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COMMON COUPLED FIXED POINT THEOREM FOR A PAIR OF HYBRID MAPS IN COMPLEX VALUED METRIC SPACES

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Abstract. In this paper, we obtain a common coupled fixed point theorem for a pair of hybrid maps in complex valued metric spaces. Also we give an example to illustrate our main theorem.

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1. Introduction and Preliminaries

Azam et al.[1] introduced the notion of a complex valued metric space which is a generalization of the classical metric space and obtained sufficient conditions for the existence of common fixed points of a pair of mappings satisfying a rational contractive conditions. Later on several authors proved fixed and common fixed point theorems in complex valued metric spaces, for example, we refer the readers to [3,4,5,12,14,16,17,18,20,21,22,25,27]. Recently, Azam et al. [2] and Ahmad et al. [6] obtained some new fixed point results for multi-valued mappings in the setting of complex valued metric spaces.

The purpose of this paper is to study the common coupled fixed points for a pair of hybrid mappings satisfying a rational inequality in the frame work of a complex valued metric space. We also give an example to illustrate our

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main theorem. The proved result generalizes and extends the Theorem 2.1 of [23].

To begin with, we recall some basic definitions, notations and results.

Throughout this paper \mathcal{R}^+ , \mathcal{N} and \mathbb{C} denote the set of all non-negative real numbers, positive integers and complex numbers respectively. First we refer the following preliminaries.

Let $z_1, z_2 \in \mathbb{C}$. Define a partial order \preceq on \mathbb{C} as follows:

$z_1 \preceq z_2$ if and only if $Re(z_1) \leq Re(z_2)$, $Im(z_1) \leq Im(z_2)$.

Thus $z_1 \preceq z_2$ if one of the following holds:

- (1). $Re(z_1) = Re(z_2)$ and $Im(z_1) = Im(z_2)$,
- (2). $Re(z_1) < Re(z_2)$ and $Im(z_1) = Im(z_2)$,
- (3). $Re(z_1) = Re(z_2)$ and $Im(z_1) < Im(z_2)$,
- (4). $Re(z_1) < Re(z_2)$ and $Im(z_1) < Im(z_2)$.

Clearly $z_1 \preceq z_2 \Rightarrow |z_1| \leq |z_2|$.

We will write $z_1 \succ z_2$ if $z_1 \neq z_2$ and one of (2), (3) and (4) is satisfied. Also we will write $z_1 \prec z_2$ if only (4) is satisfied.

Remark 1.1. One can easily check the following statements :

- (i) if $0 \preceq z_1 \preceq z_2$ then $|z_1| < |z_2|$;
- (ii) if $z_1 \preceq z_2$ and $z_2 \prec z_3$, then $z_1 \prec z_3$.

Definition 1.2. ([1]) Let X be a non empty set. A function $d : X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is called a complex valued metric on X if for all $x, y, z \in X$ the following conditions are satisfied:

- (i) $0 \preceq d(x, y)$ and $d(x, y) = 0$ if and only if $x = y$;
- (ii) $d(x, y) = d(y, x)$;
- (iii) $d(x, y) \preceq d(x, z) + d(z, y)$.

The pair (X, d) is called a complex valued metric space.

Remark 1.3. Let (X, d) be a complex valued metric space. Then

- (i) $|d(x, y)|$ or $|d(u, v)| < |1 + d(x, y) + d(u, v)|$, $\forall x, y, u, v \in X$.
- (ii) $|d(x, y)| > 0$, if $x \neq y$.

Definition 1.4. ([1]) Let (X, d) be a complex valued metric space.

(i) A point $x \in X$ is called an interior point of a set $A \subseteq X$ whenever there exists $0 \prec r \in \mathbb{C}$ such that $B(x, r) = \{y \in X : d(x, y) \prec r\} \subseteq A$.

(ii) A point $x \in X$ is called a limit point of a set $A \subseteq X$ whenever there exists $0 \prec r \in \mathbb{C}$ such that $B(x, r) \cap (X - A) \neq \emptyset$.

(iii) A subset $B \subseteq X$ is called open whenever each point of B is an interior point of B .

(iv) A subset $B \subseteq X$ is called closed whenever each limit point of B is in B .

(v) The family $F = \{B(x, r) : x \in X \text{ and } 0 \prec r\}$ is a sub basis for a topology on X . We denote this complex topology by τ_c . Indeed, the topology τ_c is Hausdorff.

Let $\{x_n\}$ be a sequence in X and $x \in X$. If for every $c \in \mathbb{C}$ with $0 \preceq c$ there is $n_0 \in \mathcal{N}$ such that for all $n > n_0$, $d(x_n, x) \prec c$, then $\{x_n\}$ is said to be convergent to x and x is the limit point of $\{x_n\}$. We denote this by $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x$ or $x_n \rightarrow x$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. If for every $c \in \mathbb{C}$ with $0 \prec c$ there is $n_0 \in \mathcal{N}$ such that for all $n > n_0$, $d(x_n, x_{n+m}) \prec c$, where $m \in \mathcal{N}$, then $\{x_n\}$ is called a Cauchy sequence in (X, d) . If every Cauchy sequence is convergent in (X, d) then (X, d) is called a complete complex valued metric space. We require the following lemmas.

Lemma 1.5.([1]) Let (X, d) be a complex valued metric space and let $\{x_n\}$ be a sequence in X . Then $\{x_n\}$ converges to x if and only if $|d(x_n, x)| \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

Lemma 1.6.([1]) Let (X, d) be a complex valued metric space and let $\{x_n\}$ be a sequence in X . Then $\{x_n\}$ is a Cauchy sequence if and only if $|d(x_n, x_{n+m})| \rightarrow 0$ as $n, m \rightarrow \infty$.

One can easily prove the following lemma.

Lemma 1.7. Let (X, d) be a complex valued metric space and let $\{x_n\}$ and $\{y_n\}$ be sequences in X converging to x and y respectively. Then $|d(x_n, y_n)| \rightarrow |d(x, y)|$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

Now, we follow the notations and definitions given in [6]. Let (X, d) be a complex valued metric space. We denote the family of nonempty, closed and bounded subsets of a complex valued metric space X by $CB(X)$. From now onwards, we denote for $z_1 \in \mathbb{C}$, $s(z_1) = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : z_1 \preceq z\}$ and for $a \in X$ and $B \in CB(X)$, $s(a, B) = \bigcup_{b \in B} s(d(a, b)) = \bigcup_{b \in B} \{z \in \mathbb{C} : d(a, b) \preceq z\}$.

For $A, B \in CB(X)$, we denote $s(A, B) = \left(\bigcap_{a \in A} s(a, B) \right) \cap \left(\bigcap_{b \in B} s(b, A) \right)$.

Remark 1.8.([6]): Let (X, d) be a complex valued metric space and $T : X \rightarrow CB(X)$ be a multivalued map. For $x \in X$ and $A \in CB(X)$, define $W_x(A) = \{d(x, a) : a \in A\}$.

Thus, for $x, y \in X$, we have $W_x(Ty) = \{d(x, u) : u \in Ty\}$.

Remark 1.9.([6]): Let (X, d) be a complex valued metric space. If $\mathbb{C} = \mathcal{R}$ then (X, d) is a metric space. Moreover, for $A, B \in CB(X)$, $H(A, B) = \inf\{s(A, B)\}$ is the Hausdorff distance induced by d .

Definition 1.10.([6]): Let (X, d) be a complex valued metric space. A nonempty subset A of X is called bounded from below if there exists some $z \in \mathbb{C}$ such that $z \preceq a$ for all $a \in A$.

A multivalued mapping $F : X \rightarrow 2^{\mathbb{C}}$ is called bounded from below if for each $x \in X$ there exists $z_x \in \mathbb{C}$ such that $z_x \preceq u$ for all $u \in Fx$.

Definition 1.11.([6]) The multivalued mapping $T : X \rightarrow CB(X)$ is said to have the lower bound property (l.b. Property) on (X, d) if for any $x \in X$, the multi-valued mapping $F_x : X \rightarrow 2^{\mathbb{C}}$ defined by $F_x(y) = W_x(Ty)$ is bounded from below. That is, for $x, y \in X$, there exists an element $l_x(Ty) \in \mathbb{C}$ such that $l_x(Ty) \preceq u$, for all $u \in W_x(Ty)$, where $l_x(Ty)$ is called a lower bound of T associated with (x, y) .

Definition 1.12. ([6]) Let (X, d) be a complex valued metric space. The multivalued mapping $T : X \rightarrow CB(X)$ is said to have the greatest lower bound property (g.l.b. Property) on (X, d) if the greatest lower bound of $W_x(Ty)$ exists in \mathbb{C} for all $x, y \in X$. We denote $d(x, Ty)$ by the g.l.b. Property of $W_x(Ty)$. That is $d(x, Ty) = \inf\{d(x, u) : u \in Ty\}$.

Bhaskar and Lakshmikantham [24] introduced the concept of coupled fixed points and Lakshmikantham and Ćirić [26] defined the common coupled fixed points. Later on several authors obtained coupled fixed point theorems in various spaces, for example, [7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 13] and the references therein.

Definition 1.13. (Hussain and Alotaibi, [19]) Let the mappings $F : X \times X \rightarrow CB(X)$ and $f : X \rightarrow X$ be given. An element $(x, y) \in X \times X$ is called

- (i) a coupled coincidence point of a pair (F, f) if $fx \in F(x, y)$ and $fy \in F(y, x)$,
- (ii) a common coupled fixed point of a pair (F, f) if $x = fx \in F(x, y)$ and $y = fy \in F(y, x)$.

Definition 1.14. (Abbas et al., [15]) Let $F : X \times X \rightarrow 2^X$ be a multivalued map and f be a self map on X . The hybrid pair (F, f) is called w -compatible if $f(F(x, y)) \subseteq F(fx, fy)$ whenever (x, y) is a coupled coincidence point of F and f .

Now we prove our main result.

2. Main result

Theorem 2.1. Let (X, d) be a complex valued metric space and $F : X \times X \rightarrow CB(X)$ be a multi-valued mapping with g.l.b property and $f : X \rightarrow X$ be a mapping satisfying the following

$$(2.1.1) \quad F(X \times X) \subseteq f(X),$$

$$(2.1.2) \quad f(X) \text{ is a complete subspace of } X \text{ and}$$

$$(2.1.3) \quad \alpha d(fx, fu) + \beta d(fy, fv) + \gamma \frac{d(fx, F(x, y)) d(fu, F(u, v))}{1 + d(fx, fu) + d(fy, fv)} + \delta \frac{d(fx, F(u, v)) d(fu, F(x, y))}{1 + d(fx, fu) + d(fy, fv)} \in s(F(x, y), F(u, v))$$

for all $x, y, u, v \in X$, where $\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta$ are non-negative real numbers such that $\alpha + \beta + \gamma + \delta < 1$.

Then F and f have a coupled coincidence point in $X \times X$.

(2.1.4) Further if we assume that (F, f) is w -compatible and there exist $p, q \in X$ such that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f^n x = p$ and $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f^n y = q$, whenever (x, y) is a coupled coincidence point of F and f and f is continuous at p and q , then F and f have a common coupled fixed point.

Proof. Let $(x_0, y_0) \in X \times X$. From (2.1.1), we can choose $fx_1 \in F(x_0, y_0)$ and $fy_1 \in F(y_0, x_0)$ for some $x_1, y_1 \in X$. From (2.1.3), we have

$$\alpha d(fx_0, fx_1) + \beta d(fy_0, fy_1) + \gamma \frac{d(fx_0, F(x_0, y_0)) d(fx_1, F(x_1, y_1))}{1 + d(fx_0, fx_1) + d(fy_0, fy_1)} + \delta \frac{d(fx_0, F(x_1, y_1)) d(fx_1, F(x_0, y_0))}{1 + d(fx_0, fx_1) + d(fy_0, fy_1)} \in s(F(x_0, y_0), F(x_1, y_1))$$

i.e.,

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha d(fx_0, fx_1) + \beta d(fy_0, fy_1) + \gamma \frac{d(fx_0, F(x_0, y_0)) d(fx_1, F(x_1, y_1))}{1+d(fx_0, fx_1)+d(fy_0, fy_1)} \\ + \delta \frac{d(fx_0, F(x_1, y_1)) d(fx_1, F(x_0, y_0))}{1+d(fx_0, fx_1)+d(fy_0, fy_1)} \in \bigcap_{x \in F(x_0, y_0)} s(x, F(x_1, y_1)). \end{aligned}$$

Since $fx_1 \in F(x_0, y_0)$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha d(fx_0, fx_1) + \beta d(fy_0, fy_1) + \gamma \frac{d(fx_0, F(x_0, y_0)) d(fx_1, F(x_1, y_1))}{1+d(fx_0, fx_1)+d(fy_0, fy_1)} \\ + \delta \frac{d(fx_0, F(x_1, y_1)) d(fx_1, F(x_0, y_0))}{1+d(fx_0, fx_1)+d(fy_0, fy_1)} \in s(fx_1, F(x_1, y_1)) = \bigcup_{y \in F(x_1, y_1)} s(d(fx_1, y)). \end{aligned}$$

From (2.1.1), there exists $x_2 \in X$ with $fx_2 \in F(x_1, y_1)$ such that

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha d(fx_0, fx_1) + \beta d(fy_0, fy_1) + \gamma \frac{d(fx_0, F(x_0, y_0)) d(fx_1, F(x_1, y_1))}{1+d(fx_0, fx_1)+d(fy_0, fy_1)} \\ + \delta \frac{d(fx_0, F(x_1, y_1)) d(fx_1, F(x_0, y_0))}{1+d(fx_0, fx_1)+d(fy_0, fy_1)} \in s(d(fx_1, fx_2)). \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} d(fx_1, fx_2) \lesssim \alpha d(fx_0, fx_1) + \beta d(fy_0, fy_1) + \gamma \frac{d(fx_0, F(x_0, y_0)) d(fx_1, F(x_1, y_1))}{1+d(fx_0, fx_1)+d(fy_0, fy_1)} \\ + \delta \frac{d(fx_0, F(x_1, y_1)) d(fx_1, F(x_0, y_0))}{1+d(fx_0, fx_1)+d(fy_0, fy_1)}. \end{aligned}$$

By using the g.l.b property of F , we get

$$\begin{aligned} d(fx_1, fx_2) \lesssim \alpha d(fx_0, fx_1) + \beta d(fy_0, fy_1) + \gamma \frac{d(fx_0, fx_1) d(fx_1, fx_2)}{1+d(fx_0, fx_1)+d(fy_0, fy_1)} \\ + \delta \frac{d(fx_0, fx_2) d(fx_1, fx_1)}{1+d(fx_0, fx_1)+d(fy_0, fy_1)} \end{aligned}$$

which implies that

$$\begin{aligned} |d(fx_1, fx_2)| \\ \leq \alpha |d(fx_0, fx_1)| + \beta |d(fy_0, fy_1)| + \gamma \frac{|d(fx_0, fx_1)| |d(fx_1, fx_2)|}{|1+d(fx_0, fx_1)+d(fy_0, fy_1)|} \\ < \alpha |d(fx_0, fx_1)| + \beta |d(fy_0, fy_1)| + \gamma |d(fx_1, fx_2)|, \text{ from Remark 1.3(i)}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$(1) \quad |d(fx_1, fx_2)| \leq \frac{\alpha+\beta}{1-\gamma} \max\{|d(fx_0, fx_1)|, |d(fy_0, fy_1)|\}$$

Similarly, we can show that

$$(2) \quad |d(fy_1, fy_2)| \leq \frac{\alpha+\beta}{1-\gamma} \max\{|d(fx_0, fx_1)|, |d(fy_0, fy_1)|\}$$

From (1) and (2), we have

$$\max \left\{ \begin{array}{l} |d(fx_1, fx_2)|, \\ |d(fy_1, fy_2)| \end{array} \right\} \leq \lambda \max \left\{ \begin{array}{l} |d(fx_0, fx_1)|, \\ |d(fy_0, fy_1)| \end{array} \right\}, \text{ where } \lambda = \frac{\alpha + \beta}{1 - \gamma} < 1.$$

Continuing in this way, we get the sequences $\{x_n\}$ and $\{y_n\}$ in X such that

$$(3) \max \left\{ \begin{array}{l} |d(fx_n, fx_{n+1})|, \\ |d(fy_n, fy_{n+1})| \end{array} \right\} \leq \lambda \max \left\{ \begin{array}{l} |d(fx_{n-1}, fx_n)|, \\ |d(fy_{n-1}, fy_n)| \end{array} \right\} \\ \vdots \\ \leq \lambda^n \max \left\{ \begin{array}{l} |d(fx_0, fx_1)|, \\ |d(fy_0, fy_1)| \end{array} \right\}.$$

For $m > n$ and using (3) we get

$$\begin{aligned} |d(fx_n, fx_m)| &\leq |d(fx_n, fx_{n+1})| + |d(fx_{n+1}, fx_{n+2})| + \dots + |d(fx_{m-1}, fx_m)| \\ &\leq (\lambda^n + \lambda^{n+1} + \dots + \lambda^{m-1}) \max \left\{ \begin{array}{l} |d(fx_0, fx_1)|, \\ |d(fy_0, fy_1)| \end{array} \right\} \\ &\leq \frac{\lambda^n}{1 - \lambda} \max \left\{ \begin{array}{l} |d(fx_0, fx_1)|, \\ |d(fy_0, fy_1)| \end{array} \right\} \\ &\rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n, m \rightarrow \infty. \end{aligned}$$

Thus $\{fx_n\}$ is a Cauchy sequence in X . Similarly, we can show that $\{fy_n\}$ is also a Cauchy sequence in X . Since $f(X)$ is a complete subspace of X , there exist $u, v \in X$ such that $fx_n \rightarrow fu$ and $fy_n \rightarrow fv$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. From (2.1.3), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha d(fx_n, fu) + \beta d(fy_n, fv) + \gamma \frac{d(fx_n, F(x_n, y_n)) d(fu, F(u, v))}{1 + d(fx_n, fu) + d(fy_n, fv)} \\ + \delta \frac{d(fx_n, F(u, v)) d(fu, F(x_n, y_n))}{1 + d(fx_n, fu) + d(fy_n, fv)} \in s(F(x_n, y_n), F(u, v)). \\ \alpha d(fx_n, fu) + \beta d(fy_n, fv) + \gamma \frac{d(fx_n, F(x_n, y_n)) d(fu, F(u, v))}{1 + d(fx_n, fu) + d(fy_n, fv)} \\ + \delta \frac{d(fx_n, F(u, v)) d(fu, F(x_n, y_n))}{1 + d(fx_n, fu) + d(fy_n, fv)} \in \bigcap_{x \in F(x_n, y_n)} s(x, F(u, v)). \end{aligned}$$

Since $fx_{n+1} \in F(x_n, y_n)$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha d(fx_n, fu) + \beta d(fy_n, fv) + \gamma \frac{d(fx_n, F(x_n, y_n)) d(fu, F(u, v))}{1 + d(fx_n, fu) + d(fy_n, fv)} \\ + \delta \frac{d(fx_n, F(u, v)) d(fu, F(x_n, y_n))}{1 + d(fx_n, fu) + d(fy_n, fv)} \in s(fx_{n+1}, F(u, v)) = \bigcup_{u' \in F(u, v)} s(d(fx_{n+1}, u')). \end{aligned}$$

From (2.1.1), there exists $u_n \in X$ with $fu_n \in F(u, v)$ such that

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha d(fx_n, fu) + \beta d(fy_n, fv) + \gamma \frac{d(fx_n, F(x_n, y_n)) d(fu, F(u, v))}{1 + d(fx_n, fu) + d(fy_n, fv)} \\ + \delta \frac{d(fx_n, F(u, v)) d(fu, F(x_n, y_n))}{1 + d(fx_n, fu) + d(fy_n, fv)} \in s(d(fx_{n+1}, fu_n)). \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned} d(fx_{n+1}, fu_n) \lesssim \alpha d(fx_n, fu) + \beta d(fy_n, fv) + \gamma \frac{d(fx_n, F(x_n, y_n)) d(fu, F(u, v))}{1 + d(fx_n, fu) + d(fy_n, fv)} \\ + \delta \frac{d(fx_n, F(u, v)) d(fu, F(x_n, y_n))}{1 + d(fx_n, fu) + d(fy_n, fv)}. \end{aligned}$$

From g.l.b property of F , we get

$$d(fx_{n+1}, fu_n) \lesssim \alpha d(fx_n, fu) + \beta d(fy_n, fv) + \gamma \frac{d(fx_n, fx_{n+1}) d(fu, fu_n)}{1+d(fx_n, fu)+d(fy_n, fv)} \\ + \delta \frac{d(fx_n, fu_n) d(fu, fx_{n+1})}{1+d(fx_n, fu)+d(fy_n, fv)}$$

which implies that

$$|d(fx_{n+1}, fu_n)| \leq \alpha |d(fx_n, fu)| + \beta |d(fy_n, fv)| + \gamma \frac{|d(fx_n, fx_{n+1})| |d(fu, fu_n)|}{|1+d(fx_n, fu)+d(fy_n, fv)|} \\ + \delta \frac{|d(fx_n, fu_n)| |d(fu, fx_{n+1})|}{|1+d(fx_n, fu)+d(fy_n, fv)|}.$$

Now consider

$$|d(fu, fu_n)| \leq |d(fu, fx_{n+1})| + |d(fx_{n+1}, fu_n)| \\ \leq |d(fu, fx_{n+1})| + \alpha |d(fx_n, fu)| + \beta |d(fy_n, fv)| \\ + \gamma \frac{|d(fx_n, fx_{n+1})| |d(fu, fu_n)|}{|1+d(fx_n, fu)+d(fy_n, fv)|} + \delta \frac{|d(fx_n, fu_n)| |d(fu, fx_{n+1})|}{|1+d(fx_n, fu)+d(fy_n, fv)|}.$$

Letting $n \rightarrow \infty$, we obtain

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |d(fu, fu_n)| \leq 0$ so that $fu_n \rightarrow fu$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. Since $F(u, v)$ is closed and $fu_n \in F(u, v)$, it follows that $fu \in F(u, v)$.

Similarly, we have $fv \in F(v, u)$. Thus (u, v) is a coupled coincidence point of F and f .

Since (u, v) is a coupled coincidence point of F and f , from (2.1.4) there exist $p, q \in X$ such that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f^n u = p$ and $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f^n v = q$.

Since f is continuous at p and q , we have $fp = p$ and $fq = q$.

Since the pair (F, f) is w -compatible, $fu \in F(u, v)$ and $fv \in F(v, u)$, we have $f^2 u \in f(F(u, v)) \subseteq F(fu, fv)$ and $f^2 v \in f(F(v, u)) \subseteq F(fv, fu)$. Thus (fu, fv) is a coupled coincidence point of F and f .

Continuing in this way, we can show that $(f^n u, f^n v)$ is a coupled coincidence point of F and f .

It is also clear that $f^n u \in F(f^{n-1} u, f^{n-1} v)$ and $f^n v \in F(f^{n-1} v, f^{n-1} u)$.

From (2.1.3), we have

$$\alpha d(f^n u, fp) + \beta d(f^n v, fq) + \gamma \frac{d(f^n u, F(f^{n-1} u, f^{n-1} v)) d(fp, F(p, q))}{1+d(f^n u, fp)+d(f^n v, fq)} \\ + \delta \frac{d(f^n u, F(p, q)) d(fp, F(f^{n-1} u, f^{n-1} v))}{1+d(f^n u, fp)+d(f^n v, fq)} \in s(F(f^{n-1} u, f^{n-1} v), F(p, q)) \\ \alpha d(f^n u, fp) + \beta d(f^n v, fq) + \gamma \frac{d(f^n u, F(f^{n-1} u, f^{n-1} v)) d(fp, F(p, q))}{1+d(f^n u, fp)+d(f^n v, fq)} \\ + \delta \frac{d(f^n u, F(p, q)) d(fp, F(f^{n-1} u, f^{n-1} v))}{1+d(f^n u, fp)+d(f^n v, fq)} \in \bigcap_{x \in F(f^{n-1} u, f^{n-1} v)} s(x, F(p, q)).$$

Since $f^n u \in F(f^{n-1} u, f^{n-1} v)$, we have

$$\alpha d(f^n u, fp) + \beta d(f^n v, fq) + \gamma \frac{d(f^n u, F(f^{n-1} u, f^{n-1} v)) d(fp, F(p, q))}{1+d(f^n u, fp)+d(f^n v, fq)} \\ + \delta \frac{d(f^n u, F(p, q)) d(fp, F(f^{n-1} u, f^{n-1} v))}{1+d(f^n u, fp)+d(f^n v, fq)} \in s(f^n u, F(p, q)) = \bigcup_{z \in F(p, q)} s(d(f^n u, z)).$$

From (2.1.1), there exists $fz_n \in F(p, q)$ such that

$$\alpha d(f^n u, fp) + \beta d(f^n v, fq) + \gamma \frac{d(f^n u, F(f^{n-1} u, f^{n-1} v)) d(fp, F(p, q))}{1+d(f^n u, fp)+d(f^n v, fq)} \\ + \delta \frac{d(f^n u, F(p, q)) d(fp, F(f^{n-1} u, f^{n-1} v))}{1+d(f^n u, fp)+d(f^n v, fq)} \in s(d(f^n u, fz_n)).$$

Hence

$$d(f^n u, f z_n) \lesssim \alpha d(f^n u, f p) + \beta d(f^n v, f q) + \gamma \frac{d(f^n u, F(f^{n-1} u, f^{n-1} v)) d(f p, F(p, q))}{1+d(f^n u, f p)+d(f^n v, f q)} + \delta \frac{d(f^n u, F(p, q)) d(f p, F(f^{n-1} u, f^{n-1} v))}{1+d(f^n u, f p)+d(f^n v, f q)}.$$

By g.l.b property of F , we obtain

$$d(f^n u, f z_n) \lesssim \alpha d(f^n u, f p) + \beta d(f^n v, f q) + \gamma \frac{d(f^n u, f^n u) d(f p, f z_n)}{1+d(f^n u, f p)+d(f^n v, f q)} + \delta \frac{d(f^n u, f z_n) d(f p, f^n u)}{1+d(f^n u, f p)+d(f^n v, f q)} = \alpha d(f^n u, f p) + \beta d(f^n v, f q) + \delta \frac{d(f^n u, f z_n) d(f p, f^n u)}{1+d(f^n u, f p)+d(f^n v, f q)}.$$

which implies that

$$|d(f^n u, f z_n)| \leq \alpha |d(f^n u, f p)| + \beta |d(f^n v, f q)| + \delta \frac{|d(f^n u, f z_n)| |d(f p, f^n u)|}{|1 + d(f^n u, f p) + d(f^n v, f q)|}.$$

Now, we consider

$$|d(f p, f z_n)| \leq |d(f p, f^n u)| + |d(f^n u, f z_n)| \leq |d(f p, f^n u)| + \alpha |d(f^n u, f p)| + \beta |d(f^n v, f q)| + \delta \frac{|d(f^n u, f z_n)| |d(f p, f^n u)|}{|1 + d(f^n u, f p) + d(f^n v, f q)|}$$

Letting $n \rightarrow \infty$, we obtain $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |d(f p, f z_n)| \leq 0$ so that $f z_n \rightarrow f p = p$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. Since $F(p, q)$ is closed and $f z_n \in F(p, q)$, it follows that $p \in F(p, q)$. Similarly, we have $q \in F(q, p)$. Thus (p, q) is a common coupled fixed point of F and f . This completes the proof.

Now we give an example to support Theorem 2.1.

Example 2.2. Let $X = [0, 1]$, $d(x, y) = |x - y| e^{i\theta}$, $\forall x, y \in X$, where

$$\theta = \tan^{-1} \frac{y}{x}.$$

Define $F : X \times X \rightarrow X$ by $F(x, y) = [0, \frac{x+2y}{8}]$ and $f : X \rightarrow X$ by $fx = \frac{7x}{8}$.

Then we have $d(fx, fu) = \frac{7}{8} |x - u| e^{i\theta}$, $d(fy, fv) = \frac{7}{8} |y - v| e^{i\theta}$ and

$$s(F(x, y), F(u, v)) = s\left(\frac{(x+2y)-(u+2v)}{8} \mid e^{i\theta}\right).$$

$$\text{As, } \frac{1}{7} d(fx, fu) + \frac{2}{7} d(fy, fv) = \frac{1}{8} |x - u| e^{i\theta} + \frac{1}{8} |2y - 2v| e^{i\theta} \geq e^{i\theta} \left| \frac{x-u+2y-2v}{8} \right| = e^{i\theta} \left| \frac{x+2y-(u+2v)}{8} \right|,$$

we have

$$\alpha d(fx, fu) + \beta d(fy, fv) + \gamma \frac{d(fx, F(x, y)) d(fu, F(u, v))}{1+d(fx, fu)+d(fy, fv)} + \delta \frac{d(fx, F(u, v)) d(fu, F(x, y))}{1+d(fx, fu)+d(fy, fv)} \in s(F(x, y), F(u, v))$$

with $\alpha = \frac{1}{7}$, $\beta = \frac{2}{7}$, $\gamma = \delta = 0$. One can easily verify the remaining conditions of Theorem 2.1. Clearly $(0, 0)$ is a common coupled fixed point of F and f .

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