proximal C -contraction, so

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma(x_n, x_{n+1}) &\leq \sigma(Tx_{n-1}, Tx_n) \\ &\leq \alpha(x_{n-1}, x_n)\sigma(Tx_{n-1}, Tx_n) \\ &\leq \frac{\sigma(x_{n-1}, Tx_n) + \sigma(x_n, Tx_{n-1}) - 2\sigma(A, B)}{2} \\ &\quad - \phi(\sigma(x_{n-1}, Tx_n) - \sigma(A, B), \sigma(x_n, Tx_{n-1}) - \sigma(A, B)) \\ &= \frac{\sigma(x_{n-1}, Tx_n) - \sigma(A, B)}{2} - \phi(\sigma(x_{n-1}, Tx_n) - \sigma(A, B), 0) \\ &\leq \frac{\sigma(x_{n-1}, Tx_n) - \sigma(A, B)}{2} \\ &\leq \frac{\sigma(x_{n-1}, x_n) + \sigma(x_n, x_{n+1}) + \sigma(x_{n+1}, Tx_n) - \sigma(A, B)}{2} \\ &= \frac{\sigma(x_{n-1}, x_n) + \sigma(x_n, x_{n+1})}{2}. \end{aligned}$$

One can write

$$\sigma(x_n, x_{n+1}) \leq \sigma(x_{n-1}, x_n), \text{ for all } n \geq 1,$$

which allows to say that $\{\sigma(x_n, x_{n+1})\}$ is a nonincreasing sequence in $[0, \infty)$. Then, there exists $t \geq 0$ such that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sigma(x_n, x_{n+1}) = t. \tag{2.7}$$

We obtained

$$\sigma(x_n, x_{n+1}) \leq \frac{\sigma(x_{n-1}, Tx_n) - \sigma(A, B)}{2} \leq \frac{\sigma(x_{n-1}, x_n) + \sigma(x_n, x_{n+1})}{2}.$$

By (2.7), we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sigma(x_{n-1}, Tx_n) - \sigma(A, B) = 2t.$$

Moreover, we have

$$\sigma(x_n, x_{n+1}) \leq \frac{\sigma(x_{n-1}, x_n) + \sigma(x_n, x_{n+1})}{2} - \phi(\sigma(x_{n-1}, Tx_n) - \sigma(A, B), 0).$$

By letting $n \rightarrow \infty$, we get

$$t \leq t - \phi(2t, 0),$$

which holds unless $\phi(2t, 0) = 0$, so by a property of ϕ , $t = 0$, i.e.,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sigma(x_n, x_{n+1}) = 0. \tag{2.8}$$

Now, we shall prove that

$$\lim_{n,m \rightarrow \infty} \sigma(x_n, x_m) = 0. \tag{2.9}$$

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

$$\sigma(x_{n(k)}, x_{m(k)}) \geq \varepsilon. \tag{2.10}$$

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 (2.10). Then

$$\sigma(x_{n(k)}, x_{m(k)-1}) < \varepsilon. \tag{2.11}$$

By using (2.10), (2.11) 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 letting $k \rightarrow \infty$ in the above inequality and using (2.8), we obtain

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \sigma(x_{n(k)}, x_{m(k)}) = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \sigma(x_{n(k)}, x_{m(k)-1}) = \varepsilon. \tag{2.12}$$

Also, by the triangular inequality, we have

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

By letting $k \rightarrow \infty$ in the above inequalities and by using (2.8) and (2.12), we obtain

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \sigma(x_{n(k)-1}, x_{m(k)}) = \varepsilon. \tag{2.13}$$

On the other hand, we have

$$\sigma(x_{n(k)}, Tx_{n(k)-1}) = \sigma(A, B), \quad \text{and} \quad \sigma(x_{m(k)}, Tx_{m(k)-1}) = \sigma(A, B), \quad \text{for all } k \geq 1.$$

Since the pair (A, B) satisfies the (P) -property, it follows that

$$\sigma(x_{n(k)}, x_{m(k)}) \leq \sigma(Tx_{n(k)-1}, Tx_{m(k)-1}), \quad \text{for all } k \geq 1.$$

Consider

$$a_k := \sigma(x_{n(k)-1}, Tx_{m(k)-1}) - \sigma(A, B), \quad \text{and} \quad b_k := \sigma(x_{m(k)-1}, Tx_{n(k)-1}) - \sigma(A, B).$$

By (1.2) and as $\alpha(x_{n(k)-1}, x_{m(k)} - 1) \geq 1$ for all $k \geq 1$, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma(x_{n(k)}, x_{m(k)}) &\leq \sigma(Tx_{n(k)-1}, Tx_{m(k)-1}) \leq \alpha(x_{n(k)-1}, x_{m(k)} - 1) \sigma(Tx_{n(k)-1}, Tx_{m(k)-1}) \\ &\leq 2^{-1} [\sigma(x_{n(k)-1}, Tx_{m(k)-1}) + \sigma(x_{m(k)-1}, Tx_{n(k)-1}) - 2\sigma(A, B)] \\ &\quad - \phi(\sigma(x_{n(k)-1}, Tx_{m(k)-1}) - \sigma(A, B), \sigma(x_{m(k)-1}, Tx_{n(k)-1}) - \sigma(A, B)) \\ &\leq 2^{-1} [\sigma(x_{n(k)-1}, x_{m(k)}) + \sigma(x_{m(k)}, Tx_{m(k)-1}) \\ &\quad + \sigma(x_{m(k)-1}, x_{n(k)}) + \sigma(x_{n(k)}, Tx_{n(k)-1}) - 2\sigma(A, B)] - \phi(a_k, b_k) \\ &= 2^{-1} [\sigma(x_{n(k)-1}, x_{m(k)}) + \sigma(x_{m(k)-1}, x_{n(k)})] - \phi(a_k, b_k) \\ &\leq 2^{-1} [\sigma(x_{n(k)-1}, x_{m(k)}) + \sigma(x_{m(k)-1}, x_{n(k)})]. \end{aligned}$$

By letting $k \rightarrow \infty$ and taking into account (2.12) and (2.13), we get

$$\varepsilon \leq 2^{-1}[\varepsilon + \varepsilon] - \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \phi(a_k, b_k) \leq \varepsilon.$$

Thus,

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \phi(a_k, b_k) = 0.$$

Also

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} (a_k + b_k) = 2\varepsilon. \tag{2.14}$$

By (2.14), $\{a_k\}$ and $\{b_k\}$ are bounded in $[0, \infty)$. Then, $\{(a_k, b_k)\}$ is bounded in $[0, \infty) \times [0, \infty)$. Consequently, there exists a subsequence of $\{(a_k, b_k)\}$ denoted by $\{(a_{n_k}, b_{n_k})\}$ and to be convergent. It follows that $\{a_{n_k}\}$ and $\{b_{n_k}\}$ are convergent. Again, by (2.14), we have

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \phi(a_{n_k}, b_{n_k}) = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \phi(a_k, b_k) = 0.$$

Since ϕ is continuous, then

$$\phi\left(\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} a_{n_k}, \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} b_{n_k}\right) = 0.$$

From the fact that $\phi(x, y) = 0$ if and only if $x = y = 0$, we obtain

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} a_{n_k} = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} b_{n_k} = 0. \tag{2.15}$$

By (2.14) and (2.15),

$$2\varepsilon = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} (a_k + b_k) = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} (a_{n_k} + b_{n_k}) = 0.$$

This yields $\varepsilon = 0$, which is a contradiction. This completes the proof of (2.9). It follows that $\{x_n\}$ is a Cauchy sequence in A . Since A is a closed subset of the complete metric-like space (X, σ) , then there exists $u \in A$ such that $x_n \rightarrow u$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$, that is,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sigma(x_n, u) = \sigma(u, u) = \lim_{n, m \rightarrow \infty} \sigma(x_n, x_m) = 0. \tag{2.16}$$

We have obtained $\sigma(u, u) = 0$. Thus, by condition (v), $\alpha(u, u) \geq 1$. Consequently, from condition (iv),

$$\sigma(Tu, Tu) \leq \alpha(u, u)\sigma(Tu, Tu) \leq \sigma(u, Tu) - \sigma(A, B) - \phi\left(\sigma(u, Tu) - \sigma(A, B), \sigma(u, Tu) - \sigma(A, B)\right).$$

The mapping T is continuous at u , so

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sigma(Tx_n, Tu) = \sigma(Tu, Tu). \tag{2.17}$$

On the other hand, by triangular inequality,

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma(u, Tu) &\leq \sigma(u, x_{n+1}) + \sigma(x_{n+1}, Tx_n) + \sigma(Tx_n, Tu) \\ &= \sigma(u, x_{n+1}) + \sigma(A, B) + \sigma(Tx_n, Tu). \end{aligned}$$

By letting $n \rightarrow \infty$ in above inequalities, by (2.16) and (2.17),

$$\sigma(u, Tu) \leq \sigma(A, B) + \sigma(Tu, Tu).$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma(u, Tu) - \sigma(A, B) &\leq \sigma(Tu, Tu) \leq \sigma(u, Tu) - \sigma(A, B) \\ &\quad - \phi\left(\sigma(u, Tu) - \sigma(A, B), \sigma(u, Tu) - \sigma(A, B)\right) \\ &\leq \sigma(u, Tu) - \sigma(A, B). \end{aligned}$$

We deduce that $\phi(\sigma(u, Tu) - \sigma(A, B), \sigma(u, Tu) - \sigma(A, B)) = 0$. Again from the fact that $\phi(x, y) = 0$ if and only if $x = y = 0$, we obtain $\sigma(u, Tu) - \sigma(A, B) = 0$, that is, $\sigma(A, B) = \sigma(u, Tu)$, i.e., u is a best proximity point of T . □

Theorem 2.6. *Let A and B be nonempty closed subsets of a complete metric-like space (X, σ) such that $A_0 \neq \emptyset$. Let $T : A \rightarrow B$ be a given non-self-mapping. Suppose that*

- (i) $T(A_0) \subseteq B_0$ and (A, B) satisfies the weak (P) -property;
- (ii) T is triangular α -proximal admissible;
- (iii) there exist elements x_0 and x_1 in A_0 such that

$$\sigma(x_1, Tx_0) = \sigma(A, B), \quad \text{and} \quad \alpha(x_0, x_1) \geq 1;$$

- (iv) T is an α -proximal C -contraction;
- (v) (H) holds.

Then, there exists $u \in A$ such that u is a best proximity point of T and $\sigma(u, u) = 0$.

Proof. By following the proof of Theorem 2.5, there exists a sequence $\{x_n\}$ in A_0 such that

$$\sigma(x_{n+1}, Tx_n) = \sigma(A, B), \quad \text{and} \quad \alpha(x_n, x_m) \geq 1, \quad \text{for all } m > n \geq 0.$$

Also, $\{x_n\}$ is Cauchy in the subset A , which is closed in the complete metric-like space (X, σ) , then there exists $u \in A$ such that $x_n \rightarrow u$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. By hypothesis (H), there exists a subsequence $\{x_{n(k)}\}$ of $\{x_n\}$ such that $\alpha(x_{n(k)}, u) \geq 1$ for all k . Now, from condition (iv), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma(Tx_{n(k)}, Tu) &\leq \alpha(x_{n(k)}, u)\sigma(Tx_{n(k)}, Tu) \\ &\leq 2^{-1}[\sigma(x_{n(k)}, Tu) + \sigma(u, Tx_{n(k)}) - 2\sigma(A, B)] \\ &\quad - \phi(\sigma(x_{n(k)}, Tu) - \sigma(A, B), \sigma(u, Tx_{n(k)}) - \sigma(A, B)) \\ &\leq 2^{-1}[\sigma(x_{n(k)}, u) + \sigma(u, Tu) + \sigma(u, x_{n(k)+1}) - \sigma(A, B)]. \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma(A, B) \leq \sigma(u, Tu) &\leq \sigma(u, x_{n(k)+1}) + \sigma(x_{n(k)+1}, Tx_{n(k)}) + \sigma(Tx_{n(k)}, Tu) \\ &= \sigma(u, x_{n(k)+1}) + \sigma(A, B) + \sigma(Tx_{n(k)}, Tu). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma(A, B) \leq \sigma(u, Tu) &\leq \sigma(u, x_{n(k)+1}) + \sigma(A, B) \\ &\quad + 2^{-1}[\sigma(x_{n(k)}, u) + \sigma(u, Tu) + \sigma(u, x_{n(k)+1}) - \sigma(A, B)]. \end{aligned}$$

By (2.5), as $n \rightarrow \infty$, we get

$$\sigma(A, B) \leq \sigma(u, Tu) \leq \sigma(A, B) + 2^{-1}[\sigma(u, Tu) - \sigma(A, B)] = 2^{-1}[\sigma(u, Tu) + \sigma(A, B)].$$

Hence

$$\sigma(A, B) \leq \sigma(u, Tu) \leq \sigma(A, B),$$

that is, $\sigma(A, B) = \sigma(u, Tu)$, i.e., u is a best proximity point of T . □

Theorem 2.7. *By adding condition (U) to the hypotheses of Theorem 2.5 (resp. Theorem 2.6), we obtain that u is the unique best proximity point of T .*

Proof. Suppose that there exist $u, v \in A$ such that $\sigma(A, B) = \sigma(u, Tu) = \sigma(v, Tv)$. By assumption (U), we have $\alpha(u, v) \geq 1$. So, as the pair (A, B) satisfies the weak (P)-property, then by (1.2), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma(u, v) &\leq \sigma(Tu, Tv) \leq \alpha(u, v)\sigma(Tu, Tv) \leq 2^{-1}[\sigma(u, Tv) + \sigma(Tu, v) - 2\sigma(A, B)] \\ &\quad - \phi(\sigma(u, Tv) - \sigma(A, B), \sigma(v, Tu) - \sigma(A, B)) \\ &\leq 2^{-1}[\sigma(u, v) + \sigma(v, Tv) + \sigma(v, u) + \sigma(u, Tu) - 2\sigma(A, B)] \\ &\quad - \phi(\sigma(u, Tv) - \sigma(A, B), \sigma(v, Tu) - \sigma(A, B)) \\ &= \sigma(u, v) - \phi(\sigma(u, Tv) - \sigma(A, B), \sigma(v, Tu) - \sigma(A, B)) \\ &\leq \sigma(u, v). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\phi(\sigma(u, Tv) - \sigma(A, B), \sigma(v, Tu) - \sigma(A, B)) = 0.$$

From the fact that $\phi(x, y) = 0$ iff $x = y = 0$, we obtain $\sigma(u, Tv) - \sigma(A, B) = 0$ and $\sigma(v, Tu) - \sigma(A, B) = 0$. Then, we have $\sigma(u, Tu) = \sigma(v, Tu) = \sigma(A, B)$, and since the pair (A, B) satisfies the weak (P)-property, then

$$\sigma(u, v) \leq \sigma(Tu, Tu).$$

Also

$$\begin{cases} \alpha(u, v) \geq 1, \\ \sigma(u, Tu) = \sigma(A, B), \\ \sigma(u, Tv) = \sigma(A, B). \end{cases}$$

The mapping T is α -proximal admissible, then $\alpha(u, u) \geq 1$. It follows from (1.2) that

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma(u, v) &\leq \sigma(Tu, Tu) \leq \alpha(u, u)\sigma(Tu, Tu) \leq 2^{-1}[2\sigma(u, Tu) - 2\sigma(A, B)] \\ &\quad - \phi(\sigma(u, Tu) - \sigma(A, B), \sigma(u, Tu) - \sigma(A, B)) \\ &= -\phi(0, 0) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

This yields that $\sigma(u, v) = 0$ and so, $u = v$. □

The following example illustrates Theorem 2.6.

Example 2.8. Let $X = [0, \infty) \times [0, \infty)$ endowed with the metric-like $\sigma : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ given as

$$\sigma((x_1, x_2), (y_1, y_2)) = \begin{cases} |x_1 - y_1| + |x_2 - y_2|, & \text{if } (x_1, x_2), (y_1, y_2) \in [0, 1]^2, \\ x_1 + x_2 + y_1 + y_2, & \text{if not.} \end{cases}$$

It is easy to prove that (X, σ) a complete metric-like space. Take $A = \{0\} \times [0, \infty)$ and $B = \{1\} \times [0, \infty)$. Remark that $\sigma(A, B) = \sigma((0, 0), (1, 0)) = 1$. Also, $A_0 = \{0\} \times [0, 1]$ and $B_0 = \{1\} \times [0, 1]$. Consider the mapping $T : A \rightarrow B$ defined by

$$T(0, x) = (1, \frac{x}{4}), \quad \forall x \geq 0.$$

We have $T(A_0) \subseteq B_0$. Now, let $(0, x_1), (0, x_2) \in A$ and $(1, u_1), (1, u_2) \in B$ such that

$$\begin{cases} \sigma((0, x_1), (1, u_1)) = \sigma(A, B) = 1, \\ \sigma((0, x_2), (1, u_2)) = \sigma(A, B) = 1. \end{cases}$$

Necessarily, $(x_1 = u_1 \in [0, 1])$ and $(x_2 = u_2 \in [0, 1])$. In this case,

$$\sigma((0, x_1), (0, x_2)) = \sigma((1, u_1), (1, u_2)),$$

that is, the pair (A, B) has the weak (P) -property.

Take $\phi(u, v) = \frac{1}{20}(u + v)$ for all $u, v \geq 0$. Define $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ as follows

$$\begin{cases} \alpha((x, y), (s, t)) = 1, & \text{if } (x, y), (s, t) \in [0, 1] \times [0, 1], \\ \alpha((x, y), (s, t)) = 0, & \text{if not.} \end{cases}$$

Let $(0, x_1), (0, x_2), (0, u_1)$ and $(0, u_2)$ in A such that

$$\begin{cases} \alpha((0, x_1), (0, x_2)) \geq 1, \\ \sigma((0, u_1), T(0, x_1)) = \sigma(A, B) = 1, \\ \sigma((0, u_2), T(0, x_2)) = \sigma(A, B) = 1. \end{cases}$$

Then, necessarily, $(x_1, x_2) \in [0, 1] \times [0, 1]$. Also, we have $(u_1 = \frac{x_1}{4}$ and $u_2 = \frac{x_2}{4})$. So

$$\alpha(u_1, u_2) \geq 1,$$

that is, T is α -proximal admissible. Moreover, the condition (T_2) in Definition 1.9 is satisfied, so the mapping $T : A \rightarrow B$ is triangular α -proximal admissible.

Let $(0, x)$ and $(0, y) \in A$ such that $\alpha(x, y) = 1$. Then, $x, y \in [0, 1]$. In this case, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha((0, x), (0, y))\sigma(T(0, x), T(0, y)) &= \sigma(T(0, x), T(0, y)) \\ &= \sigma((1, \frac{x}{4}), (1, \frac{y}{4})) \\ &= |\frac{x}{4} - \frac{y}{4}|. \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand, we have

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{\sigma((0,x),T(0,y))+\sigma((0,y),T(0,x))-2\sigma(A,B)}{2} - \phi\left(\sigma((0, x), T(0, y)) - \sigma(A, B), \sigma((0, y), T(0, x)) - \sigma(A, B)\right) \\ &= \frac{\sigma((0,x),(1,\frac{y}{4}))+\sigma((0,y),(1,\frac{x}{4}))-2}{2} - \phi\left(\sigma((0, x), (1, \frac{y}{4})) - 1, \sigma((0, y), (1, \frac{x}{4})) - 1\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2}\left(1 + |x - \frac{y}{4}| + 1 + |y - \frac{x}{4}| - 2\right) - \phi\left(1 + |x - \frac{y}{4}| - 1, 1 + |y - \frac{x}{4}| - 1\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2}\left(|x - \frac{y}{4}| + |y - \frac{x}{4}|\right) - \phi(|x - \frac{y}{4}|, |y - \frac{x}{4}|). \end{aligned}$$

Without loss of generality, take $x \leq y$. We have the following cases:

Case 1: If $x \leq \frac{y}{4}$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{\sigma((0,x),T(0,y))+\sigma((0,y),T(0,x))-2\sigma(A,B)}{2} - \phi\left(\sigma((0, x), T(0, y)) - \sigma(A, B), \sigma((0, y), T(0, x)) - \sigma(A, B)\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{y}{4} - x + y - \frac{x}{4}\right) - \phi\left(\frac{y}{4} - x, y - \frac{x}{4}\right) \\ &= \frac{5}{8}y - \frac{5}{8}x - \frac{1}{20}\left(\frac{5}{4}y - \frac{5}{4}x\right) \\ &= \frac{9}{16}(y - x). \end{aligned}$$

We deduce from above that (1.2) holds.

Case 2: If $x \geq \frac{y}{4}$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{\sigma((0,x),T(0,y))+\sigma((0,y),T(0,x))-2\sigma(A,B)}{2} - \phi\left(\sigma((0, x), T(0, y)) - \sigma(A, B), \sigma((0, y), T(0, x)) - \sigma(A, B)\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2}\left(x - \frac{y}{4} + y - \frac{x}{4}\right) - \phi\left(x - \frac{y}{4}, y - \frac{x}{4}\right) \\ &= \frac{3}{8}x - \frac{3}{8}y - \frac{1}{20}\left(\frac{3}{4}x - \frac{3}{4}y\right) \\ &= \frac{27}{80}(y - x). \end{aligned}$$

Again, (1.2) holds.

We conclude that (1.2) is satisfied for all $x, y \in A$. Moreover, the conditions (H) and (iii) in Theorem 2.6 are verified. So, T has a best proximity point which is $u = (0, 0)$. It is also unique and verifies $\sigma(u, u) = 0$.

3. Consequences

In this paragraph, we present some consequences on our obtained results.

3.1. Some classical best proximity point results

We have the following results.

Corollary 3.1. *Let A and B be nonempty closed subsets of a complete metric-like space (X, σ) such that $A_0 \neq \emptyset$. Let $T : A \rightarrow B$ be a given non-self-mapping such that*

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

for all $x, y \in A$, where $\psi \in \Psi$. Suppose that

- (i) $T(A_0) \subseteq B_0$ and (A, B) satisfies the weak (P) -property;
- (ii) there exist elements x_0 and x_1 in A_0 such that

$$\sigma(x_1, Tx_0) = \sigma(A, B);$$

- (iv) T is continuous.

Then, there exists a unique $u \in A$ such that

$$\sigma(u, Tu) = \sigma(A, B), \quad \text{and} \quad \sigma(u, u) = 0.$$

Proof. It suffices to take $\alpha(x, y) = 1$ in Theorem 2.1. The uniqueness of u holds since (U) is satisfied. □

Corollary 3.2. *Let A and B be nonempty closed subsets of a complete metric-like space (X, σ) such that $A_0 \neq \emptyset$. Let $T : A \rightarrow B$ be a given non-self-mapping such that*

$$\sigma(Tx, Ty) \leq \frac{\sigma(x, Ty) + \sigma(y, Tx) - 2\sigma(A, B)}{2} - \phi(\sigma(x, Ty) - \sigma(A, B), \sigma(y, Tx) - \sigma(A, B))$$

for all $x, y \in A$, where $\phi \in \Phi$. Suppose that

- (i) $T(A_0) \subseteq B_0$ and (A, B) satisfies the weak (P) -property;
- (ii) there exist elements x_0 and x_1 in A_0 such that

$$\sigma(x_1, Tx_0) = \sigma(A, B).$$

Then, there exists $u \in A$ such that

$$\sigma(u, Tu) = \sigma(A, B), \quad \text{and} \quad \sigma(u, u) = 0.$$

Proof. It suffices to take $\alpha(x, y) = 1$ in Theorem 2.6. □

3.2. Some best proximity results on a metric-like endowed with a partial order

Let (X, σ) be a metric-like space endowed with a partial order \leq . We introduce the following definition.

Definition 3.3. Let A and B be nonempty subsets of a metric-like space (X, σ) and \leq a partial order on X , $T : A \rightarrow B$ is named a proximal nondecreasing mapping if

$$\begin{cases} x_1 \leq x_2, \\ \sigma(u_1, Tx_1) = \sigma(A, B), \\ \sigma(u_2, Tx_2) = \sigma(A, B), \end{cases} \Rightarrow u_1 \leq u_2,$$

for all $x_1, x_2, u_1, u_2 \in A$.

We also need the following hypothesis.

(H₁) if $\{x_n\}$ is a sequence in A such that $x_n \leq x_{n+1}$ for all n and $x_n \rightarrow x \in A$, as $n \rightarrow \infty$, then there exists a subsequence $\{x_{n(k)}\}$ of $\{x_n\}$ such that $x_{n(k)} \leq x$ for all k .

We state the following.

Corollary 3.4. *Let A and B be nonempty closed subsets of a complete metric-like space (X, σ) such that $A_0 \neq \emptyset$. Let $T : A \rightarrow B$ be a given non-self-mapping such that*

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

for all $x, y \in A$ such that $x \leq y$, where $\psi \in \Psi$. Suppose that

- (i) $T(A_0) \subseteq B_0$ and (A, B) satisfies the weak (P) -property;
- (ii) T is a proximal nondecreasing mapping;
- (iii) there exist elements x_0 and x_1 in A_0 such that

$$\sigma(x_1, Tx_0) = \sigma(A, B), \quad \text{and} \quad x_0 \leq x_1;$$

- (iv) T is continuous or (H_1) holds.

Then, there exists $u \in A$ such that

$$\sigma(u, Tu) = \sigma(A, B), \quad \text{and} \quad \sigma(u, u) = 0.$$

Proof. It suffices to consider $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ such that

$$\alpha(x, y) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x \leq y, \\ 0 & \text{if not.} \end{cases}$$

All hypotheses of Theorem 2.1 (resp. Theorem 2.2) are satisfied. This completes the proof. □

Similar to Corollary 3.4, we may state:

Corollary 3.5. *Let A and B be nonempty closed subsets of a complete metric-like space (X, σ) such that $A_0 \neq \emptyset$. Let $T : A \rightarrow B$ be a given non-self-mapping such that*

$$\sigma(Tx, Ty) \leq \frac{\sigma(x, Ty) + \sigma(y, Tx) - 2\sigma(A, B)}{2} - \phi(\sigma(x, Ty) - \sigma(A, B), \sigma(y, Tx) - \sigma(A, B))$$

for all $x, y \in A$ such that $x \leq y$, where $\phi \in \Phi$. Suppose that

- (i) $T(A_0) \subseteq B_0$ and (A, B) satisfies the weak (P) -property;
- (ii) T is a proximal nondecreasing mapping;
- (ii) There exist elements x_0 and x_1 in A_0 such that

$$\sigma(x_1, Tx_0) = \sigma(A, B), \quad \text{and} \quad x_0 \leq x_1;$$

- (iv) T is continuous or (H_1) holds.

Then, there exists $u \in A$

$$\sigma(u, Tu) = \sigma(A, B), \quad \text{and} \quad \sigma(u, u) = 0.$$

3.3. Some best proximity results on a metric-like with a graph

Let (X, σ) be a metric-like space and let $G = (V(G), E(G))$ be a directed graph such that $V(G) = X$ and $E(G)$ contains all loops, i.e., $\Delta := \{(x, x) : x \in X\} \subset E(G)$. We need in the sequel the following hypothesis:

(H_G) if $\{x_n\}$ is a sequence in A , such that $(x_n, x_{n+1}) \in E(G)$ for all n and $x_n \rightarrow x \in A$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$, then there exists a subsequence $\{x_{n(k)}\}$ of $\{x_n\}$ such that $(x_{n(k)}, x) \in E(G)$ for all k .

Again, we introduce the following definition.

Definition 3.6. Let A and B be nonempty subsets of a metric-like space (X, σ) endowed with a graph G . $T : A \rightarrow B$ is named a G -proximal mapping if

$$\begin{cases} (x_1, x_2) \in E(G), \\ \sigma(u_1, Tx_1) = \sigma(A, B), \\ \sigma(u_2, Tx_2) = \sigma(A, B), \end{cases} \Rightarrow (u_1, u_2) \in E(G),$$

for all $x_1, x_2, u_1, u_2 \in A$.

We also introduce the following.

Definition 3.7. Let A and B be nonempty subsets of a metric-like space (X, σ) and $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$. A mapping $T : A \rightarrow B$ is named triangular G -proximal admissible if

(T₁) T is G -proximal admissible;

(T₂) $(x, y) \in E(G)$ and $(y, z) \in E(G) \Rightarrow (x, z) \in E(G)$, $x, y, z \in A$.

We have the two following best proximity point results on a metric-like endowed with a graph.

Corollary 3.8. Let A and B be nonempty closed subsets of a complete metric-like space (X, σ) such that $A_0 \neq \emptyset$. Let $T : A \rightarrow B$ be a given non-self-mapping such that

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

for all $x, y \in A$ such that $(x, y) \in E(G)$, where $\psi \in \Psi$. Suppose that

- (i) $T(A_0) \subseteq B_0$ and (A, B) satisfies the weak (P) -property;
- (ii) T is a G -proximal mapping;
- (iii) there exist elements x_0 and x_1 in A_0 such that

$$\sigma(x_1, Tx_0) = \sigma(A, B), \quad \text{and} \quad (x_0, x_1) \in E(G);$$

- (iv) T is continuous or (H_G) holds.

Then, there exists $u \in A$ such that

$$\sigma(u, Tu) = \sigma(A, B) \quad \text{and} \quad \sigma(u, u) = 0.$$

Proof. It suffices to consider $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ such that

$$\alpha(x, y) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } (x, y) \in E(G), \\ 0 & \text{if not.} \end{cases}$$

All hypotheses of Theorem 2.1 (resp. Theorem 2.2) are satisfied. This completes the proof. □

Similar to Corollary 3.8, we may state the following.

Corollary 3.9. *Let A and B be nonempty closed subsets of a complete metric-like space (X, σ) such that $A_0 \neq \emptyset$. Let $T : A \rightarrow B$ be a given non-self-mapping such that*

$$\sigma(Tx, Ty) \leq \frac{\sigma(x, Ty) + \sigma(y, Tx) - 2\sigma(A, B)}{2} - \phi(\sigma(x, Ty) - \sigma(A, B), \sigma(y, Tx) - \sigma(A, B))$$

for all $x, y \in A$ such that $(x, y) \in E(G)$, where $\phi \in \Phi$. Suppose that

- (i) $T(A_0) \subseteq B_0$ and (A, B) satisfies the weak (P) -property;
- (ii) T is a triangular G -proximal mapping;
- (ii) there exist elements x_0 and x_1 in A_0 such that

$$\sigma(x_1, Tx_0) = \sigma(A, B), \quad \text{and} \quad (x_0, x_1) \in E(G);$$

- (iv) T is continuous or (H_G) holds.

Then, there exists $u \in A$

$$\sigma(u, Tu) = \sigma(A, B), \quad \text{and} \quad \sigma(u, u) = 0.$$

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