



## Fixed Point Theorems for Six Weakly Compatible Mappings in $D^*$ - Metric Spaces for Integral type Mappings

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**ABSTRACT:** In the present paper, we give some new definitions of  $D^*$ - metric spaces and we prove a common fixed point theorem for six mappings under the condition of weakly compatible mappings in complete  $D^*$ - metric spaces. We get some improved versions of several fixed point theorems in complete  $D^*$ - metric spaces.

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### I. INTRODUCTION AND PRELIMINARIES

In 1922, the Polish mathematician, Banach, proved a theorem which ensures, under appropriate conditions, the existences and uniqueness of a fixed point. His result is called Banach's Fixed point Theorem or the Banach Contraction principle. This theorems provides a technique for solving a variety of problems of applied nature in mathematical science and engineering. Many authors have extended, generalized and improved Banach's Fixed point Theorem in Different ways. In [17], Jungck introduced the notion of compatible mappings which are more general than commuting and weakly commuting mappings. This concept has been useful for obtaining more comprehensive fixed point theorems. Dhage [7] introduced the concept of generalized metric or D – metric spaces and claimed that D – metric convergence defines a Hausdorff topology and that D – metric is sequentially continuous in all the three variables. Many authors have taken these claims for granted and used them in proving fixed point theorems in D – metric spaces. Rhoades[17] generalized Dhage's contractive condition by increasing the number of factors and proved the existence of unique fixed point of a self-maps in D – metric space. Recently, motivated by the concept of compatibility for metric space, Singh and Sharma[23] introduced the concept of D – compatibility of maps in D –metric space and proved some fixed point theorems using a contractive condition. Unfortunately, almost all theorems in D –metric spaces are not valid [14,15,16]. In this paper, we introduce  $D^*$ - metric which is a probable modification of the definition of D – metric introduced by Dhage[7] and prove some basic properties in  $D^*$ - metric spaces.

In what follows  $(X, D^*)$  will denotes  $D^*$ - metric space.

**Definition1.1.** Let X be a non- empty set. A generalized metric or  $D^*$ - metric on X is a function  $D^*: X^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$  that satisfies the following conditions for each  $x,y,z,a \in X$ .

- (1)  $D^*(x, y, z) \geq 0$ ,
- (2)  $D^*(x, y, z) = 0$  if and only if  $x = y = z$ ,
- (3)  $D^*(x, y, z) = D^*(p\{x, y, z\})$ , where p is a permutation function,
- (4)  $D^*(x, y, z) \leq D^*(x, y, a) + D^*(a, z, z)$ .

The pair  $(X, D^*)$  is called a generalized metric space.

Immediate examples of such a function are the following :

- (a)  $D^*(x, y, z) = \max\{d(x, y), d(y, z), d(z, x)\}$ ,
- (b)  $D^*(x, y, z) = d(x, y) + d(y, z) + d(z, x)$ .

Here,  $d$  is the ordinary metric on  $X$ .

**Definition1.2.** Let  $(X, D^*)$  be a  $D^*$ - metric space and  $A \subset X$ .

- (1) If for every  $x \in A$  there exist  $r > 0$  such that  $B_{D^*}(x, r) \subset A$ , then subset  $A$  is called open subset of  $X$ .
- (2) Subset  $A$  of  $X$  is said to be  $D^*$ - bounded if there exists  $r > 0$  such that  $D^*(x, y, y) < r$  for all  $x, y \in A$ .
- (3) A sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $X$  converges to  $x$  if and only if  $D^*(x_n, x_n, x) = D^*(x, x, x_n) \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .
- (4) Sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $X$  is called a Cauchy sequence if for each  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists  $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $D^*(x_n, x_n, x_m) < \varepsilon$  for each  $n, m \geq n_0$ . The  $D^*$ - metric space is said to be complete if every Cauchy sequence is convergent.

**Definition1.3.** Let  $(X, D^*)$  be a  $D^*$ - metric space.  $D^*$  is said to be continuous function on  $X^3 \times (0, \infty)$  if  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} D^*(x_n, y_n, z_n) = D^*(x, y, z)$ .

whenever a sequence  $\{(x_n, y_n, z_n)\}$  in  $X^3 \times (0, \infty)$  converges to a point  $(x, y, z) \in X^3 \times (0, \infty)$  i.e.

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x, \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n = y, \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} z_n = z.$$

**Definition1.4.** Let  $A$  and  $S$  be mappings from a  $D^*$ - metric space  $(X, D^*)$  into itself. Then the mappings are said to be weak compatible if they commute at their coincidence point, that is  $Ax = Sx$  implies that  $ASx = SAx$ .

**Definition1.5.** The pair  $(A, S)$  satisfies the property (E.A) [1], if there exists a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $X$  such that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} D^*(Ax_n, u, u) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} D^*(Sx_n, u, u) = 0 \text{ for some } u \in X.$$

**Definition1.6.** The pairs  $(A, S)$  and  $(B, T)$  of a  $D^*$ - metric space  $(X, D^*)$  satisfy a common property (E.A) if there exists two sequences  $\{x_n\}$  and  $\{y_n\}$  such that for some  $u \in X$

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} D^*(Ax_n, u, u) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} D^*(Sx_n, u, u) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} D^*(By_n, u, u) \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} D^*(Ty_n, u, u) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

## II. MAIN RESULTS

**Theorem2.1.** Let  $S$  and  $T$  be self – mappings of a complete  $D^*$  - metric space  $(X, D^*)$  satisfying the following conditions :

$$\int_0^{D^*(Tx, TSy, Sz)} \emptyset(s) ds \leq \emptyset \left( \int_0^{L(x, y, z)} \emptyset(s) ds \right) \quad (2.1.1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Where } L(x, y, z) &= \alpha \max \left\{ D^*(x, Sy, z), D^*(x, Sy, Tx), \right. \\ &\quad \left. D^*(Tx, x, x), D^*(Tx, Sz, Sz) \right\} \\ &\quad + \beta \left[ \frac{D^*(x, Ty, z) + D^*(x, Sy, Sx)}{2} \right] + \gamma \left[ \frac{D^*(Tx, Sy, Ty) + D^*(Sx, Sy, Ty)}{2} \right] \\ &\quad + \delta D^*(y, z, z) \end{aligned}$$

For all  $x, y \in X$ , Let  $\Phi$  be the set of all increasing and continuous function  $\Phi : R_+ \rightarrow R_+$  such that  $\emptyset(s) \leq s$  for every  $s \in (0, \infty)$ ,  $\emptyset(0) = 0$ . Also  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta \in [0, 1]$  with  $\alpha + \beta + \gamma + \delta \leq 1$ . Then  $S$  and  $T$  have a unique common fixed point in  $X$ .

Proof : Let  $x_0 \in X$  be an arbitrary point. Then there exist  $x_1, x_2 \in X$  such that

$$Tx_0 = x_1 \text{ and } Sx_1 = x_2.$$

Inductively, construct sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $X$  such that

$$Tx_{2n} = x_{2n+1} \text{ and } Sx_{2n+1} = x_{2n+2}, \text{ for } n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

Now, we prove that  $\{x_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence. Let  $d_m = D^*(x_m, x_m, x_{m+1})$ .

Replacing  $x_{2n}, x_{2n-1}, x_{2n+1}$  by x, y, z respectively in (2.1.1), then we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^{D^*(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2})} \emptyset(s) ds &= \int_0^{D^*(Tx_{2n}, TSx_{2n-1}, Sx_{2n+1})} \emptyset(s) ds \\ &\leq \emptyset\left(\int_0^{L(x_{2n}, x_{2n-1}, x_{2n+1})} \emptyset(s) ds\right) \end{aligned} \quad (2.1.2)$$

Where

$$\begin{aligned} L(x_{2n}, x_{2n-1}, x_{2n+1}) &= \alpha \max\left\{D^*(x_{2n}, Sx_{2n-1}, x_{2n+1}), D^*(x_{2n}, Sx_{2n-1}, Tx_{2n}),\right. \\ &\quad \left.D^*(Tx_{2n}, x_{2n}, x_{2n}), D^*(Tx_{2n}, Sx_{2n-1}, Sx_{2n+1})\right\} \\ &\quad + \beta \left[\frac{D^*(x_{2n}, Tx_{2n-1}, x_{2n+1}) + D^*(x_{2n}, Sx_{2n-1}, Sx_{2n})}{2}\right] \\ &\quad + \gamma \left[\frac{D^*(Tx_{2n}, Sx_{2n-1}, Tx_{2n-1}) + D^*(Sx_{2n}, Sx_{2n-1}, Tx_{2n-1})}{2}\right] + \delta D^*(x_{2n-1}, x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+1}) \\ &= \alpha \max\left\{D^*(x_{2n}, x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}), D^*(x_{2n}, x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}),\right. \\ &\quad \left.D^*(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n}, x_{2n}), D^*(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2}, x_{2n+2})\right\} \\ &\quad + \beta \left[\frac{D^*(x_{2n}, x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}) + D^*(x_{2n}, x_{2n}, x_{2n+1})}{2}\right] \\ &\quad + \gamma \left[\frac{D^*(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n}, x_{2n}) + D^*(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n}, x_{2n})}{2}\right] + \delta D^*(x_{2n-1}, x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+1}) \end{aligned}$$

Hence, we get

$$\begin{aligned} L(x_{2n}, x_{2n-1}, x_{2n+1}) &= \alpha \max\{d_{2n}, d_{2n}, d_{2n}, d_{2n+1}\} + \beta \left[\frac{d_{2n+1} + d_{2n+1}}{2}\right] \\ &\quad + \gamma \left[\frac{d_{2n+1} + d_{2n+1}}{2}\right] + \delta d_{2n+1} \end{aligned}$$

We now prove that  $d_{2n+1} \leq d_{2n}$  for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . If  $d_{2n+1} > d_{2n}$  for some  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , by inequality (2.1.2), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^{d_{2n+1}} \emptyset(s) ds &\leq \emptyset\left(\alpha \int_0^{d_{2n+1}} \emptyset(s) ds + \beta \int_0^{d_{2n+1}} \emptyset(s) ds + \gamma \int_0^{d_{2n+1}} \emptyset(s) ds\right. \\ &\quad \left.+ \delta \int_0^{d_{2n+1}} \emptyset(s) ds\right) \\ &\leq \alpha \int_0^{d_{2n+1}} \emptyset(s) ds + \beta \int_0^{d_{2n+1}} \emptyset(s) ds + \gamma \int_0^{d_{2n+1}} \emptyset(s) ds \\ &\quad + \delta \int_0^{d_{2n+1}} \emptyset(s) ds \\ &= (\alpha + \beta + \gamma + \delta) \int_0^{d_{2n+1}} \emptyset(s) ds \end{aligned}$$

Which is a contradiction. (as  $\alpha + \beta + \gamma + \delta \leq 1$ .)

Hence  $d_{2n+1} \leq d_{2n}$

Now, replacing x, y, z by  $x_{2n}, x_{2n-1}, x_{2n-1}$  respectively in (2.1.1), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^{D^*(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+1}, x_{2n})} \emptyset(s) ds &= \int_0^{D^*(Tx_{2n}, TSx_{2n-1}, Sx_{2n-1})} \emptyset(s) ds \\ &\leq \emptyset\left(\int_0^{L(x_{2n}, x_{2n-1}, x_{2n-1})} \emptyset(s) ds\right) \end{aligned}$$

Where

$$\begin{aligned} L(x_{2n}, x_{2n-1}, x_{2n-1}) &= \alpha \max\left\{D^*(x_{2n}, Sx_{2n-1}, x_{2n-1}), D^*(x_{2n}, Sx_{2n-1}, Tx_{2n}),\right. \\ &\quad \left.D^*(Tx_{2n}, x_{2n}, x_{2n}), D^*(Tx_{2n}, Sx_{2n-1}, Sx_{2n-1})\right\} \\ &\quad + \beta \left[\frac{D^*(x_{2n}, Tx_{2n-1}, x_{2n-1}) + D^*(x_{2n}, Sx_{2n-1}, Sx_{2n})}{2}\right] \\ &\quad + \gamma \left[\frac{D^*(Tx_{2n}, Sx_{2n-1}, Tx_{2n-1}) + D^*(Sx_{2n}, Sx_{2n-1}, Tx_{2n-1})}{2}\right] \\ &\quad + \delta D^*(x_{2n-1}, x_{2n-1}, x_{2n-1}) \\ &= \alpha \max\left\{D^*(x_{2n}, x_{2n}, x_{2n-1}), D^*(x_{2n}, x_{2n}, x_{2n-1}),\right. \\ &\quad \left.D^*(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n}, x_{2n}), D^*(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n}, x_{2n})\right\} \\ &\quad + \beta \left[\frac{D^*(x_{2n}, x_{2n}, x_{2n-1}) + D^*(x_{2n}, x_{2n}, x_{2n-1})}{2}\right] \\ &\quad + \gamma \left[\frac{D^*(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n}, x_{2n}) + D^*(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n}, x_{2n})}{2}\right] \end{aligned}$$

Hence, we get

$$\begin{aligned} L(x_{2n}, x_{2n-1}, x_{2n-1}) &= \alpha \max\{d_{2n-1}, d_{2n}, d_{2n}, d_{2n}\} \\ &\quad + \beta \left[\frac{d_{2n} + d_{2n}}{2}\right] + \gamma \left[\frac{d_{2n} + d_{2n}}{2}\right] \\ &= \alpha \max\{d_{2n-1}, d_{2n}, d_{2n}, d_{2n}\} + \beta d_{2n} + \gamma d_{2n} \end{aligned}$$

We prove that  $d_{2n} \leq d_{2n-1}$ , for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . If  $d_{2n} > d_{2n-1}$  for some  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , by inequality (2.1.2), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^{d_{2n}} \emptyset(s) ds &\leq \emptyset\left(\alpha \int_0^{d_{2n}} \emptyset(s) ds + \beta \int_0^{d_{2n}} \emptyset(s) ds + \gamma \int_0^{d_{2n}} \emptyset(s) ds\right) \\ &< \alpha \int_0^{d_{2n}} \emptyset(s) ds + \beta \int_0^{d_{2n}} \emptyset(s) ds + \gamma \int_0^{d_{2n}} \emptyset(s) ds \\ &= (\alpha + \beta + \gamma) \int_0^{d_{2n+1}} \emptyset(s) ds \end{aligned}$$

Which is a contradiction. (as  $\alpha + \beta + \gamma + \delta \leq 1$ .)

Hence  $d_{2n} \leq d_{2n-1}$ .

Hence for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  we have  $d_n \leq d_{n-1}$ . Thus sequence  $\{d_n\}$  is lower bounded and decreasing sequence, hence it is lead to 0. It follows

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^{D^*(x_n, x_n, x_{n+1})} \emptyset(s) ds = 0.$$

Therefore

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} D^*(x_n, x_n, x_{n+1}) = 0. \quad (2.1.3)$$

Now, we prove that  $\{x_{2n}\}$  is Cauchy sequence. Suppose that  $\{x_{2n}\}$  is not a Cauchy sequence in  $X$ . Then there is an  $\epsilon > 0$  such that for each integer  $k$ , there exist integers  $2m(k)$  and  $2n(k)$  with  $m(k) > n(k) \geq k$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} D^*(x_{2n(k)}, x_{2m(k)}, x_{2m(k)}) &\geq \epsilon \text{ and} \\ D^*(x_{2n(k)}, x_{2m(k)-1}, x_{2m(k)-1}) &< \epsilon \end{aligned} \quad (2.1.4)$$

From (2.1.4), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \epsilon &\leq D^*(x_{2n(k)}, x_{2m(k)}, x_{2m(k)}) \\ &\leq D^*(x_{2n(k)}, x_{2m(k)-1}, x_{2m(k)-1}) + D^*(x_{2m(k)-1}, x_{2m(k)}, x_{2m(k)}) \\ &\leq \epsilon + d_{2m(k)-1} \end{aligned}$$

Letting  $k \rightarrow \infty$  and using (2.1.3), we get

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} D^*(x_{2n(k)}, x_{2m(k)}, x_{2m(k)}) = \epsilon \quad (2.1.5)$$

Similarly, using (2.3) and (2.5), we can show that

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} D^*(x_{2n(k)+1}, x_{2m(k)}, x_{2m(k)}) = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} D^*(x_{2n(k)}, x_{2m(k)-1}, x_{2m(k)-1}) = \epsilon \quad (2.1.6)$$

Replacing  $x, y, z$  by  $x_{2m(k)}, x_{2n(k)+1}, x_{2m(k)}$  in (2.1.1), we have

$$\int_0^{D^*(x_{2m(k)}, x_{2n(k)+1}, x_{2m(k)})} \emptyset(s) ds \leq \emptyset\left(\int_0^{L(x_{2m(k)}, x_{2n(k)+1}, x_{2m(k)})} \emptyset(s) ds\right)$$

Where

$$\begin{aligned} L(x_{2m(k)}, x_{2n(k)+1}, x_{2m(k)}) &= \alpha \max\left\{D^*(x_{2m(k)}, Sx_{2n(k)+1}, x_{2m(k)}), D^*(x_{2m(k)}, Sx_{2n(k)+1}, Tx_{2m(k)}), \right. \\ &\quad \left. D^*(Tx_{2m(k)}, x_{2m(k)}, x_{2m(k)}), D^*(Tx_{2m(k)}, Sx_{2m(k)}, Sx_{2m(k)})\right\} \\ &+ \beta \left[ \frac{D^*(x_{2m(k)}, Tx_{2n(k)+1}, x_{2m(k)}) + D^*(x_{2m(k)}, Sx_{2n(k)+1}, Sx_{2m(k)})}{2} \right] \\ &+ \gamma \left[ \frac{D^*(Tx_{2m(k)}, Sx_{2n(k)+1}, Tx_{2n(k)+1}) + D^*(Sx_{2m(k)}, Sx_{2n(k)+1}, Tx_{2n(k)+1})}{2} \right] \\ &+ \delta D^*(x_{2n(k)+1}, x_{2m(k)}, x_{2m(k)}) \\ &= \alpha \max\left\{D^*(x_{2m(k)}, x_{2n(k)+2}, x_{2m(k)}), D^*(x_{2m(k)}, x_{2n(k)+2}, x_{2m(k)+1}), \right. \\ &\quad \left. D^*(x_{2m(k)+1}, x_{2m(k)}, x_{2m(k)}), D^*(x_{2m(k)+1}, x_{2m(k)+1}, x_{2m(k)+1})\right\} \\ &+ \beta \left[ \frac{D^*(x_{2m(k)}, x_{2n(k)+2}, x_{2m(k)}) + D^*(x_{2m(k)}, x_{2n(k)+2}, x_{2m(k)+1})}{2} \right] \\ &+ \gamma \left[ \frac{D^*(x_{2m(k)+1}, x_{2n(k)+2}, x_{2n(k)+2}) + D^*(x_{2m(k)+1}, x_{2n(k)+2}, x_{2n(k)+2})}{2} \right] \\ &+ \delta D^*(x_{2n(k)+1}, x_{2m(k)}, x_{2m(k)}) \end{aligned}$$

Making  $k \rightarrow \infty$  and using (2.1.3), (2.1.5) and (2.1.6), we obtain

$$\int_0^\epsilon \emptyset(s) ds \leq \emptyset(\alpha \int_0^\epsilon \emptyset(s) ds + \beta \int_0^\epsilon \emptyset(s) ds + \gamma \int_0^\epsilon \emptyset(s) ds + \delta \int_0^\epsilon \emptyset(s) ds)$$

$$< (\alpha + \beta + \gamma + \delta) \int_0^\epsilon \emptyset(s) ds$$

Which is a contradiction. (as  $\alpha + \beta + \gamma + \delta \leq 1$ .)

This establishes the fact that  $\{x_{2n}\}$  is a Cauchy sequence.

$$\begin{aligned} D^*(x_{2n+1}, x_{2m+1}, x_{2m+1}) &\leq D^*(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n}, x_{2n}) \\ &\quad + D^*(x_{2n}, x_{2m}, x_{2m}) + D^*(x_{2m}, x_{2m+1}, x_{2m+1}) \end{aligned}$$

Making  $n, m \rightarrow \infty$  we get  $\lim_{n,m \rightarrow \infty} D^*(x_{2n+1}, x_{2m+1}, x_{2m+1}) = 0$ . Similarly,

We get

$$\lim_{n,m \rightarrow \infty} D^*(x_{2n+1}, x_{2m}, x_{2m}) = 0.$$

Hence  $\{x_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence, and due to the completeness of  $X$ ,  $\{x_n\}$  converges to some  $x$  in  $X$ . That is  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x$ . Hence

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_{2n+1} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Sx_{2n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_{2n+2} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Tx_{2n+1} = x$$

Now we show that  $Sx = x$ . From the inequality (2.1.1), we get

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^{D^*(Tx_{2n}, TSx_{2n+1}, Sx)} \emptyset(s) ds &= \int_0^{D^*(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2}, Sx)} \emptyset(s) ds \\ &\leq \emptyset\left(\int_0^{L(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}, x)} \emptyset(s) ds\right) \end{aligned}$$

Where

$$\begin{aligned} L(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}, x) &= \alpha \max\left\{D^*(x_{2n}, Sx_{2n+1}, x), D^*(x_{2n}, Sx_{2n+1}, Tx_{2n}), \right. \\ &\quad \left. D^*(Tx_{2n}, x_{2n}, x_{2n}), D^*(Tx_{2n}, Sx, Sx)\right\} \\ &\quad + \beta \left[ \frac{D^*(x_{2n}, Tx_{2n+1}, x) + D^*(x_{2n}, Sx_{2n+1}, Sx_{2n})}{2} \right] \\ &\quad + \gamma \left[ \frac{D^*(Tx_{2n}, Sx_{2n+1}, Tx_{2n+1}) + D^*(Sx_{2n}, Sx_{2n+1}, Tx_{2n+1})}{2} \right] \\ &\quad + \delta D^*(x_{2n+1}, x, x) \\ &= \alpha \max\left\{D^*(x_{2n}, x_{2n+2}, x), D^*(x_{2n}, x_{2n+2}, x_{2n+1}), \right. \\ &\quad \left. D^*(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n}, x_{2n}), D^*(x_{2n+1}, Sx, Sx)\right\} \\ &\quad + \beta \left[ \frac{D^*(x_{2n}, x_{2n+2}, x) + D^*(x_{2n}, x_{2n+2}, x_{2n+1})}{2} \right] \\ &\quad + \gamma \left[ \frac{D^*(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2}, x_{2n+2}) + D^*(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2}, x_{2n+2})}{2} \right] \\ &\quad + \delta D^*(x_{2n+1}, x, x) \end{aligned}$$

On making  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , we get

$$\int_0^{D^*(x, x, Sx)} \emptyset(s) ds \leq \emptyset\left(\alpha \int_0^{D^*(x, x, Sx)} \emptyset(s) ds\right) < \alpha \int_0^{D^*(x, x, Sx)} \emptyset(s) ds,$$

Which is a contradiction. Therefore, it follows that  $Sx = x$ . Next we prove that  $Tx = x$ . For this, replacing  $x, y, z$  by  $x_{2n}, x, x$  in inequality (2.1.1), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^{D^*(Tx_{2n}, TSx, Sx)} \emptyset(s) ds &= \int_0^{D^*(Tx_{2n}, Tx, x)} \emptyset(s) ds \\ &\leq \emptyset\left(\int_0^{L(x_{2n}, x, x)} \emptyset(s) ds\right) \end{aligned}$$

Where

$$\begin{aligned} L(x_{2n}, x, x) &= \alpha \max\left\{D^*(x_{2n}, Sx, x), D^*(x_{2n}, Sx, Tx_{2n}), \right. \\ &\quad \left. D^*(Tx_{2n}, x_{2n}, x_{2n}), D^*(Tx_{2n}, Sx, Sx)\right\} \\ &\quad + \beta \left[ \frac{D^*(x_{2n}, Tx, x) + D^*(x_{2n}, Sx, Sx_{2n})}{2} \right] + \gamma \left[ \frac{D^*(Tx_{2n}, Sx, Tx) + D^*(Sx_{2n}, Sx, Tx)}{2} \right] \\ &\quad + \delta D^*(x, x, x) \\ &= \alpha \max\left\{D^*(x_{2n}, x, x), D^*(x_{2n}, x, Tx_{2n}), \right. \\ &\quad \left. D^*(Tx_{2n}, x_{2n}, x_{2n}), D^*(Tx_{2n}, x, x)\right\} \\ &\quad + \beta \left[ \frac{D^*(x_{2n}, Tx, x) + D^*(x_{2n}, x, x)}{2} \right] + \gamma \left[ \frac{D^*(Tx, x, Tx) + D^*(x, x, Tx)}{2} \right] \\ &\quad + \delta D^*(x, x, x) \end{aligned}$$

As  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , we have

$$\int_0^{D^*(x, Tx, x)} \emptyset(s) ds \leq \emptyset\left(\alpha \int_0^{D^*(x, Tx, x)} \emptyset(s) ds + \frac{\beta}{2} \int_0^{D^*(x, x, Tx)} \emptyset(s) ds + \right. \\ \left. \gamma \int_0^{D^*(x, x, Tx)} \emptyset(s) ds\right)$$

$$\ll \left( \alpha + \frac{\beta}{2} + \gamma \right) \int_0^{D^*(x,x,Tx)} \phi(s) ds$$

Which is a contradiction. So it follows that  $Tx = x$ . Hence  $Tx = Sx = x$ , that is  $x$  is a common fixed point of  $T, S$ . The uniqueness of  $x$  follows from the inequality (2.1.1).

**Theorem 2.2.** Let  $(X, D^*)$  be a  $D^*$ -metric space and  $A, B, C, R, S$  and  $T$  be self-mappings of  $X$  satisfying the following conditions:

$$A(X) \subseteq T(X) \text{ and } B(X) \subseteq R(X) \text{ and } C(X) \subseteq S(X)$$

$$\int_0^{D^*(Ax,By,Cz)} \phi(s) ds \leq \phi \left( \int_0^{L(x,y,z)} \phi(s) ds \right) \quad (2.2.1)$$

$$\text{Where } L(x,y,z) = \alpha \max \left\{ \begin{array}{l} D^*(Sx, Ty, Rz), D^*(Ax, Ty, Rz), \\ D^*(Sx, By, Rz), D^*(Ax, By, Rz) \end{array} \right\} + \beta \left[ \frac{D^*(Ty, By, Rz) + D^*(Sx, Ax, Rz)}{2} \right] + \gamma \\ \left[ \frac{D^*(Cz, Rz, Sx) + D^*(Cz, By, Sx)}{2} \right] + \delta D^*(Ax, By, Cz)$$

For all  $x, y \in X$ , Let  $\Phi$  be the set of all increasing and continuous function  $\Phi : R_+ \rightarrow R_+$  such that  $\Phi(s) \ll s$  for every  $s \in (0, \infty)$ ,  $\Phi(0) = 0$ . Also  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta \in [0, 1]$  with  $\alpha + \beta + \gamma + \delta \leq 1$ . Suppose that two of the pairs  $(A, S)$ ,  $(C, R)$  and  $(B, T)$  satisfy the common property (E.A); pairs  $(A, S)$ ,  $(C, R)$  and  $(B, T)$  are weakly compatible, and one of the  $R(X)$ ,  $T(X)$  and  $S(X)$  is a closed subset of  $X$ . Then  $A, B, C, R, S$  and  $T$  have a unique common fixed point in  $X$ .

**Proof.** Suppose that  $(A, S)$  and  $(B, T)$  satisfy a common property (E.A). Then there exists two sequences  $\{x_n\}$  and  $\{y_n\}$  in  $X$  such that for some  $u \in X$ .

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} D^*(Ax_n, u, u) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} D^*(Sx_n, u, u) \\ \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} D^*(By_n, u, u) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} D^*(Ty_n, u, u) = 0$$

As  $B(X) \subseteq R(X)$ , there exists a sequence  $\{z_n\}$  in  $X$  such that  $By_n = Rz_n$ .

Thus  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Rz_n = u$ . Now we prove that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Cz_n = u$ . Replacing  $x_n, y_n, z_n$  by  $x, y, z$  respectively in (2.2.1), we obtain

$$\int_0^{D^*(Ax_n, By_n, Cz_n)} \phi(s) ds \leq \phi \left( \int_0^{L(x_n, y_n, z_n)} \phi(s) ds \right)$$

$$\text{Where } L(x_n, y_n, z_n) = \alpha \max \left\{ \begin{array}{l} D^*(Sx_n, Ty_n, Rz_n), D^*(Ax_n, Ty_n, Rz_n), \\ D^*(Sx_n, By_n, Rz_n), D^*(Ax_n, By_n, Rz_n) \end{array} \right\} \\ + \beta \left[ \frac{D^*(Ty_n, By_n, Rz_n) + D^*(Sx_n, Ax_n, Rz_n)}{2} \right] + \gamma \left[ \frac{D^*(Cz_n, Rz_n, Sx_n) + D^*(Cz_n, By_n, Sx_n)}{2} \right] \\ + \delta D^*(Ax_n, By_n, Cz_n)$$

$$\text{Hence } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} L(x_n, y_n, z_n) = \alpha \max \left\{ 0, 0, 0, D^*(u, u, \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Cz_n) \right\} \\ + \gamma \left[ \frac{D^*(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Cz_n, u, u) + D^*(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Cz_n, u, u)}{2} \right] + \delta D^*(u, u, \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Cz_n) \\ = (\alpha + \gamma + \delta) D^*(u, u, \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Cz_n)$$

On making  $n \rightarrow \infty$  in above inequality, we get

$$\int_0^{D^*(u, u, \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Cz_n)} \phi(s) ds \leq \phi \left( (\alpha + \gamma + \delta) \int_0^{D^*(u, u, \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Cz_n)} \phi(s) ds \right) \\ \ll (\alpha + \gamma + \delta) \int_0^{D^*(u, u, \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Cz_n)} \phi(s) ds,$$

Which is a contradiction. (as  $\alpha + \beta + \gamma + \delta \leq 1$ .)

Hence  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Cz_n = u$ . Assume that  $S(X)$  is a closed subset of  $X$ . Then there exists  $v \in X$  such that  $Sv = u$ .

If  $u \neq Av$ , then using (2.2.1) we obtain

$$\int_0^{D^*(Av, By_n, Cz_n)} \phi(s) ds \leq \phi \left( \int_0^{L(v, y_n, z_n)} \phi(s) ds \right)$$

$$\text{Where } L(v, y_n, z_n) = \alpha \max \left\{ \begin{array}{l} D^*(Sv, Ty_n, Rz_n), D^*(Av, Ty_n, Rz_n), \\ D^*(Sv, By_n, Rz_n), D^*(Av, By_n, Rz_n) \end{array} \right\} \\ + \beta \left[ \frac{D^*(Ty_n, By_n, Rz_n) + D^*(Sv, Av, Rz_n)}{2} \right] + \gamma \left[ \frac{D^*(Cz_n, Rz_n, Sv) + D^*(Cz_n, By_n, Sv)}{2} \right] + \delta D^*(Av, By_n, Cz_n).$$

As  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , it follows that

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^{D^*(Av,u,u)} \emptyset(s) ds &\leq \emptyset\left(\left(\alpha + \frac{\beta}{2} + \delta\right) \int_0^{D^*(Av,u,u)} \emptyset(s) ds\right) \\ &\ll \left(\alpha + \frac{\beta}{2} + \delta\right) \int_0^{D^*(Av,u,u)} \emptyset(s) ds, \end{aligned}$$

Which is a contradiction. (as  $\alpha + \beta + \gamma + \delta \leq 1$ .)

Therefore  $Av = Sv = u$ . Since  $A(X) \subseteq T(X)$ , there exists  $w \in X$  such that  $Av = Tw = u$ . If  $u \neq Bw$ , using (2.2.1) we obtain

$$\int_0^{D^*(Av,Bw,Cz_n)} \emptyset(s) ds \ll \emptyset\left(\int_0^{L(v,w,z_n)} \emptyset(s) ds\right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Where } L(v,w,z_n) &= \alpha \max \left\{ D^*(Sv, Tw, Rz_n), D^*(Av, Tw, Rz_n), \right. \\ &\quad \left. D^*(Sv, Bw, Rz_n), D^*(Sv, Tw, Cz_n) \right\} \\ &\quad + \beta \left[ \frac{D^*(Tw, Bw, Rz_n) + D^*(Sv, Av, Rz_n)}{2} \right] + \gamma \left[ \frac{D^*(Cz_n, Rz_n, Sv) + D^*(Cz_n, Bw, Sv)}{2} \right] \\ &\quad + \delta D^*(Av, Bw, Cz_n). \end{aligned}$$

As  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , it follows that

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^{D^*(u,Bw,u)} \emptyset(s) ds &\leq \emptyset\left(\left(\alpha + \frac{\beta}{2} + \frac{\gamma}{2} + \delta\right) \int_0^{D^*(u,Bw,u)} \emptyset(s) ds\right) \\ &\ll \left(\alpha + \frac{\beta}{2} + \frac{\gamma}{2} + \delta\right) \int_0^{D^*(u,Bw,u)} \emptyset(s) ds, \end{aligned}$$

Which is a contradiction. (as  $\alpha + \beta + \gamma + \delta \leq 1$ .)

Therefore,  $Bw = u$ . Since  $B(X) \subseteq R(X)$ , there exists  $e \in X$  such that  $Re = Bw = u$ . If  $e \neq Re$ , using (2.2.1) we obtain

$$\int_0^{D^*(Av,Bw,Ce)} \emptyset(s) ds \ll \emptyset\left(\int_0^{L(v,w,e)} \emptyset(s) ds\right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Where } L(v,w,e) &= \alpha \max \left\{ D^*(Sv, Tw, Re), D^*(Av, Tw, Re), \right. \\ &\quad \left. D^*(Sv, Bw, Re), D^*(Sv, Tw, Ce) \right\} \\ &\quad + \beta \left[ \frac{D^*(Tw, Bw, Re) + D^*(Sv, Av, Re)}{2} \right] + \gamma \left[ \frac{D^*(Ce, Re, Sv) + D^*(Ce, Bw, Sv)}{2} \right] \\ &\quad + \delta D^*(Av, Bw, Ce) \end{aligned}$$

As  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , it follows that

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^{D^*(u,u,Ce)} \emptyset(s) ds &\leq \emptyset\left((\alpha + \gamma + \delta) \int_0^{D^*(u,u,Ce)} \emptyset(s) ds\right) \\ &\ll (\alpha + \gamma + \delta) \int_0^{D^*(u,u,Ce)} \emptyset(s) ds, \end{aligned}$$

Which is a contradiction. (as  $\alpha + \beta + \gamma + \delta \leq 1$ .)

Hence  $Ce = u$ . That is,

$Av = Sv = Bw = Tw = Re = Ce = u$ .

By weak compatibility of the pairs  $(A,S)$ ,  $(B,T)$ , and  $(R,C)$ , we get  $Au = Su$ ,  $Bu = Tu$  and  $Ru = Cu$ . If  $u \neq Au$ , then using (2.2.1), we have

$$\int_0^{D^*(Au,Bw,Ce)} \emptyset(s) ds \ll \emptyset\left(\int_0^{L(u,w,e)} \emptyset(s) ds\right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Where } L(u,w,e) &= \alpha \max \left\{ D^*(Su, Tw, Re), D^*(Au, Tw, Re), \right. \\ &\quad \left. D^*(Su, Bw, Re), D^*(Su, Tw, Ce) \right\} \\ &\quad + \beta \left[ \frac{D^*(Tw, Bw, Re) + D^*(Su, Au, Re)}{2} \right] + \gamma \left[ \frac{D^*(Ce, Re, Su) + D^*(Ce, Bw, Su)}{2} \right] \\ &\quad + \delta D^*(Au, Bw, Ce) \end{aligned}$$

As  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , it follows that

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^{D^*(Au,u,u)} \emptyset(s) ds &\leq \emptyset\left(\left(\alpha + \frac{\beta}{2} + \delta\right) \int_0^{D^*(Au,u,u)} \emptyset(s) ds\right) \\ &\ll \left(\alpha + \frac{\beta}{2} + \delta\right) \int_0^{D^*(Au,u,u)} \emptyset(s) ds, \end{aligned}$$

Which is a contradiction. ( as  $\alpha + \beta + \gamma + \delta \leq 1$ .)

Hence  $Au = Su = u$ . Similarly, we can prove that  $Bu = Tu = u$  and  $Ru = Cu = u$ . Thus  $u$  is a common fixed point of  $A, B, C, R, S$  and  $T$ . The uniqueness of  $u$  follows from inequality (2.1.1).

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