# Some Fixed Point Theorems on Meir Keeler Type under Strict Contractions

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## ABSTRACT

This paper explores the common fixed point theorems involving two pairs of weakly compatible mappings. Also the property (E.A) is proved under a new contractive condition which is independent of the previous known contractive definitions.

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### **1. INTRODUCTION**

The study of common fixed point of mappings satisfying contractive type of conditions has emerged as a very active field of research activity during recent years. The most general form of the common fixed point theorem pertaining to four mappings A, B, S and T of a metric space (X, d) uses either a Banach type contractive condition if the form

$$d(Ax, By) \le k M(x, y); \quad 0 \le k < 1$$
 (1.1)

where  $M(x, y) = \max \{ d(Sx, Ty), d(Ax, Sx), d(By, Ty), \}$ 

 $[d(Sx, By) + d(Ax, Ty)]/2\}$  (1.2)

or a Meir Keeler type  $(\mathcal{E}, \delta)$  contractive condition, that is given

 $\mathcal{E} > 0$ , there exists  $\delta > 0$  such that

$$\mathcal{E} \leq M(x, y) < \mathcal{E} + \delta \implies d(Ax, Ay) \leq \mathcal{E}$$
 (1.3)  
or a *W* contractive condition of the form

 $(Ax, Ay) \leq \mathcal{U} (M (x, y))$ (1.4)

involving a contractive gauge function  $\psi$  :  $[0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ such that  $\mathcal{U}(t) < t$  for each t > 0.

Clearly Banach type contractive condition is a special case of both Meir Keeler  $(\varepsilon, \delta)$  contractive and  $\psi$  contractive conditions. As  $\psi$  contractive type of condition does not guarantee the existence of fixed point unless some additional condition is assumed. So various authors have introduced different conditions on  $\psi$ 

- $\psi$  (t) is non decreasing and  $\frac{t}{(t-f(t))} < 0$  for every (i) t > 0. (Carbone *et al.* [6])
- $\psi$  (t) is non decreasing, for each t > 0,  $\lim_{n \to \infty} \psi^n(t) = 0$ (ii)

which implies that  $\psi(t) < t.$  (Jachymski [7])

- (iii)  $\Psi$  (t) is upper semi continuous (Boyd and Wong [5], Jachymski [7], Pant[16])
- (iv)  $\Psi$  (t) is non decreasing, right continuous and  $\Psi$  (t) < t for every t > 0. (Park and Rhoades[19])

Besides this, we have deduction from Pant et al. [18] than a  $(\mathcal{E}, \delta)$  contractive type of condition (1.2) neither assures the existence of fixed point nor implies an analogous  $\mathcal{W}$  contractive condition (1.3). As a result of it two types of contractive conditions (1.2) and (1.3) are independent of each other thus to ensure the existence of common fixed point under contractive type of condition (1.2),  $\delta$  takes on following conditions, used by various authors:

- $\delta$  is non decreasing. (Pant [16]) (v)
- (vi)  $\delta$  is lower semi continuous (Jungck [10], Jungck *et al.* [17])

It follows therefore that the known common fixed point theorems can be extended and generalized if instead of assuming one of the contractive condition (1.2) or (1.3) with additional conditions on  $\delta$  and  $\psi$ , we assume contractive condition (1.2) together with the following condition of the form:

$$d \quad Ax, By < \max\{\alpha_1 \begin{bmatrix} d \quad Sx, Ty + d \quad Ax, Sx + d \quad By, Ty \end{bmatrix}, \\ \alpha_2 \begin{bmatrix} d \quad Sx, By + d \quad Ax, Ty \end{bmatrix} / 2\}$$
  
for  $0 \le \alpha_1 < 1, \ 1 \le \alpha_2 < 2$  (1.5)

In this paper, we have proved the common fixed point theorems for four mappings adopting this approach.

#### 2. PRELIMINARIES

Let S and T be the self mappings of a metric space (X, d), S and T are commuting if STx = TSx for all  $x \in X$ . According to definition of Sessa [23], S and T are defined to be weakly commuting if for all  $x \in X$ .

$$d(STx, TSx) \le d(Tx, Sx)$$
(2.1)

Any two self maps of a metric space (X, d) are defined as compatible by Jungck [10], if

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} d(\operatorname{ST} x_n, \operatorname{TS} x_n) = 0 \tag{2.2}$$

Whenever {  $X_n$  } is a sequence in X, such that  $\lim_{n \to \infty} S X_n =$ 

 $\lim_{n \to \infty} T X_n = t \text{ for some } t \in X. \text{ Jungck [10] defined compatibility}$ 

as generalization of commutativity and weak commutativity.

The commuting maps imply weakly commuting which on other hand implies compatibility. These are verified by examples given in literature. See [10] and [24]

Jungck *et al.* [12] defined pair {S, T} of self maps of metric space (X, d) as compatible of type A if

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} d(\operatorname{ST} X_n, \operatorname{T}^2 X_n) = 0 \text{ and } \lim_{n \to \infty} d(\operatorname{ST} X_n, \operatorname{S}^2 X_n) = 0$$
(2.3)

whenever  $\{X_n\}$  is a sequence in X, such that  $\lim_{n\to\infty} S X_n =$ 

 $\lim \mathbf{T} X_n = \mathbf{t} \text{ for some } \mathbf{t} \in \mathbf{X}.$ 

Clearly weakly commuting implies compatible of type (A). but by [12] its converse is not true.

Pathak and Khan [20] defined the S and T to be compatible mapping of type (B) as a generalization of compatible mappings of type (A) if

 $\lim_{n \to \infty} d(TSx_n, SSx_n) \le \frac{1}{2} [\lim_{n \to \infty} d(TSx_n, Tt) + \lim_{n \to \infty} d(Tt, TTx_n)]$ and

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} d(STx_n, TTx_n) \le \frac{1}{2} [\lim_{n \to \infty} d(STx_n, St) + \lim_{n \to \infty} d(St, SSx_n)]$$
(2.4)

whenever  $\{X_n\}$  is a sequence in X, such that  $\lim_{n\to\infty} S X_n =$ 

 $\lim_{n \to \infty} \mathrm{T} \, X_n = \mathrm{t} \text{ for some } \mathrm{t} \in \mathrm{X}.$ 

The compatible mappings of type (A) are compatible of type (B), but its converse is not true. See [10]. However compatibility of type (A) and compatibility of type (B) are equivalent if S and T are given continuous.

Pathak *et.al.* [21] defined selfmaps S and T of metric space (X, d) as compatible mapping of type (P) if

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} d(SS X_n, TT X_n) = 0$$
(2.5)

whenever  $\{X_n\}$  is a sequence in X, such that  $\lim_{n\to\infty} S X_n =$ 

 $\lim_{n \to \infty} T X_n = t \text{ for some } t \in X.$ 

Again compatibility of type (A) and compatibility of type (P) are equivalent if S and T are given continuous, See [21].

Pathak *et.al.* [22] defined self maps S and T of metric space (X, d) to be compatible mapping of type (C), as generalization of compatible mappings of type (A) if

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} d(TSx_n, SSx_n) \leq \frac{1}{3} [\lim_{n \to \infty} d(TSx_n, Tt) + \lim_{n \to \infty} d(Tt, SSx_n) + \lim_{n \to \infty} d(Tt, TTx_n)] \text{ and}$$
$$\lim_{n \to \infty} d(STx_n, TTx_n) \leq \frac{1}{3} [\lim_{n \to \infty} d(STx_n, St) + \lim_{n \to \infty} d(St, TTx_n)]$$

$$+\lim_{n\to\infty} d(St, SSx_n)$$
]

whenever  $\{X_n\}$  is a sequence in X, such that  $\lim_{n\to\infty} S X_n =$ 

(2.6)

 $\lim T X_n = t \text{ for some } t \in X.$ 

So, we see that compatibility of type (A) and compatibility of type (C) are equivalent if S and T are continuous. See [14].

**Definition 1.** [14] S and T are said to be weakly compatible if they commute at their coincidence points i.e. if St = Tt for some  $t \in X$  then STt = TSt.

**Lemma 1.** [10, 12, 20, 21 and 22] If S and T are compatible, or compatible of type (A) or compatible of type (P), or compatible of type (B), or compatible of type (C), then they are weakly compatible.

The following example shows that converse is not true;

**Example 1.** Let X = [0, 20] with usual metric. Defined S, T: X  $\rightarrow$  X by

$$Sx = \begin{cases} 0 & if \ x = 0 \\ x + 15 & if \ 0 < x \le 5 \\ x - 5 & if \ 5 < x \le 20 \end{cases}$$
 and 
$$Tx = \int 0 \ if \ x \in \{0\} \cup \{5, 20\}$$

Let  $x_n$  be the sequence defined by  $x_n = 5 + \frac{1}{n}$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , then

$$S x_n = x_n - 5 \rightarrow 0$$
,  $T x_n = 0 \rightarrow 0$ .

As  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , S(0) = 0 = T(0) and ST(0) = 0 = TS(0)

Clearly S ant T are weakly compatible maps, since they commute at their coincidence point t=0. On other hand, we have

ST 
$$x_n = S(0) = 0$$
, SS  $x_n = S(x_n - 5) = x_n + 10$   
TS  $x_n = T(x_n - 5) = 3$  TT  $x_n = T(0) = 0$ .

Consequently  $\lim_{n \to \infty} |\operatorname{ST} x_n - \operatorname{TS} x_n| = 3 \neq 0$  that proves S and T

are not compatible. Moreover we have  $\lim_{n \to \infty} |\operatorname{TS} x_n - \operatorname{SS} x_n| =$ 

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \left| 3 - x_n - 10 \right| = 12 \neq 0$$

Thus S and T are not compatible of type (A). Furthermore,

$$12 = \lim_{n \to \infty} \left| \operatorname{TS} x_n - \operatorname{SS} x_n \right| \leq \frac{1}{2} \left[ \lim_{n \to \infty} \left| \operatorname{TS} x_n - \operatorname{Tt} \right| + \lim_{n \to \infty} \left| \operatorname{Tt-} \operatorname{TT} x_n \right| \right] = \frac{3}{2}$$

So,  $12 \leq \frac{3}{2}$  which shows that S and T are not compatible of type (B).

Again 12 = 
$$\lim_{n \to \infty} |\operatorname{TS} x_n - \operatorname{SS} x_n| \leq \frac{1}{3} [\lim_{n \to \infty} |\operatorname{TS} x_n - \operatorname{Tt}|]$$
  
$$\lim_{n \to \infty} |\operatorname{Tt} - \operatorname{SS} x_n| + \lim_{n \to \infty} |\operatorname{Tt} - \operatorname{TT} x_n|] = \frac{18}{6} = 3$$

Thus,  $12 \leq 3$ , which shows that S and T are not compatible of type (C). Also we have

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \left| \operatorname{SS} x_n - \operatorname{TT} x_n \right| = 15 \neq 0$$

therefore S and T are not compatible of type (P).

**Property (E.A)** [1]. Let A and S be two self maps of a metric space (X, d), then they are said to satisfy *property (E.A.)*, if there exists a sequence  $\{X_n\}$  in X, such that  $\lim_{n \to \infty} A X_n = \lim_{n \to \infty} S X_n$ 

= t, for some  $t \in X$ .

If two maps are noncompatible, then they satisfy the property (E.A). However, its converse is not true. To support our assertion, we quote some examples from [1].

**Example 2** ([1]). Let 
$$X = [0, \infty)$$
. Define T, S:  $X \rightarrow X$  by

$$Tx = \frac{x}{4}$$
,  $Sx = \frac{3x}{4}$ ,  $\forall x \in X$ .

Consider the sequence  $\{x_n\} = \frac{1}{n}$ . Clearly  $\lim_{n \to \infty} T x_n = \lim_{n \to \infty} x_n$ 

S  $X_n = 0$ . Then T and S satisfy property (E.A).

**Example 3 ([1]).** Let  $X = [2, \infty)$ . Define T, S:  $X \rightarrow X$  by

 $Tx = x + 1, \quad Sx = 2x + 1, \ \forall x \in X.$ 

Suppose that property (E.A.) holds; then there exists in X a sequence  $\{X_n\}$  satisfying

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} A x_n = \lim_{n \to \infty} S x_n = t, \text{ for some } t \in X.$$
  
Therefore, 
$$\lim_{n \to \infty} x_n = t - 1 \text{ and } \lim_{n \to \infty} x_n = \frac{(t - 1)}{2}.$$
 Then

t = 1, which is a contradiction since  $1 \notin X$ . Hence, T and S do not satisfy property E.A.

**Lemma 2.** (Jachymski [7]) Let A, B, S and T be self mappings of a metric space (X, d), such that  $A(X) \subset T(X)$ ,  $B(X) \subset S(X)$ . Assume further that for given  $\varepsilon > 0$  there exists  $\delta > 0$  such that for all x, y in X.

$$\mathcal{E} \leq M(x, y) < \mathcal{E} + \delta \implies d(Ax, By) \leq \mathcal{E}$$

and  $d(Ax,\,By) < M(x,\,y) \text{ whenever } M(x,\,y) > 0$  where

$$\begin{split} M(x, y) &= max \; \{d(Sx, Ty), \, d(Ax, Sx), \, d(By, Ty), \, [d(Sx, By) + \\ & d(Ax, Ty)] \; /2 \} \\ \text{Then for each } x_0 \text{ in } X, \text{ the sequence } \{y_n\} \text{ in } X \text{ is defined by the} \\ \text{rule } y_{2n} &= Ax_{2n} = Tx_{2n+1}, \; y_{2n+1} = Bx_{2n+1} = Sx_{2n+2} \end{split}$$

is a Cauchy sequence.

# 3. MAIN RESULTS

**Theorem 1.** Let A, B, S and T be the self maps defined on a metric space (X, d] satisfying the following conditions: (1) Ax  $\subset$  Tx, Bx  $\subset$  Sx (3.1)

(2) Given  $\mathcal{E} > 0$ , there exists a  $\delta > 0$  such that for all x, y in X,

 $\mathcal{E} \leq M(x, y) < \mathcal{E} + \delta \implies d(Ax, By) < \mathcal{E} \text{ and } (3.2)$ 

(3)  $d Ax, By < \max\{\alpha_1[Sx, Ty + d Ax, Sx + d By, Ty]\}$ 

$$\alpha_{2}[d Sx, By + d Ax, Ty]$$

for 
$$0 \le \alpha_1 < 1, \ 1 \le \alpha_2 < 2$$
 (3.3)

If one of A(x), B(x), S(x) or T(x) is a complete subspace of X, then

- (I) A and S have a coincidence
- (II) B and T have coincidence

Moreover, if A and S, as well as, B and T are weakly compatible, then A, B, S and T have a unique common fixed point.

**Proof:** Let  $x_0 \in X$  be any arbitrary point of X. From (3.1), we can construct a sequence  $\{v_n\}$  in X as follows

$$y_{2n} = Ax_{2n} = T x_{2n+1} \text{ and } y_{2n+1} = Sx_{2n+2} = Bx_{2n+1},$$
  
 $n = 0, 1, 2, ..., (3.4)$ 

Suppose  $d(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}) = 0$  for some n. Then  $y_{2n} = y_{2n+1}$  implies that  $Ax_{2n} = T x_{2n+1} = Bx_{2n+1} = S x_{2n+2}$  and T and B have a coincidence point. Further if  $d(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n+2}) = 0$  for some n then  $Ax_{2n+2} = T x_{2n+3} = Bx_{2n+1} = S x_{2n+2}$  and A and S have a coincidence point.

Moreover if we assume that  $d(y_n, y_{n+1}) \neq 0$  for each n, then we have M(x, y) > 0, otherwise  $d(y_n, y_{n+1}) = 0$  (3.5) which is a contradiction.

We now show that  $\{y_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence. For this it is sufficient to show that  $\{y_{2n}\}$  is a Cauchy sequence. Suppose that  $\{y_{2n}\}$  is a Cauchy sequence. Then there exists  $\in >0$ , such that for each even integer 2k, there exists even integers2m (k) > 2n(k) > 2k such that  $d(y_{2n(k)}, y_{2m(k)}) \ge \in$  (3.6)

For every even integer 2k, let 2m(k) be the least positive integer exceeding 2n(k) satisfying (3.6) such that

 $d(y_{2n(k)}, y_{2m(k)-2}) < \in$ (3.7)

Further 
$$\delta > 0 \Longrightarrow d(y_{2n(k)}, y_{2m(k)}) \le d(y_{2n(k)}, y_{2m(k)-2}) + d_{2m(k)-2} + d_{2m(k)-1}$$
 (3.8)

Then by (3.5), (3.6) and (3.7) it follows that

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} d(y_{2n(k)}, y_{2m(k)}) = \delta$$
(3.9)

Also, using triangular inequality

$$\left| \left| d(y_{2n(k)}, y_{2m(k)-1}) - d(y_{2n(k)}, y_{2m(k)}) \right| \le d_{2m(k)-1},$$
(3.10)

 $\left| d(y_{2n(k)+1}, y_{2m(k)-1}) - d(y_{2n(k)}, y_{2m(k)}) \right| \le d_{2m(k)-1} + d_{2n(k)},$ and so, on using (3.9) we get

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} d(\mathbf{y}_{2n(k)}, \mathbf{y}_{2m(k)-1}) \to \delta$$
(3.11)

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} d(y_{2n(k)+1}, y_{2m(k)-1}) \to \delta$$
(3.12)

as  $k 
ightarrow \infty$  . Thus

 $d(y_{2m(k),}y_{2m(k)}) \leq d_{2n(k)} + d(y_{2n(k)+1,}y_{2m(k)}) \leq d_{2n(k)}$ 

+ d(S 
$$X_{2n(k)}, T X_{2m(k)-1}$$
) (3.13)

Thus, on letting  $k \rightarrow \infty$  , on both sides of the last inequality, we have

$$\delta \leq d(S X_{2n(k)}, T X_{2m(k)-1}) \leq \psi(M(X_{2n(k)}, X_{2m(k)-1}))$$
(3.14)

where

 $M(\mathcal{X}_{2n(k)}, \mathcal{X}_{2m(k)-1}) = \max\{ \alpha_1 [d(y_{2n(k)}, y_{2m(k)-1}) + d_{2n(k)} + d_{2n($ 

$$d_{2m(k)-1}] + \alpha_2 \left[ d(y_{2m(k)+1}, y_{2m(k)-1}) + d(y_{2n(k)}, y_{2m(k)}) \right] / 2 \right\}$$

(3.15) Combining (3.5), (3.6), (3.7), (3.9), (3.11) and (3.12) yields the following contradiction from (3.14)

$$\delta \leq \psi(\delta) < \delta \tag{3.16}$$

Thus  $\{y_{2n}\}$  is a Cauchy sequence and so  $\{y_n\}$  Cauchy sequence.

Suppose that TX is a complete subsequence of X, then the sub sequence  $y_n = T x_{2n+1}$  is a Cauchy sequence in TX and so have a limit *u*. Let  $v \in T^{-1}u$ , then Tv = u. since  $\{y_{2n}\}$  is convergent, so  $\{y_n\}$  converges to u and hence  $\{y_{2n+1}\}$  also converges to *u*. Now

 $\{y_n\}$  converges to u and hence  $\{y_{2n+1}\}$  also converges to u. Now on setting  $x = x_{2n}$  and y = v, we get

 $d(Ax_{2n}, Bv) < max\{ \alpha_1 [d(Sx_{2n}, Tv) + d(Ax_{2n}, Sx_{2n}) + d(Bv, Tv)] + d(B$ 

$$\alpha_2 [d(Sx_{2n}, Bv) + d(Ax_{2n}, Tv)]/2\}$$
 (3.17)

at  $n \to \infty$ , we have d(u, Bv) < d(u, Bv) which implies that Bv = u. Also since  $BX \subset SX$ , so u = Bv implies that  $w \in S^{-1}u$ , then

 $d(Aw, Bx_{2n+1}) < max\{ \ \alpha_1 [d(Sw, Tx_{2n+1}) + d(Aw, Sw) + d(Bx_{2n+1}, W)] + d(Bx_{2n+1}, W) + d$ 

$$Tx_{2n+1})] + \alpha_2 [d(Sw, Bx_{2n+1}) + d(Aw, Tx_{2n+1})]/2]$$
(3.18)

at  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , we have d(Aw, u) < d(u, Aw) which implies that u = Aw. This makes clear that u = Tv = Bv = Aw = Sw (3.19)

Now since u = Tv = Bv, so by weak compatibility of (B, T) it follows that TBv = BTv and so we get Bu = BTv = TBv = Tu. Also since u = Aw = Sw so by weak compatibility of A and S it follows that SAw = ASw and so we get Au = ASw = SAw = Su. Thus from (3.3), we have

 $d(Aw,Bu) < max \{ \alpha_1 [d(Sw,Tu) + d(Aw,Sw) + d(Bu,Tu)] +$ 

$$\alpha_2 \left[ d(Sw, Bu) + d(Aw, Tu) \right] / 2 \right\}$$
(3.20)

which gives d(u, Bu) < d(u, Bu) which is a contradiction for  $0 \le \alpha_1 < 1, 1 \le \alpha_2 < 2$ , this implies that u = Bu. Similarly (3.3) can be used to show Au = u. Therefore we have u = Bu = Tu = Au = Su. Hence *u* is the common fixed point of all A, B, S and T.

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Now, if we assume SX is complete the argument analogue to the previous completeness argument, which proves the theorem. If AX is complete then  $u \in BX \subset SX$ . So the theorem is established. The uniqueness of the common fixed point follows easily from condition (3.3). This completes the proof of the theorem.

**Lemma 3.1.** [10, 12, 20, 21, 22] Let S and T are compatible, compatible either of type (A), (type (P), type (B) or type (C)) self mappings of a metric space (X, d). If Su = Tu for some  $u \in X$ , it follows that STu = TSu.

From the previous theorem, our result is immediate.

**Corollary 3.1.** Let A, B, S and T be any self map of a metric space (X, d) satisfying the conditions (1), (2) and (3) of Theorem 1. Now if pairs {A, S} are compatible i.e. compatible of type (A),(type (P), type (B) or type (C), then the four maps having a unique common fixed point  $u \in X$ .

**Theorem 2:** Let A, B, S and T be the selfmaps of a metric space (X, d) satisfying the following conditions;

$$(1)AX \subset TX, BX \subset SX \tag{3.21}$$

(2)  $d(Ax,By) < max\{ \alpha_1 [d(Sx,Ty) + d(Ax,Sx) + d(By,Ty)] +$ 

$$\alpha_2 [d(Sx,By)+d(Ax,Ty)]/2\}$$

for 
$$0 \le \alpha_1 < 1, \ 1 \le \alpha_2 < 2.$$
 (3.22)

Let one of the mappings (A,S) or (B,S) be weakly compatible, satisfying property (E.A.). If the range of one of the mappings be a complete subspace of X, then A, B, S and T have a unique common fixed point.

**Proof:** Let B and T satisfy property E.A. Then there exists a sequence  $\{X_n\}$  in X such that  $BX_n \rightarrow t$  and  $TX_n \rightarrow t$  for some t in X. Since BX  $\subset$  SX, for each  $X_n$ , there exists  $y_n$  in X, such that  $BX_n = S y_n$ . Thus  $BX_n \rightarrow t$ ,  $TX_n \rightarrow t$  and  $S y_n \rightarrow t$ . We claim that  $A y_n \rightarrow t$ . If not, there exists a sub sequence  $\{A y_m\}$  of  $\{A y_n\}$ , a positive integer M and a number r> 0 such that for each m $\geq$ M, we have

$$d(A y_m, t) \ge r, \ d(A y_m, B x_m) \ge r,$$
(3.23)

 $d(A \ y_m \ ,B \ x_m \ ) < \max\{ \ \alpha_1 \ [d(S \ y_m \ ,T \ x_m \ ) + d(A \ y_m \ ,S \ y_m \ ) +$ 

$$d(B x_m, T x_m)] + \alpha_2 [d(A y_m, T x_m) + d(B x_m, S y_m)] /2$$
(3.24)
$$< d (A y_m, S y_m)$$
(3.25)

a contradiction. Hence A  $y_n \rightarrow t$ . Now suppose that SX is a complete subspace of X. Then, since S  $y_n \rightarrow t$ , there exists a point u in X. Such that t = Su. If  $Au \neq Su$ , the inequality.

 $d(Au, BX_n) < \max\{ \alpha_1 [d(Su, TX_n) + d(Au, Su) + d(BX_n, TX_n)] + d(Au, Su) + d(BX_n, TX_n)] + d(Au, Su) + d(BX_n, TX_n) - d(Au, Su) + d(Au, Su) + d(BX_n, TX_n) - d(Au, Su) + d($ 

$$\alpha_{2} \left[ d(Au, Tx_{n}) + d(Bx_{n}, Su) \right] / 2 \right\}$$
(3.26)

On taking  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , yields d(Au, Su) < d(Au, Su), a

contradiction. Hence Au = Su. Since A and S are weakly compatible so it implies that ASu = SAu and so Au = ASu = SAu = Su.

On the other hand, since  $AX \subset TX$ , there exists a point  $w \in X$ , such that Au = Tw. We assert that Tw = Bw. If  $Bw \neq Tw$ , then by (2) we get

 $d(Au,Bw) < \max\{ \alpha_1 [d(Su,Tw)+d(Au,Su)+d(Bw,Tw)] +$ 

$$\alpha_2 [d(Au,Tw) + d(Bw,Su)]/2 \}$$

< d(Bw, Au) (3.27) a contradiction. Hence Au = Bw = Tw = Su, which shows that the pairs (A, S) and (B, T) have a point of coincidence *u* and *w*, respectively. The proof is similar if we consider the case when pair (A, S) enjoys property (E.A).

Now by weak compatibility property of B and T, it implies that BTw = TBw and BBw = BTw = TBw = TTw. Suppose that  $Au \neq AAu$ . So we have from (3.22),

 $d(Au, AAu) = d(AAu, Bw) < \max \{ \alpha_1 [d(SAu, Tw) +$ 

$$d(AAu, SAu) + d(Bw, Tw)] + \alpha_2 [d(AAu, Tw) + d(Bw, SAu)]/2$$
  
< d(AAu, Au). (3.28)

which is a contradiction. Thus Au = AAu = SAu and Au is a common fixed point of A and S. Similarly Au = Bw is a common fixed point of B and T. The proof is similar when TX is assumed to be complete subspace of X. The cases in which AX or BX is a complete subspace of X are similar to the cases in which TX or SX respectively be complete since  $AX \subset TX$  and  $BX \subset SX$ . The uniqueness of the common fixed point follows easily from (3.22). Hence the theorem.

We now illustrate the above theorem by the way of the following example.

**Example 4.** Let X = [0, 1] and d be the usual metric on X. Define A, B, S and T:  $X \rightarrow X$  by

Ax = Bx = 0, if x = 0 or x = 1, Ax = Bx = 
$$\frac{1}{n+2}$$
, if  
$$\frac{1}{n+2} \le x < \frac{1}{n}$$
,  $n \in N$ ; and  $SX = Tx = x \quad \forall x \in X$ .

Here (A,S) satisfies property (E.A). Taking  $\{\frac{1}{n+2}\} \subseteq$ 

[0, 1], we get 
$$\lim_{n \to \infty} A(\frac{1}{n+2}) = \lim_{n \to \infty} (\frac{1}{n+2}) = 0 =$$

 $\lim_{n \to \infty} S(\frac{1}{n+2}) = \lim_{n \to \infty} (\frac{1}{n+2}).$ Similarly, (B, T) satisfies property (E.A.).

Then A, B, S and T satisfy all the conditions of above Theorem 2. It can be verified in this example that B and T are weakly compatible type, since Ax = Sx, occurs if x = 0 or x = 1

 $\frac{1}{n+2}$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Here we have, AS(0) = A0 = 0 = S0 = SA(0) and AS(-1) = A(-1) = 1.

$$AS(\frac{1}{n+2}) = A(\frac{1}{n+2}) = \frac{1}{n+2} = S(\frac{1}{n+2}), n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

Similarly (B, T) is weakly compatible.

**Theorem 3:** Let A, B, S and T be weakly compatible selfmaps of a metric space (X, d) satisfying the following conditions;

(1) 
$$AX \subset TX, BX \subset SX$$
 (3.29)

(2)  $d(Ax,By) < max \{ \alpha_1 [d(Sx,Ty) + d(Ax,Sx) + d(By,Ty)] \}$ 

$$+ \alpha_2 \left[ d(Sx,By) + d(Ax,Ty) \right] / 2 \right\}$$
 for  $0 \le \alpha_1 < 1, \quad 1 \le \alpha_2 < 2.$  (3.30)

Let one of the mappings (A, S) or (B, S) be noncompatible, satisfying property (E.A). If the range of one of the mappings be a complete subspace of X, then A, B, S and T have a unique common fixed point and the fixed point is a point of discontinuity.

**Proof:** Suppose that B and T be noncompatible maps, so there exists a sequence  $\{X_n\}$  in X such that

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \mathbf{B} \, \mathbf{X}_n = \mathbf{t} \quad \text{and} \quad \lim_{n \to \infty} \mathbf{T} \, \mathbf{X}_n = \mathbf{t} \tag{3.31}$$

for some  $t \in X$ , but  $\lim_{n \to \infty} d(BTx_n, TBx_n)$  is either nonzero or nonexistent. Since  $BX \subset SX$ , for each  $x_n$ , there exists a  $y_n \in X$ , such that  $Bx_n = Sy_n$ . Thus  $Bx_n \rightarrow t$ ,  $Tx_n \rightarrow t$  and  $Sy_n \rightarrow t$ . We claim that  $Ay_n \rightarrow t$ . If not, there exists a subsequence  $\{Ay_m\}$  of  $\{Ay_n\}$ , a positive integer M and a number r > 0 such that for each  $m \ge M$ , we have

$$d(A y_m, t) \ge r, d(A y_m, B x_m) \ge r,$$
(3.32)

$$d(A \ y_m, B \ x_m) < \max \{ \alpha_1 \ [d(S \ y_m, T \ x_m) + d(A \ y_m, S \ y_m) - d(B \ x_m, T \ x_m)] + \alpha_2 \ [d(A \ y_m, T \ x_m) + d(B \ x_m, S \ y_m)] / 2 \}$$
(3.33)

+

$$\langle d(A y_m, S y_m)$$
 (3.34)

a contradiction. Hence A  $y_n \rightarrow t$ . Suppose that SX is a complete subspace of X. Then since S  $y_n \rightarrow t$ , there exists a point u in X. Such that t = Su. If A $u \neq Su$ , the inequality.

 $d(Au, BX_n) < \max\{ \alpha_1 [d(Su, TX_n) + d(Au, Su) + d(BX_n, TX_n)] \}$ 

+
$$\alpha_2 [d(Au,TX_n)+d(BX_n,Su)]/2\}$$
 (3.35)

on taking  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , yields d(Au, Su) < [d(Au, Su)] a contradiction. Hence Au = Su. Since A and S are weakly compatible so it implies that ASu = SAu and then AAu = ASu = SAu = SSu.

On the other hand, since  $AX \subset TX$ , there exists a point  $w \in X$ , such that Au = Tw. We assert that Tw = Bw. If  $Bw \neq Tw$ , then by (3.30) we get

 $d(Au,Bw) < \max\{ \alpha_1 [d(Su,Tw) + d(Au,Su) + d(Bw,Tw)] \}$ 

$$+ \alpha_2 \left[ d(Au, Tw) + d(Bw, Su) \right]/2 \right\}$$
  
< d(Bw, Au) (3.36)

a contradiction. Hence Au = Su = Bw = Tw, which sh pairs (A, S) and (B, T) have a point of coincidence respectively. The proof is similar if we consider the case when pair (A, S) enjoys property (E.A).

Now by weak compatibility property of B and T, it implies that BTw = TBw and BBw = BTw = TBw = TTw. Now, suppose that  $Au \neq AAu$ . So we have from (3.30) d(Au, AAu) = d(AAu, Bw)

$$< \max \{ \alpha_1 [d(SAu, Tw) + d(AAu, SAu) + d(Bw, Tw)] \}$$

+ 
$$\alpha_2$$
 [d(AAu, Tw)+d(Bw, SAu)]/2} (3.37)

< d(AAu, Au). (3.38)

which is a contradiction. Thus Au = AAu = SAu, then Au is a common fixed point of A and S. Similarly Au = Bw is a common fixed point of B and T. The proof is similar when TX is assumed to be complete subspace of X. The cases in which AX or BX is a complete subspace of X are similar to the cases in which TX or SX respectively be complete since  $AX \subset TX$  and  $BX \subset SX$ . Uniqueness of the common fixed point follows easily.

We have to show now that the mappings are discontinuous at the common fixed point. Let us suppose that B is continuous at common fixed point t, such that t = Au = Bw. So on taking the sequence  $\{X_n\}$  as taken in (3.30), we have  $\lim_{n \to \infty} BBX_n = Bt = t$ 

and  $\lim_{n\to\infty} BT X_n = Bt = t$ . By weak compatibility property of B

and T, it follows that  $BT X_n = TB X_n$ . On letting  $n \to \infty$ , this

gives us  $\lim_{n\to\infty} \operatorname{BT} X_n = \lim_{n\to\infty} \operatorname{TB} X_n = \operatorname{Bt} = t$ . Thus, we get  $d(\operatorname{BT} X_n, t)$ 

 $TB x_n$ ) = d(Bt, Bt) = 0, which contradicts the fact that

 $\lim_{n\to\infty} d(BTX_n, TBX_n)$  is either nonzero or nonexistent for the

sequence {  $x_n$  } of (3.30). Hence B is discontinuous at the fixed point. Now, suppose that T is continuous, then for the sequence {  $x_n$  } of (3.30), we get  $\lim_{n \to \infty} \text{TB } x_n = \text{Tt} = \text{t}$  and  $\lim_{n \to \infty} \text{TT } x_n = \text{Tt} =$ 

t. Hence, the inequality, in view of these limits, gives us;

 $d(At, BT x_n) < max \{ \mathcal{A}_1 [d(St, TT x_n) + d(At, St) +$ 

$$d(BT x_n, TT x_n)] + \alpha_2 [d(At, TT x_n) + d(BT x_n, St)] / 2$$
(3.39)

which gives contradiction, unless  $\lim_{n \to \infty} BT X_n = TT X_n = Tt = t$ .

But  $\lim_{n \to \infty} \operatorname{BT} X_n = \operatorname{Tt} = t$ . and  $\lim_{n \to \infty} \operatorname{TB} X_n = \operatorname{Tt} = t$  which contradicts

the fact that  $d(BTX_n, TBX_n)$  is either nonzero

or nonexistent. Hence, both B and T are discontinuous at their common fixed point. Likewise, it can be shown that A and S are also discontinuous at the common fixed point. Thus all the selfmaps A, B, S and T are discontinuous at the common fixed point. Hence, the theorem is established.

Our example is motivated by example of Pant [17].

**Example 5.** Let X = [1, 20] and d be the usual metric on X. Define A, B, S, T:X  $\rightarrow$  X by

$$Ax = \begin{cases} 1 & if, x = 1 \\ 3 & if, x > 1 \end{cases} Bx = \begin{cases} 1 & if, x = 1 \text{ or } \ge 5 \\ 6 & if, 1 < x < 5 \end{cases}$$
$$Sx = \begin{cases} 1 & if, x = 1 \\ 6 & if, x > 1 \end{cases} Tx = \begin{cases} 7 + x & if, 1 < x < 5 \\ x + 1 & if, x \ge 5 \end{cases}$$

T1 = 1

Then A, B, S and T satisfy all the conditions of above Theorem 2 and have a unique common fixed point x = 1. It can be verified in this example that B and T satisfy the property (E.A). Also, it can be seen that all the mappings A, B, S and T are discontinuous at the common fixed point.

### **4. CONCLUSION**

In this paper, we have proved the common fixed point theorems for four mappings by removing the assumption of continuity, relaxing the compatibility to weak compatibility property and also replacing the completeness of space. So our result generalizes and improves various other similar results of fixed point. Besides this, we have used a new property, introduced by Aamri and Moutawakil [1], satisfying selfmaps of a metric space, which generalize the notion of noncompatible maps.

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