



Some Generalizations of Weak Cyclic Compatible Contractions

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Abstract : In this paper, we establish the existence theorems for weak cyclic compatible contractions and cyclic compatible M_k -contractions. Our results extend and improve existing known results in [15] as well as other results in the literature. We provide examples to illustrate and support our main results.

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1 Introduction

Let $U : X \rightarrow X$ and $V : X \rightarrow X$ be any two mappings. U and V are said to have a coincidence point at $x \in X$ if $Ux = Vx$ and then Vx is called a point of coincidence. Further, a point $x \in X$ is called a fixed point of U if $Ux = x$.

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In 1922, S. Banach [3] formulated the concept of contraction mapping theorem known as the Banach contraction principle. This principle is one of the most important results in fixed theory and is the most powerful and useful tools in non-linear analysis in general. Overtime, this principle was extended and improved in many ways and various fixed point theorems were obtained. A number of famous mathematicians have established contractive type mappings which are the standard generalizations of the well-known Banach contraction on a complete metric space (X, d) . One of the more notable generalizations of this basic principle was given by Kirk et al.[13] in 2003. Following the work of Kirk et al.[13], several authors stated many fixed point results for cyclic mappings satisfying various contractive conditions. For more details, the readers may refer to [1, 6, 12, 17] and references therein.

We collect the following notion of cyclic representation.

Definition 1.1 (see [13]). *Let A and B be non-empty subsets of a metric space (X, d) and $U : A \cup B \rightarrow A \cup B$ be a mapping. Then U is called a cyclic mapping if $U(A) \subset B$ and $U(B) \subset A$.*

Throughout this paper, we assume that $\mathbb{R}^+ = [0, \infty)$, $\mathbb{N} =$ the set of positive integers.

Let U and V be self mappings on a complete metric space (X, d) , then

1. U, V are said to be weakly compatible if and only if

$$Ux = Vx \text{ implies } UVx = VUx, \text{ (see [8])}.$$

2. U is said to be a ϕ -weak contraction if and only if

$$d(Ux, Uy) \leq d(x, y) - \phi(d(x, y)),$$

where $\phi : [0, +\infty) \rightarrow [0, +\infty)$ with $\phi(0) = 0$, (see [19]).

3. U is a Meir-Keeler contraction (abbreviated as M_k -contraction) if and only if $\epsilon \leq d(x, y) < \epsilon + \delta(\epsilon) \Rightarrow d(Ux, Uy) < \epsilon$, for all $\epsilon > 0$, and $\delta(\epsilon) > 0$, (see [16]).

Let A and B be non-empty closed subsets of a metric space (X, d) , and let $U, V : A \cup B \rightarrow A \cup B$ be cyclic maps, then

1. U is called a cyclic orbital contraction if and only if

$$d(U^{2n}x, Uy) \leq \gamma d(U^{2n-1}x, y),$$

for all $x \in A, y \in B, \gamma \in (0, 1)$, (see [9]).

2. U is called a cyclic orbital stronger M_k ψ -contraction if and only if

$$d(U^{2n}x, Uy) \leq \psi(d(U^{2n-1}x, y))d(U^{2n-1}x, y),$$

where $\psi : \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow [0, 1)$ is a strong M_k type mapping, $n \in \mathbb{N}, y \in A, y \in B$ (see[5]).

3. U, V are called cyclic compatible contractions if and only if

$$d_\alpha(U^{2n}x, Uy) \leq \gamma d_\alpha(U^{2n-1}x, Vy),$$

for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and $x \in A, y \in B, \gamma \in (0, 1)$, (see [15]).

The background concept of above topics are very deep and strong. Some interesting results in this direction can be found in [8, 9, 14, 15, 16, 19]. A number of authors also obtained more other interesting related results in this area, see [2, 4, 5, 7, 10, 11, 18, 20, 21], for examples. We now present the following essential definition.

Definition 1.2 (see [14]). *Let X be a non-empty set and $d_\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ be a family of mappings. Then (X, d_α) is predominantly known as generating space of b -quasi-metric family (abbreviated as G_{bq} -family), if it satisfies the following conditions, for any $x, y, z \in X$ and $s \geq 1$:*

1. $d_\alpha(x, y) = 0$ if and only if $x = y$;
2. $d_\alpha(x, y) = d_\alpha(y, x)$;
3. $d_\alpha(x, z) \leq s[d_\beta(x, y) + d_\beta(y, z)]$, for any $\alpha \in (0, 1]$ and some $\beta \in (0, \alpha]$;
4. $d_\alpha(x, y)$ is left continuous in α and non-increasing.

The topological concepts of G_{bq} -convergence, G_{bq} -limit point, G_{bq} -Cauchy sequence and G_{bq} -completeness can be found in [14].

In this paper, motivated and inspired by the works of Kumari and Pantti in [15], we establish coincidence point and fixed point theorems for generalized weak cyclic compatible contractions via ϕ -weak contractions and M_k -contractions.

2 Main Results

We introduce the concept of generalized weak cyclic compatible contractions as follows.

Definition 2.1. *Let A and B be non-empty subsets of a G_{bq} -family (X, d_α) . Suppose $U, V : A \cup B \rightarrow A \cup B$ are cyclic maps such that $U(X) \subset V(X)$. We say that U, V are weak cyclic compatible contractions, if for some $x \in A$,*

$$d_\alpha(U^{2n}x, Uy) \leq d_\alpha(U^{2n-1}x, Vy) - \phi(d_\alpha(U^{2n-1}x, Vy)); \quad (2.1)$$

where $\phi : [0, +\infty) \rightarrow [0, +\infty)$ is an increasing function with $\phi(0) = 0, \phi(t) > 0$, for all $t \in (0, \infty)$ and $x \in A, y \in B$.

Theorem 2.2. *Let A and B be non-empty subsets of a complete G_{bq} -family (X, d_α) . Suppose $U, V : A \cup B \rightarrow A \cup B$ are cyclic maps. If U, V are weak cyclic compatible contractions, then U and V have a point of coincidence and a unique common fixed point in $A \cap B$.*

Proof. Let $x_0 \in A$ be fixed. Since $U(X) \subset V(X)$, we may choose $x_1 \in X$ such that

$$Ux_0 = Vx_1.$$

So we can construct a sequence $\{x_n\}$ in X by $Ux_n = Vx_{n+1}$ for $n \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$. Now consider,

$$\begin{aligned} d_\alpha(U^{2n}x, U^{2n+1}x) &\leq d_\alpha(U^{2n-1}x, V^{2n+1}x) - \phi(d_\alpha(U^{2n-1}x, V^{2n+1}x)) \\ &\leq d_\alpha(U^{2n-1}x, V^{2n+1}x) \\ &= d_\alpha(U^{2n-1}x, U^{2n}x). \end{aligned} \quad (2.2)$$

Similarly,

$$d_\alpha(U^{2n+1}x, U^{2n+2}x) \leq d_\alpha(U^{2n}x, U^{2n+1}x).$$

In general, we have

$$d_\alpha(U^n x, U^{n+1} x) \leq d_\alpha(U^{n-1} x, U^n x), \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

Thus the sequence $\{d_\alpha(U^n x, U^{n+1} x)\}$ is decreasing, so it is convergent. This implies that there exists $\kappa \geq 0$ such that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d_\alpha(U^n x, U^{n+1} x) = \kappa.$$

From (2.2), we have,

$$d_\alpha(U^{2n}x, U^{2n+1}x) \leq d_\alpha(U^{2n-1}x, U^{2n}x) - \phi(d_\alpha(U^{2n-1}x, U^{2n}x)). \quad (2.3)$$

Taking the limit as $n \rightarrow \infty$, we get,

$$\kappa \leq \kappa - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \phi(d_\alpha(U^{2n-1}x, U^{2n}x)) \leq \kappa.$$

Therefore

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \phi(d_\alpha(U^{2n-1}x, U^{2n}x)) = 0. \quad (2.4)$$

Suppose $\kappa > 0$, since $\kappa = \inf\{d_\alpha(U^n x, U^{n+1} x) : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$, thus $0 < \kappa \leq d_\alpha(U^n x, U^{n+1} x)$ for $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Since ϕ is increasing, we have

$$0 < \phi(\kappa) \leq \phi(d_\alpha(U^n x, U^{n+1} x)),$$

which is a contradiction to (2.4). Hence $\kappa = 0$. This implies

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d_\alpha(U^n x, U^{n+1} x) = 0.$$

Now, for $n, m \in \mathbb{N}$, $m > n$, and by Definition 1.2(3), we have

$$\begin{aligned} d_\alpha(U^n x, U^m x) &\leq s[d_\beta(U^n x, U^{n+1} x) + d_\beta(U^{n+1} x, U^m x)] \\ &\leq s d_\beta(U^n x, U^{n+1} x) + s^2 d_\beta(U^{n+1} x, U^{n+2} x) \\ &\quad + s^3 d_\beta(U^{n+2} x, U^{n+3} x) + \dots \end{aligned} \quad (2.5)$$

Letting $n, m \rightarrow \infty$, we get

$$\lim_{n, m \rightarrow \infty} d_\alpha(U^n x, U^m x) = 0.$$

Thus $\{U^n x\}$ is a Cauchy sequence. Since (X, d_α) is a complete G_{bq} -family, there exist two sequences $\{U^{2n} x\}$ in A and $\{U^{2n-1} x\}$ in B such that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} U^{2n} x \rightarrow u$ and $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} U^{2n-1} x \rightarrow u$, which yields $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} V^{2n+1} x \rightarrow u$ and $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} V^{2n} x \rightarrow u$. Since A and B are closed in X , we have $u \in A \cap B$. Now we shall prove that $Uz = u$. Since $V(X)$ is closed in X , there exists z in X such that $Vz = u$. From

$$\begin{aligned} d_\alpha(U^{2n} x, Uz) &\leq d_\alpha(U^{2n-1} x, Vz) - \phi(d_\alpha(U^{2n-1} x, Vz)) \\ &\leq d_\alpha(U^{2n-1} x, Vz) \end{aligned} \quad (2.6)$$

By taking the limit as $n \rightarrow \infty$, $d_\alpha(u, Uz) = 0 \Rightarrow Uz = u$. Therefore $Vz = Uz = u$. Hence u is a coincidence point of U and V . From weak compatibility, we get

$$Uu = Vu. \quad (2.7)$$

Now we prove $Vu = u = Uu$. Let us assume $u \neq Vu$, then

$$\begin{aligned} d_\alpha(u, Vu) &\leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d_\alpha(U^{2n-1} x, Vu) - \phi(d_\alpha(U^{2n-1} x, Vu)) \\ &< \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d_\alpha(U^{2n-1} x, Vu) \\ &= d_\alpha(u, Vu), \end{aligned} \quad (2.8)$$

which is a contradiction. Therefore

$$u = Vu \quad (2.9)$$

From (2.7) and (2.9), we get $Uu = Vu = u$. Therefore u is a common fixed point of U and V . To prove uniqueness, suppose v is another fixed point of U and V . Thus

$$\begin{aligned} d_\alpha(u, v) &\leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d_\alpha(U^{2n} x, Uv) \\ &\leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d_\alpha(U^{2n-1} x, Vv) - \phi(d_\alpha(U^{2n-1} x, Vv)) \\ &< \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d_\alpha(U^{2n-1} x, Vv) \\ &= d_\alpha(u, v), \end{aligned} \quad (2.10)$$

which is a contradiction. Thus $u = v$. This completes our proof. \square

Remark 2.3. We can obtain special cases of Theorem 2.2, if we

1. replace a G_{bq} -family (X, d_α) by a G_q -family, according to Definition 2.1 in [2], by putting $s = 1$;
2. replace a G_{bq} -family (X, d_α) by a b -metric space, and taking d instead of d_α ;

3. replace a G_{bq} -family (X, d_α) by a complete metric space, by taking d instead of d_α and letting $s = 1$.

Example 2.4. Let $A = B = X = [0, 1]$. Let $d : X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ defined by $d(x, y) = (x - y)^2$. This is a b -metric with $s = 2$ (d is not a usual metric). Define

$$Vx = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } 0 \leq x < \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{5}, & \text{if } \frac{1}{2} \leq x \leq 1 \end{cases}$$

and

$$Ux = \frac{1}{5}, \text{ if } 0 \leq x \leq 1.$$

Clearly $U(X) \subset V(X)$. Define $\phi(t) = t - \frac{t}{t+1}$.

For any $x \in [0, 1]$, we get

$$Ux = U^2x = \dots U^n x = \frac{1}{5}, \forall n.$$

For any $y \in [0, 1]$, we get

$$Vy = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } 0 \leq y < \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{5}, & \text{if } \frac{1}{2} \leq y \leq 1 \end{cases}$$

Case(i): $0 \leq y < \frac{1}{2}$, we have

$$Vy = 0,$$

$$d(U^{2n}x, Uy) = d\left(\frac{1}{5}, \frac{1}{5}\right) = 0,$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} d(U^{2n-1}x, Vy) - \phi(d(U^{2n-1}x, Vy)) &= d\left(\frac{1}{5}, 0\right) - \phi\left(d\left(\frac{1}{5}, 0\right)\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{25} - \phi\left(\frac{1}{25}\right) \\ &> 0 = d(U^{2n}x, Uy). \end{aligned}$$

Case(ii): $\frac{1}{2} \leq y \leq 1$, we have

$$Vy = \frac{1}{5},$$

$$d(U^{2n}x, Uy) = d\left(\frac{1}{5}, \frac{1}{5}\right) = 0,$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} d(U^{2n-1}x, Vy) - \phi(d(U^{2n-1}x, Vy)) &= d\left(\frac{1}{5}, \frac{1}{5}\right) - \phi\left(d\left(\frac{1}{5}, \frac{1}{5}\right)\right) \\ &= 0 = d(U^{2n}x, Uy). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$d(U^{2n}x, Uy) \leq d(U^{2n-1}x, Vy) - \phi(d(U^{2n-1}x, Vy)).$$

Thus U, V are weak cyclic compatible contractions. All the conditions of Theorem 2.2 hold true and U, V have a unique common fixed point $u = \frac{1}{5}$.

Example 2.5. Let $A = B = X = [0, 1]$. Let $d : X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ defined by $d(x, y) = |x - y|$. So (X, d) is a complete metric space. Define

$$Vx = \frac{x}{1+x}, \text{ whenever } x \in [0, 1]$$

and

$$Ux = 0, \text{ whenever } x \in [0, 1].$$

We can see that $U(X) \subset V(X)$. Define $\phi(t) = t - \frac{t}{t+1}$. For any $x \in [0, 1]$, we have

$$Ux = U^2x = \dots = U^n x = 0, \forall n.$$

For $y \in [0, 1]$, we have

$$Vy = \frac{y}{1+y}$$

and

$$d(U^{2n}x, Uy) = d(0, 0) = 0.$$

Consider,

$$\begin{aligned} d(U^{2n-1}x, Vy) - \phi(d(U^{2n-1}x, Vy)) &= d(0, \frac{y}{1+y}) - \phi(d(0, \frac{y}{1+y})) \\ &= \frac{y}{1+y} - \phi(\frac{y}{1+y}) \\ &\geq 0 = d(U^{2n}x, Uy) \end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$d(U^{2n}x, Uy) \leq d(U^{2n-1}x, Vy) - \phi(d(U^{2n-1}x, Vy)).$$

Thus U, V are weak cyclic compatible contractions. All the conditions of Theorem 2.2 hold true and U, V has a unique common fixed point. Here $u = 0$ is the unique common fixed point of U and V .

If we take $S = T = U$ in the definition of Kumari and Panthi in [15], and take $U = V$ and $V = I$ in the Definition 2.1 above, we can obtain the pertinent definition.

Definition 2.6. Let $U : A \cup B \rightarrow A \cup B$ be a cyclic mapping, then

1. U is called a cyclic idle contraction if and only if

$$d_\alpha(U^{2n}x, Uy) \leq \gamma d_\alpha(U^{2n-1}x, Uy), \gamma \in (0, 1).$$

2. U is called a weak cyclic idle contraction if and only if

$$d_\alpha(U^{2n}x, Uy) \leq d_\alpha(U^{2n-1}x, Uy) - \phi(d_\alpha(U^{2n-1}x, Uy))$$

3. U is called weak cyclic orbital contraction if and only if

$$d_\alpha(U^{2n}x, Uy) \leq d_\alpha(U^{2n-1}x, y) - \phi(d_\alpha(U^{2n-1}x, y))$$

where $\phi : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ with $\phi(0) = 0$.

We now obtain the following results.

Theorem 2.7. Let A and B be non-empty subsets of a complete G_{bq} -family (X, d_α) . Suppose $U : A \cup B \rightarrow A \cup B$ is a cyclic map. If U is a weak cyclic idle contraction, then U has a unique fixed point in $A \cap B$.

Theorem 2.8. Let A and B be non-empty subsets of a complete G_{bq} -family (X, d_α) . Suppose $U : A \cup B \rightarrow A \cup B$ is a cyclic map. If U is a weak cyclic orbital contraction, then U has a unique fixed point in $A \cap B$.

Next, we introduce another definition involving *cyclic compatible contractions* and *cyclic orbital stronger M_k ψ -contractions*.

Definition 2.9. Let A and B be non-empty subsets of a G_{bq} -family (X, d_α) . Suppose $U, V : A \cup B \rightarrow A \cup B$ are cyclic maps. Then U, V are called cyclic compatible M_k -contractions, if there exists a M_k type mapping $\psi : \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow [0, 1)$ such that

$$d_\alpha(U^{2n}x, Uy) \leq \psi(d_\alpha(U^{2n-1}x, Vy))d_\alpha(U^{2n-1}x, y) \quad (2.11)$$

for $x \in A, y \in B$.

Theorem 2.10. Let A and B be non-empty closed subsets of a G_{bq} -family (X, d_α) . Let $U, V : A \cup B \rightarrow A \cup B$ be cyclic maps. Suppose U, V are cyclic compatible M_k -contractions, then U and V have a coincidence point and a unique common fixed point in $A \cap B$.

Proof. Let $x_0 \in A$ be fixed. Since $U(X) \subset V(X)$, we may choose $x_1 \in X$ such that

$$Ux_0 = Vx_1.$$

Thus we can define a sequence $\{x_n\}$ in X by $Ux_n = Vx_{n+1}$, $n \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$. Now consider

$$\begin{aligned} d_\alpha(U^{2n}x, U^{2n+1}x) &\leq \psi(d_\alpha(U^{2n-1}x, V^{2n+1}x))d_\alpha(U^{2n-1}x, V^{2n+1}x) \\ &\leq d_\alpha(U^{2n-1}x, V^{2n+1}x) \\ &= d_\alpha(U^{2n-1}x, U^{2n}x). \end{aligned}$$

Similarly, we have

$$\begin{aligned} d_\alpha(U^{2n+1}x, U^{2n+2}x) &\leq \psi(d_\alpha(U^{2n}x, V^{2n+2}x))d_\alpha(U^{2n}x, V^{2n+2}x) \\ &\leq d_\alpha(U^{2n}x, V^{2n+2}x) \\ &= d_\alpha(U^{2n}x, U^{2n+1}x). \end{aligned}$$

In general, we have

$$d_\alpha(U^n x, U^{n+1}x) \leq d_\alpha(U^{n-1}x, U^n x), n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

Therefore, the sequence $\{d_\alpha(U^n x, U^{n+1}x)\}$ is non-increasing and hence it is convergent. Let $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d_\alpha(U^n x, U^{n+1}x) = \eta$. There exists $k_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ and $\delta > 0$ such that for all $n \geq k_0$, $\eta \leq d_\alpha(U^n x, U^{n+1}x) < n + \delta$. By hypothesis, there exists $\gamma_\eta \in [0, 1)$ such that

$$\psi(d_\alpha(U^{k_0+n}x, U^{k_0+n+1}x)) < \gamma_\eta.$$

Thus, by definition of *cyclic compatible M_k contraction*, we have

$$\begin{aligned} d_\alpha(U^{k_0+n}x, U^{k_0+n+1}x) &\leq \psi(d_\alpha(U^{k_0+n-1}x, V^{k_0+n+1}x))d_\alpha(U^{k_0+n-1}x, V^{k_0+n+1}x) \\ &\leq \gamma_\eta d_\alpha(U^{k_0+n-1}x, U^{k_0+n}x) \end{aligned}$$

and it follows that, for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$,

$$\begin{aligned} d_\alpha(U^{k_0+n}x, U^{k_0+n+1}x) &\leq \gamma_\eta d_\alpha(U^{k_0+n-1}x, U^{k_0+n}x) \\ &\vdots \\ &\leq \gamma_\eta^n d_\alpha(U^{k_0}x, U^{k_0+n}x). \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d_\alpha(U^{k_0+n}x, U^{k_0+n+1}x) = 0,$$

since $\gamma_\eta \in [0, 1)$.

Now Consider, for $n, m \in \mathbb{N}$, $m > n$,

$$\begin{aligned} d_\alpha(U^{k_0+n}x, U^{k_0+m}x) &\leq s[d_\beta(U^{k_0+n}x, U^{k_0+n+1}x) + d_\beta(U^{k_0+n+1}x, U^{k_0+m}x)] \\ &= s d_\beta(U^{k_0+n}x, U^{k_0+n+1}x) + s d_\beta(U^{k_0+n+1}x, U^{k_0+m}x) \\ &\leq s d_\beta(U^{k_0+n}x, U^{k_0+n+1}x) + s^2 d_\beta(U^{k_0+n+1}x, U^{k_0+n+2}x) \\ &\quad + s^3 d_\beta(U^{k_0+n+2}x, U^{k_0+n+3}x) + \dots \\ &\leq s \gamma_\eta^n d_\alpha(U^{k_0}x, U^{k_0+1}x) + s^2 \gamma_\eta^{n+1} d_\alpha(U^{k_0}x, U^{k_0+1}x) \\ &\quad + s^3 \gamma_\eta^{n+2} d_\alpha(U^{k_0}x, U^{k_0+1}x) + \dots \\ &= s \gamma_\eta^n [1 + s \gamma_\eta + (s \gamma_\eta)^2 + \dots] d_\alpha(U^{k_0}x, U^{k_0+1}x) \\ &< \frac{s \gamma_\eta^n}{1 - s \gamma_\eta} d_\alpha(U^{k_0}x, U^{k_0+1}x) \end{aligned}$$

By taking the limits as $n, m \rightarrow \infty$, and since $0 < \gamma_\eta < \frac{1}{s} < 1$, we get

$$\lim_{n, m \rightarrow \infty} d_\alpha(U^{k_0+n}x, U^{k_0+m}x) = 0.$$

Thus $\{U^n x\}$ is a Cauchy sequence. Since (X, d_α) is a G_{bq} -family, there exists sequences $\{U^{2n}x\}$ in A and $\{U^{2n-1}x\}$ in B such that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} U^{2n}x \rightarrow u$ and $\lim_{n, m \rightarrow \infty} U^{2n-1}x \rightarrow u$. Thus $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} V^{2n+1}x \rightarrow u$ and $\lim_{n, m \rightarrow \infty} V^{2n}x \rightarrow u$. Since A and B are closed in X , $u \in A \cap B$. Now we will prove that $Uz = u$. Since $V(X)$ is closed in X , there exists z in X such that $Vz = u$.

Consider,

$$\begin{aligned} d_\alpha(U^{2n}x, Uz) &\leq \psi(d_\alpha(U^{2n-1}x, Vz))d_\alpha(U^{2n-1}x, Vz) \\ &< d_\alpha(U^{2n-1}x, Vz) \end{aligned}$$

By taking the limit as $n \rightarrow \infty$, $d_\alpha(u, Uz) = 0$. This implies $Uz = u$. Thus $Vz = Uz = u$. Hence u is a coincidence point of U and V . From weak compatibility, we get

$$Uu = Vu. \quad (2.12)$$

Now we will prove that $Vu = u = Uu$. Assume $u \neq Vu$, then

$$\begin{aligned} d_\alpha(u, Vu) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d_\alpha(U^{2n}x, Uu) \\ &\leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \psi(d_\alpha(U^{2n-1}x, Vu))d_\alpha(U^{2n-1}x, Vu) \\ &< \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d_\alpha(U^{2n-1}x, Vu) \\ &= d_\alpha(u, Vu), \end{aligned}$$

which is a contradiction. Hence

$$u = Vu. \quad (2.13)$$

From (2.12) and (2.13), we get $Uu = Vu = u$. Thus u is a common fixed point of U and V . To prove uniqueness, suppose v be another fixed point of U and V . Then,

$$\begin{aligned} d_\alpha(u, v) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d_\alpha(U^{2n}x, Uv) \\ &\leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \psi(d_\alpha(U^{2n-1}x, Vv))d_\alpha(U^{2n-1}x, Vv) \\ &< \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d_\alpha(U^{2n-1}x, Vv) \\ &= d_\alpha(u, v), \end{aligned}$$

which is a contradiction. Hence $u = v$. This completes our proof. \square

Remark 2.11. We can obtain special cases of Theorem 2.10, if we

1. replace a G_{bq} -family (X, d_α) by a G_q -family, according to Definition 2.1 in [2], by putting $s = 1$;

2. replace a G_{bq} -family (X, d_α) by a b -metric space, and taking d instead of d_α ;
3. replace a G_{bq} -family (X, d_α) by a complete metric space, by taking d instead of d_α and letting $s = 1$.

Example 2.12. Let $A = B = X = [0, 1]$. Let $d : X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ defined by $d(x, y) = (x - y)^2$. This is a b -metric with $s = 2$ (\neq a usual metric, since $d(0, 1) \not\leq d(0, \frac{1}{2}) + d(\frac{1}{2}, 1)$). Define $U, V : A \cup B \rightarrow A \cup B$ as follows:

$$Vx = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } x = 0 \\ x + 2, & \text{if } 0 < x \leq \frac{1}{2} \\ x - 3, & \text{if } \frac{1}{2} < x \leq 1 \end{cases}$$

and

$$Ux = 0, \text{ if } 0 \leq x \leq 1.$$

Clearly $U(X) \subset V(X)$, and define $\psi(t) = \frac{t}{t+1}$ if $0 \leq t \leq 1$.

For $y = 0$, we get

$$Vy = 0.$$

If $y \in (0, \frac{1}{2}]$, we get

$$Vy = y + 2.$$

If $y \in (\frac{1}{2}, 1]$, we get

$$Vy = y - 3.$$

Case(i): If $y = 0$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \psi(d(U^{2n-1}x, Vy))d(U^{2n-1}x, Vy) &= \psi(d(0, 0))d(0, 0) \\ &= 0 = d(U^{2n}x, Uy) \end{aligned}$$

Case(ii): $y \in (0, \frac{1}{2}]$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \psi(d(U^{2n-1}x, Vy))d(U^{2n-1}x, Vy) &= \psi(d(0, y + 2))d(0, y + 2) \\ &= \psi((y + 2)^2)(y + 2)^2 \\ &= \frac{(y + 2)^2}{(y + 2)^2 + 1}(y + 2)^2 > 0 = d(U^{2n}x, Uy) \end{aligned}$$

Case(iii): $y \in (\frac{1}{2}, 1]$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \psi(d(U^{2n-1}x, Vy)).d(U^{2n-1}x, Vy) &= \psi(d(0, y - 3)).d(0, y - 3) \\ &= \frac{(3 - y)^2}{(3 - y)^2 + 1}(3 - y)^2 > 0 = d(U^{2n}x, Uy) \end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$d(U^{2n}x, Uy) \leq \psi(d(U^{2n-1}x, Vy))d(U^{2n-1}x, Vy).$$

Thus U, V are cyclic compatible M_k -contractions. All the conditions of Theorem 2.10 hold true and U, V have a unique common fixed point. Here $u = 0$ is the unique common fixed point of U and V .

Example 2.13. Let $A = B = X = [0, 1]$. Define $d(x, y) = |x - y|$, so (X, d) is a complete metric space, where d is a mapping $X \times X$ to \mathbb{R}^+ .

Define

$$Vx = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } 0 \leq x < \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2}, & \text{if } \frac{1}{2} \leq x \leq 1 \end{cases}$$

and

$$Ux = \frac{1}{2}, \text{ if } 0 \leq x \leq 1.$$

Clearly $U(X) \subset V(X)$. Define $\psi(t) = \frac{t}{t+1}$, $0 \leq t \leq 1$. For any $x \in [0, 1]$, we have $Ux = U^2x = U^3x = \dots U^n x = \frac{1}{2}, \forall n$.

For $y \in [0, \frac{1}{2})$, we have

$$Vy = 0.$$

For $y \in [\frac{1}{2}, 1]$, we have

$$Vy = \frac{1}{2}.$$

Case(i): $y \in [0, \frac{1}{2})$, we have

$$d(U^{2n}x, Uy) = d(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}) = 0$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \psi(d(U^{2n-1}x, Vy))d(U^{2n-1}x, Vy) &= \psi(d(\frac{1}{2}, 0)).d(\frac{1}{2}, 0) \\ &= \psi(\frac{1}{2}).\frac{1}{2} \\ &= \frac{1}{6}. \end{aligned}$$

Case(ii) : $y \in [\frac{1}{2}, 1]$, we have

$$d(U^{2n}x, Uy) = d(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}) = 0$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \psi(d(U^{2n-1}x, Vy)).d(U^{2n-1}x, Vy) &= \psi(d(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2})).d(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}) \\ &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

From both cases, we conclude that

$$d(U^{2n}x, Uy) \leq \psi(d(U^{2n-1}x, Vy))d(U^{2n-1}x, Vy).$$

Thus U, V are cyclic compatible M_k -contractions. All the conditions of Theorem 2.10 hold true and U, V have a unique common fixed point. Here $u = \frac{1}{2}$ is the unique common fixed point of U and V .

Now we introduce the following definition.

Definition 2.14. Let A and B be non empty subsets of a G_{bq} -family (X, d_α) . Suppose that $V : A \cup B \rightarrow A \cup B$ is a cyclic mapping then,

(1) V is called cyclic idle M_k -contraction if and only if

$$d_\alpha(V^{2n}x, Vy) \leq \psi(d_\alpha(V^{2n-1}x, Vy))d_\alpha(V^{2n-1}x, Vy).$$

(2) U is called cyclic orbital M_k -contraction if and only if

$$d_\alpha(U^{2n}x, Uy) \leq \psi(d_\alpha(U^{2n-1}x, y))d_\alpha(U^{2n-1}x, y).$$

where $\psi : \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow [0, 1)$ is a M_k type mapping, for $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and $x \in A$, $y \in B$.

We obtain the following new results.

Theorem 2.15. Let A and B be non-empty closed subsets of a G_{bq} -family (X, d_α) . Let $V : A \cup B \rightarrow A \cup B$ be a cyclic map. Suppose V are cyclic idle M_k -contraction, then V has a unique fixed point in $A \cap B$.

Proof. Take $U = V$ in Theorem 2.10. □

Theorem 2.16. Let A and B be non-empty closed subsets of a G_{bq} -family (X, d_α) . Let $U : A \cup B \rightarrow A \cup B$ be a cyclic map. Suppose U, V are cyclic orbital M_k -contraction, then U has a unique fixed point in $A \cap B$.

Proof. Take $V = I$ in Theorem 2.10. □

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