

Common Fixed Point and Weak** Commuting Mappings

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Abstract

Existence of common fixed points of weak** commuting mappings which satisfies the contractive condition involving pair of mappings in a complete metric space under certain is shown.

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1. Introduction

A study of the common fixed points and weak** commuting mappings is fascinating field of research lying at the intersection of non-linear analysis. A wide spread interest in the domain and vast amount of mathematical activity have led to many remarkable new results.

In 1976, Jungck [4] investigated and found interdependence between commuting mappings and common fixed points and proved the followings:

Let T be a continuous mapping of a complete metric space (X, d) into itself. Then T has a fixed point in X , if and only if there exists an $\alpha \in (0, 1)$ and a mapping $S : X \rightarrow X$ which commutes with T and satisfies:

$$(1) \quad S(X) \subset T(X) \text{ and } d(Sx, Sy) \leq d(Tx, Ty)$$

For all x, y in X . Indeed, S and T have a unique common fixed point if and only if (1) holds for some $\alpha \in (0, 1)$.

Further, in 1977, Singh [10] generalized the above result and proved that two continuous and commuting mappings from a complete metric space into itself satisfies some conditions, then two commuting mappings have a unique common fixed point.

Das and Vishwanathana Naik [1] have proved a theorem for two commuting mappings. Fisher [2] proved a common fixed point of commuting mappings, Rhoades and Seesa [8] established some fixed point theorems for three pair wise weakly commuting self maps satisfying a very general contractive definitions. Khan and Imdad [5], considering a pair of self maps $\{A, T\}$ of metric space (X, d) satisfying a weaker condition the commutativity: namely weak* commuting pair of mappings, that is

$$d(ATx, TAx) \leq d(A^2x, T^2x)$$

For each x in X .

B. Fisher [2] has been proved following theorem for two commuting mappings T and S .

If S is a mapping and T is a continuous mapping of the complete metric space into itself and satisfying the inequality :

$$(2) \quad d(STx, TSy) \leq k \{d(Tx, TSy) + d(Sy, STx)\}$$

for all x, y in X , where $0 \leq k \leq 1/2$, then S and T have a unique common fixed point.

In 1986, Pathak [7] has been further generalized a result of Khan and Imdad [5] by considering a pair of self maps $\{A, T\}$ of a metric space (X, d) satisfying a weaker condition, then commutativity: namely, weak* commuting pair of mappings, that is

$$d(ATx, TAx) \leq d(A^2x, T^2x)$$

for each $x \in X$.

In 1995, Lohani and Badshah [6] further generalized the result of B. Fisher[2, 3]

The purpose of this note is to prove some results concerning fixed points of weak** commuting mappings defined on complete metric spaces and satisfying some new functional inequality.

Definition 1.1. According to Seesa [9] two self maps S and T defined on metric space (X, d) are said to be weakly commuting maps iff

$$d(STx, TSx) \leq d(Sx, Tx)$$

for all x in X .

Definition 1. 2. Two self mappings S and T of metric space (X, d) is called weak** commuted, if $S(X) \subset T(X)$ and for any $x \in X$,

$$d(S^2T^2x, T^2S^2x) \leq d(S^2Tx, TS^2x) \leq d(ST^2x, T^2Sx) \leq d(STx, TSx) \leq d(S^2x, T^2x)$$

Definition 1.3. A map $S : X \rightarrow X$, X being a metric space, is called an idempotent, if $S^2 = S$.

We further generalize the result of Fisher [2, 3], Pathak [7] and Lohani & Badshah [6] by using another type of rational expression.

Theorem 1.1. If S is a mapping and T is a continuous mapping of complete metric space $\{S, T\}$ is weak** commuting pair and the following condition :

$$d(S^2T^2x, T^2S^2y) \leq \alpha \frac{d(T^2x, S^2T^2x)d(T^2x, T^2S^2y) + d(S^2y, T^2S^2y)d(S^2y, S^2T^2x)}{d(T^2x, T^2S^2y) + d(S^2y, S^2T^2x)} + \beta d(T^2x, S^2y)$$

for all x, y in X , where $0 \leq \alpha + \beta < 1$, then S and T have a unique common fixed point.

Proof. Let x be an arbitrary point in X . Define

$$(S^2T^2)^n x = x_{2n} \text{ or } T^2(S^2T^2)^n x = x_{2n+1}$$

Where $n=0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$, by contractive condition (A),

$$d(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}) = d(S^2T^2(S^2T^2)x, T^2S^2(T^2(S^2T^2)^{n-1}x))$$

$$\begin{aligned} & d(T^2(S^2T^2)^{n-1}x, S^2T^2(S^2T^2)^{n-1}x)d(T^2(S^2T^2)^{n-1}x, T^2S^2(T^2(S^2T^2)^{n-1}x)) + \\ \leq & \alpha \frac{d(S^2T^2(S^2T^2)^{n-1}x, T^2S^2(T^2(S^2T^2)^{n-1}x))d(S^2T^2(S^2T^2)^{n-1}x, S^2T^2(S^2T^2)^{n-1}x)}{d(T^2(S^2T^2)^{n-1}x, T^2S^2(T^2(S^2T^2)^{n-1}x)) + d(S^2T^2(S^2T^2)^{n-1}x, S^2T^2(S^2T^2)^{n-1}x)} \\ & + \beta d(T^2(S^2T^2)^{n-1}x, S^2T^2(S^2T^2)^{n-1}x) \\ \leq & \alpha \frac{d(T^2(S^2T^2)^{n-1}x, S^2T^2(S^2T^2)^{n-1}x)d(T^2(S^2T^2)^{n-1}x, T^2S^2(T^2(S^2T^2)^{n-1}x))}{d(T(ST)x, TS(T(ST)x))} \\ & + \beta d(T^2(S^2T^2)^{n-1}x, S^2T^2(S^2T^2)^{n-1}x) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} d(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}) & \leq \alpha d(T^2(S^2T^2)^{n-1}x, S^2T^2(S^2T^2)^{n-1}x) + \beta d(T^2(S^2T^2)^{n-1}x, S^2T^2(S^2T^2)^{n-1}x) \\ & \leq (\alpha + \beta)d(x_{2n-1}, (S^2T^2)^n x) \\ & \leq (\alpha + \beta)d(x_{2n-1}, x_{2n}). \end{aligned}$$

Proceeding in the same manner

$$d(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}) < (\alpha + \beta)^{2n-1}d(x_1, x_2).$$

$$\text{Also } d(x_n, x_m) \leq \sum_{i=n}^m d(x_i, x_{i+1}) \text{ for } m > n.$$

Since $k < 1$, it follows that the sequence $\{x_n\}$ is Cauchy sequence in the complete metric space X and so it has a limit in X , that is

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_{2n} = u = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_{2n+1}$$

and since T is continuous, we have

$$u = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_{2n+1} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} T^2(x_{2n}) = T^2u.$$

Further,

$$\begin{aligned} d(x_{2n+1}, S^2u) & = d(T^2(S^2T^2)^{n+1}x, S^2u) \\ & = d(T^2(S^2T^2)^{n+1}x, S^2(T^2u)) \text{ for } u = T^2u \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\leq \alpha \frac{d((S^2T^2)^{n+1}x, T^2(S^2T^2)^{n+1}x)d(S^2T^2)^{n+1}x, (S^2T^2u)) + d(T^2u, S^2T^2u)d(T^2u, T^2(S^2T^2)^{n+1}x)}{d((S^2T^2)^{n+1}x, S^2T^2u) + d(T^2u, T^2(S^2T^2)^{n+1}x)} \\ &+ \beta d(S^2T^2)^{n+1}x, T^2u) \\ &= \alpha \frac{[d(x_{2n+2}, x_{2n+3})d(x_{2n+2}, S^2u) + d(u, S^2u)d(u, x_{2n+3})]}{d(x_{2n+2}, S^2u) + d(u, x_{2n+3})} + \beta d(x_{2n+2}, u) \end{aligned}$$

taking limit as $n \rightarrow \infty$, it follows that

$$d(u, S^2u) = 0.$$

which implies

$$d(u, S^2u) = 0 \text{ and so } u = S^2u = T^2u.$$

Now consider weak** commutativity of pair $\{S, T\}$ implies that $S^2T^2u = T^2S^2u, S^2Tu = TS^2u, ST^2u = T^2Su$ and so $S^2Tu = Tu$ and $T^2Su = Su$. Now

$$d(u, Su) = d(S^2T^2u, T^2S^2(Su))$$

$$\leq \alpha \frac{[d(T^2u, S^2T^2u)d(T^2u, T^2S^2(Su)) + d(S^2(Su), T^2S^2(Su))d(S^2(Su), S^2T^2u)]}{d(T^2u, T^2S^2(Su)) + d(S^2(Su), S^2T^2u)}$$

$$+ \beta d(T^2u, S^2(Su))$$

$$= \alpha \frac{d(u, S^2u)d(u, S^2T^2(Su)) + d(Su, Su)d(Su, u)}{d(u, S^2(Su)) + d(Su, u)} + \beta d(u, Su)$$

$$= \alpha \frac{d(u, u)d(u, Su) + d(Su, Su)d(Su, u)}{d(u, Su) + d(Su, u)} + \beta d(u, Su)$$

$$= 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (1 - \beta)d(u, Su) \leq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow d(u, Su) \leq 0$$

Hence $Su = u$, similarly we can show that $Tu = u$. Hence u is a common fixed point of S and T .

Now suppose that x is another common fixed point of S and T . Then

$$d(u, v) = d(S^2T^2u, T^2S^2v)$$

$$\leq \alpha \frac{d(T^2u, S^2T^2u)d(T^2u, T^2S^2v) + d(S^2v, T^2S^2v)d(S^2v, S^2T^2u)}{d(T^2u, T^2S^2v) + d(S^2v, S^2T^2u)} + \beta d(T^2u, S^2v)$$

$$\leq \alpha \frac{d(u, v)d(u, v) + d(u, v)d(u, v)}{d(u, v) + d(v, u)} + \beta d(u, v)$$

$$(1 - \beta)d(u, v) \leq 0$$

$$d(u, v) \leq 0$$

Then it follows that $u = v$. Hence S and T have a unique common fixed point.

Theorem 1.2. If S is mapping and T is a continuous mapping of a complete metric space X into itself and satisfying $\{S, T\}$ is weak** commuting pair and the following condition :

$$d(S^2T^2x, T^2S^2y) \leq \alpha \frac{[d(T^2x, S^2T^2x)] + [d(S^2y, T^2S^2y)]}{d(T^2x, S^2T^2x) + d(S^2y, T^2S^2y)} + \beta d(T^2x, S^2y) \quad (B)$$

for all x, y in X , where $\alpha, \beta \geq 0$ with $2\alpha + \beta < 1$, then S and T have a unique common fixed point.

Proof. Let x be an arbitrary point in X . Define $(S^2T^2)^n x = x_{2n}$ or $T^2(S^2T^2)^n x = x_{2n+1}$
 Where $n=0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$, by contractive condition (B),
 $d(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}) = d((S^2T^2)^n x, T^2(S^2T^2)^n x)$
 $= d(S^2T^2(S^2T^2)^{n-1} x, T^2S^2(T^2(S^2T^2)^{n-1} x))$

$$\frac{[d\{(T^2(S^2T^2)^{n-1} x, S^2T^2(S^2T^2)^{n-1} x)\}^2 + [d\{(S^2T^2(S^2T^2)^{n-1} x, T^2S^2(T^2(S^2T^2)^{n-1} x)\}]}{d(T^2(S^2T^2)^{n-1} x, S^2T^2(S^2T^2)^{n-1} x) + d(S^2T^2(S^2T^2)^{n-1} x, T^2S^2(T^2(S^2T^2)^{n-1} x))} + \beta d(T^2(S^2T^2)^{n-1} x, S^2T^2(S^2T^2)^{n-1} x)$$

$$\leq \alpha \frac{[d(x_{2n-1}, x_{2n})]^2 + d[(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1})]^2}{d(x_{2n-1}, x_{2n}) + d(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1})} + \beta d(x_{2n-1}, x_{2n})$$

$$\leq \alpha [d(x_{2n-1}, x_{2n}) + d(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1})] + \beta d(x_{2n-1}, x_{2n})$$

$$\leq (\alpha + \beta) d(x_{2n-1}, x_{2n}) + \alpha d(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1})$$

$$(1 - \alpha) d(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}) \leq (\alpha + \beta) d(x_{2n-1}, x_{2n})$$

$$d(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}) \leq \frac{\alpha + \beta}{1 - \alpha} d(x_{2n-1}, x_{2n})$$

$$\leq kd(x_{2n-1}, x_{2n})$$

where $k = \frac{\alpha + \beta}{1 - \alpha}$.

Proceeding in the same manner, we have

$$d(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}) \leq k^{2n-1} d(x_1, x_2).$$

Also

$$d(x_n, x_m) \leq \sum_{i=n}^m d(x_i, x_{i+1}) \text{ for } m > n.$$

Since $k < 1$, it follows that the sequence $\{x_n\}$ is Cauchy sequence in the complete metric space X and so it has a limit in X , that is

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and since T is continuous, we have

$$u = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_{2n+1} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} T^2(x_{2n}) = T^2u.$$

Further

$$d(x_{2n+3}, S^2u) = d(T^2(S^2T^2)^{n+1} x, S^2u) = d(T^2(S^2T^2)^{n+1} x, S^2(T^2u)) \text{ (since } u = T^2u)$$

$$\leq \alpha \frac{[d(T^2u, S^2T^2u)]^2 + d[(S^2T^2)^{n+1} x, T^2(S^2T^2)^{n+1} x]^2}{d(T^2u, S^2T^2u) + d\{(S^2T^2)^{n+1} x, T^2(S^2T^2)^{n+1} x\}} + \beta d(T^2u, (S^2T^2)^{n+1} x)$$

$$\leq \alpha [d(T^2u, S^2(T^2u)) + d(x_{2n+2}, x_{2n+3})] + \beta d(x_{2n+2}, T^2u)$$

$$\leq \alpha (d(u, S^2u) + d(x_{2n+2}, x_{2n+3})) + \beta d(x_{2n+2}, u)$$

Taking limit as $n \rightarrow \infty$, it follows that

$$d(u, S^2u) \leq 0,$$

which implies that $d(u, S^2u) = 0$ and so that $u = S^2u = T^2u$.

Now consider weak* commutativity of pair $\{S, T\}$, implies that $S^2T^2u = T^2S^2u, S^2Tu, TS^2u, ST^2u = T^2Su$ and so $S^2Tu = Tu$ and $T^2Su = Su$.

Now $d(u, Su) = d(S^2T^2u, T^2S^2(Su))$

$$\leq \alpha \frac{[d(T^2u, S^2T^2u)]^2 + d[S^2(Su), T^2S^2(Su)]^2}{d(T^2u, S^2T^2u) + d(S^2(Su), T^2S^2(Su))} + \beta d(T^2u, S^2(Su))$$

$$\leq \alpha \frac{[d(u, u)] + [d(Su, Su)]}{d(u, u) + d(Su, Su)} + \beta d(u, Su)$$

$$(1 - \beta) d(u, Su) \leq 0$$

this implies that $(1 - \beta) \neq 0$. Hence $d(u, Su) = 0$ or $Su = u$.

Similarly we can show that $Tu = u$. Hence u is a common fixed point of S and T . Now suppose that v is another common fixed point of S and T , then

$$d(u, v) = d(S^2T^2u, T^2S^2v)$$

$$\leq \alpha \frac{[d(T^2u, S^2T^2u)]^2 + [d(S^2v, T^2S^2v)]^2}{d(T^2u, S^2T^2u) + d(S^2v, T^2S^2v)} + \beta d(T^2u, S^2v)$$

$$\leq \alpha [d(u, u)] + d[(v, v)] + \beta d(u, v)$$

$$(1 - \beta) d(u, v) \leq 0.$$

Since $(1 - \beta) \neq 0$, then $d(u, v) = 0$. Thus it follows that $u = v$. Hence S and T have a unique common fixed point.

Example 1.1. Let $X = [0, 1]$ with Euclidean metric space and define S and T by $Sx = \frac{x}{x+2}, Tx = \frac{x}{2}$

for all $x \in X$, then $[0, 1/5] \subset [0, 1/4]$, where $Sx = [0, 1/5]$ and $Tx = [0, 1/4]$

$$d(S^2T^2x, T^2S^2x) = \frac{x}{3x+16} - \frac{x}{8x+16}$$

$$= \frac{5x^2}{(3x+16) - (8x+16)}$$

$$\leq \frac{2x}{(2x+8)(4x+8)}$$

$$= \frac{x}{2x+8} - \frac{x}{4x+8}$$

$$= d(S^2Tx, TS^2x)$$

$$\Rightarrow d(S^2T^2x, T^2S^2x) \leq d(S^2Tx, TS^2x)$$

$$d(S^2Tx, TS^2x) = \frac{x}{2x+8} - \frac{x}{4x+8}$$

$$= \frac{2x^2}{(2x+8)(4x+8)}$$

$$\leq \frac{3x^2}{(x+8)(4x+8)}$$

$$= \frac{x}{x+8} - \frac{x}{4x+8}$$

$$= d(ST^2x, T^2Sx)$$

$$\Rightarrow d(S^2Tx, TS^2x) \leq d(ST^2x, T^2Sx)$$

$$d(ST^2x, T^2Sx) = \frac{x}{x+8} - \frac{x}{4x+8}$$

$$= \frac{3x^2}{(x+8)((x+8))}$$

$$\leq \frac{x^2}{(x+4)(2x+4)}$$

$$= \frac{x}{x+4} - \frac{x}{2x+4}$$

$$= d(STx, TSx)$$

$$\Rightarrow d(ST^2 x, T^2 Sx) \leq d(STx, TSx)$$

$$\begin{aligned} d(STx, TSx) &= \frac{x}{x+4} - \frac{x}{2x+4} \\ &= \frac{x^2}{(x+4)(2x+4)} \\ &\leq \frac{3x^2}{4(3x+4)} \\ &= \frac{x}{4} - \frac{x}{3x+4} \\ &= d(T^2x, S^2x) \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow d(STx, TSx) \leq d(T^2x, S^2x)$$

using [0, 1] for $x \in X$, we conclude that definition (1.2) as follows :

$$d(S^2T^2x, T^2S^2x) \leq d(S^2Tx, TS^2x) \leq d(ST^2x, T^2Sx) \leq d(STx, TSx) \leq d(T^2x, S^2x) \text{ for any } x \in X.$$

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