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# COINCIDENCE AND COMMON FIXED POINT THEOREMS VIA R-WEAK COMMUTATIVITY OF TYPE $(A_T)$

ABSTRACT. We prove common fixed point theorems for two pairs of hybrid mappings satisfying implicit relations in complete metric spaces using the concept of R-weak commutativity of type  $A_T$ and we correct errors of [1], [3] and [8]. Our theorems generalize results of [1-3], [8], [12-16] and [21].

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## 1. Introduction and preliminaries

Let (X, d) be a metric space. For  $x \in X$  and  $A \subset X$ ,  $D(x, A) = \inf\{d(x, y), y \in A\}$ .

Let CB(X) be the set of all nonempty closed and bounded subsets of X. Let H be the Hausdorff metric with respect to d defined by

$$H(A,B) = \max\left\{\sup_{a \in A} D(a,B), \sup_{b \in B} D(A,b)\right\} \text{ for all } A, B \in CB(X).$$

It is well known that (CB(X), H) is a metric space and if (X, d) is complete, then (CB(X), H) is also complete

**Lemma 1** ([9]). If  $A, B \in CB(X)$  and k > 1, then for each  $a \in A$ , there exists  $b \in B$  such that  $d(a, b) \leq kH(A, B)$ .

Let  $f: X \to X$  be a single-valued mapping and  $T: X \to CB(X)$  be a multi-valued mapping.

**Definition 1.** 1) A point  $x \in X$  is said to be a coincidence point of f and T if  $fx \in Tx$ . We denote by C(f,T) the set of all coincidence points of f and T.

2) A point  $x \in X$  is a fixed point of T if  $x \in Tx$ .

**Definition 2.** 1) f and T are said to be commuting [4] in X if for all  $x \in X$ , fTx = Tfx.

2) f and T are said to be weakly commuting on X [17, 18] if for all  $x \in X$ ,  $fTx \in CB(X)$  and

$$H(fTx, Tfx) \leq D(fx, Tx)$$

3) f and T are said to be compatible [5, 7] if for all  $x \in X$ ,  $fTx \in CB(X)$ and

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} H(fTx_n, Tfx_n) = 0$$

whenever  $\{x_n\}$  is a sequence in X such that  $\lim_{n \to \infty} fx_n = t \in A = \lim_{n \to \infty} Tx_n$ for some  $t \in X$  and  $A \in CB(X)$ .

Commuting implies weakly commuting implies compatible, but the converse is not true in general. See [7].

Let  $T: X \to X$  be a single-valued mapping and  $F: X \to CB(X)$  be a multi-valued mapping.

**Definition 3** ([10], [19]). 1) *T* and *F* are said to be *R*-weakly commuting at  $x \in X$  if  $TFx \in CB(X)$  and there exists an R > 0 such that

(1) 
$$H(TFx, FTx) \leq RD(Tx, Fx)$$

2) T and F are said to be pointwise R-weakly commuting on X if for all  $x \in X$ ,  $TFx \in CB(X)$  and (1) holds for some R > 0.

**Definition 4** ([6]). *T* and *F* are said to be *R*-weakly commuting of type  $(A_T)$  at  $x \in X$  if there exists an R > 0 such that

(2) 
$$D(TTx, FTx) \leq RD(Tx, Fx).$$

T and F are said to be R-weakly commuting of type  $(A_T)$  on X if for all  $x \in X$ , (2) holds.

**Remark 1.** If F is a single-valued mapping, then the definition of R-weak commutativity of type  $(A_T)$  reduces to that of Pathak et. al [11].

If T and F are compatible, then they are R-weakly commuting of type  $(A_T)$ , but the converse is not true in general, see [6].

The following theorem was proved by [8].

**Theorem 1.** Let (X, d) be a complete metric space,  $S, T : X \to X$  and  $F, G : X \to CB(X)$  satisfying

(3) 
$$F(X) \subset S(X)$$
 and  $G(X) \subset T(X)$ ,

(4) The pairs (T, F) and (S, G) are *R*-weakly commuting of type  $(A_T)$  at their coincidence points.

(5) 
$$H(Fx, Gy) \leq a \frac{D^2(Fx, Sy) + D^2(Gy, Tx)}{D(Fx, Sy) + D(Gy, Tx)} + bd(Tx, Sy),$$

for all  $x, y \in X$ ,  $x \neq y$ ,  $Fx \neq Fy$  and  $Gx \neq Gy$ , where a, b > 0 and a + 2b < 1, whenever  $D(Fx, Sy) + D(Gy, Tx) \neq 0$  and H(Fx, Gy) = 0whenever D(Fx, Sy) + D(Gy, Tx) = 0. Then, there exists  $z \in X$  such that  $z = Tz = Sz \in Fz \cap Gz$ .

This theorem generalizes Theorems 3.1 and 3.2 of [1].

In [13] and [14], the study of fixed points for mappings satisfying implicit relations was introduced and the study of a pair of hybrid mappings satisfying implicit relations was initiated in [15].

It is our purpose in this paper to prove coincidence and common fixed point theorems for two pairs of hybrid mappings satisfying implicit relations using the concept of R-weak commutativity of type  $A_T$  which generalize the results of [1-3], [8], [12-16] and [21].

#### 2. Implicit relations

Let  $\Phi_6$  the family of all real continuous mappings  $\phi(t_1, t_2, t_3, t_4, t_5, t_6)$ :  $\mathbb{R}^6_+ \to \mathbb{R}$  satisfying the following conditions:

- $(\phi_1)$ :  $\phi$  is increasing in variable  $t_1$  and decreasing in variables  $t_3, t_4, t_5$ and  $t_6$ .
- $(\phi_2)$ : there exists  $0 \le h < 1$  and k > 1 such that
- $(\phi_a): u \leq kt$  and  $\phi(t, v, v, u, u + v, 0) \leq 0$  or

 $(\phi_b): u \leq kt \text{ and } \phi(t, v, u, v, 0, u+v) \leq 0$ 

implies  $u \leq hv$ .

**Example 1.**  $\phi(t_1, t_2, t_3, t_4, t_5, t_6) = t_1 - at_2 - b(t_3 + t_4) - c(t_5 + t_6),$  $a, c > 0, b \ge 0$  and a + 2b + 2c < 1.

 $(\phi_1)$ : Obviously.

 $\begin{array}{l} (\psi_{1}) &: \text{Let } 1 < k < \frac{1}{a+2b+2c}, \ u \leq kt \ \text{and} \ \phi(t,v,v,u,u+v,0) = \\ t-av-b(v+u)-c(u+v) \leq 0. \ \text{Then}, \ u \leq kt \leq kav+kb(v+u)+kc(u+v)] \\ \text{and so} \ u \leq hv, \ \text{where} \ h = \frac{k(a+b+c)}{1-(kb+kc)} < 1. \ \text{Similarly}, \ u \leq kt \ \text{and} \\ \phi(t,v,u,v,0,u+v) \leq 0 \ \text{implies} \ u \leq hv. \end{array}$ 

**Example 2.**  $\phi(t_1, t_2, t_3, t_4, t_5, t_6) = t_1 - a \max\{t_2, t_3, t_4, \frac{t_5 + t_6}{2}\}, 0 < a < 1.$ 

 $(\phi_1)$ : Obviously.

 $(\phi_2)$ : Let  $1 < k < \frac{1}{a}$ ,  $u \le kt$  and  $\phi(t, v, v, u, u + v, 0) = t - a \max\{v, u, \frac{u+v}{2}\} \le 0$ . Then,  $u \le kt \le ka \max\{v, u, \frac{u+v}{2}\} = ka \max\{v, u\}$ . If u > 0 and  $u \ge v$ , it follows that  $u \le kau < u$  which is a contradiction and so  $u \le hv$ , where h = ka < 1. If u = 0, therefore  $u \le hv$ . Similarly,  $u \le kt$  and  $\phi(t, v, u, v, 0, u + v) \le 0$  implies  $u \le hv$ .

**Example 3.**  $\phi(t_1, t_2, t_3, t_4, t_5, t_6) = t_1 - a \max\{t_2^2, t_3t_4, t_5t_6, t_3t_5, t_4t_6\}^{\frac{1}{2}}, 0 < a < \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}.$   $(\phi_1):$  Obviously.  $(\phi_2):$  Let  $1 < k < \frac{1}{a\sqrt{2}}, u \leq kt$  and  $\phi(t, v, v, u, u + v, 0) = t - a \max\{v^2, uv, v(u+v)\}^{\frac{1}{2}} \leq 0.$  Then,  $u \leq kt \leq ka \max\{v^2, uv, v(u+v)\}^{\frac{1}{2}}.$  If u > 0 and  $u \geq v$ , it follows that  $u \leq ka\sqrt{2}u < u$  which is a contradiction and so  $u \leq hv$ , where  $h = ka\sqrt{2} < 1.$  If u = 0, therefore  $u \leq hv$ . Similarly,  $u \leq kt$  and  $\phi(t, v, u, v, 0, u + v) \leq 0$  implies  $u \leq hv.$ 

**Example 4.**  $\phi(t_1, t_2, t_3, t_4, t_5, t_6) = t_1^2 + \frac{t_1}{1 + t_5 t_6} - a t_2^2 - b t_3^2 - c t_4^2, a > 0,$  $b, c \ge 0$  and a + b + c < 1.

 $(\phi_1)$ : Obviously.

 $(\phi_2) : \text{Let } 1 < k < \frac{1}{\sqrt{a+b+c}}, \ u \le kt \text{ and } \phi(t,v,v,u,u+v,0) = t^2 + t - av^2 - bv^2 - cu^2 \le 0.$  Then,  $t^2 \le av^2 + bv^2 + cu^2$  and  $u^2 \le k^2 t^2 \le k^2 (av^2 + bv^2 + cu^2).$  It follows that  $u \le h_1 v$ , where  $h_1 = k\sqrt{\frac{a+b}{1-k^2c}} < 1.$  Similarly,  $u \le kt$  and  $\phi(t,v,u,v,0,u+v) \le 0$  implies  $u \le h_2 v$ , where  $h_2 = k\sqrt{\frac{a+c}{1-k^2b}} < 1.$  If  $h = \max\{h_1,h_2\},$  then  $u \le hv.$ 

**Example 5.**  $\phi(t_1, t_2, t_3, t_4, t_5, t_6) = t_1^p - \max\{at_2t_3^{p-1}, at_2^{p-1}t_4, at_3^{p-1}t_4, ct_5^{p-1}t_6\}, p \ge 2, 0 < a < 1 \text{ and } c \ge 0.$  $(\phi_1)$ : Obviously.

 $(\phi_2)$ : Let  $1 < k < \frac{1}{\sqrt[p]{a}}$ ,  $u \leq kt$  and  $\phi(t, v, v, u, u + v, 0) = t^p - \max\{av^p, av^{p-1}u\} \leq 0$ . Then,  $u^p \leq k^p t^p \leq k^p \max\{av^p, av^{p-1}u\}$ . If u > 0 and  $u \geq v$ , it follows that  $u^p \leq ak^p u^p < u^p$  which is a contradiction and so  $u \leq hv$ , where  $h = k\sqrt[p]{a} < 1$ . If u = 0, therefore  $u \leq hv$ . Similarly,  $u \leq kt$  and  $\phi(t, v, u, v, 0, u + v) \leq 0$  implies  $u \leq hv$ .

Example 6.  $\phi(t_1, t_2, t_3, t_4, t_5, t_6) = t_1 - b[a \max\{t_2, t_3, t_4, \frac{t_5 + t_6}{2}\} - (1 - a) \max\{t_2^2, t_3 t_4, t_5 t_6, \frac{1}{2} t_3 t_6, \frac{1}{2} t_4 t_5\}^{\frac{1}{2}}], 0 < b < 1 \text{ and } 0 \le a < 1.$ 

 $\begin{array}{l} (\phi_1): \text{Obviously.} \\ (\phi_2): \text{Let } 1 < k < \frac{1}{b}, \, u \leq kt \text{ and } \phi(t,v,v,u,u+v,0) = t - b[a\max\{v,u,u,u+v,0\}] \\ \frac{u+v}{2} \} - (1-a)\max\{v^2,uv,\frac{1}{2}u(u+v)\}^{\frac{1}{2}}] \leq 0. \text{ Then, } u \leq kt \leq kb[a\max\{v,u,u,u+v,0\}] \\ \frac{u+v}{2} \} + (1-a)\max\{v^2,uv,\frac{1}{2}u(u+v)\}^{\frac{1}{2}}]. \text{ If } u > 0 \text{ and } u \geq v, \text{ it follows that } u \leq kbu < u \text{ which is a contradiction and so } u \leq hv, \text{ where } h = kb < 1. \\ \text{If } u = 0, \text{ therefore } u \leq hv. \text{ Similarly, } u \leq kt \text{ and } \phi(t,v,u,v,0,u+v) \leq 0 \\ \text{implies } u \leq hv. \end{array}$ 

**Example 7.**  $\phi(t_1, t_2, t_3, t_4, t_5, t_6) = t_1 - at_2 - b \frac{t_5^2 + t_6^2}{t_5 + t_6} - c(t_3 + t_4), t_5 + t_6 \neq 0, a, b > 0, c \ge 0 \text{ and } a + 2b + 2c < 1.$ 

**Example 8.**  $\phi(t_1, t_2, t_3, t_4, t_5, t_6) = t_1 - at_2 - b \frac{t_3^2 + t_4^2}{t_3 + t_4} - c(t_5 + t_6), t_3 + t_4 \neq 0, a, b, c > 0 \text{ and } a + 2b + 2c < 1.$ 

They follow as in Example 1 since  $\frac{t_5^2 + t_6^2}{t_5 + t_6} \le t_5 + t_6$  and  $\frac{t_3^2 + t_4^2}{t_3 + t_4} \le t_3 + t_4$  if  $t_5 + t_6 \ne 0$  and  $t_3 + t_4 \ne 0$ .

#### 3. Main results

**Theorem 2.** Let (X,d) be a metric space,  $S,T : X \to X$  and  $F,G : X \to CB(X)$  satisfying (3)

(6)  $\phi(H(Fx, Gy), d(Tx, Sy), D(Tx, Fx), D(Sy, Gy), D(Tx, Gy), D(Sy, Fx)) \leq 0$ 

for all  $x, y \in X$ , where  $\phi \in \Phi_6$ , whenever  $D(Tx, Gy) + D(Sy, Fx) \neq 0$  and H(Fx, Gy) = 0 whenever D(Tx, Gy) + D(Sy, Fx) = 0. Suppose that one of S(X) or T(X) is complete. Then

a) there exists  $q, p \in X$  such that  $Tq \in Fq$  and  $Sp \in Gp$ .

Further, if the pair (T, F) is R-weakly commuting of type  $(A_T)$  and (S, G) is R-weakly commuting of type  $(A_S)$  at their coincidence points,

b) there exists  $z \in X$  such that  $Tz \in Fz$  and  $Sz \in Gz$ .

c) In the case (b), if Sz = Tz, then  $Sz = Tz \in Fz \cap Gz$ .

d) In the case (c), if Sz = Tz = z, then z is a common fixed point of S, T, F and G.

**Proof.** First, assume that there exists  $q, p \in X$  such that D(Sp, Fq) + D(Tq, Gp) = 0. So, D(Sp, Fq) = 0 and D(Tq, Gp) = 0 which implies that  $Sp \in Fq$  and  $Tq \in Gp$ . Since H(Fq, Gp) = 0, it follows that  $D(Tq, Fq) \leq H(Fq, Gp) = 0$  and hence  $Tq \in Fq$ . In a similar manner, we get  $Sp \in Gp$ .

Now, assume that  $D(Tx, Gy) + D(Sy, Fx) \neq 0$  for all  $x, y \in X$ . Let  $x_0 \in X$  be an arbitrary point. By (3) and Lemma 1, we define a sequence  $\{y_n\}$  in X by

$$y_{2n} = Tx_{2n} \in Gx_{2n-1}, \qquad y_{2n+1} = Sx_{2n+1} \in Fx_{2n}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} d(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}) &\leq kH(Fx_{2n}, Gx_{2n-1}), \\ d(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n+2}) &\leq kH(Fx_{2n}, Gx_{2n+1}), \text{ for } n = 1, 2, \dots. \end{aligned}$$

Using (6) and  $(\phi_1)$ , we have

$$\begin{array}{lll} 0 & \geq & \phi(H(Fx_{2n},Gx_{2n-1}),d(Tx_{2n},Sx_{2n-1}),D(Tx_{2n},Fx_{2n}),\\ & & D(Sx_{2n-1},Gx_{2n-1}),D(Tx_{2n},Gx_{2n-1}),D(Sx_{2n-1},Fx_{2n})) \\ & \geq & \phi(H(Fx_{2n},Gx_{2n-1}),d(y_{2n-1},y_{2n}),d(y_{2n},y_{2n+1}),\\ & & d(y_{2n-1},y_{2n}),0,d(y_{2n-1},y_{2n+1})) \\ & \geq & \phi(H(Fx_{2n},Gx_{2n-1}),d(y_{2n-1},y_{2n}),d(y_{2n},y_{2n+1}),\\ & & d(y_{2n-1},y_{2n}),0,d(y_{2n-1},y_{2n})+d(y_{2n},y_{2n+1})). \end{array}$$

By  $(\phi_b)$ , we obtain

$$d(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}) \leq hd(y_{2n-1}, y_{2n}).$$

In the same manner, applying (6) we get

$$\begin{array}{lcl} 0 & \geq & \phi(H(Fx_{2n},Gx_{2n+1}),d(Tx_{2n},Sx_{2n+1}),D(Tx_{2n},Fx_{2n}),\\ & & D(Sx_{2n+1},Gx_{2n+1}),D(Tx_{2n},Gx_{2n+1}),D(Sx_{2n+1},Fx_{2n}))\\ & \geq & \phi(H(Fx_{2n},Gx_{2n+1}),d(y_{2n},y_{2n+1}),d(y_{2n},y_{2n+1}),\\ & & d(y_{2n+1},y_{2n+2}),d(y_{2n},y_{2n+2}),0)\\ & \geq & \phi(H(Fx_{2n},Gx_{2n+1}),d(y_{2n},y_{2n+1}),d(y_{2n},y_{2n+1}),\\ & & d(y_{2n+1},y_{2n+2}),d(y_{2n},y_{2n+1})+d(y_{2n+1},y_{2n+2}),0). \end{array}$$

Therefore

$$d(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n+2}) \leq hd(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}).$$

and so

$$d(y_n, y_{n+1}) \leq h d(y_{n-1}, y_n).$$

Then,  $\{y_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence in X. Assume that S(X) is complete. Then,  $\{y_{2n+1}\}$  converges to  $z \in S(X)$  and so there exists  $p \in X$  such that z = Sp. Also,  $\{y_{2n}\}$  converges to z since

$$d(y_{2n}, z) \leq d(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}) + d(y_{2n+1}, z)$$

Applying (6) and  $(\phi_1)$  we have

$$(7) \qquad 0 \geq \phi(H(Fx_{2n}, Gp), d(Tx_{2n}, Sp), D(Tx_{2n}, Fx_{2n}), \\ D(Sp, Gp), D(Tx_{2n}, Gp), D(Sp, Fx_{2n})) \\ \geq \phi(D(y_{2n+1}, Gp), d(y_{2n}, z), d(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}), \\ D(Sp, Gp), D(y_{2n}, Gp), d(Sp, y_{2n+1})).$$

Letting  $n \to \infty$  we get

$$\phi(D(Sp, Gp), 0, 0, D(Sp, Gp), D(Sp, Gp), 0) \leq 0$$

By  $(\phi_a)$  we obtain  $Sp \in Gp$ . As  $G(X) \subset T(X)$ , there exists  $q \in X$  such that z = Sp = Tq.

Using (6) and  $(\phi_1)$  we have

$$(8) \quad 0 \geq \phi(H(Fq, Gx_{2n-1}), d(Tq, Sx_{2n-1}), D(Tq, Fq), \\ D(Sx_{2n-1}, Gx_{2n-1}), D(Tq, Gx_{2n-1}), D(Sx_{2n-1}, Fq)) \\ \geq \phi(D(Fq, y_{2n}), d(Tq, y_{2n-1}), D(Tq, Fq), \\ d(y_{2n-1}, y_{2n}), d(Tq, y_{2n}), D(y_{2n-1}, Fq)).$$

Letting  $n \to \infty$  we get

$$\phi(D(Fq, Tq), 0, D(Fq, Tq), 0, 0, D(Fq, Tq)) \leq 0.$$

By  $(\phi_b)$  we obtain  $Tq \in Fq$ . Since T and F are R-weakly commuting of type  $(A_T)$  at  $q \in C(F,T)$ , there exists an R > 0 such that  $D(TTq, FTq) \leq RD(Tq, Fq)$  and so  $Tz \in Fz$ . In the same manner,  $Sz \in Gz$ . If Sz = Tz, then  $Sz = Tz \in Fz \cap Gz$  and if Sz = Tz = z, then z is a common fixed point of S, T, F and G.

Suppose that T(X) is complete. Therefore,  $\{y_{2n}\}$  converges to  $z \in T(X)$ and so there exists  $q \in X$  such that z = Tq. Applying (6) and  $(\phi_1)$  we have the inequality (8). Letting  $n \to \infty$  we get

$$\phi(D(Fq, Tq), 0, D(Fq, Tq), 0, 0, D(Fq, Tq)) \leq 0.$$

By  $(\phi_b)$  we obtain  $Tq \in Fq$ . As  $F(X) \subset S(X)$ , there exists  $p \in X$  such that z = Sp = Tq.

Using (6) and  $(\phi_1)$  we get the inequality (7). Letting  $n \to \infty$  we get

$$\phi(D(Sp, Gp), 0, 0, D(Sp, Gp), D(Sp, Gp), 0) \leq 0.$$

By  $(\phi_a)$  we obtain  $Sp \in Gp$ . The rest of the proof follows as in the case S(X) is complete.

**Corollary 1.** Let (X, d) be a metric space,  $S, T : X \to X$  and  $F, G : X \to CB(X)$  satisfying (3) and

$$H(Fx, Gy) \leq ad(Tx, Sy) + b(D(Tx, Fx) + D(Sy, Gy)) + c(D(Tx, Gy) + D(Sy, Fx))$$

for all  $x, y \in X$ , where  $a, c > 0, b \ge 0$  and a + 2b + 2c < 1. Suppose that one of S(X) or T(X) is complete. Then, (a) holds. Further, if the pair (T, F)is R-weakly commuting of type  $(A_T)$  and (S, G) is R-weakly commuting of type  $(A_S)$  at their coincidence points, therefore the conclusions (b), (c) and (d) of Theorem 2 hold.

**Proof.** It follows from Theorem 2 and Example 1.

**Remark 2.** In Theorems of [1] and [8], to prove that z = Tz, the authors used: " $Tx_{2n} \in Gx_{2n-1}$  and  $Tz \in Fz$  implies that  $d(Tx_{2n}, Tz) \leq H(Gx_{2n-1}, Fz)$ " which is false because " $a \in A$  and  $b \in B$  implies  $d(a, b) \leq H(A, B)$ " is not true in general as it shown by the following example.

**Example 9.** Let d(x, y) = |x - y|,  $A = [0, \frac{1}{2}]$  and  $B = [\frac{1}{4}, 1]$ . We have  $0 \in A$  and  $1 \in B$ , but  $d(0, 1) = 1 > H(A, B) = \frac{1}{2}$ . Therefore, Theorem 1.7 of [8] is false as it is proved by the following example.

**Example 10.** Let  $(X, d) = ([1, \infty), |.|)$ ,  $Sx = Tx = x^2 + 1$  and Fx = Gx = [2, x + 3] for all  $x \in X$ . It is easy to verify that for all  $x, y \in X$ 

$$d(Sx, Sy) = |x^2 - y^2| \ge 2|x - y| = H(Fx, Fy)$$

and hence

$$\begin{aligned} H(Fx, Fy) &\leq \frac{1}{2}d(Tx, Ty) \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2}d(Tx, Ty) + \frac{1}{8}\frac{D^2(Ty, Fx) + D^2(Tx, Fy)}{D(Ty, Fx) + D(Tx, Fy)} \end{aligned}$$

if  $D(Ty, Fx) + D(Tx, Fy) \neq 0$  and the other conditions of Theorem 1.7 of [8] are satisfied, but S and F have no common fixed point.

The following corollary is the correct form of Theorem 1.7 of [8].

**Corollary 2.** Let (X, d) be a complete metric space,  $T, S : X \to X$  and  $F, G : X \to CB(X)$  satisfying (3) and

$$H(Fx, Gy) \le ad(Tx, Sy) + c \frac{D^2(Sy, Fx) + D^2(Tx, Gy)}{D(Sy, Fx) + D(Tx, Gy)}$$

for all  $x, y \in X$ , where a, c > 0 and a + 2c < 1, whenever  $D(Tx, Gy) + D(Sy, Fx) \neq 0$  and H(Fx, Gy) = 0 whenever D(Tx, Gy) + D(Sy, Fx) = 0. Then, (a) holds. Further, if the pair (T, F) is R-weakly commuting of type  $(A_T)$  and (S, G) is R-weakly commuting of type  $(A_S)$  at their coincidence points, therefore the conclusions (b), (c) and (d) of Theorem 2 hold.

**Proof.** It follows from the fact that  $\frac{D^2(Sy, Fx) + D^2(Tx, Gy)}{D(Sy, Fx) + D(Tx, Gy)} \le D(Sy, Fx) + D(Tx, Gy)$  if  $D(Tx, Gy) + D(Sy, Fx) \ne 0$  and Corollary 1.

**Remark 3.** In [16] Remark 3 and [8] Remark 5, we have: "the conditions in the hypothesis of Theorem 3.1 of [1] and Theorem 1.7 of [8],  $x \neq y, Fx \neq$ Fy and  $Gx \neq Gy$  are necessary since the theorem fails for F and G taken as constant mappings". This is demonstrated by the following example.

**Example 11.** Let  $X = \{0, 1\}, Tx = 1 - x$  and  $Fx = Gx = \{0, 1\}$  for all  $x \in X$ . It is easy to verify that the mappings satisfy all the hypothesis except  $x \neq y, Fx \neq Fy$ .

**Remark 4.** 1) In Example 11, we have  $T(0) \in F(0)$  and  $T(1) \in F(1)$ ; i.e., T and F have coincidence points. Since  $T^2(0) \neq T(0)$  and  $T^2(1) \neq T(1)$ , T and F have no common fixed point

2) In theorems of [1], [3] and [8],  $x \neq y, Fx \neq Fy$  and  $Gx \neq Gy$  are not necessary as it is shown by the following example.

3) In Theorem 1 of [21], S and g are compatible should be the pairs (S, f) and (T, G) are compatible and in Corollary 2, g should be replaced by f and the pair (S, f) is compatible should be added.

4) In [16], the authors made the following remark. It is not yet known whether their theorem remains true if one of the mappings f and T is not continuous and Theorem 2 of [20] yields that the answer is affirmative.

**Example 12.** Let  $X = \{0, 1, \frac{1}{2}\}$ , Tx = 1 - x and  $Fx = Gx = \{0, \frac{1}{2}, 1\}$  for all  $x \in X$ . It is easy to verify that the mappings satisfy the conditions of theorems of [1], [3] and [8] except  $x \neq y$ ,  $Fx \neq Fy$ , but  $T(\frac{1}{2}) = \frac{1}{2} \in F(\frac{1}{2})$  and so  $\frac{1}{2}$  is a common fixed point of T and F.

As  $x \neq y, Fx \neq Fy$  and  $Gx \neq Gy$  are not necessary, it follows that theorem of [1] and Theorems 3.2 and 3.3 of [3] part (a) are false, it suffices to take Example 3.8 for [1] and  $X = \{0, 1\}, Tx = 1 - x, Sx = Ix = Jx = x$ and  $Fx = Gx = \{0, 1\}$  for all  $x \in X$  for [3].

We can also prove the following theorem which generalizes Theorems 3.2 and 3.3 of [3].

**Theorem 3.** Let (X,d) be a metric space,  $S,T,f,g : X \to X$  and  $F,G : X \to CB(X)$  satisfying

$$F(X) \subset Tg(X)$$
 and  $G(X) \subset Sf(X)$ 

$$\phi(H(Fx,Gy), d(Sfx,Tgy), D(Sfx,Fx), D(Tgy,Gy), D(Sfx,Gy), D(Fx,Tgy)) \leq 0$$

for all  $x, y \in X$ , where  $\phi \in \Phi_6$ , whenever  $D(Sfx, Gy) + D(Fx, Tgy) \neq 0$ and H(Fx, Gy) = 0 whenever D(Sfx, Gy) + D(Fx, Tgy) = 0. Suppose that one of S(X) or T(X) is complete. Then

a) There exists  $p, q \in X$  such that  $Sfp \in Fp$  and  $Tgq \in Gq$ .

Further, if (Sf, F) is R-weakly commuting of type  $A_{Sf}$  and (Tg, G) is R-weakly commuting of type  $A_{Tq}$  at their coincidence points, therefore

b) There exists  $z \in X$  such that  $Sfz \in Fz$  and  $Tgz \in Gz$ .

c) In the case (b), if Sfz = Tgz, then  $Sfz = Tgz \in Fz \cap Gz$ .

d) In the case (c), if Sfz = Tgz = z, (S, f), (Sf,S), (T,g), (Tg,T)commute,  $S^2z = Sz$ ,  $f^2z = fz$ ,  $T^2z = Tz$  and  $g^2z = gz$ , then z is a common fixed point of f, S, T, g, Sf, Tg, F and G.

The following theorem generalizes theorems of Popa [13-16].

**Theorem 4.** Let (X,d) be a metric space,  $S,T : X \to X$  and  $F,G : X \to CB(X)$  satisfying (3) and

$$\phi(H(Fx, Gy), d(Tx, Sy), D(Tx, Fx), D(Sy, Gy), D(Tx, Gy), D(Sy, Fx)) \le 0$$

for all  $x, y \in X$ , where  $\phi \in \Phi_6$ . Suppose that one of S(X) or T(X) is complete. Then, (a) holds. Further, if (S,G) is R-weakly commuting of type  $A_S$  and (T,F) is R-weakly commuting of type  $A_T$  at their coincidence points, therefore the conclusions (b), (c) and (d) of Theorem 2 hold.

**Theorem 5.** Let  $\{F_n\}_{n\geq 1}$  be a sequence of mappings from a metric space (X, d) into CB(X) and  $S, T : X \to X$  satisfying

(9)  $F_1(X) \subset S(X) \quad and \quad F_n(X) \subset T(X), \quad n > 1$ 

$$\phi(H(F_1x, F_ny), d(Tx, Sy), D(Tx, F_1x), D(Sy, F_ny), D(Tx, F_ny), D(Sy, F_1x)) \le 0$$

for all  $x, y \in X$ , where  $\phi \in \Phi_6$ , whenever  $D(Tx, F_n y) + D(F_1 x, Sy) \neq 0$  and  $H(F_1 x, F_n y) = 0$  whenever  $D(Tx, F_n y) + D(F_1 x, Sy) = 0$ . Suppose that one of S(X) or T(X) is complete. Then

a) There exists  $p, q \in X$  such that  $Sp \in F_np$  and  $Tq \in F_1q$ , n > 1.

Further, if pair  $(T, F_1)$  is R-weakly commuting of type  $(A_T)$  and  $(S, F_n)$  is R-weakly commuting of type  $(A_S)$  at their coincidence points for n > 1, therefore

b) There exists  $z \in X$  such that  $Tz \in F_1z$  and  $Sz \in F_nz$ .

c) In the case (b), if Sz = Tz, then  $Sz = Tz \in F_1z \cap F_nz$ .

d) In the case (c), if Sz = Tz = z, then z is a common fixed point of  $T_n$ , F and G.

The following theorem generalizes theorems of Popa [13-16] and Djoudi and Aliouche [2].

**Theorem 6.** Let  $\{F_n\}_{n\geq 1}$  be a sequence of mappings from a metric space (X, d) into CB(X) and  $S, T : X \to X$  satisfying (9) and

$$\begin{aligned} \phi(H(F_1x,F_ny),d(Tx,Sy),D(Tx,F_1x),D(Sy,F_ny),\\ D(Tx,F_ny),D(Sy,F_1x)) \ \leq \ 0 \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x, y \in X$ , where  $\phi \in \Phi_6$ . Suppose that one of S(X) or T(X) is complete. Then, (a) holds. Further, if  $(T, F_1)$  is R-commuting of type  $A_T$ and  $(S, F_n)$  is R-weakly commuting of type  $A_S$  at their coincidence points for n > 1, therefore the conclusions (b), (c) and (d) of Theorem 5 hold.

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