

## A Related Fixed Point Theorem for Three Pairs of Mappings on Three Metric Spaces

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**Abstract :** A new related fixed point theorem for three pairs of mappings on three complete metric spaces is obtained.

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The following related fixed point theorem was for two pairs of mappings on two complete metric spaces was proved in [3]. See also [1] and [2].

**Theorem 1** *Let  $(X, d)$  and  $(Y, \rho)$  be complete metric spaces. Let  $A, B$  be mappings of  $X$  into  $Y$  and let  $S, T$  be mappings of  $Y$  into  $X$  satisfying the inequalities*

$$\begin{aligned}\rho(BSy, ATy') &\leq c \frac{f(x, x', y, y')}{h(x, x', y, y')}, \\ d(SAx, TBx') &\leq c \frac{g(x, x', y, y')}{h(x, x', y, y')}\end{aligned}$$

for all  $x, x'$  in  $X$  and  $y, y'$  in  $Y$  for which  $h(x, x', y, y') \neq 0$ , where

$$\begin{aligned}f(x, x', y, y') &= \max\{d(x, x')\rho(y, y'), d(x, Sy)d(x', Ty'), \\ &\quad d(x, Ty')d(x', Sy), \rho(y, Bx')\rho(y', Ax)\}, \\ g(x, x', y, y') &= \max\{\rho(Ax, Bx')d(Sy, Ty'), \rho(Ax, BSy)\rho(Bx', ATy'), \\ &\quad \rho(Ax, ATy')\rho(Bx', BSy), d(Sy, TBx')d(Ty', SAx)\}, \\ h(x, x', y, y') &= \max\{\rho(Ax, Bx'), d(SAx, TBx'), d(Sx, Ty'), \rho(BSy, ATy')\}\end{aligned}$$

and  $0 \leq c < 1$ . If one of the mappings  $A, B, S$  and  $T$  is continuous, then  $SA$  and  $TB$  have a unique common fixed point  $z$  in  $X$  and  $BS$  and  $AT$  have a unique common fixed point  $w$  in  $Y$ . Further,  $Az = Bz = w$  and  $Sw = Tw = z$ .

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We now prove a related fixed point theorem for three pairs of mappings on three complete metric spaces.

**Theorem 2** *Let  $(X, d)$ ,  $(Y, \rho)$  and  $(Z, \sigma)$  be complete metric spaces. Let  $A, B$  be mappings of  $X$  into  $Y$ , let  $C, D$  be mappings of  $Y$  into  $Z$  and let  $E, F$  be mappings of  $Z$  into  $X$  satisfying the inequalities*

$$d(ECAx, FDBx') \leq c \frac{f_1(y, y', z, z')}{g_1(x, x')}, \quad (1)$$

$$\rho(BECy, AFDy') \leq c \frac{f_2(z, z', x, x')}{g_2(y, y')}, \quad (2)$$

$$\sigma(DBEz, CAFz') \leq c \frac{f_3(x, x', y, y')}{g_3(z, z')} \quad (3)$$

for all  $x, x'$  in  $X$ ;  $y, y'$  in  $Y$  and  $z, z'$  in  $Z$  for which  $g_1(x, x') \neq 0$ ;  $g_2(y, y') \neq 0$ ,  $g_3(z, z') \neq 0$ , where

$$f_1(y, y', z, z') = \max\{\rho(y, y')d(Ez, Fz'), \sigma(Cy, Dy')\rho(BEz, AFz'), \\ d(ECy, F Dy')\sigma(DBEz, CAFz')\},$$

$$f_2(z, z', x, x') = \max\{\sigma(z, z')\rho(Ax, Bx'), d(Ez, Fz')\sigma(CAx, DBx'), \\ \rho(BEz, AFz')d(ECAx, F Dx')\},$$

$$f_3(x, x', y, y') = \max\{d(x, x'), \sigma(Cy, Dy'), \rho(Ax, Bx'), d(ECy, F Dy'), \\ \sigma(CAx, DBx')\rho(BECy, AFDy')\},$$

$$g_1(x, x') = \max\{d(x, x'), \rho(Ax, Bx'), \sigma(CAx, DBx'), d(ECAx, FDBx')\},$$

$$g_2(y, y') = \max\{\rho(y, y'), \sigma(Cy, Dy'), d(ECy, F Dy'), \rho(BECy, AFDy')\},$$

$$g_3(z, z') = \max\{\sigma(z, z'), d(Ez, Fz'), \rho(BEz, AFz'), \sigma(DBEz, CAFz')\}$$

and  $0 \leq c < 1$ . If  $A$  and  $C$  or  $B$  and  $D$  are continuous, then  $ECA$  and  $FDB$  have a unique common fixed point  $u$  in  $X$ ,  $BEC$  and  $AFD$  have a unique common fixed point  $v$  in  $Y$ , and  $DBE$  and  $CAF$  have a unique common fixed point  $w$  in  $Z$ . Further,  $Au = Bu = v, Cv = Dv = w$  and  $Eu = Fu = u$ .

**Proof.** Let  $x = x_0$  be an arbitrary point in  $X$ . We define the sequences  $\{x_n\}$  in  $X$ ,  $\{y_n\}$  in  $Y$  and  $\{z_n\}$  in  $Z$  inductively by

$$Ax_{2n-2} = y_{2n-1}, Cy_{2n-1} = z_{2n-1}, Ez_{2n-1} = x_{2n-1}, \\ Bx_{2n-1} = y_{2n}, Dy_{2n} = z_{2n}, Fz_{2n} = x_{2n}$$

for  $n = 1, 2, \dots$

We will first of all suppose that for some  $n$ ,

$$g_1(x_{2n}, x_{2n-1}) = \max\{d(x_{2n}, x_{2n-1}), \rho(Ax_{2n}, Bx_{2n-1}), \sigma(CAx_{2n}, DBx_{2n-1}), \\ d(ECAx_{2n}, FDBx_{2n-1})\} \\ = \max\{d(x_{2n}, x_{2n-1}), \rho(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n}), \sigma(z_{2n+1}, z_{2n}), d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n})\} \\ = 0.$$

Then putting

$$x_{2n-1} = x_{2n} = x_{2n+1} = u, \quad y_{2n} = y_{2n+1} = v, \quad z_{2n} = z_{2n+1} = w,$$

we see that

$$ECAu = FDBu = u = Ew = Fw, \quad AFDv = v = Au = Bu,$$

$$CAFw = w = Cv = Dv,$$

from which it follows that

$$BECv = v, \quad DBEw = w.$$

Similarly,  $g_1(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}) = 0$  for some  $n$  implies that there exist points  $u$  in  $X$ ,  $v$  in  $V$  and  $w$  in  $Z$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} ECAu = FDBu = u = Ew = Fw, \quad BECv = AFDv = v = Au = Bu \\ DBEw = CAFw = w = CvDv. \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

Similarly, if one  $g_2(y_{2n-1}, y_{2n})$ ,  $g_2(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n})$ ,  $g_3(z_{2n-1}, z_{2n})$ ,  $g_3(z_{2n+1}, z_{2n})$  is equal to zero for some  $n$ , then equations (4) follow.

We will therefore suppose that  $g_1(x_{2n-1}, x_{2n})$ ,  $g_1(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1})$ ,  $g_2(y_{2n-1}, y_{2n})$ ,  $g_2(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n})$ ,  $g_3(z_{2n-1}, z_{2n})$  and  $g_3(z_{2n+1}, z_{2n})$  are all non-zero for all  $n$ .

We have

$$\begin{aligned} f_1(y_{2n-1}, y_{2n}, z_{2n-1}, z_{2n}) = \max\{\rho(y_{2n-1}, y_{2n})d(x_{2n-1}, x_{2n}), \\ \sigma(z_{2n-1}, z_{2n})\rho(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}), d(x_{2n-1}, x_{2n})\sigma(z_{2n}, z_{2n+1})\}, \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

$$\begin{aligned} f_2(z_{2n-1}, z_{2n}, x_{2n}, x_{2n-1}) = \max\{\sigma(z_{2n-1}, z_{2n})\rho(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}), \\ d(x_{2n-1}, x_{2n})\sigma(z_{2n}, z_{2n+1}), \rho(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1})d(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1})\}, \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

$$\begin{aligned} f_3(x_{2n}, x_{2n-1}, y_{2n-1}, y_{2n}) = \max\{d(x_{2n-1}, x_{2n}), \sigma(z_{2n-1}, z_{2n}), \rho(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}), \\ d(x_{2n-1}, x_{2n}), \sigma(z_{2n}, z_{2n+1})\rho(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1})\}, \end{aligned} \quad (7)$$

$$\begin{aligned} g_1(x_{2n}, x_{2n-1}) = \max\{d(x_{2n-1}, x_{2n}), \rho(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}), \sigma(z_{2n}, z_{2n+1}), \\ d(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1})\}, \end{aligned} \quad (8)$$

$$\begin{aligned} g_2(y_{2n-1}, y_{2n}) = \max\{\rho(y_{2n-1}, y_{2n}), \sigma(z_{2n-1}, z_{2n}), d(x_{2n-1}, x_{2n}), \\ \rho(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1})\}, \end{aligned} \quad (9)$$

$$\begin{aligned} g_3(z_{2n-1}, z_{2n}) = \max\{\sigma(z_{2n-1}, z_{2n}), d(x_{2n-1}, x_{2n}), \rho(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}), \\ \sigma(z_{2n}, z_{2n+1})\}. \end{aligned} \quad (10)$$

Applying inequality (1), we get

$$\begin{aligned} d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n}) &= d(ECAx_{2n}, FDBx_{2n-1}) \\ &\leq c \frac{f_1(y_{2n-1}, y_{2n}, z_{2n-1}, z_{2n})}{g_1(x_{2n}, x_{2n-1})} \end{aligned} \quad (11)$$

and it now follows from (5), (8) and (11) that

$$d(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}) \leq c \max\{d(x_{2n-1}, x_{2n}), \rho(y_{2n-1}, y_{2n}), \sigma(z_{2n-1}, z_{2n})\}. \quad (12)$$

Applying inequality (2), we get

$$\begin{aligned} \rho(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}) &= \rho(BECy_{2n-1}, AFDy_{2n}) \\ &\leq c \frac{f_2(z_{2n-1}, z_{2n}, x_{2n}, x_{2n-1})}{g_2(y_{2n-1}, y_{2n})} \end{aligned} \quad (13)$$

and it now follows from (6), (9) and (13) that

$$\rho(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}) \leq c \max\{d(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}), \sigma(z_{2n}, z_{2n+1})\}. \quad (14)$$

Applying inequality (3), we get

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma(z_{2n}, z_{2n+1}) &= \sigma(DBEz_{2n-1}, CAFz_{2n}) \\ &\leq c \frac{f_3(x_{2n}, x_{2n-1}, y_{2n-1}, y_{2n})}{g_3(z_{2n-1}, z_{2n})} \end{aligned} \quad (15)$$

and it now follows from (7), (10) and (15) that

$$\sigma(z_{2n}, z_{2n+1}) \leq c \max\{d(x_{2n-1}, x_{2n}), \sigma(z_{2n-1}, z_{2n})\}. \quad (16)$$

Using inequalities (12), (14) and (16) we now get

$$\begin{aligned} \rho(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}) &\leq c \max\{cd(x_{2n-1}, x_{2n}), c\rho(y_{2n-1}, y_{2n}), c\sigma(z_{2n-1}, z_{2n})\} \\ &\leq c \max\{d(x_{2n-1}, x_{2n}), \rho(y_{2n-1}, y_{2n}), \sigma(z_{2n-1}, z_{2n})\}. \end{aligned} \quad (17)$$

On applying inequality (1) again, we get

$$\begin{aligned} d(x_{2n-1}, x_{2n}) &= d(ECAx_{2n-2}, FDBx_{2n-1}) \\ &\leq c \frac{f_1(y_{2n-1}, y_{2n-2}, z_{2n-1}, z_{2n-2})}{g_1(x_{2n-2}, x_{2n-1})} \end{aligned}$$

from which it follows that

$$d(x_{2n-1}, x_{2n}) \leq c \max\{d(x_{2n-2}, x_{2n-1}), \rho(y_{2n-2}, y_{2n-1}), \sigma(z_{2n-2}, z_{2n-1})\} \quad (18)$$

and similarly on using inequalities (2) and (3), we get

$$\rho(y_{2n-1}, y_{2n}) \leq c \max\{d(x_{2n-1}, x_{2n}), \sigma(z_{2n-1}, z_{2n})\}, \quad (19)$$

$$\sigma(z_{2n-1}, z_{2n}) \leq c \max\{d(x_{2n-2}, x_{2n-1}), \sigma(z_{2n-2}, z_{2n-1})\}. \quad (20)$$

On using inequalities (18), (19) and (20), we get

$$\rho(y_{2n-1}, y_{2n}) \leq c \max\{d(x_{2n-2}, x_{2n-1}), \rho(y_{2n-2}, y_{2n-1}), \sigma(z_{2n-2}, z_{2n-1})\}. \quad (21)$$

It now follows from inequalities (12) and (18) that

$$\begin{aligned} d(x_n, x_{n+1}) &\leq c \max\{d(x_{n-1}, x_n), \rho(y_{n-1}, y_n), \sigma(z_{n-1}, z_n)\} \\ &\leq k^{n-1} \max\{d(x_1, x_2), \rho(y_1, y_2), \sigma(z_1, z_2)\}. \end{aligned} \quad (22)$$

Similarly, on using inequalities (17), (21), (16) and (20), we get

$$\rho(y_n, y_{n+1}) \leq k^{n-1} \max\{d(x_1, x_2), \rho(y_1, y_2), \sigma(z_1, z_2)\}, \quad (23)$$

$$\sigma(z_n, z_{n+1}) \leq k^{n-1} \max\{d(x_1, x_2), \rho(y_1, y_2), \sigma(z_1, z_2)\}. \quad (24)$$

Since  $c < 1$ , it follows from inequalities (22), (23) and (24) that  $\{x_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence in  $X$  with a limit  $u$ ,  $\{y_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence in  $Y$  with a limit  $v$  and  $\{z_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence in  $Z$  with a limit  $w$ .

Now suppose that  $A$  and  $C$  are continuous. Then

$$v = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_{2n+1} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Ay_{2n} = Av, \quad w = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} z_{2n-1} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Cz_{2n-1} = Cw \quad (25)$$

and hence

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_1(v, y_{2n}, w, z_{2n}) = d(Ew, u)\sigma(DBEw, u), \quad (26)$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_2(w, z_{2n}, u, x_{2n-1}) = \rho(BEw, v)d(Ew, u), \quad (27)$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_3(v, y_{2n}, w, z_{2n}) = 0, \quad (28)$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} g_1(u, x_{2n-1}) = d(Ew, u), \quad (29)$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} g_2(v, v_n) = \max\{d(Ew, u)\rho(BEw, v)\}, \quad (30)$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} g_3(w, z_{2n}) = \max\{d(Ew, u), \rho(BEw, w), \sigma(DBEw, w)\}. \quad (31)$$

If  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} g_1(u, x_{2n-1}) = 0$ , then  $Ew = u$  and  $ECAu = u$ .

If it were possible that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} g_1(u, x_{2n-1}) = d(Ew, u) \neq 0,$$

then on applying inequality (1) and equations (25), (26) and (29), we get

$$d(Ew, u) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(ECAu, FDBx_{2n-1}) \leq c\sigma(DBEw, w). \quad (32)$$

On using inequality (3) and equations (28) and (31), we get

$$\sigma(DBEw, w) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sigma(DBEw, CAFz_{2n}) = 0$$

which implies that  $DBEw = w$  and hence from (32) we must have  $Ew = u$ .

On using inequality (2) and equations (25), (27) and (30), we have

$$\rho(BEw, v) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \rho(BECv, AFDy_{2n}) \leq cd(Ew, u) = 0$$

which implies that

$$Bu = v, \quad Dv = w, \quad ECAu = u, \quad BECv = v.$$

Now suppose that  $Fw \neq u$ . On applying inequality (1), we have

$$\begin{aligned} d(u, Fw) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(ECAx_{2n}, FDBu) \\ &\leq c \frac{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_1(y_{2n-1}, v, z_{2n-1}, w)}{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} g_1(x_{2n}, u)} \\ &= c\sigma(w, CAFw). \end{aligned} \tag{33}$$

Applying inequality (3), we now have

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma(w, CAFw) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sigma(DBEz_{2n-1}, CAFw) \\ &\leq c \frac{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_3(x_{2n}, u, y_{2n-1}, v)}{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} g_3(z_{2n-1}, w)} \\ &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

This implies that  $w = CAFw$  and hence from (33), we must have  $Fw = u$ . Equations (4) follows.

Equations (4) follow similarly if  $B$  and  $D$  are continuous.

To prove the uniqueness, let  $ECA$  and  $FDB$  have a second distinct fixed point  $u'$ . Then, using inequalities (1), (2) and (3) respectively, we have

$$d(u, u') = d(ECAu, FDBu') \leq c \frac{f_1(Au, Bu', CAu, DBu)}{g_1(u, u')}$$

which implies that

$$d(u, u') \leq c \max\{\rho(v, Au'), \rho(v, Bu'), \sigma(w, CAu')\}, \tag{34}$$

$$\rho(v, Au') = \rho(BECAu, AFDBu') \leq c \frac{f_2(CAu, DBu', u, u')}{g_2(Au, Bu')}$$

which implies that

$$\rho(v, Au') \leq c \max\{d(u, u'), \rho(v, Bu')\} \tag{35}$$

and

$$\sigma(w, CAu') = \sigma(DBECAu, CAFDBu') \leq c \frac{f_3(u, u', Au, Bu')}{g_3(CAu, DBu')}$$

which implies that

$$\sigma(w, CAu') \leq c \max\{d(u, u'), \rho(v, Au'), \rho(v, Bu')\}. \tag{36}$$

On applying inequality (2) again, we have

$$\rho(Bu', v) = \rho(BECAu', AFDBu) \leq c \frac{f_2(CAu', DBu, u', u)}{g_2(Au, Bu')}$$

which implies that

$$\rho(v, Bu') \leq c \max\{d(u, u'), \rho(v, Au')\}. \quad (37)$$

It now follows from (34) to (37) that

$$d(u, u') \leq c \max\{\rho(v, Au'), \rho(v, Bu')\} \quad (38)$$

and then (35), (37) and (38) imply that  $u = u'$ , proving the uniqueness of  $u$ .

We can prove similarly that  $v$  is the unique common fixed point of  $BEC$  and  $AFD$  and  $w$  is the unique common fixed point of  $DBE$  and  $CAF$ .  $\square$

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