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## FIXED POINTS OF NONLINEAR CONTRACTION

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**Abstract.** The main purpose of this paper is to improve the results of Babu and Alemayehu [7] in metric spaces by replacing the containment condition and giving the shorter proof than of the authors in their main results.

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### 1. Introduction

Aamri and Moutawakil [1] introduced the concept of property (E.A) which was perhaps inspired by the condition of compatibility introduced by Jungck [3]. Numerous research publications can be seen using this small but pivoting condition for choices of sequences for a pair of self maps in metric spaces and their related spaces.

Throughout this paper  $(X, d)$  is a metric space which we denote simply by  $X$ ; and  $A, B, S$  and  $T$  are selfmaps of  $X$ .

### 2. Preliminaries

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**Definition 2.1**[4]. Let  $A$  and  $S$  be selfmaps of a set  $X$ . If  $Au = Su = w$  (say),  $w \in X$ , for some  $u$  in  $X$ , then  $u$  is called a *coincidence point* of  $A$  and  $S$  and the set of coincidence points of  $A$  and  $S$  in  $X$  is denoted by  $C(A, S)$ , and  $w$  is called a *point of coincidence* of  $A$  and  $S$ .

**Definition 2.2** Let  $A, B, S$  and  $T$  be selfmaps of a set  $X$ . If  $u \in C(A, S)$  and  $v \in C(B, T)$  for some  $u, v \in X$  and  $Au = Su = Bv = Tv = z$  (say), then  $z$  is called a *common point of coincidence of the pairs*  $(A, S)$  and  $(B, T)$ .

**Definition 2.3** The pair  $(A, S)$  is said to be

- (i) satisfy property  $(E.A)$ [1] if there exists a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $X$  such that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Ax_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Sx_n = t$  for some  $t$  in  $X$ .
- (ii) be compatible [3] if  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(ASx_n, SAx_n) = 0$ , for some  $t$  in  $X$  whenever  $\{x_n\}$  is a sequence in  $X$  such that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Ax_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Sx_n = t$
- (iii) be weakly compatible [5], if the commute at their coincidence point.
- (iv) be occasionally weakly compatible (owc)[9, 10], if  $ASx = SAx$  for some  $x \in C(A, S)$ .

**Remark 2.4** (i) Every compatible pair is weakly compatible but its converse need not be true [5].

(ii) Weak compatibility and property  $(E. A)$  are independent of each other [14].

(iii) Every weakly compatible pair is occasionally weakly compatible but its converse need not be true [11].

(iv) Occasionally weakly compatible and property  $(E. A)$  are independent of each other [16].

**Definition 2.5** [13] Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space and  $A, B, S$  and  $T$  be four selfmaps on  $X$ . The pairs  $(A, S)$  and  $(B, T)$  are said to satisfy common property  $(E.A)$  if there exist two sequences  $\{x_n\}$  and  $\{y_n\}$  in  $X$  such that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Ax_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Sx_n = t = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} By_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Ty_n$  for some  $t$  in  $X$ .

**Remark 2.6** Let  $A, B, S$  and  $T$  be self maps of a set  $X$ . If the pairs  $(A, S)$  and  $(B, T)$  have common point of coincidence in  $X$  then  $C(A, S) \neq \phi$  and  $C(B, T) \neq \phi$ . But converse is not true.

**Example 2.7** Let  $X = [0, \infty)$  with usual metric and  $A, B, S$  and  $T$  self maps on  $X$  and defined by  $Ax = 1 - x^2$ ;  $Sx = 1 - x$ ;  $Bx = \frac{1}{2} + x^2$ ;  $Tx = \frac{1+x}{2}$  for all  $x \in X$

It is easy to observe that  $C(A, S) = \{0, 1\}$  and  $C(B, T) = \{0, \frac{1}{2}\}$  but the pairs  $(A, S)$  and  $(B, T)$  not having common point of coincidence.

**Remark 2.8** The converse of the Remark 2.6 is true provided it satisfies inequality (3.1). This is given as in Proposition 3.1 in Section III.

**Proposition 2.9** ([15]) Let  $A$  and  $S$  be two self maps of a set  $X$  and the pair  $(A, S)$  is satisfies occasionally weakly compatible(owc) condition. If the pair  $(A, S)$  have unique point of coincidence  $Ax = Sx = z$  then  $z$  is the unique common fixed point of  $A$  and  $S$ .

**Proof:** To be given

$$Ax = Sx = \{z\}(\text{say } ) \text{ for any } x \in C(A, S). \quad (2.1)$$

Since the pair  $(A, S)$  satisfies the property owc, therefore

$$Az = ASx = Sx = Sz \text{ implies that } z \in C(A, S).$$

From (2.1), we get  $Az = Sz = z$ . Hence proposition follows.

In 1996, Tas et al.[8] proved the following .

**Theorem 2.10** Let  $A, B, S$  and  $T$  be selfmaps of a complete metric space  $(X, d)$  such that  $A(X) \subseteq T(X)$  and  $B(X) \subseteq S(X)$  and satisfying the inequality

$$\begin{aligned} [d(Ax, By)]^2 &\leq c_1 \max\{[d(Sx, Ax)]^2, [d(Ty, By)]^2, [d(Sx, Ty)]^2\} \\ &\quad + c_2 \max\{d(Sx, Ax)d(Sx, By), d(Ty, Ax)d(Ty, By)\} \\ &\quad + c_3 d(Sx, By)d(Ty, Ax) \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x, y \in X$ , where  $c_1, c_2, c_3 \geq 0$ ,  $c_1 + 2c_2 < 1$ ,  $c_1 + c_3 < 1$ . Further, assume that the pairs  $(A, S)$  and  $(B, T)$  are compatible on  $X$ . If one of the mappings  $A, B, S$  and  $T$  is continuous then  $A, B, S$  and  $T$  have a unique common fixed point in  $X$ .

### 3. Main results

**Proposition 3.1.** *Let  $A, B, S$  and  $T$  be self maps of a metric space  $(X, d)$  and satisfying the inequality*

$$\begin{aligned}
 [d(Ax, By)]^2 &\leq c_1 \max\{[d(Sx, Ax)]^2, [d(Ty, By)]^2, [d(Sx, Ty)]^2\} \\
 &\quad + c_2 \max\{d(Sx, Ax)d(Sx, By), d(Ty, Ax)d(Ty, By)\} \\
 &\quad + c_3 d(Sx, By)d(Ty, Ax)
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{3.1}$$

for all  $x, y \in X$ , where  $c_1, c_2, c_3 \geq 0$  and  $c_1 + c_3 < 1$ . Then the pairs  $(A, S)$  and  $(B, T)$  have common point of coincidence in  $X$  if and only if  $C(A, S) \neq \phi$  and  $C(B, T) \neq \phi$ .

**Proof.** If Part: It is trivial.

Only if part: Assume  $C(A, S) \neq \phi$  and  $C(B, T) \neq \phi$ .

Then there is a  $u \in C(A, S)$  and  $v \in C(B, T)$  such that

$$Au = Su = p \text{ (say)} \tag{3.2}$$

$$Bv = Tv = q \text{ (say)}. \tag{3.3}$$

On taking  $x = u$  and  $y = v$  in (3.1), we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 [d(Au, Bv)]^2 &\leq c_1 \max\{[d(Su, Au)]^2, [d(Tv, Bv)]^2, [d(Su, Tv)]^2\} \\
 &\quad + c_2 \max\{d(Su, Au)d(Su, Bv), d(Tv, Au)d(Tv, Bv)\} \\
 &\quad + c_3 d(Su, Bv)d(Tv, Au).
 \end{aligned}$$

Using (3.2) and (3.3), we get

$$[d(p, q)]^2 \leq (c_1 + c_3)[d(p, q)]^2, \text{ a contradiction. Thus } p = q.$$

Therefore  $A, B, S$  and  $T$  have common point of coincidence in  $X$ .

In the Proposition (2.1) of Babu et al.([7]), we can obtain some more conclusions of in their paper. Therefore our result improves and strengthen Proposition 3.1 and subsequent theorems in metric spaces.

**Proposition 3.2.** *Let  $A, B, S$  and  $T$  be four self maps of a metric space  $(X, d)$  satisfying the inequality (3.1). Suppose that either*

- (i):  $B(X) \subseteq S(X)$ , the pair  $(B, T)$  satisfies property (E.A.) and  $T(X)$  is a closed subspace of  $X$ ; or
- (ii):  $A(X) \subseteq T(X)$ , the pair  $(A, S)$  satisfies property (E.A.) and  $S(X)$  is a closed subspace of  $X$ , holds.

*Then the pairs  $(A, S)$  and  $(B, T)$  are satisfies the common property (E.A.); also both the pairs  $(A, S)$  and  $(B, T)$  have common point of coincidence in  $X$ .*

We have shorten the proof of Theorem 2.2 of ([7]) by relaxing many lines:

**Theorem 3.3** (Improved version of Theorem 2.2, [7]). *Let  $A, B, S$  and  $T$  are satisfying all the conditions given Proposition 3.2 with the following additional assumption:*

*the pairs  $(A, S)$  and  $(B, T)$  are owc on  $X$ .*

*Then  $A, B, S$  and  $T$  have a unique common fixed point in  $X$ .*

**Proof.** By Proposition 3.2 the pairs  $(A, S)$  and  $(B, T)$  have common point of coincidence. Therefore there is  $u \in C(A, S)$  and  $v \in C(B, T)$  such that

$$Au = Su = z(\text{say}) = Bv = Tv. \quad (3.4)$$

Now, we show that  $z$  is unique common point of coincidence of the pairs  $(A, S)$  and  $(B, T)$ .

Let if possible  $z'$  is another point of coincidence of  $A, B, S$  and  $T$ . Then there is  $u' \in C(A, S)$  and  $v' \in C(B, T)$  such that

$$Au' = Su' = z'(\text{say}) = Bv' = Tv'. \quad (3.5)$$

Putting  $x = u$  and  $y = v'$  in inequality (3.1), we have

$$\begin{aligned} [d(Au, Bv)]^2 &\leq c_1 \max\{[d(Su, Au)]^2, [d(Tv, Bv)]^2, [d(Su, Tv)]^2\} \\ &\quad + c_2 \max\{d(Su, Au)d(Su, Bv), d(Tv, Au)d(Tv, Bv)\} \\ &\quad + c_3 d(Su, Bv)d(Tv, Au) \end{aligned}$$

Now, using (3.4) and (3.5), we get

$[d(z, z')]^2 \leq (c_1 + c_3)[d(z, z')]^2$ , and arrive at a contradiction. Hence  $z = z'$  and we have  $C(A, S) = \{z\} = C(B, T)$

By Proposition 2.9,  $z$  is the unique common fixed point of  $A, B, S$  and  $T$  in  $X$ .

**Remark 3.4** Proposition 2.5 of [7] and Theorem 2.6 of [7] are remain true, if we replace completeness of  $S(X)$  and  $T(X)$  by the completeness of  $S(X) \cap T(X)$  in  $X$ . For this we have given an Example 2.7 in the following manner without proof.

Now, we rewriting the Proposition 2.5 and Theorem 2.6 of [7].

**Proposition 3.5** Let  $A, B, S$  and  $T$  be four self maps of a metric space  $(X, d)$  satisfying the inequality (3.1) of proposition 3.1. Suppose that  $(A, S)$  and  $(B, T)$  satisfy a common property (E.A) and  $S(X) \cap T(X)$  are closed subspace of  $X$ , then  $A, B, S$  and  $T$  have unique common point of coincidence.

**Theorem 3.6** In addition to the above proposition 3.5 on  $A, B, S$  and  $T$ , if both the pairs  $(A, S)$  and  $(B, T)$  are owc maps on  $X$ , then the point of coincidence is a unique common fixed point of  $A, B, S$  and  $T$ .

**Example 3.7** Let  $X = [\frac{1}{3}, 1)$  with the usual metric. We define mappings  $A, B, S$  and  $T$  on  $X$  by

$$A(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{3}, & \text{if } x \in [\frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}); \\ \frac{2}{3}, & \text{if } x \in [\frac{2}{3}, 1) \end{cases} \quad B(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{3}{4}, & \text{if } x \in [\frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}); \\ \frac{2}{3}, & \text{if } x \in [\frac{2}{3}, 1) \end{cases}$$

$$S(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2}, & \text{if } x \in [\frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}); \\ \frac{1}{3} + \frac{x}{2}, & \text{if } x \in [\frac{2}{3}, 1) \end{cases} \quad T(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{5}{6}, & \text{if } x \in [\frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}); \\ 1 - \frac{x}{2}, & \text{if } x \in [\frac{2}{3}, 1) \end{cases}$$

We observe that  $S(X) = \{\frac{1}{2}\} \cup [\frac{2}{3}, \frac{5}{6})$  and  $T(X) = (\frac{1}{2}, \frac{2}{3}] \cup \{\frac{5}{6}\}$  are not closed and  $S(X) \cap T(X) = \{\frac{2}{3}\}$  is a closed subspace of  $X$ .

The pairs  $(A, S)$  and  $(B, T)$  satisfies a common property (E.A) at the sequence  $\{x_n\}$ ,

$$x_n = \frac{2}{3} + \frac{1}{n+3}, \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots \text{ in } X.$$

Case (i): If  $x, y \in [\frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3})$  then the inequality (3.1), we get

$$(\frac{5}{12})^2 \leq c_1 \max\{(\frac{1}{6})^2, (\frac{1}{12})^2, (\frac{1}{3})^2\} + c_2 \max\{\frac{1}{6} \cdot \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{12}\} + c_3 \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{1}{2}$$

$$i.e., 25 \leq 16c_1 + c_26 + c_318$$

Case (ii): If  $x, y \in [\frac{2}{3}, 1)$  the inequality (3.1) holds trivial.

Case (iii): If  $x \in [\frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3})$  and  $y \in [\frac{2}{3}, 1)$  then from inequality (3.1), we have

$$(\frac{1}{3})^2 \leq c_1 \max\{\frac{1}{36}, (\frac{y}{2} - \frac{1}{3})^2, (\frac{1-y}{2})^2\} + c_2 \max\{\frac{1}{36}, (\frac{2}{3} - \frac{y}{2})(\frac{y}{2} - \frac{1}{3})\} + c_3(\frac{2}{3} - \frac{y}{2}).$$

$$4 \leq c_1 + c_2 + c_3.(4 - 3y).$$

Case (iv): if  $x \in [\frac{2}{3}, 1)$  and  $y \in [\frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3})$

$$(\frac{1}{12})^2 \leq c_1 \max\{(\frac{x}{2} - \frac{1}{3})^2, (\frac{1}{12})^2, (\frac{x-1}{2})^2\} + c_2 \max\{|\frac{x}{2} - \frac{1}{3}| |\frac{x}{2} - \frac{5}{12}|, \frac{1}{6} \cdot \frac{1}{12}\}$$

$$+ c_3 \frac{1}{6} |\frac{x}{2} - \frac{5}{12}|$$

In all cases the inequality (3.1) holds with  $c_1 = \frac{1}{3}$ ,  $c_2 = 5\frac{5}{6}$  and  $c_3 = \frac{1}{2}$ . The pairs  $(A, S)$  and  $(B, T)$  satisfies owc at the point  $\frac{2}{3}$ . The point  $\frac{2}{3}$  is a unique fixed point of  $A, B, S$  and  $T$ .

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