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# Coincidence points in $\theta$ -metric spaces

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#### **Abstract**

In this paper, inspired by the concept of metric space, two fixed point theorems for  $\alpha$  -set-valued mapping  $T: A \to CB(A)$ ,  $h_{\theta}(Tp,Tq) \le \alpha(d\theta(p,q)) d\theta(p,q)$ , where  $\alpha: (0,\infty) \to (0,1]$  such that  $\alpha(r) < 1$ ,  $\forall t \in [0,\infty)$ ) are given in complete  $\theta$  -metric and then extended for two mappings with R-weakly commuting property to obtain a common coincidence point.

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## 1. Introduction and preliminaries

Bakhtin [1] defined the b-metric space as a generalization of a usual metric space and proved analogue of Banach's contraction principle. Then several articles have contained fixed points results in this space and its generalizations (e.g. see [1-7] and their **references**). Kamran, Samreen and Ain [8] introduced  $\theta$ -metric space as an extended to b-metric space and established some fixed points results. Very recent results in this space will appear to the researcher Albundi [9].

Here, the coincidence point results for four mappings. Firstly, start with the following definition [4]:

"Let: $A \neq \emptyset$  and  $\theta: A \times A \rightarrow [1,\infty)$  and  $d_{\theta}: A \times A \rightarrow [0,\infty)$  be functions. If the following hold  $\forall p, q, \in A$ :

$$(d_{\theta} 1) d_{\theta}(p, q) = 0 \text{ iff } p = q$$

$$(d_{\theta}2) d_{\theta}(p,q) = d_{\theta}(q, p)$$

$$(d_{\theta}3)\ d_{\theta}(p,r) \leq \theta(p,r)[\ d_{\theta}(p,q) + d_{\theta}(q,r)].$$

Then  $(A, d_{\theta})$  is called  $\theta$ -metric space"

**Remark 1.1.** If  $\theta(p, q) = s$  for  $s \ge 1$ , then we obtain the definition of a b-metric space.

**Example 1.2.** If:  $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$ , and  $\theta: X \times X \to [1, \infty)$ . A function  $d_{\theta}: A \times A \to [0, \infty)$  as:

$$\theta(p, q) = 1 + p + q$$

$$d_{\theta}(1, 1) = d_{\theta}(2, 2) = d_{\theta}(3, 3) = 0$$

$$d_{\theta}(1, 2) = d_{\theta}(2, 1) = 80, d_{\theta}(1, 3) = d_{\theta}(3, 1) = 1000, d_{\theta}(2, 3) = d_{\theta}(3, 2) = 600.$$

**Example 1.3.**" Let A = ([p, q]) be the space of all continuous real valued functions define on [p, q]. Note that A is complete extended b -metric space by considering  $d_{\theta}(p, q) = \sup_{t \in [p,q]} |p(t) - q(t)|^2$ , with  $\theta(p, q) = |p(t) - q(t)| + 2$ , where  $\theta : A \times A \to [1,\infty)$ " [4].

**Definition 1.4 [8]:** "Let  $(A, d_{\theta})$  is a  $\theta$ -metric space and a sequence  $\{p_n\}$  in A is said to be:

i. Cauchy if and only if  $d_{\theta}(p_n, p_m) \rightarrow 0$  as  $m, n \rightarrow \infty$ .

ii.Converges to a point  $p \in A$  if  $d_{\theta}(p_n, p) \to 0$  as  $n \to \infty$  and we write  $\lim_{n \to \infty} p_n = p$ .

A  $\theta$ -metric space is complete if every Cauchy sequence A is convergent to q in A''.

Let 
$$2^{A} = \{A : \emptyset \neq A \subset A\},\$$

 $CB(X) = \{A: A \text{ is a nonempty bounded closed subsets of } A\}.$ 



"For  $p \in A$  and  $A \subseteq X$ ,  $d_{\theta}(p, A) = \inf \{d_{\theta}(p, q): q \in A\}$ . Let  $h_{\theta}$  be the  $\theta$ -Hausdorff distance [8] with respect to  $d_{\theta}$ , that is,

$$h_{\theta}(A,B) = \max\{d_{\theta}(p,B), d_{\theta}(q,A)\}^{"}$$
.

Immediately, the following is obtained

**Lemma 1.5 [8]** "If  $A, B \in CB(A)$  and  $a \in A$ , then  $\forall \varepsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists b \in B$  such that

$$d_{\theta}\left(a,b\right)\leq h_{\theta}\left(A,B\right)+\varepsilon$$
".

**Lemma 1.6 [8]** "If  $\{A_n\}$  is a sequence in CB(A) and  $h_{\theta}(A_n,A)=0$  for  $A\in CB(A)$ . If  $p_n\in A_n$  and  $\lim_{n\to\infty}d_{\theta}(p_n,p)=0$ , then  $p\in A$ ".

**Definition 1.7.** "A set valued mapping  $T: A \to 2^A$  is called contraction if  $\exists k \in (0,1) \ni A$ 

$$h_{\theta}(T(p), T(q)) \le k d_{\theta}(p, q), \forall p, q \in \mathbb{A}^{n}$$

**Definition 1.8.** "A point  $p \in A$  is called fixed point of set-valued mapping  $T: A \to 2^A$  if  $p \in Tp$ ".

**Definition 1.9.** "The mappings  $T: A \to 2^A$  and  $f: A \to A$  are coincide at p if  $fp \in Tp$ ."

**Definition 1.10. [9], [10]** "Let A be a  $\theta$ -metric space,  $T: A \to 2^A$  and  $f: A \to A$  be two mappings then

i.f and T are called commuting if  $fTA \subseteq TfA$ .

ii.f and T are called weakly commuting if,  $\forall p \in A$ ,  $fTp \in CB(A)$  and  $h_{\theta}$   $(fTp, Tfp) \leq d_{\theta}(fp, Tp)$ .

iii. f and Tare R-weakly commuting if  $\forall p \in A$ ,  $fTp \in CB(A)$ , and  $\exists R > 0$  such that

$$h_{\theta}(Tf(p), Tf(p)) \leq Rd_{\theta}(f(p), T(p))''.$$

Note the commutativity  $\Rightarrow$  weak commutativity  $\Rightarrow$  R-weakly commutativity. But the converse is not true. The following example illustrate this when R > 1.

**Example 1.11.** Consider A=R, with  $d_{\theta}=|$  | (the absolute value) then  $(A,d_{\theta})$  is  $\theta$ -metric space with  $\theta(t)=2$ ,  $\forall t$ . If f, g:  $A \to A$ , are defined by T(p)=2p-1,  $T(p)=p^2$ . Then

$$d_{\theta}(fgp, gfp) = 2(p-1)^2, \quad d_{\theta}(fp, gp) = (p-1)^2, \forall p \in A.$$

That is,  $d_{\theta}(fgp, gfp) = 2 d_{\theta}(fp, gp)$ . So, f and g are 2-weakly commutating but are not weakly commuting.

In the next section, there are a generalization and an extension of some results in [11] and [12].

### 2. Main Result

We begin with following theorem.

**Theorem 2.1.** Let A = 0 be a complete  $\theta$ -metric space and  $T: A \to CB(A)$  such that

$$h_{\theta}(T(p), T(q)) \le k (d_{\theta}(p, q)) d_{\theta}(p, q), p, q \in A,$$

where  $k: (0,\infty) \to (0,1]$  is a function  $\ni \lim \sup_{r \to t^+} \alpha(r) < 1$ , for  $\forall t \in [0,\infty)$ . Then, T has a fixed point in A.

Since a function k:  $(0,\infty) \to (0, 1]$  such that  $\lim \sup_{r \to t^+} (r) < 1$ ,  $\forall t \in [0,\infty)$  is special case of the function  $\alpha$ :  $(0,\infty) \to (0, 1]$  such that  $\alpha(r) < 1$ , for  $\forall t \in [0,\infty)$ , so,

A general case which is included in the result below:

**Theorem 2.2.** Assume  $(A, d_{\theta})$  be a complete  $\theta$ - metric space, and  $T: A \to CB(A)$ .

$$h_{\theta}\left(T(p),T(q)\right) \leq \alpha(d_{\theta}\left(p,q\right)) \ d_{\theta}\left(p,q\right), \ \forall p,q \in A,$$

where  $\alpha: (0, \infty) \to (0, 1]$  is a function with  $\alpha(r) < 1, \forall t \in [0, \infty)$ .

Then T has a fixed point in A.

**Proof:** Suppose  $p_0 \in A$  and  $p_1 \in T$  ( $p_0$ ). Choose a  $n_1 \in N \ni$ 



$$\alpha^{n_1} (d_{\theta} (p_0, p_1) \le \{1 - \alpha (d_{\theta} (p_0, p_1))\} d_{\theta} (p_0, p_1).$$

Choose  $p_2 \in T$  ( $p_1$ ) with definition of the  $\theta$ -Hausdorff distance,

$$d_{\theta}(p_2, p_1) \leq h_{\theta}(T(p_1), T(p_0)) + \alpha^{n_1}(d_{\theta}(p_0, p_1).$$

Therefore,

$$d_{\theta}(p_2, p_1) \leq \alpha(d_{\theta}(p_1, p_0)) d_{\theta}(p_1, p_0) + \alpha^{n_1}(d_{\theta}(p_0, p_1) < d_{\theta}(p_1, p_0).$$

Now, choose  $n_2 \in N$ ,  $n_2 > n_1 \ni$ 

$$\alpha^{n_2} ((d_\theta (p_2, p_1)) < \{1 - \alpha (d_\theta (p_2, p_1))\} d_\theta (p_2, p_1).$$

Since  $T(p_2) \in CB(A)$ , choose  $p_3 \in T(p_2)$  so

$$d_{\theta}\left(p_{3},\,p_{2}\right)\leq h_{\theta}\left(T\left(p_{2}\right),\,T\left(p_{1}\right)\right)\,+\alpha^{n_{2}}\left(d_{\theta}\left(p_{2},\,p_{1}\right)\right).$$

Then

$$\begin{split} d_{\theta}\left(p_{3},\,p_{2}\right) &\leq h_{\theta}\left(T\left(p_{2}\right),\,T\left(p_{1}\right)\right) + \alpha^{n_{2}}\left(d_{\theta}\left(p_{2},\,p_{1}\right)\right). \\ &\leq \alpha(d_{\theta}\left(p_{2},\,p_{1}\right))\,d_{\theta}\left(p_{2},\,p_{1}\right) + \alpha^{n_{2}}\left(d_{\theta}\left(p_{2},\,p_{1}\right)\right) \\ &< d_{\theta}\left(p_{2},\,p_{1}\right). \end{split}$$

Again, for each k with  $T(p) \in CB(A)$ . Choose  $n_k \in N \ni$ 

$$\alpha^{n_k} ((d_{\theta} (p_k, p_{k-1})) < \{1 - \alpha (d_{\theta} (p_k, p_{k-1}))\} d_{\theta} (p_k, p_{k-1}).$$

Now choose  $p_{k+1} \in T(p_k)$  then

$$d_{\theta}(p_{k+1}, p_k) \leq h_{\theta}(T(p), T(p_{k-1})) + \alpha^{n_k}(d_{\theta}(p_k, p_{k-1})).$$

So,  $d_{\theta}(p_{k+1}, p_k) < d_{\theta}(p_k, p_{k-1})$  then  $d_{k} \equiv d_{\theta}(p_k, p_{k-1})$  is called a monotone non-increasing sequence of nonnegative number.

Now, the sequence  $\{d_k\}$  so generated is Cauchy.

Let 
$$\lim_{k\to\infty} d_{\theta_k} = c \ge 0$$
. By assumption,  $\alpha(t) < 1$ .

Hence 
$$\exists k_0 \ni k \ge k_0 \Rightarrow \alpha(d_{\theta_k}) < h$$
, if  $\alpha(t) < h < 1$ .

Now,

$$\begin{split} d_{\theta_{k+1}} &= d_{\theta} \left( p_{k+1}, p_{k} \right) \\ &\leq h_{\theta} \left( T \left( p_{k} \right), T \left( p_{k-1} \right) \right) + \alpha^{n_{k}} (d_{\theta_{k}}) \\ &\leq \alpha (d_{\theta_{k}}) \, d_{\theta_{k}} + \alpha^{n_{k}} (d_{\theta_{k}}) \\ &\leq \alpha (d_{\theta_{k}}) \, \alpha (d_{\theta_{k-1}}) \, d_{\theta_{k-1}} + \alpha (d_{\theta_{k}}) \, \alpha^{n_{k-1}} \left( d_{\theta_{k-1}} \right) \alpha^{n_{k}} (d_{\theta_{k}}) \\ &\qquad \qquad \dots \dots \\ &\leq \prod_{i=1}^{k} (d_{\theta_{i}}) \, d_{\theta_{1}} + \sum_{m=1}^{k-1} \prod_{i=m+1}^{k} \alpha \left( d_{\theta_{i}} \right) \alpha^{n_{m}} \left( d_{\theta_{m}} \right) + \alpha^{n_{k}} (d_{\theta_{k}}) \\ &\leq \prod_{i=1}^{k} (d_{\theta_{i}}) \, d_{\theta_{1}} + \sum_{m=1}^{k-1} \prod_{i=max}^{k} \{k_{0}, m+1\}} \alpha \left( d_{\theta_{i}} \right) \alpha^{n_{m}} \left( d_{\theta_{m}} \right) + \alpha^{n_{k}} (d_{\theta_{k}}) \equiv A. \end{split}$$

From above inequality, we benefited by the fact that  $\alpha$  < 1 to delete some  $\alpha$  factors from the product.

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$$\begin{split} & \sum_{m=1}^{k-1} \prod_{i=\max\{k_0,m+1\}}^k \alpha \; (d_{\theta_i}) \; \alpha^{n_m} \; (d_{\theta_m}) \leq (k_0 - 1) \; h^{k-k_0 + 1} \; \sum_{m=1}^{k_0 - 1} \alpha^{n_m} \; (d_{\theta_m}) \\ & + \sum_{m=1}^{k_0 - 1} \; h^{k-m} \; \alpha^{n_m} \; (d_{\theta_m}) \\ & \leq (k_0 - 1) \; h^{k-k_0 + 1} \; \sum_{m=1}^{k_0 - 1} \alpha^{n_m} \; (d_{\theta_m}) \; + \; + \sum_{m=k_0}^{k-1} h^{k-m+n_m} \end{split}$$



$$\leq Ch^{k} + \sum_{m=k_{0}}^{k-1} h^{k-m_{nm}}$$

$$\leq Ch^{k} + h^{k+n_{k_{0}}-k_{0}} + h^{k+n_{k_{0}-1}-(k_{0}-1)} + \dots + h^{k+n_{k-1}-(k-1)}$$

$$\leq Ch^{k} + \sum_{m=k+n_{k_{0}}-k_{0}}^{k+n_{k_{0}-1}-(k-1)} h^{m}$$

$$= Ch^{k} + \frac{h^{k+n_{k_{0}}-k_{0}+1} - h^{k+n_{k-1}-k+2}}{1-h}$$

$$= Ch^{k} + h^{k} \frac{h^{n_{k_{0}}-k_{0}+1}}{1-h}$$

$$= Ch^{k}$$

where C > 0. Now,

$$A \leq \prod_{i=1}^{k} \alpha (d_{\theta_{i}}) d_{\theta_{1}} + Ch^{k} + \alpha^{n_{k}} (d_{\theta_{k}})$$

$$< h^{k-k_{0}+1} \prod_{i=1}^{k_{0}-1} \alpha (d_{\theta_{i}}) d_{\theta_{1}} + Ch^{k} + h^{n_{k}}$$

$$< Ch^{k} + Ch^{k} + h^{k}$$

$$= Ch^{k},$$

C is a generic constant. If  $k \ge k_0$ ,  $m \in N$ , so  $\{x_k\}$  is Cauchy.

$$d_{\theta} (p_{k}, p_{k+m}) \leq d_{\theta} (p_{k}, p_{k+1}) + ... + d_{\theta} (p_{k+m-1}, p_{k+m})$$

$$= \sum_{i=k+1}^{k+m} d_{\theta_{i}}$$

$$< \sum_{i=k+1}^{k+m} Ch^{i-1}$$

$$= C \frac{h^{k+1} - h^{k+m}}{1-h}$$

$$\leq h^{k},$$

which tends to zero as  $k \rightarrow \infty$ . Let  $p_k \rightarrow \in A$ , so

$$d_{\theta}(p, T(p)) \leq d_{\theta}(p, p_{k}) + d_{\theta}(p_{k}, T(p))$$
  
$$\leq d_{\theta}(p, p_{k}) + \alpha(d_{\theta}(p_{k-1}, p)) d_{\theta}(p_{k-1}, p).$$

From above expression, both terms tent to zero as  $k \to \infty$ , then  $p \in (p_k)$ .

$$d_{\theta}\left(T(p),\,p\right) \leq \theta(T(p),\,p))[\;d_{\theta}\left(T(p),\,p_{n}\right) + d_{\theta}\left(p_{n},\,p\right)].$$
 
$$\leq 0 \text{ as } k \to \infty$$

So,

$$d_{\theta}(T(p), p) \leq \theta(T(p), p)[k d_{\theta}(p, p_{n-1}) + d_{\theta}(p_n, p)]$$
  
$$d_{\theta}(T(p), p) = 0.$$

Hence p is called a fixed point in T.

**Theorem 2.3.** Let A = A = A be a complete A = A = A, and A = A = A, and A = A = A are continuous mappings A = A = A = A.

$$h_{\theta} (Hp, Jq) \le \alpha(d_{\theta} (gp, fq)) d_{\theta} (gp, fq), p, q \in A$$
(1)

where  $\alpha: (0,\infty) \to (0, 1] \ni \lim \sup_{r \to t^+} \alpha(r) < 1$ , for  $\forall t \in [0,\infty)$ . If (g, J) and (f, H) are R-weakly commuting. Then g, H and f, J have a common coincidence point.

**Proof**: We organize sequences  $\{p_n\}$ ,  $\{q_n\}$ , and  $\{A_n\}$  in X and CB(X). Let  $p_0 \in A$ , and  $q_0 = f(p_0)$ .

Since  $Hp_0 \subseteq gA$ ,  $\exists p_1 \in A \ni q_1 = g p_1 \in H p_0 = A_0$ . Select  $n_1 \in N \ni$ 

$$\alpha^{n_1} ((d_\theta (q_0, q_1)) < \{1 - \alpha (d_\theta (q_0, q_1))\} d_\theta (q_0, q_1).$$
 (2)



By Lemma 1.5 and  $JA \subseteq fA$ ,  $\exists q_2 = f p_2 \in J p_1 = A_1 \ni$ 

$$d_{\theta}(q_{2}, q_{1}) \leq h_{\theta}(A_{1}, A_{0}) + \alpha^{n_{1}}((d_{\theta}(q_{0}, q_{1})). \tag{3}$$

From (1) and (2)  $\Rightarrow d_{\theta} (q_{2}, q_{1}) < d_{\theta} (q_{0}, q_{1})$ . Now select  $n_{2} \in N \ni n_{2} > n_{1}$  such that

$$\alpha^{n_2} ((d_\theta (q_2, q_1)) < \{1 - \alpha (d_\theta (q_2, q_1))\} d_\theta (q_2, q_1). \tag{4}$$

By Lemma 1.5 and  $HA \subseteq gAX$ , implies that  $q_3 = g \ p_3 \in H \ p_2 = A_2 \ni$ 

$$d_{\theta}(q_{3}, q_{2}) \le h_{\theta}(A_{2}, A_{1}) + \alpha^{n_{2}}((d_{\theta}(q_{2}, q_{1})).$$
(5)

So, (1) and (4)  $\Rightarrow$   $d_{\theta}$  ( $q_3$ ,  $q_2$ )  $< d_{\theta}$  ( $q_2$ ,  $q_3$ ).

Now, by induction, getting  $\{p_n\}$ ,  $\{q_n\}$  in A and  $\{A_n\}$  in  $CB(A) \ni$ 

$$q_{2k+1} = g \ q_{2k+1} \in H \ p_{2k} = A_{2k}, \qquad q_{2k} = f \ p_{2k} \in J \ p_{2k-1} = A_{2k-1}$$
 (6)

$$d_{\theta}(q_{2k+1}, q_{2k}) \le h_{\theta}(A_{2k}, A_{2k-1}) + \alpha^{n_k}((d_{\theta}(q_{2k}, q_{2k-1})). \tag{7}$$

where

$$\alpha^{n_{2k}} \left( \left( d_{\theta} \left( q_{2k}, q_{2k-1} \right) \right) < \{ 1 - \alpha \left( d_{\theta} \left( q_{2k}, q_{2k-1} \right) \right) \} d_{\theta} \left( q_{2k}, q_{2k-1} \right).$$

$$\tag{8}$$

So,  $d_{\theta}$   $(q_{2k+1}, q_{2k}) < d_{\theta}$   $(q_{2k}, q_{2k-1}), \forall k$ .

So, the real sequence  $\{d_{\theta} (q_{2k+1}, q_{2k})\}$  is monotone non-increasing.

As proof of Theorem 2.1,  $\{q_n\}$  is Cauchy sequence in A.

Moreover, (1) implies that  $\{A_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence in CB(A). If A is complete then is CB(A). Thus, when  $q_n \to r$  and  $A_n \to A$ ,  $\exists r \in X$  and  $A \in CB(A)$ . So,  $g \not p_{2k+1} \to r$  and  $f \not p_{2k} \to r$ . Since

$$d_{\theta}(r, A) = d_{\theta}(q_{n}, A_{n}) \le \lim_{n \to \infty} h_{\theta}(A_{n-1}, A_{n}) = 0$$
(9)

By Lemma 1.6,  $r \in A$ . Also

$$\lim_{k \to \infty} f p_{2k} = r \in A = \lim_{k \to \infty} H p_{2k}, \qquad \lim_{k \to \infty} g p_{2k+1} = r \in A = \lim_{k \to \infty} J p_{2k-1}$$
 (10)

By (6) and R-weak commutativity of (g, J) and (f, H), we obtain

$$d_{\theta} (gfp_{2k+2}, fgp_{2k+1}) \le h_{\theta} (gJp_{2k+1}, Jgp_{2k+1}) \le R d_{\theta} (gp_{2k+1}, Jp_{2k+1}),$$

$$d_{\theta} (fgp_{2k+1}, Hfp_{2k}) \le h_{\theta} (fHp_{2k}, Hfp_{2k}) \le R d_{\theta} (fp_{2k}, Hp_{2k}). \tag{11}$$

Then, the continuity of f, g, J and H give  $\in Jr$  and  $fr \in Hr$ . The proof is complete.

If we set J=H and f=g in Theorem (2.2), the following corollary.

**Corollary 2.4**. If A be a complete  $\theta$ -metric space and  $f: A \to A$ ,  $T: A \to CB(A)$  are continuous mappings  $\ni TA \subseteq fA$  such that

$$h_{\theta}(Tp, Tq) \leq \alpha(d_{\theta}(fp, fq)) d_{\theta}(fp, fq), p, q \in A,$$

where  $\alpha:(0,\infty)\to(0,1]\ni\lim \sup_{r\to t^+}\alpha(r)<1,\ \forall\ t\in[0,\infty)$  and . If f, T are called R-weakly commuting. Then f, T have a coincidence point.

Our results are generalization and an extension of the results in [11] and [12].

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