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COMMON FIXED POINT THEOREMS OF FOUR MAPS ON *b*-METRIC SPACES WITH *wt*-DISTANCE

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Abstract. In this paper, some common fixed point theorems of four maps on *b*-metric spaces with *wt*-distance are proved, which extend some results in the literature.

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1. INTRODUCTION AND PRELIMINARIES

Since the concept of *b*-metric space as a generalization of metric space was given by Czerwik [1], many fixed point results in metric spaces were generalized in *b*-metric spaces (see [9, 10], etc.). In 2014, the concept of *wt*-distance on *b*-metric spaces was given by N. Hussain et al. [2], we shall use *wt*-distance on *b*-metric spaces to extend some results by others.

In the section 1, we give some elementary definitions and lemmas. In the section 2, inspired by J. R. Roshan et al. [7], Nawab Hussain et al. [8], Mirko Jovanović et al. [9] and Liya Liu and Feng Gu [10], we prove the main theorem on *b*-metric spaces with *wt*-distance and get some related fixed point results.

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Throughout, we denote all natural number by \mathbb{N} .

Definition 1.1[1] Let *X* be a nonempty set and constant $s \ge 1$ be a fixed real number. Suppose that the mapping $d : X \times X \to [0, \infty)$ satisfies the following conditions:

(1) d(x,y) = 0 if and only if x = y;

(2) d(x,y) = d(y,x) for all $x, y \in X$;

(3) $d(x,y) \leq s[d(x,z)+d(z,y)]$ for all $x, y, z \in X$.

Then (X, d) is called a *b*-metric space with coefficient *s*.

Definition 1.2[2, 3] Let (X, d) be a *b*-metric space with constant $s \ge 1$, then a function p:

 $X \times X \rightarrow [0,\infty)$ is called a *wt*-distance on X if the following conditions are satisfied:

(1) $p(x,z) \le s[p(x,y) + p(y,z)]$ for any $x, y, z \in X$;

(2) $p(x, \cdot) : X \to [0, \infty)$ is *s*-lower semi-continuous for any $x \in X$, if

$$\liminf_{n \to \infty} p(x, x_n) = \infty, \text{ or } p(x, x_0) \le \liminf_{n \to \infty} sp(x, x_n),$$

where $\lim_{n\to\infty} d(x_0, x_n) = 0;$

(3) for any $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists $\delta > 0$ such that $p(z, x) \le \delta$ and $p(z, y) \le \delta$ imply $d(x, y) \le \varepsilon$.

The *wt*-distance *p* is called symmetric if p(x, y) = p(y, x) for any $x, y \in X$.

We say that

- (a) The sequence $\{x_n\}$ converges to $x \in X$ if and only if $\lim_{n \to \infty} d(x_n, x) = 0$, i.e., $x_n \to x$;
- (b) The sequence $\{x_n\}$ is Cauchy if and only if $\lim_{n,m\to\infty} d(x_n,x_m) = 0$;

(c) (X,d) is complete if and only if any Cauchy sequence in X is convergent.

Lemma 1.3[2, 3] Let (X,d) be a *b*-metric space with constant $s \ge 1$ and *p* be a *wt*-distance on *X*. Let $\{x_n\}$ and $\{y_n\}$ be sequences in *X*, $\{\alpha_n\}$ and $\{\beta_n\}$ be sequences in $[0,\infty)$ converging to zero. Then for any $x, y, z \in X$, the following properties hold:

(1) If $p(x_n, y) \le \alpha_n$ and $p(x_n, z) \le \beta_n$ for any $n \in \mathbb{N}$, then y = z. In particular, if p(x, y) = 0 and p(x, z) = 0, then y = z;

(2) If $p(x_n, y_n) \le \alpha_n$ and $p(x_n, z) \le \beta_n$ for any $n \in \mathbb{N}$, then $\lim_{n \to \infty} d(y_n, z) = 0$;

(3) If $p(x_n, x_m) \le \alpha_n$ for any $n, m \in \mathbb{N}$ with m > n, then $\{x_n\}$ is a Cauchy sequence;

(4) If $p(y,x_n) \le \alpha_n$ for any $n \in \mathbb{N}$, then $\{x_n\}$ is a Cauchy sequence.

Definition 1.4[4, 5] We say that *f* and *g* are *b*-compatible on *b*-metric space (X,d) with constant $s \ge 1$, and *p* be a *wt*-distance on *X* if

$$\lim_{n\to\infty} p(fgx_n, gfx_n) = 0,$$

when $\{x_n\}$ is a sequence such that $\lim_{n\to\infty} fx_n = \lim_{n\to\infty} gx_n = t$, for some *t* in *X*.

2. MAIN RESULTS

In this part, we will show our main results.

Lemma 2.1[6] Let (X,d) be a *b*-metric space with constant $s \ge 1$ and *p* be a *wt*-distance on *X*, $\{x_n\}$ be sequence in *X*, we say the $\{x_n\}$ is a Cauchy sequence if there exists $c \in [0,1)$, such that $p(x_n, x_{n+1}) \le cp(x_{n-1}, x_n)$ for every $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

Theorem 2.2 Let (X,d) be a complete *b*-metric space with $s \ge 1$ and *p* be a *wt*-distance on X, p(x,x) = 0 for any $x \in X$, the pairs (S,I) and (T,J) be *b*-compatible defined on (X,d) and satisfying

(2.1)
$$p(Sx,Ty) \le \lambda \max\{p(Ix,Jy), p(Ix,Sx), p(Jy,Ty), \frac{1}{2s}[p(Sx,Jy) + p(Ix,Ty)]\}$$

for any $x, y \in X$, where $\lambda \in [0, 1)$ and $\lambda s^2 < 1$, if $S(x) \subseteq J(x)$, $T(x) \subseteq I(x)$ and I, J, S and T are continuous maps, then I, J, S and T have a unique common fixed point in X.

Proof. If $\lambda = 0$, then p(Sx, Ty) = 0, p(Sx, Ix) = 0 and p(Ty, Jy) = 0, we have that Ty = Ix = Sx = Jy.

Now, we construct $\{x_n\} \subset X$. Let $\forall x_0 \in X$, $Sx_0 \in J(X)$, there is any $x_1 \in X$, such that $Jx_1 = Sx_0$. $Tx_1 \in I(X)$, then there is $x_2 \in X$, such that $Tx_1 = Ix_2$. In general, we chosen $x_{2n+1} \in X$, such that $Jx_{2n+1} = Sx_{2n}$, and $x_{2n+2} \in X$, such that $Ix_{2n+2} = Tx_{2n+1}$, for $n = 0, 1, 2, \cdots$.

Denote a sequence $\{y_n\}$ with

$$y_{2n} = Jx_{2n+1} = Sx_{2n}, y_{2n+1} = Ix_{2n+2} = Tx_{2n+1}.$$

We show that $\{y_n\}$ is a Cauchy sequence. If not, we suppose that there is a constant n_0 , such that $p(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}) > 0$ for any $2n > n_0$, then for some constant k, by (2.1),

$$p(y_{2k}, y_{2k+1}) = p(Sx_{2k}, Tx_{2k+1})$$

$$\leq \lambda max\{p(Ix_{2k}, Jx_{2k+1}), p(Ix_{2k}, Sx_{2k}), p(Jx_{2k+1}, Tx_{2k+1}), \frac{1}{2s}[p(Sx_{2k}, Jx_{2k+1}) + p(Ix_{2k}, Tx_{2k+1})]\}$$

$$= \lambda max\{p(y_{2k-1}, y_{2k}), p(y_{2k-1}, y_{2k}), p(y_{2k}, y_{2k+1}), \frac{1}{2s}[p(y_{2k}, y_{2k}) + p(y_{2k-1}, y_{2k+1})]\}$$

$$= \lambda max\{p(y_{2k-1}, y_{2k}), p(y_{2k}, y_{2k+1}), \frac{1}{2s}p(y_{2k-1}, y_{2k+1})\}$$

Since $\frac{1}{2s}p(y_{2k-1}, y_{2k+1}) \le p(y_{2k-1}, y_{2k})$ or $\frac{1}{2s}p(y_{2k-1}, y_{2k+1}) \le p(y_{2k}, y_{2k+1})$, we only need to think about the following two cases.

For the first case, if

$$p(y_{2k}, y_{2k+1}) \le \lambda p(y_{2k-1}, y_{2k}),$$

which $\lambda \in (0,1)$, then by Lemma 2.1, we have that $\lim_{k\to\infty} p(y_{2k}, y_{2k+1}) = 0$, it is a contradiction.

For the second case, if

$$p(y_{2k}, y_{2k+1}) \leq \lambda p(y_{2k}, y_{2k+1}) < p(y_{2k}, y_{2k+1}),$$

which $\lambda \in (0, 1)$, it is a contradiction.

Thus, $\{y_n\}$ is a Cauchy sequence, by Cauchy sequence, we have that $\lim_{m,n\to\infty} p(y_m, y_n) = 0$, then for any $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists a $n > N_{\varepsilon} - 1$, such that $p(y_{N_{\varepsilon}}, y_n) < \frac{\varepsilon}{s}$.

Since *X* is complete, there exists $u \in X$, such that

(2.2)
$$u = \lim_{n \to \infty} Ix_{2n+2} = \lim_{n \to \infty} Tx_{2n+1} = \lim_{n \to \infty} Jx_{2n+1} = \lim_{n \to \infty} Sx_{2n}$$

 $p(x, \cdot)$ is *s*-lower semi-continuous, thus we have

$$p(y_{N_{\varepsilon}}, u) \leq lim_{n \to \infty} infsp(y_{N_{\varepsilon}}, y_n) \leq \varepsilon.$$

When $n \to \infty$ we have,

$$(2.3) p(y_{2n},u) < \varepsilon.$$

Since T and J are continuous and b-compatible, we have

$$p(Tu,Ju) \leq sp(Tu,TJx_{2n+1}) + sp(TJx_{2n+1},Ju)$$

$$\leq sp(Tu,TJx_{2n+1}) + s^2p(TJx_{2n+1},JTx_{2n+1}) + s^2p(JTx_{2n+1},Ju).$$

There are $\lim_{n\to\infty} p(Tu, TJx_{2n+1}) = 0$, $\lim_{n\to\infty} p(TJx_{2n+1}, JTx_{2n+1}) = 0$ and $\lim_{n\to\infty} p(JTx_{2n+1}, Ju) = 0$, thus we have p(Tu, Ju) = 0 and p(Ju, Tu) = 0. Similarly, we have p(Iu, Su) = 0.

Since *I* and *S* are continuous and *b*-compatible, we have

$$p(Iu,Su) \leq sp(Iu,ISx_{2n}) + sp(ISx_{2n},Su)$$

$$\leq sp(Iu,ISx_{2n}) + s^2p(ISx_{2n},SIx_{2n}) + s^2p(SIx_{2n},Su).$$

There are $lim_{n\to\infty}p(Iu, ISx_{2n}) = 0$, $lim_{n\to\infty}p(ISx_{2n}, SIx_{2n}) = 0$ and $lim_{n\to\infty}p(SIx_{2n}, Su) = 0$, thus we have p(Iu, Su) = 0.

We shall prove that p(Su, Tu) = 0, if not, we suppose that p(Su, Tu) > 0,

$$p(Su,Tu) \leq \lambda max\{p(Iu,Ju), p(Iu,Su), p(Ju,Tu), \frac{1}{2s}[p(Su,Ju) + p(Iu,Tu)]\} \\ = \lambda max\{p(Iu,Ju), 0, 0, \frac{1}{2s}[p(Su,Ju) + p(Iu,Tu)]\} \\ = \lambda max\{p(Iu,Ju), \frac{1}{2s}[p(Su,Ju) + p(Iu,Tu)]\}.$$

If $max\{p(Iu, Ju), \frac{1}{2s}[p(Su, Ju) + p(Iu, Tu)]\} = \frac{1}{2s}[p(Su, Ju) + p(Iu, Tu)]$, then

$$p(Su,Tu) \leq \frac{\lambda}{2s}[p(Su,Ju) + p(Iu,Tu)]$$

$$\leq \frac{\lambda}{2s}[sp(Su,Tu) + sp(Tu,Ju) + sp(Iu,Su) + sp(Su,Tu)]$$

$$= \lambda p(Su,Tu)$$

$$< p(Su,Tu),$$

which $\lambda \in (0, 1)$, it is a contradiction.

If $max\{p(Iu,Ju), \frac{1}{2s}[p(Su,Ju) + p(Iu,Tu)]\} = p(Iu,Ju)$, then

$$p(Su,Tu) \leq \lambda p(Iu,Ju)$$

$$\leq \lambda [sp(Iu,Su) + sp(Su,Ju)]$$

$$\leq \lambda [sp(Iu,Su) + s^2 p(Su,Tu) + s^2 p(Tu,Ju)]$$

$$= (\lambda \cdot s^2) p(Su,Tu),$$

by $\lambda s^2 < 1$, we have $p(Su, Tu) \le (\lambda s^2)p(Su, Tu) < p(Su, Tu)$, it is a contradiction. Then we have Ju = Su = Tu = Iu.

Next, we shall prove that $\lim_{n\to\infty} p(y_{2n}, Ty_{2n}) = 0$. If not, we suppose that $\lim_{n\to\infty} p(y_{2n}, Ty_{2n}) > 0$, when $n \to \infty$, we have

$$p(y_{2n}, Ty_{2n}) = p(Sx_{2n}, Ty_{2n}) \leq \lambda max \{ p(Ix_{2n}, Jy_{2n}), p(Ix_{2n}, Sx_{2n}), \\ p(Jy_{2n}, Ty_{2n}), \frac{1}{2s} [p(Sx_{2n}, Jy_{2n}) + p(Ix_{2n}, Ty_{2n})] \} \\ = \lambda max \{ p(Ix_{2n}, Jy_{2n}), 0, 0, \frac{1}{2s} [p(Sx_{2n}, Jy_{2n}) + p(Ix_{2n}, Ty_{2n})] \} \\ = \lambda max \{ p(Ix_{2n}, Jy_{2n}), \frac{1}{2s} [p(Sx_{2n}, Jy_{2n}) + p(Ix_{2n}, Ty_{2n})] \}.$$

If $max\{p(Ix_{2n}, Jy_{2n}), \frac{1}{2s}[p(Sx_{2n}, Jy_{2n}) + p(Ix_{2n}, Ty_{2n})]\} = p(Ix_{2n}, Jy_{2n})$, then

$$p(Sx_{2n}, Ty_{2n}) \leq \lambda p(Ix_{2n}, Jy_{2n})$$

$$\leq \lambda s[p(Ix_{2n}, Sx_{2n}) + p(Sx_{2n}, Jy_{2n})]$$

$$\leq \lambda s[p(Ix_{2n}, Sx_{2n}) + sp(Sx_{2n}, Ty_{2n}) + sp(Ty_{2n}, Jy_{2n})]$$

$$= \lambda s^2 p(Sx_{2n}, Ty_{2n})$$

$$< p(Sx_{2n}, Ty_{2n}),$$

which $\lambda s^2 < 1$, it is a contradiction, then we have $\lim_{n\to\infty} p(y_{2n}, Ty_{2n}) = 0$.

If $max\{p(Ix_{2n}, Jy_{2n}), \frac{1}{2s}[p(Sx_{2n}, Jy_{2n}) + p(Ix_{2n}, Ty_{2n})]\} = \frac{1}{2s}[p(Sx_{2n}, Jy_{2n}) + p(Ix_{2n}, Ty_{2n})],$ then

$$p(Sx_{2n}, Ty_{2n}) \leq \lambda \frac{1}{2s} [p(Sx_{2n}, Jy_{2n}) + p(Ix_{2n}, Ty_{2n})]$$

$$\leq \frac{\lambda}{2s} [sp(Sx_{2n}, Ty_{2n}) + sp(Ty_{2n}, Jy_{2n}) + sp(Ix_{2n}, Sx_{2n}) + sp(Sx_{2n}, Ty_{2n})]$$

$$= \lambda p(Sx_{2n}, Ty_{2n})$$

$$< p(Sx_{2n}, Ty_{2n}),$$

which $\lambda < 1$, it is a contradiction, then we have $\lim_{n\to\infty} p(y_{2n}, Ty_{2n}) = 0$.

Thus, we have $\lim_{n\to\infty} p(y_{2n}, Ty_{2n}) = 0$. For any $\varepsilon > 0$, we have

$$(2.4) p(y_{2n},Ty_{2n}) < \varepsilon.$$

where $n \to \infty$.

By (2.3), (2.4) and Lemma 1.3, we have $lim_{n\to\infty}d(Ty_{2n}, u) = 0$.

By the continuity of *T*, we have $u = lim_{n\to\infty}Ty_{2n} = Tu$, thus we have u = Tu. We get that u = Tu = Ju = Su = Iu. Then we have *u* is a common fixed point of *S*, *I*, *T* and *J*. Now, we shall prove the uniqueness of the common fixed point.

If not, there is another common fixed point w of S, I, T and J, and $p(Sw, Tu) \neq 0$,

$$p(Sw,Tu) \leq \lambda max\{p(Iw,Ju), p(Iw,Sw), p(Ju,Tu), \frac{1}{2s}[p(Sw,Ju) + p(Iw,Tu)]\} \\ = \lambda max\{p(Iw,Ju), 0, 0, \frac{1}{2s}[p(Sw,Ju) + p(Iw,Tu)]\} \\ = \lambda max\{p(Iw,Ju), \frac{1}{2s}[p(Sw,Ju) + p(Iw,Tu)]\}.$$

If $max\{p(Iw,Ju), \frac{1}{2s}[p(Sw,Ju) + p(Iw,Tu)]\} = p(Iw,Ju)$, then

$$p(Sw,Tu) \le \lambda p(Iw,Ju) \le \lambda s[p(Iw,Sw) + p(Sw,Ju)]$$

$$\le \lambda s[p(Iw,Sw) + sp(Sw,Tu) + sp(Tu,Ju)]$$

$$= \lambda s^2 p(Sw,Tu)$$

$$< p(Sw,Tu),$$

which $\lambda s^2 < 1$, it is a contradiction, then we have p(Sw, Tu) = 0.

If $max\{p(Iw, Ju), \frac{1}{2s}[p(Sw, Ju) + p(Iw, Tu)]\} = \frac{1}{2s}[p(Sw, Ju) + p(Iw, Tu)]$, then

$$p(Sw,Tu) \leq \frac{\lambda}{2s}[p(Sw,Ju) + p(Iw,Tu)]$$

= $\frac{\lambda}{2s}[sp(Sw,Tu) + sp(Tu,Ju) + sp(Iw,Sw) + sp(Sw,Tu)]$
= $\lambda p(Sw,Tu)$
< $p(Sw,Tu)$,

which $\lambda \in (0, 1)$, it is a contradiction, then we have p(Sw, Tu) = 0. Thus we have Sw = Tu and w = Sw = Tu = u, then w = u. *S*, *I*, *T* and *J* have a unique common fixed point.

By Theorem 2.2, we have the following result.

Theorem 2.3 Let (X,d) be a complete *b*-metric space with $s \ge 1$ and *p* be a *wt*-distance on *X*, p(x,x) = 0 for any $x \in X$, the pairs (S,I) and (T,J) be *b*-compatible defined on (X,d) and

satisfying

$$(2.5) p(Sx,Ty) \le \lambda p(Ix,Jy)$$

for any $x, y \in X$, where $\lambda \in [0, 1)$, $\lambda s^2 < 1$, if $S(x) \subseteq J(x)$, $T(x) \subseteq I(x)$ and I, J, S and T are continuous maps, then I, J, S and T have a unique common fixed point in X.

We can get two corollaries if *wt*-distance *p* is symmetric.

Corollary 2.4 Let (X,d) be a complete *b*-metric space with $s \ge 1$ and *p* be a symmetric *wt*distance on *X*, p(x,x) = 0 for any $x \in X$, the pairs (S,I) and (T,J) be *b*-compatible defined on (X,d) and satisfying

(2.6)
$$p(Sx,Ty) \le \lambda \max\{p(Ix,Jy), p(Ix,Sx), p(Jy,Ty), \frac{1}{2s}[p(Sx,Jy) + p(Ix,Ty)]\}$$

for any $x, y \in X$, where $\lambda \in [0, 1)$ and $\lambda s^2 < 1$, if $S(x) \subseteq J(x)$, $T(x) \subseteq I(x)$, then the four maps I, J, S and T have a unique common fixed point in X.

Proof. By observing the proof of Theorem 2.2, we only need to prove the existence of common fixed point. We continue using the similar notations in Corollary 2.4.

We have that $\{y_n\}$ is a Cauchy sequence, by Cauchy sequence, we have that $\lim_{m,n\to\infty} p(y_m,y_n) = 0$. For any $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists a $n > N_{\varepsilon} - 1$, such that $p(y_{N_{\varepsilon}},y_n) < \frac{\varepsilon}{s}$.

Since *X* is complete, there exists $u \in X$, such that

(2.7)
$$u = \lim_{n \to \infty} Ix_{2n+2} = \lim_{n \to \infty} Tx_{2n+1} = \lim_{n \to \infty} Jx_{2n+1} = \lim_{n \to \infty} Sx_{2n}.$$

 $p(x, \cdot)$ is s-lower semi-continuous, thus we have

$$p(y_{N_{\varepsilon}}, u) \leq lim_{n \to \infty} infsp(y_{N_{\varepsilon}}, y_n) \leq \varepsilon$$

When $n \to \infty$ we have,

$$(2.8) p(y_{2n},u) < \varepsilon.$$

By the symmetry of *wt*-distance *p*, we have

$$lim_{n\to\infty}p(u,y_{2n})<\varepsilon.$$

Since T and J are b-compatible, by (2.7), we have

$$p(Tu,Ju) \leq sp(Tu,TJx_{2n+1}) + sp(TJx_{2n+1},Ju)$$

$$\leq sp(Tu,TJx_{2n+1}) + s^2p(TJx_{2n+1},JTx_{2n+1}) + s^2p(JTx_{2n+1},Ju).$$

Since $lim_{n\to\infty}p(Tu, TJx_{2n+1}) = lim_{n\to\infty}p(TJx_{2n+1}, JTx_{2n+1}) = lim_{n\to\infty}p(JTx_{2n+1}, Ju) = 0$, thus we have p(Tu, Ju) = 0 and p(Ju, Tu) = 0. Similarly, we have p(Iu, Su) = 0.

Since I and S are b-compatible, by (2.7), we have

$$p(Iu,Su) \leq sp(Iu,ISx_{2n}) + sp(ISx_{2n},Su)$$

$$\leq sp(Iu,ISx_{2n}) + s^2p(ISx_{2n},SIx_{2n}) + s^2p(SIx_{2n},Su).$$

There are $\lim_{n\to\infty} p(Iu, ISx_{2n}) = 0$, $\lim_{n\to\infty} p(ISx_{2n}, SIx_{2n}) = 0$ and $\lim_{n\to\infty} p(SIx_{2n}, Su) = 0$, thus we have p(Iu, Su) = 0.

We shall prove that p(Su, Tu) = 0, if not, we suppose that p(Su, Tu) > 0.

$$p(Su,Tu) \leq \lambda max\{p(Iu,Ju), p(Iu,Su), p(Ju,Tu), \frac{1}{2s}[p(Su,Ju) + p(Iu,Tu)]\} \\ = \lambda max\{p(Iu,Ju), 0, 0, \frac{1}{2s}[p(Su,Ju) + p(Iu,Tu)]\} \\ = \lambda max\{p(Iu,Ju), \frac{1}{2s}[p(Su,Ju) + p(Iu,Tu)]\}.$$

If $max\{p(Iu, Ju), \frac{1}{2s}[p(Su, Ju) + p(Iu, Tu)]\} = \frac{1}{2s}[p(Su, Ju) + p(Iu, Tu)]$, then

$$p(Su,Tu) \leq \frac{\lambda}{2s}[p(Su,Ju) + p(Iu,Tu)]$$

$$\leq \frac{\lambda}{2s}[sp(Su,Tu) + sp(Tu,Ju) + sp(Iu,Su) + sp(Su,Tu)]$$

$$= \lambda p(Su,Tu)$$

$$< p(Su,Tu),$$

which $\lambda \in (0, 1)$, it is a contradiction.

If $max\{p(Iu,Ju), \frac{1}{2s}[p(Su,Ju) + p(Iu,Tu)]\} = p(Iu,Ju)$, then

$$p(Su,Tu) \leq \lambda p(Iu,Ju)$$

$$\leq \lambda [sp(Iu,Su) + sp(Su,Ju)]$$

$$\leq \lambda [sp(Iu,Su) + s^2 p(Su,Tu) + s^2 p(Tu,Ju)]$$

$$= (\lambda \cdot s^2) p(Su,Tu),$$

by $\lambda s^2 < 1$, we have $p(Su, Tu) \le (\lambda s^2)p(Su, Tu) < p(Su, Tu)$, it is a contradiction. Then we have Ju = Su = Tu = Iu.

Next, we shall prove that p(u,Tu) = 0. If not, we suppose that p(u,Tu) > 0, when $n \to \infty$, by (2.9), we have

$$p(u,Tu) \leq s[p(u,y_{2n}) + p(y_{2n},Tu)] = s[p(u,y_{2n}) + p(Sx_{2n},Tu)]$$

$$= sp(Sx_{2n},Tu)$$

$$\leq (\lambda s)max\{p(Ix_{2n},Ju), p(Ix_{2n},Sx_{2n}),$$

$$p(Ju,Tu), \frac{1}{2s}[p(Sx_{2n},Ju) + p(Ix_{2n},Tu)]\}$$

$$= (\lambda s)max\{p(Ix_{2n},Ju), 0, 0, \frac{1}{2s}[p(Sx_{2n},Ju) + p(Ix_{2n},Tu)]\}$$

$$= (\lambda s)max\{p(Ix_{2n},Ju), \frac{1}{2s}[p(Sx_{2n},Ju) + p(Ix_{2n},Tu)]\}.$$

Since s > 1, if $max\{p(Ix_{2n}, Ju), \frac{1}{2s}[p(Sx_{2n}, Ju) + p(Ix_{2n}, Tu)]\} = p(Ix_{2n}, Ju)$, then

$$p(Sx_{2n},Tu) \leq \lambda p(Ix_{2n},Ju)$$

$$\leq \lambda s[p(Ix_{2n},Sx_{2n}) + p(Sx_{2n},Ju)]$$

$$\leq \lambda s[p(Ix_{2n},Sx_{2n}) + sp(Sx_{2n},Tu) + sp(Tu,Ju)]$$

$$= \lambda s^2 p(Sx_{2n},Tu)$$

$$< p(Sx_{2n},Tu),$$

which $\lambda s^2 < 1$, it is a contradiction, then we have p(u, Tu) = 0.

If
$$max\{p(Ix_{2n}, Ju), \frac{1}{2s}[p(Sx_{2n}, Ju) + p(Ix_{2n}, Tu)]\} = \frac{1}{2s}[p(Sx_{2n}, Ju) + p(Ix_{2n}, Tu)]$$
, then
 $p(Sx_{2n}, Tu) \leq \lambda \frac{1}{2s}[p(Sx_{2n}, Ju) + p(Ix_{2n}, Tu)]$
 $\leq \frac{\lambda}{2s}[sp(Sx_{2n}, Tu) + sp(Tu, Ju) + sp(Ix_{2n}, Sx_{2n}) + sp(Sx_{2n}, Tu)]$
 $= \lambda p(Sx_{2n}, Tu)$
 $< p(Sx_{2n}, Tu),$

which $\lambda < 1$, it is a contradiction, then we have p(u, Tu) = 0. Thus, we have p(u, Tu) = 0, then u = Tu. We get that u = Tu = Ju = Su = Iu. Then we have *u* is a common fixed point of *S*, *I*, *T* and *J*.

Corollary 2.5 Let (X,d) be a complete *b*-metric space with $s \ge 1$ and *p* be a symmetric *wt*distance on *X*, p(x,x) = 0 for any $x \in X$, the pairs (S,I) and (T,J) be *b*-compatible defined on (X,d) and satisfying

$$(2.10) p(Sx,Ty) \le \lambda p(Ix,Jy)$$

for any $x, y \in X$, where $\lambda \in [0, 1)$, $\lambda s^2 < 1$, if $S(x) \subseteq J(x)$, $T(x) \subseteq I(x)$, then the four maps I, J, Sand T have a unique common fixed point in X.

Since *b*-metric *d* is also a *wt*-distance on (X, d), let p = d in (2.6) of corollary 2.4 and p = d in (2.10) of corollary 2.5. We obtain the Theorem 2.1 by given by J. R. Roshan et al. [7] and the Theorem 2.3 by given by Nawab Hussain et al. [8].

Corollary 2.6[7] Let (X,d) be a complete *b*-metric space with $s \ge 1$, the pairs (S,I) and (T,J) be *b*-compatible defined on (X,d) and satisfying

$$d(Sx,Ty) \le \lambda \max\{d(Ix,Jy), d(Ix,Sx), d(Jy,Ty), \frac{1}{2s}[d(Sx,Jy) + d(Ix,Ty)]\}$$

for any $x, y \in X$, where $\lambda \in [0, 1)$ and $\lambda s^2 < 1$, if $S(x) \subseteq J(x)$, $T(x) \subseteq I(x)$, then the four maps I, J, S and T have a unique common fixed point in X.

Corollary 2.7[8] Let (X,d) be a complete *b*-metric space with $s \ge 1$, the pairs (S,I) and (T,J) be *b*-compatible defined on (X,d) and satisfying

$$d(Sx,Ty) \le \lambda d(Ix,Jy)$$

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for any $x, y \in X$, where $\lambda \in [0, 1)$, $\lambda s^2 < 1$, if $S(x) \subseteq J(x)$, $T(x) \subseteq I(x)$, then the four maps I, J, Sand T have a unique common fixed point in X.

CONFLICT OF INTERESTS

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