



A Common Fixed Point Theorem for Single-Valued and Set-Valued Mappings Satisfying A Generalized Contractive Condition

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Abstract : In this paper, we prove a common fixed point theorem for two pairs of single-valued and set-valued mappings satisfying a generalized contractive condition and a property using the concept of weak compatibility in metric spaces which generalizes Theorem 1 of [1] and Corollary 3 of [2].

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1 Introduction

Let S and T be self-mappings of a metric space (X, d) . S and T are commuting if $STx = TSx$ for all $x \in X$. Sessa [13] defined S and T to be weakly commuting if for all $x \in X$

$$d(STx, TSx) \leq d(Tx, Sx). \quad (1.1)$$

Jungck [9] defined S and T to be compatible as a generalization of weakly commuting if

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(STx_n, TSx_n) = 0 \quad (1.2)$$

whenever $\{x_n\}$ is a sequence in X such that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Sx_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Tx_n = t$ for some $t \in X$.

It is easy to show that commuting implies weakly commuting implies compatible and there are examples in the literature verifying that the inclusions are proper, see [9] and [13].

Jungck [10] defined S and T to be weakly compatible if they commute at their coincidence points.

It was proved that if S and T are compatible, then they are weakly compatible and the converse is not true in general.

Let $B(X)$ be the set of all nonempty bounded subsets of X .

As in [7] and [8], let $\delta(A, B)$ and $D(A, B)$ be the functions defined by

$$\begin{aligned}\delta(A, B) &= \sup\{d(a, b) : a \in A, b \in B\}, \\ d(A, B) &= \inf\{d(a, b) : a \in A, b \in B\}, \text{ for all } A, B \in B(X).\end{aligned}$$

If A consists of a single point a , we write $\delta(A, B) = \delta(a, B)$. If B consists also of a single point b , we write $\delta(A, B) = d(a, b)$.

It follows immediately from the definition of δ that for all $A, B, C \in B(X)$.

$$\begin{aligned}\delta(A, B) &= \delta(B, A) \geq 0, \\ \delta(A, B) &\leq \delta(A, C) + \delta(C, B), \\ \delta(A, B) &= 0 \text{ iff } A = B = \{a\}, \\ \delta(A, A) &= \text{diam}A.\end{aligned}$$

Sessa [14] extended (1.1) to single-valued and set-valued mappings as follows:

The mappings $F : X \rightarrow B(X)$ and $I : X \rightarrow X$ are said to be weakly commuting on X if $IFx \in B(X)$ and

$$\delta(FIx, IFx) \leq \max\{\delta(Ix, Fx), \text{diam}(IFx)\} \text{ for all } x \in X. \quad (1.3)$$

Note that if F is a single-valued mapping, then the set IFx consists of a single point. Therefore,

$\text{diam}(IFx) = 0$ for all $x \in X$ and condition (1.3) reduces to the condition (1.1)

Two commuting mappings F and I clearly weakly commute but two weakly commuting F and I do not necessarily commute as it was shown in [14].

Jungck and Rhoades [11] defined the concepts of δ -compatible and weakly compatible mappings which extend the concept of compatible mappings and weakly compatible in the single-valued setting to set-valued mappings as follows:

The mappings $I : X \rightarrow X$ and $F : X \rightarrow B(X)$ are said to be δ -compatible if

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \delta(FIx_n, IFx_n) = 0$$

whenever $\{x_n\}$ is a sequence in X such that $IFx_n \in B(X)$, $Fx_n \rightarrow \{t\}$ and $Ix_n \rightarrow t$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$ for some t in X .

The mappings $I : X \rightarrow X$ and $F : X \rightarrow B(X)$ are weakly compatible if they commute at their coincidence points, i.e., for each point x in X such that $Fu = \{Iu\}$, we have $FIfu = IFfu$.

Note that the equation $Fx = \{Ix\}$ implies that Fx is a singleton.

It can be seen that any δ -compatible pair (F, I) is weakly compatible. Examples of weakly compatible pairs which are not δ -compatible were given in [11].

Definition 1.1. [7] A sequence $\{A_n\}$ of subsets of X is said to be convergent to a subset A of X if

(i) given $a \in A$, there is a sequence $\{a_n\}$ in X such that $a_n \in A_n$ for $n = 1, 2, \dots$, and $\{a_n\}$ converges to a .

(ii) given $\epsilon > 0$, there exists a positive integer N such that $A_n \subset A_\epsilon$ for $n > N$ where A_ϵ is the union of all open spheres with centers in A and radius ϵ .

Lemma 1.2. [7] If $\{A_n\}$ and $\{B_n\}$ are sequences in $B(X)$ converging to A and B in $B(X)$, respectively, then the sequence $\{\delta(A_n, B_n)\}$ converges to $\delta(A, B)$.

Lemma 1.3. [8] Let $\{A_n\}$ be a sequence in $B(X)$ and y a point in X such that $\delta(A_n, y) \rightarrow 0$. Then, the sequence $\{A_n\}$ converges to the set $\{y\}$ in $B(X)$.

Lemma 1.4. [8] A set-valued mapping F of X into $B(X)$ is said to be continuous at $x \in X$ if the sequence $\{Fx_n\}$ in $B(X)$ converges to Fx whenever $\{x_n\}$ is a sequence in X converging to x in X .

F is said to be continuous on X if it is continuous at every point in X .

Lemma 1.5. [8] Let $\{A_n\}$ be a sequence of nonempty subsets of X and z in X such that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = z$, z independent of the particular choice of each $a_n \in A_n$. If a self-map I of X is continuous, then $\{Iz\}$ is the limit of the sequence $\{IA_n\}$.

Definition 1.6. [1] Two self-mappings S and T of a metric space (X, d) satisfy the property (E.A) if there exists a sequence $\{x_n\}$ in X such that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Sx_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Tx_n = z \text{ for some } z \in X.$$

It is clear from the definition of compatibility that S and T are noncompatible if there exists at least one sequence $\{x_n\}$ in X such that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Sx_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Tx_n = z$ for some $z \in X$, but, $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(STx_n, TSx_n)$ is either non-zero or does not exist. Therefore, two noncompatible self-mappings of a metric space (X, d) satisfy the property (E.A).

2 Preliminaries

Definition 2.1. Two mappings $f : X \rightarrow X$ and $T : X \rightarrow B(X)$ satisfy the property (E.A) if there exists a sequence $\{x_n\}$ in X such that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} fx_n = z \quad \text{and} \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Tx_n = \{z\} \text{ for some } z \in X.$$

Example 2.2. Let $X = [1, \infty)$ with the usual metric. Define $f : X \rightarrow X$ and $T : X \rightarrow B(X)$ by $f(x) = x + 1$ and $Tx = [2, x + 1]$. Consider the sequence $\{x_n\}$ such that $x_n = 1 + \frac{1}{n}$, $n = 1, 2, \dots$. Clearly, $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} fx_n = 2$ and $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Tx_n = \{2\}$. Therefore, f and T satisfy the property (E.A).

Example 2.3. Let $X = [1, \infty)$ with the usual metric. Define $f : X \rightarrow X$ and $T : X \rightarrow B(X)$ by $f(x) = x + 1$ and $Tx = \{x + 2\}$. Suppose that f and T satisfy property (E.A). Then, there exists a sequence $\{x_n\}$ in X , such that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f x_n = z$ and $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} T x_n = \{z\}$. Therefore, $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = z - 1 = z + 2$ for some $z \in X$ which is a contradiction. Hence, f and T do not satisfy the property (E.A).

It is clear from the definition of δ -compatibility that f and T are noncompatible if there exists at least one sequence $\{x_n\}$ in X such that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f x_n = z$ and $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} T x_n = \{z\}$ for some $z \in X$ but, $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \delta(f T x_n, T f x_n)$ is either non-zero or does not exist. Therefore, two mappings $f : X \rightarrow X$ and $T : X \rightarrow B(X)$ of a metric space (X, d) which are not δ -compatible satisfy the property (E.A).

Several authors proved fixed point theorems and common fixed point theorems for mappings satisfying contractive conditions of integral type, see [2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 12, 15]. Recently, Zhang [16] and Aliouche [3] proved common fixed point theorems using generalized contractive conditions in metric spaces. These theorems extend well-known results in [4], [5], [12] and [15].

Let $A \in (0, \infty]$, $R_A^+ = [0, A)$ and $F : R_A^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ satisfying

- (i) $F(0) = 0$ and $F(t) > 0$ for each $t \in (0, A)$,
- (ii) F is increasing on R_A^+ ,
- (iii) F is continuous.

Define $F[0, A) = \{F : F \text{ satisfies (i)-(iii)}\}$.

The following examples were given by [16].

- 1) Let $F(t) = t$, then $F \in F[0, A)$ for each $A \in (0, +\infty]$.
- 2) Suppose that φ is nonnegative, Lebesgue integrable on $[0, A)$ and satisfies

$$\int_0^\epsilon \varphi(t) dt > 0 \text{ for each } \epsilon \in (0, A).$$

Let $F(t) = \int_0^t \varphi(s) ds$, then $F \in [0, A)$.

- 3) Suppose that ψ is nonnegative, Lebesgue integrable on $[0, A)$ and satisfies

$$\int_0^\epsilon \psi(t) dt > 0 \text{ for each } \epsilon \in (0, A)$$

and φ is nonnegative, Lebesgue integrable on $[0, \int_0^A \psi(s) ds)$ and satisfies

$$\int_0^\epsilon \varphi(t) dt > 0 \text{ for each } \epsilon \in (0, \int_0^A \psi(s) ds).$$

Let $F(t) = \int_0^{\int_0^t \psi(s) ds} \varphi(u) du$, then $F \in F[0, A)$.

4) If $G \in [0, A)$ and $F \in F[0, G(A - 0))$, then a composition mapping $F \circ G \in F[0, A)$. For instance, let $H(t) = \int_0^{F(t)} \varphi(s)ds$, then $H \in F[0, A)$ whenever $F \in F[0, A)$ and φ is nonnegative, Lebesgue integrable on $F[0, F(A - 0))$ and satisfies

$$\int_0^\epsilon \varphi(t)dt > 0 \text{ for each } \epsilon \in (0, F(A - 0)).$$

Lemma 2.4. [16] Let $A \in (0, +\infty]$ and $F \in F[0, A)$. If $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} F(\epsilon_n) = 0$ for $\epsilon_n \in R_A^+$, then $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \epsilon_n = 0$.

Let $A \in (0, +\infty]$, $\psi : R_A^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$ satisfying

- (i) $\psi(t) < t$ for each $t \in (0, A)$,
- (ii) ψ is nondecreasing and upper semi-continuous.

Define $\Psi[0, A) = \{\psi : \psi \text{ satisfies (i) and (ii) above}\}$.

Lemma 2.5. [16] If $\psi \in \Psi[0, A)$, then $\psi(0) = 0$.

The following Theorem was proved by [1].

Theorem 2.6. Let A, B, S and T be self-mappings of a metric space (X, d) such that

$$d(Ax, By) \leq \phi(\max\{d(Sx, Ty), d(Sx, By), d(By, Ty)\})$$

for all $x, y \in X$. Suppose that $A(X) \subset T(X)$, $B(X) \subset S(X)$ and the (A, S) or (B, T) satisfies the property (E.A). If the range of one of the mappings A, B, S and T is a complete subspace of X , then A, B, S and T have a unique common fixed point in X .

It is our purpose in this paper to extend Theorem 2.6 for two pairs of single-valued and set-valued mappings and prove a common fixed point theorem using a generalized contractive condition and a property (E.A).

3 Main Results

Let $D = \sup\{d(x, y) : x, y \in X\}$. Set $A = D$ if $D = \infty$ and $A > D$ if $D < \infty$.

Theorem 3.1. Let f and g be self-mappings of a metric space (X, d) and S and T be mappings from X into $B(X)$ satisfying

$$\cup S(X) \subset g(X) \text{ and } \cup T(X) \subset f(X) \tag{3.1}$$

$$F(\delta(Sx, Ty) \leq \psi(F(\max\{d(fx, gy), \delta(fx, Sx), \delta(gy, Ty), d(fx, Ty), d(Sx, gy)\})) \tag{3.2}$$

for all $x, y \in X$, where $F \in [0, A)$ and $\psi \in \Psi[0, F(A - 0))$. Suppose that the pair (f, S) or (g, T) satisfies the property (E.A), (f, S) and (g, T) are weakly compatible and $f(X)$ or $g(X)$ or $S(X)$ or $T(X)$ is a closed subset of X . Then, f, g, S and T have a unique common fixed point in X .

Proof. Suppose that the pair (g, T) satisfies the property (E.A). Then, there exists a sequence $\{x_n\}$ in X such that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} gx_n = z$ and $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Tx_n = \{z\}$ for some $z \in X$. Therefore, we have $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \delta(gx_n, Tx_n) = 0$. Since $T(X) \subset f(X)$, there exists in X a sequence $\{y_n\}$ such that $fy_n \in Tx_n$. Assume that $\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \delta(Sy_n, Tx_n) = l > 0$. Using (3.2) we have

$$\begin{aligned} F(\delta(Sy_n, Tx_n)) &\leq \psi(F(\max\{d(fy_n, gx_n), \delta(fy_n, Sy_n), \\ &\quad \delta(gx_n, Tx_n), d(fy_n, Tx_n), d(Sy_n, gx_n)\})) \\ &\leq \psi(F(\max\{\delta(gx_n, Tx_n), \delta(Sy_n, Tx_n), d(gx_n, Tx_n) \\ &\quad \delta(Sy_n, Tx_n) + \delta(gx_n, Tx_n)\})). \end{aligned}$$

Letting $n \rightarrow \infty$ we get $F(l) \leq \psi(F(l)) < F(l)$.

Which is a contradiction. Hence, $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} F(\delta(Sy_n, Tx_n)) = 0$ and Lemma 2.4 implies that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \delta(Sy_n, Tx_n) = 0$; i.e., $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Sy_n = \{z\}$.

Suppose that $f(X)$ is a complete subspace of X . Then, $z = fu$ for some $u \in X$.

If $Su \neq \{z\}$, applying (3.2) we get

$$\begin{aligned} F(\delta(Su, Tx_n)) &\leq \psi(F(\max\{d(fu, gx_n), \delta(fu, Su), \delta(gx_n, Tx_n), \\ &\quad d(fu, Tx_n), d(Su, gx_n)\})). \end{aligned}$$

Letting $n \rightarrow \infty$ we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} F(\delta(Su, z)) &\leq \psi(F(\delta(Su, z))) \\ &< F(\delta(Su, z)) \end{aligned}$$

and so $Su = \{fu\} = \{z\}$. Since $S(X) \subset g(X)$, there exists $v \in X$ such that $Su = \{gv\} = \{z\}$.

If $Tv \neq \{z\}$, using (3.2) we have

$$\begin{aligned} F(\delta(z, Tv)) &= F(\delta(Su, Tv)) \\ &\leq \psi(F(\delta(z, Tv))) \\ &< F(\delta(z, Tv)) \end{aligned}$$

which implies that $Tv = \{gv\} = \{z\}$. As the pairs (f, S) and (B, T) are weakly compatible, we get $Sz = \{fz\}$ and $Tz = \{gz\}$. If $Sz \neq \{z\}$, using (3.2) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} F(\delta(Sz, z)) &= F(\delta(Sz, Tv)) \\ &\leq \psi(F(\delta(Sz, z))) \\ &< F(\delta(Sz, z)) \end{aligned}$$

and so $Sz = \{fz\} = \{z\}$. Similarly, we can prove that $Tz = \{gz\} = \{z\}$.

The proof is similar when $g(X)$ is assumed to be a closed subset of X . By (3.1), the cases in which $S(X)$ or $T(X)$ is a closed subset of X are similar to the cases in which $f(X)$ or $g(X)$ is a closed subset of X . The uniqueness of z follows from (3.2). \square

If S and T are single-valued mappings in Theorem 3.1 and $F(t) = \int_0^t \varphi(s)ds$, where φ is nonnegative, Lebesgue integrable on $[0, A)$ and satisfies $\int_0^\epsilon \varphi(t)dt > 0$ for each $\epsilon \in (0, A)$, we get a generalization of Corollary 3 of [2].

If S and T are single-valued mappings and $F(t) = t$ in Theorem 3.1, we get a generalization of Theorem 2.5.

If $S = T$ and $g = f$ in Theorem 3.1, we get the following Corollary.

Corollary 3.2. *Let f be a self-mapping of a metric space (X, d) and T be a mapping from X into $B(X)$ such that*

$$\cup T(X) \subset f(X)$$

$$F(\delta(Tx, Ty)) \leq \psi(F(\max\{d(fx, fy), \delta(fx, Tx), \delta(fy, Ty), d(fx, Ty), d(Tx, fy)\}))$$

for all $x, y \in X$, where $F \in [0, A)$ and $\psi \in \Psi[0, F(A - 0))$. Suppose that the pair (f, T) satisfies the property (E.A), (f, T) is weakly compatible and $f(X)$ or $T(X)$ is a closed subset of X . Then, f and T have a unique common fixed point in X .

If $F(t) = t$ in Theorem 3.1, we get the following Corollary.

Corollary 3.3. *Let f and g be self-mappings of a metric space (X, d) and S, T be mappings from X into $B(X)$ satisfying (3.1) and*

$$\delta(Sx, Ty) \leq \psi(\max\{d(fx, fy), \delta(fx, Tx), \delta(fy, Ty), d(fx, Ty), d(Tx, fy)\})$$

for all $x, y \in X$. Suppose that the pair (f, S) or (g, T) satisfies the property (E.A), (f, S) and (g, T) are weakly compatible and one of $f(X)$ or $g(X)$ or $S(X)$ or $T(X)$ is a closed subset of X . Then, f, g, S and T have a unique common fixed point in X .

Example 3.4. *Let $X = [0, 1]$ endowed with the Euclidean metric d . Define $S, T : X \rightarrow B(X)$ and $f, g : X \rightarrow X$ by*

$$fx = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2} & \text{if } x \in [0, \frac{1}{2}] \\ \frac{x+1}{4} & \text{if } x \in (\frac{1}{2}, 1] \end{cases}, \quad gx = \begin{cases} 1-x & \text{if } x \in [0, \frac{1}{2}] \\ 0 & \text{if } x \in (\frac{1}{2}, 1] \end{cases} .$$

$$Sx = \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \right\} \text{ for all } x \in [0, 1] \text{ and } Tx = \begin{cases} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \right\} & \text{if } x \in [0, \frac{1}{2}] \\ \left(\frac{3}{8}, \frac{1}{2} \right] & \text{if } x \in (\frac{1}{2}, 1] \end{cases} .$$

let $F(s) = s^{\frac{1}{e}}$ and $\psi(t) = \frac{1}{8^{\frac{16}{3}} \cdot 3^{\frac{8}{3}}}t$. Then, $F \in F[0, A)$ and $\psi \in \Psi[0, e^{\frac{1}{e}}]$, where $A = e > D$.

We have

$$\cup S(X) = \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \right\} \subset g(X) = \left[\frac{1}{2}, 1 \right] \cup \{0\} \text{ and}$$

$$\cup T(X) = \left(\frac{3}{8}, \frac{1}{2} \right] = f(X).$$

On the other hand, if $x \in X$ and $y \in [0, \frac{1}{2}]$, then

$$\begin{aligned} F(\delta(Sx, Ty)) &= 0 \\ &\leq \psi(F(\max\{d(fx, gy), \delta(fx, Sx), \delta(gy, Ty), d(fx, Ty), d(Sx, gy)\})). \end{aligned}$$

If $x \in X$ and $y \in (\frac{1}{2}, 1]$, then

$$\delta(Sx, Ty) \leq \frac{1}{8} \quad \text{and} \quad d(fx, gy) \geq \frac{3}{8}.$$

Hence

$$F(\delta(Sx, Ty)) \leq \left(\frac{1}{8}\right)^8 \quad \text{and} \quad F(d(fx, gy)) \geq \left(\frac{3}{8}\right)^{\frac{8}{3}}$$

and so

$$\begin{aligned} F(\delta(Sx, Ty)) &\leq \frac{1}{8^{\frac{16}{3}} \cdot 3^{\frac{8}{3}}} F(d(fx, gy)) \\ &= \psi(F(d(fx, gy))) \\ &\leq \psi(F(\max\{d(fx, gy), \delta(fx, Sx), \delta(gy, Ty), d(fx, Ty), d(Sx, gy)\})). \end{aligned}$$

$g(X)$ is a closed subset of X and the pairs (f, S) and (g, T) are weakly compatible. Taking $x_n = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2n}$, the pair (f, S) satisfies the property (E.A) with $z = \frac{1}{2}$. Consequently, by Theorem 3.1, $\frac{1}{2}$ is the unique common fixed point of f, g, S and T .

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