

## SOME FIXED POINT THEOREMS FOR WEAKLY COMPATIBLE MAPPINGS SATISFYING AN IMPLICIT RELATION

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**Abstract.** In this paper, we prove a common fixed point theorem for weakly compatible mappings satisfying an implicit relation. Our theorem generalizes many fixed point theorems.

### 1. INTRODUCTION AND PRELIMINARIES

It is well known that the Banach contraction principle is a fundamental result in fixed point theory. After this classical result, many fixed point results have been developed (see [15, 17, 22, 23]). In [5] Branciari proved the following interesting result for fixed point theory.

**Theorem 1.** *Let  $(X, d)$  be a complete metric space,  $\lambda \in (0, 1)$  and  $T : X \rightarrow X$  be mapping such that for each  $x, y \in X$  one has*

$$\int_0^{d(Tx, Ty)} f(t) dt \leq \lambda \int_0^{d(x, y)} f(t) dt$$

where  $f : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty]$  is a Lebesgue integrable mapping which is finite integral on each compact subset of  $[0, \infty)$ , non-negative and such that for each  $t > 0$ ,  $\int_0^t f(s) ds > 0$ , then  $T$  has a unique fixed point  $z \in X$  such that for each  $x \in X$ ,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} T^n x = z$ .

Theorem 1 has been generalized in [4, 21] and [31]. Again in [2], Aliouche proved a fixed point theorem using a general contractive condition of integral type on symmetric spaces.

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Sessa [25] generalized the concept of commuting mappings by calling self-mappings  $A$  and  $S$  of metric space  $(X, d)$  a weakly commuting pair if and only if  $d(ASx, SAx) \leq d(Ax, Sx)$  for all  $x \in X$ , and he and others gave some common fixed point theorems of weakly commuting mappings [24-27]. Then, Jungck [11] introduced the concept of compatibility and he and others proved some common fixed point theorems using this concept [9, 11, 12, 14, 30].

Clearly, commuting mappings are weakly commuting and weakly commuting mappings are compatible; examples in [25] and [11] show that neither converse is true.

Recently, Jungck [10] gave the concept of weak compatibility the following way.

**Definition 2.** ([10, 13]). Two maps  $A, S : X \rightarrow X$  are said to be weakly compatible if they commute at their coincidence points.

Again, it is obvious that compatible mappings are weakly compatible; giving examples in [13] and [28] shows that neither converse is true. Many fixed point results have been obtained using weakly compatible mappings (see [1, 4, 6, 7, 13, 18] and [28]).

## 2. IMPLICIT RELATION

Implicit relation on metric spaces have been used in many articles. (see [3, 8, 19, 20, 29]).

Let  $\mathbb{R}_+$  denote the non-negative real numbers and let  $\mathcal{F}$  be the set of all continuous functions  $F : \mathbb{R}_+^6 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  satisfying the following conditions:

$F_1$   $F(t_1, \dots, t_6)$  is non-increasing in variables  $t_5$  and  $t_6$ .

$F_2$  there exists an upper semi-continuous function  $f : \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$ ,  $f(0) = 0$ ,  $f(t) < t$  for  $t > 0$ , such that for  $u, v \geq 0$ ,

$$F(u, v, v, u, 0, u+v) \leq 0$$

or

$$F(u, v, u, v, u+v, 0) \leq 0$$

implies  $u \leq f(v)$ .

$F_3$   $F(u, u, 0, 0, u, u) > 0, \forall u > 0$ .

**Example 1.**  $F(t_1, \dots, t_6) = t_1 - \alpha \max\{t_2, t_3, t_4\} - (1 - \alpha)[at_5 + bt_6]$ , where  $0 \leq \alpha < 1, 0 \leq a < \frac{1}{2}, 0 \leq b < \frac{1}{2}$ .

$F_1$  Obviously.

$F_2$  Let  $u > 0$  and  $F(u, v, v, u, 0, u+v) = u - \alpha \max\{u, v\} - (1-\alpha)b(u+v) \leq 0$ . If  $u \geq v$ , then  $u \leq [\alpha + 2b(1-\alpha)]u < u$  which is a contradiction. Thus  $u < v$  and so  $u \leq [\alpha + 2b(1-\alpha)]v$ . Similarly, let  $u > 0$  and  $F(u, v, u, v, u+v, 0) \leq 0$ . If  $u \geq v$ , then  $u \leq [\alpha + 2a(1-\alpha)]u < u$  which is a contradiction. Thus  $u < v$  and so  $u \leq [\alpha + 2a(1-\alpha)]v$ . If  $u = 0$  then  $u \leq \max\{[\alpha + 2a(1-\alpha)], [\alpha + 2b(1-\alpha)]\}v$ . Thus  $F_2$  is satisfied with  $f(t) = \max\{[\alpha + 2a(1-\alpha)], [\alpha + 2b(1-\alpha)]\}t$ .

$F_3$   $F(u, u, 0, 0, u, u) = u(1-\alpha)(1-a-b) > 0, \forall u > 0$ .

Thus  $F \in \mathcal{F}$ .

**Example 2.**  $F(t_1, \dots, t_6) = t_1 - k \max\{t_2, t_3, t_4, \frac{1}{2}[t_5 + t_6]\}$ , where  $k \in (0, 1)$ .

$F_1$  Obviously.

$F_2$  Let  $u > 0$  and  $F(u, v, v, u, 0, u+v) = u - k \max\{u, v\} \leq 0$ . If  $u \geq v$ , then  $u \leq ku$ , which is a contradiction. Thus  $u < v$  and so  $u \leq kv$ . Similarly, let  $u > 0$  and  $F(u, v, u, v, u+v, 0) \leq 0$  then we have  $u \leq kv$ . If  $u = 0$ , then  $u \leq kv$ . Thus  $F_2$  is satisfied with  $f(t) = kt$ .

$F_3$   $F(u, u, 0, 0, u, u) = u - ku > 0, \forall u > 0$ .

Thus  $F \in \mathcal{F}$ .

**Example 3.**  $F(t_1, \dots, t_6) = t_1 - \psi(\max\{t_2, t_3, t_4, \frac{1}{2}[t_5 + t_6]\})$ , where  $\psi : \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$  right continuous and  $\psi(0) = 0, \psi(t) < t$  for  $t > 0$ .

$F_1$  Obviously.

$F_2$  Let  $u > 0$  and  $F(u, v, v, u, 0, u+v) = u - \psi(\max\{u, v\}) \leq 0$ . If  $u \geq v$ , then  $u - \psi(u) \leq 0$ , which is a contradiction. Thus  $u < v$  and so  $u \leq \psi(v)$ . Similarly, let  $u > 0$  and  $F(u, v, u, v, u+v, 0) \leq 0$  then we have  $u \leq \psi(v)$ . If  $u = 0$  then  $u \leq \psi(v)$ . Thus  $F_2$  is satisfied with  $f = \psi$ .

$F_3$   $F(u, u, 0, 0, u, u) = u - \psi(u) > 0, \forall u > 0$ .

Thus  $F \in \mathcal{F}$ .

**Example 4.**  $F(t_1, \dots, t_6) = t_1^2 - t_1(at_2 + bt_3 + ct_4) - dt_5t_6$ , where  $a > 0, b, c, d \geq 0, a + b + c < 1$  and  $a + b + d < 1$ .

$F_1$  Obviously.

$F_2$  Let  $u > 0$  and  $F(u, v, v, u, 0, u+v) = u^2 - u(av + bv + cu) \leq 0$ . Then  $u \leq (\frac{a+b}{1-c})v$ . Similarly, let  $u > 0$  and  $F(u, v, u, v, u+v, 0) \leq 0$  then we have  $u \leq (\frac{a+c}{1-b})v$ . If  $u = 0$ , then  $u \leq (\frac{a+c}{1-b})v$ . Thus  $F_2$  is satisfied with  $f(t) = \max\{(\frac{a+b}{1-c}), (\frac{a+c}{1-b})\}t$ .

$F_3$   $F(u, u, 0, 0, u, u) = u^2(1-a-d) > 0, \forall u > 0$ .

Thus  $F \in \mathcal{F}$ .

**Example 5.**  $F(t_1, \dots, t_6) = t_1^3 - \alpha \frac{t_3^2 t_4^2 + t_5^2 t_6^2}{t_2 + t_3 + t_4 + 1}$ , where  $\alpha \in (0, 1)$ .

$F_1$  Obviously.

$F_2$  Let  $u > 0$  and  $F(u, v, v, u, 0, u + v) = u^3 - \frac{\alpha v^2 u^2}{u + 2v + 1} \leq 0$ , which implies

$u \leq \frac{\alpha v^2}{u + 2v + 1}$ . But  $\frac{\alpha v^2}{u + 2v + 1} \leq \alpha v$ , thus  $u \leq \alpha v$ . Similarly, let  $u > 0$  and  $F(u, v, u, v, u + v, 0) \leq 0$ , then we have  $u \leq \alpha v$ . If  $u = 0$ , then  $u \leq \alpha v$ . Thus  $F_2$  is satisfied with  $f(t) = \alpha t$ .

$F_3$   $F(u, u, 0, 0, u, u) = \frac{u^4(1 - \alpha) + u^3}{u + 1} > 0, \forall u > 0$ .

Thus  $F \in \mathcal{F}$ .

### 3. COMMON FIXED POINT THEOREMS

We need the following lemma for the proof of our main theorem.

**Lemma 1.** ([16]). *Let  $f : \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$  be an upper semi-continuous function such that  $f(t) < t$  for every  $t > 0$ , then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f^n(t) = 0$ , where  $f^n$  denotes the composition of  $f$ ,  $n$ -times with itself.*

Now we give our main theorem.

**Theorem 2.** *Let  $A, B, S$  and  $T$  be self-maps defined on a metric space  $(X, d)$  satisfying the following conditions:*

- (i)  $S(X) \subseteq B(X), T(X) \subseteq A(X)$ ,
- (ii) for all  $x, y \in X$ ,

$$F \left( \int_0^{d(Sx, Ty)} \varphi(t) dt, \int_0^{d(Ax, By)} \varphi(t) dt, \int_0^{d(Sx, Ax)} \varphi(t) dt, \int_0^{d(Ty, By)} \varphi(t) dt, \int_0^{d(Sx, By)} \varphi(t) dt, \int_0^{d(Ty, Ax)} \varphi(t) dt \right) \leq 0$$

where  $F \in \mathcal{F}$  and  $\varphi : \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$  is a Lebesgue integrable mapping which is summable,

$$(3.1) \quad \int_0^{a+b} \varphi(t) dt \leq \int_0^a \varphi(t) dt + \int_0^b \varphi(t) dt$$

for all  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}_+$  and such that

$$(3.2) \quad \int_0^\varepsilon \varphi(t) dt > 0 \text{ for each } \varepsilon > 0.$$

If one of  $A(X), B(X), S(X)$  or  $T(X)$  is a complete subspace of  $X$ , then

- (1)  $A$  and  $S$  have a coincidence point, or
- (2)  $B$  and  $T$  have a coincidence point.

Further, if  $S$  and  $A$  as well as  $T$  and  $B$  are weakly compatible, then

- (3)  $A, B, S$  and  $T$  have a unique common fixed point.

*Proof.* Let  $x_0 \in X$  be an arbitrary point of  $X$ . From (i) we can construct a sequence  $\{y_n\}$  in  $X$  as follows:

$$y_{2n+1} = Sx_{2n} = Bx_{2n+1} \text{ and } y_{2n+2} = Tx_{2n+1} = Ax_{2n+2}$$

for all  $n = 0, 1, \dots$ . Define  $d_n = d(y_n, y_{n+1})$ . Suppose that  $d_{2n} = 0$  for some  $n$ . Then  $y_{2n} = y_{2n+1}$ ; that is,  $Tx_{2n-1} = Ax_{2n} = Sx_{2n} = Bx_{2n+1}$ , and  $A$  and  $S$  have a coincidence point. Similarly, if  $d_{2n+1} = 0$ , then  $B$  and  $T$  have a coincidence point. Assume that  $d_n \neq 0$  for each  $n$ . Then by (ii), we have

$$F \left( \int_0^{d(Sx_{2n}, Tx_{2n+1})} \varphi(t) dt, \int_0^{d(Ax_{2n}, Bx_{2n+1})} \varphi(t) dt, \int_0^{d(Sx_{2n}, Ax_{2n})} \varphi(t) dt, \int_0^{d(Tx_{2n+1}, Bx_{2n+1})} \varphi(t) dt, \int_0^{d(Sx_{2n}, Bx_{2n+1})} \varphi(t) dt, \int_0^{d(Tx_{2n+1}, Ax_{2n})} \varphi(t) dt \right) \leq 0.$$

Thus we have

$$(3.3) \quad F \left( \int_0^{d_{2n+1}} \varphi(t) dt, \int_0^{d_{2n}} \varphi(t) dt, \int_0^{d_{2n}} \varphi(t) dt, \int_0^{d_{2n+1}} \varphi(t) dt, 0, \int_0^{d_{2n}+d_{2n+1}} \varphi(t) dt \right) \leq 0.$$

On the other hand, from (3.1) we have

$$(3.4) \quad \int_0^{d_{2n}+d_{2n+1}} \varphi(t) dt \leq \int_0^{d_{2n}} \varphi(t) dt + \int_0^{d_{2n+1}} \varphi(t) dt.$$

Now from (3.3), (3.4) and  $F_1$ , we have

$$F \left( \int_0^{d_{2n+1}} \varphi(t) dt, \int_0^{d_{2n}} \varphi(t) dt, \int_0^{d_{2n}} \varphi(t) dt, \int_0^{d_{2n+1}} \varphi(t) dt, 0, \int_0^{d_{2n}} \varphi(t) dt + \int_0^{d_{2n+1}} \varphi(t) dt \right) \leq 0.$$

From  $F_2$ , there exists an upper semi-continuous function  $f : \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$ ,  $f(0) = 0$ ,  $f(t) < t$  for  $t > 0$ , such that

$$\int_0^{d_{2n+1}} \varphi(t) dt \leq f \left( \int_0^{d_{2n}} \varphi(t) dt \right)$$

Similarly we can have

$$\int_0^{d_{2n}} \varphi(t) dt \leq f \left( \int_0^{d_{2n-1}} \varphi(t) dt \right).$$

In general, we have for all  $n = 1, 2, \dots$ ,

$$(3.5) \quad \int_0^{d_n} \varphi(t) dt \leq f \left( \int_0^{d_{n-1}} \varphi(t) dt \right).$$

From (3.5), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^{d_n} \varphi(t) dt &\leq f \left( \int_0^{d_{n-1}} \varphi(t) dt \right) \\ &\leq f^2 \left( \int_0^{d_{n-2}} \varphi(t) dt \right) \\ &\quad \vdots \\ &\leq f^n \left( \int_0^{d_0} \varphi(t) dt \right) \end{aligned}$$

and taking the limit as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  we have, from Lemma 1, for  $d_0 > 0$ ,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^{d_n} \varphi(t) dt \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f^n \left( \int_0^{d_0} \varphi(t) dt \right) = 0,$$

which from (3.2) implies that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(y_n, y_{n+1}) = 0.$$

We now show that  $\{y_n\}$  is Cauchy sequence. For this it is sufficient to show that  $\{y_{2n}\}$  is a Cauchy sequence. suppose that  $\{y_{2n}\}$  is not Cauchy sequence. Then there exists an  $\varepsilon > 0$  such that for an even integer  $2k$  there exist even integers  $2m(k) > 2n(k) > 2k$  such that

$$(3.6) \quad d(y_{2n(k)}, y_{2m(k)}) \geq \varepsilon.$$

For every even integer  $2k$ , let  $2m(k)$  be the least positive integer exceeding  $2n(k)$  satisfying (3.6) such that

$$(3.7) \quad d(y_{2n(k)}, y_{2m(k)-2}) < \varepsilon.$$

Now

$$\begin{aligned} 0 < \delta &:= \int_0^\varepsilon \varphi(t) dt \\ &\leq \int_0^{d(y_{2n(k)}, y_{2m(k)})} \varphi(t) dt \\ &\leq \int_0^{d(y_{2n(k)}, y_{2m(k)-2}) + d_{2m(k)-2} + d_{2m(k)-1}} \varphi(t) dt. \end{aligned}$$

Then by (3.6) and (3.7) it follows that

$$(3.8) \quad \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^{d(y_{2n(k)}, y_{2m(k)})} \varphi(t) dt = \delta.$$

Also, by the triangular inequality, we have

$$|d(y_{2n(k)}, y_{2m(k)-1}) - d(y_{2n(k)}, y_{2m(k)})| \leq d_{2m(k)-1}$$

and

$$|d(y_{2n(k)+1}, y_{2m(k)-1}) - d(y_{2n(k)}, y_{2m(k)})| \leq d_{2m(k)-1} + d_{2n(k)}.$$

Thus we have

$$\int_0^{|d(y_{2n(k)}, y_{2m(k)-1}) - d(y_{2n(k)}, y_{2m(k)})|} \varphi(t) dt \leq \int_0^{d_{2m(k)-1}} \varphi(t) dt$$

and

$$\int_0^{|d(y_{2n(k)+1}, y_{2m(k)-1}) - d(y_{2n(k)}, y_{2m(k)})|} \varphi(t) dt \leq \int_0^{d_{2m(k)-1} + d_{2n(k)}} \varphi(t) dt.$$

By using (3.8) we get

$$(3.9) \quad \int_0^{d(y_{2n(k)}, y_{2m(k)-1})} \varphi(t) dt \rightarrow \delta$$

and

$$(3.10) \quad \int_0^{d(y_{2n(k)+1}, y_{2m(k)-1})} \varphi(t) dt \rightarrow \delta$$

as  $k \rightarrow \infty$ . Now we get

$$\begin{aligned} d(y_{2n(k)}, y_{2m(k)}) &\leq d_{2n(k)} + d(y_{2n(k)+1}, y_{2m(k)}) \\ &\leq d_{2n(k)} + d(Sx_{2n(k)}, Tx_{2m(k)-1}) \end{aligned}$$

and so

$$\int_0^{d(y_{2n(k)}, y_{2m(k)})} \varphi(t) dt \leq \int_0^{d_{2n(k)} + d(Sx_{2n(k)}, Tx_{2m(k)-1})} \varphi(t) dt.$$

Letting  $k \rightarrow \infty$  both of the last inequality, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \delta &\leq \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^{d(Sx_{2n(k)}, Tx_{2m(k)-1})} \varphi(t) dt \\ (3.11) \quad &= \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^{d(y_{2n(k)+1}, y_{2m(k)})} \varphi(t) dt \\ &\leq \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^{d(y_{2n(k)+1}, y_{2m(k)-1}) + d_{2m(k)-1}} \varphi(t) dt \\ &= \delta. \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand, from (ii), we have

$$\begin{aligned} F \left( \int_0^{d(Sx_{2n(k)}, Tx_{2m(k)-1})} \varphi(t) dt, \int_0^{d(Ax_{2n(k)}, Bx_{2m(k)-1})} \varphi(t) dt, \right. \\ \int_0^{d(Sx_{2n(k)}, Ax_{2n(k)})} \varphi(t) dt, \int_0^{d(Tx_{2m(k)-1}, Bx_{2m(k)-1})} \varphi(t) dt, \\ \left. \int_0^{d(Sx_{2n(k)}, Bx_{2m(k)-1})} \varphi(t) dt, \int_0^{d(Tx_{2m(k)-1}, Ax_{2n(k)})} \varphi(t) dt \right) \leq 0 \end{aligned}$$

and so

$$\begin{aligned} F \left( \int_0^{d(y_{2n(k)+1}, y_{2m(k)})} \varphi(t) dt, \int_0^{d(y_{2n(k)}, y_{2m(k)-1})} \varphi(t) dt, \right. \\ (3.12) \quad \int_0^{d_{2n(k)}} \varphi(t) dt, \int_0^{d_{2m(k)-1}} \varphi(t) dt, \int_0^{d(y_{2n(k)+1}, y_{2m(k)-1})} \varphi(t) dt, \\ \left. \int_0^{d(y_{2n(k)}, y_{2m(k)-2})} \varphi(t) dt \right) \leq 0 \end{aligned}$$

From (3.12), considering  $F_1$ , (3.6), (3.7), (3.8), (3.9), (3.10) and (3.11), letting  $k \rightarrow \infty$  we have the following,

$$F(\delta, \delta, 0, 0, \delta, \delta) \leq 0$$

which is a contradiction with  $F_3$ . Thus  $\{y_{2n}\}$  is a Cauchy sequence and so  $\{y_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence.

Now, suppose that  $A(X)$  is complete. Note that the sequence  $\{y_{2n}\}$  is contained in  $A(X)$  and has a limit in  $A(X)$ . Call it  $u$ . Let  $v \in A^{-1}u$ . Then  $Av = u$ . We shall use the fact that the sequence  $\{y_{2n-1}\}$  also converges to  $u$ . To prove that  $Sv = u$ , let  $r = d(Sv, u) > 0$ . Then taking  $x = v$  and  $y = x_{2n-1}$  in (ii),

$$F \left( \int_0^{d(Sv, Tx_{2n-1})} \varphi(t) dt, \int_0^{d(Av, Bx_{2n-1})} \varphi(t) dt, \int_0^{d(Sv, Av)} \varphi(t) dt, \int_0^{d(Tx_{2n-1}, Bx_{2n-1})} \varphi(t) dt, \int_0^{d(Sv, Bx_{2n-1})} \varphi(t) dt, \int_0^{d(Tx_{2n-1}, Av)} \varphi(t) dt \right) \leq 0$$

and so

$$(3.13) \quad F \left( \int_0^{d(Sv, y_{2n})} \varphi(t) dt, \int_0^{d(u, y_{2n-1})} \varphi(t) dt, \int_0^{d(Sv, u)} \varphi(t) dt, \int_0^{d(y_{2n}, y_{2n-1})} \varphi(t) dt, \int_0^{d(Sv, y_{2n-1})} \varphi(t) dt, \int_0^{d(y_{2n}, u)} \varphi(t) dt \right) \leq 0$$

Since  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(Sv, y_{2n}) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(Sv, y_{2n-1}) = r$  and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(u, y_{2n-1}) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(y_{2n}, y_{2n-1}) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(y_{2n}, u) = 0$ , we have from (3.13)

$$F \left( \int_0^r \varphi(t) dt, 0, \int_0^r \varphi(t) dt, 0, \int_0^r \varphi(t) dt, 0 \right) \leq 0$$

which is a contradiction with  $F_2$ . Hence from (3.2) we have  $Sv = u$ . This proves (1)

Since  $S(X) \subseteq B(X)$ ,  $Sv = u$  implies that  $u \in B(X)$ . Let  $w \in B^{-1}u$ . Then  $Bw = u$ . Hence by using the argument of the previous section, it can be easily verified that  $Tw = u$ . This proves (2).

The same result holds if we assume that  $B(X)$  is complete instead of  $A(X)$ .

Now if  $T(X)$  is complete, then by (i),  $u \in T(X) \subseteq A(X)$ . Similarly if  $S(X)$  is complete, then  $u \in S(X) \subseteq B(X)$ . Thus (1) and (2) are completely established.

To prove (3), note that  $S, A$  and  $T, B$  are weakly compatible and

$$(3.14) \quad u = Sv = Av = Tw = Bw$$

then

$$(3.15) \quad Au = ASv = SAV = Su$$

$$(3.16) \quad Bu = BTw = TBw = Tu.$$

If  $Tu \neq u$ , then from (ii), (3.14), (3.15) and (3.16) we have

$$F \left( \int_0^{d(Sv,Tu)} \varphi(t) dt, \int_0^{d(Av,Bu)} \varphi(t) dt, \int_0^{d(Sv,Av)} \varphi(t) dt, \right. \\ \left. \int_0^{d(Tu,Bu)} \varphi(t) dt, \int_0^{d(Sv,Bu)} \varphi(t) dt, \int_0^{d(Tu,Av)} \varphi(t) dt \right) \leq 0$$

and so

$$F \left( \int_0^{d(u,Tu)} \varphi(t) dt, \int_0^{d(u,Tu)} \varphi(t) dt, 0, 0, \int_0^{d(u,Tu)} \varphi(t) dt, \int_0^{d(Tu,u)} \varphi(t) dt \right) \leq 0$$

which is a contradiction with  $F_3$ . So  $Tu = u$ . Similarly  $Su = u$ . Then, evidently from (3.15) and (3.16),  $u$  is a common fixed point of  $A, B, S$  and  $T$ .

Now let  $u$  and  $v$  be two common fixed points of  $A, B, S$  and  $T$ . Then from (ii), we have

$$F \left( \int_0^{d(Su,Tv)} \varphi(t) dt, \int_0^{d(Au,Bv)} \varphi(t) dt, \int_0^{d(Su,Au)} \varphi(t) dt, \right. \\ \left. \int_0^{d(Tv,Bv)} \varphi(t) dt, \int_0^{d(Su,Bv)} \varphi(t) dt, \int_0^{d(Tv,Au)} \varphi(t) dt \right) \leq 0$$

and so

$$F \left( \int_0^{d(u,v)} \varphi(t) dt, \int_0^{d(u,v)} \varphi(t) dt, 0, 0, \int_0^{d(u,v)} \varphi(t) dt, \int_0^{d(v,u)} \varphi(t) dt \right) \leq 0$$

which is a contradiction with  $F_3$ . Thus  $u = v$ . This completes the proof.  $\blacksquare$

If  $\varphi(t) = 1$  in Theorem 2, we obtain Theorem 2.1 of [8] and a generalization of Theorem 1 of [20].

If we combine Example 1 with Theorem 2 we obtain the following result.

**Corollary 1.** *Let  $A, B, S$  and  $T$  be self-maps defined on a metric space  $(X, d)$  satisfying the following conditions:*

- (i)  $S(X) \subseteq B(X)$ ,  $T(X) \subseteq A(X)$ ,
- (ii) for all  $x, y \in X$ ,

$$\int_0^{d(Sx, Ty)} \varphi(t) dt \leq \alpha \int_0^{\max\{d(Ax, By), d(Sx, Ax), d(Ty, By)\}} \varphi(t) dt$$

$$+ (1 - \alpha) \left[ a \int_0^{d(Sx, By)} \varphi(t) dt + b \int_0^{d(Ty, Ax)} \varphi(t) dt \right]$$

where  $0 \leq \alpha < 1$ ,  $0 \leq a < \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $0 \leq b < \frac{1}{2}$  and  $\varphi$  is as in Theorem 2.

If one of  $A(X)$ ,  $B(X)$ ,  $S(X)$  or  $T(X)$  is a complete subspace of  $X$ , then

- (1)  $A$  and  $S$  have a coincidence point, or
- (2)  $B$  and  $T$  have a coincidence point.

Further, if  $S$  and  $A$  as well as  $T$  and  $B$  are weakly compatible, then

- (3)  $A$ ,  $B$ ,  $S$  and  $T$  have a unique common fixed point.

If  $\varphi(t) = 1$  in Corollary 1, we get Theorem 2.1 of [1] for single-valued mappings.

If we combine Example 2 with Theorem 2 we obtain the following result.

**Corollary 2.** Let  $A$ ,  $B$ ,  $S$  and  $T$  be self-maps defined on a metric space  $(X, d)$  satisfying the following conditions:

- (i)  $S(X) \subseteq B(X)$ ,  $T(X) \subseteq A(X)$ ,
- (ii) for all  $x, y \in X$ ,

$$\int_0^{d(Sx, Ty)} \varphi(t) dt \leq k \max\left\{ \int_0^{\max\{d(Ax, By), d(Sx, Ax), d(Ty, By)\}} \varphi(t) dt, \right.$$

$$\left. \frac{1}{2} \left[ \int_0^{d(Sx, By)} \varphi(t) dt + \int_0^{d(Ty, Ax)} \varphi(t) dt \right] \right\}$$

where  $0 < k < 1$  and  $\varphi$  is as in Theorem 2.

If one of  $A(X)$ ,  $B(X)$ ,  $S(X)$  or  $T(X)$  is a complete subspace of  $X$ , then

- (1)  $A$  and  $S$  have a coincidence point, or
- (2)  $B$  and  $T$  have a coincidence point.

Further, if  $S$  and  $A$  as well as  $T$  and  $B$  are weakly compatible, then

- (3)  $A$ ,  $B$ ,  $S$  and  $T$  have a unique common fixed point.

By Corollary 2, we have a generalized version of Theorem 1 in this paper.

If we combine Example 3 with Theorem 2 we obtain Theorem 2.1 of [4].

If  $\varphi(t) = 1$  in Theorem 2 and combine with Example 3, we have Theorem 1 of [9] and Theorem 2.1 of [28]. Also by Theorem 2, we have a different version of Theorem 3.1 of [6].

**Remark 1.** We can have some new fixed point results if we combine Theorem 2 with some examples of  $F$ .

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