

**A GENERAL COINCIDENCE AND  
FIXED POINT THEOREM FOR TWO PAIRS  
OF SELF MAPPINGS SATISFYING  
A COMMON COINCIDENCE RANGE PROPERTY  
IN PARTIAL METRIC SPACES**

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ABSTRACT. In this paper a new type of common coincidence range property in partial metric space is introduced and a general fixed point theorem is proved. As applications, new results for the mappings satisfying a contractive condition of integral type and for the mappings satisfying a  $\phi$  – *contractive* condition are obtained.

**1. Introduction and Preliminaries**

In 1994, Matthews [16] introduced the concept of partial metric spaces as a part of study of denotational semantics of dataflow networks and proved the Banach contraction principle in such spaces. Many authors have studied some contractive conditions in complete partial metric spaces in [1, 4, 6, 13] and other papers like [2, 3].

DEFINITION 1.1. Let  $X$  be a nonempty set. A function  $p : X \times X \rightarrow \mathfrak{R}_+$  is said to be a partial metric on  $X$ , if for any  $x, y, z \in X$  the following conditions hold:

- (P1) :  $p(x, x) = p(y, y) = p(x, y)$  if and only if  $x = y$  ;
- (P2) :  $p(x, x) \leq p(x, y)$  ;
- (P3) :  $p(x, y) = p(y, x)$  ;
- (P4) :  $p(x, z) \leq p(x, y) + p(y, z) - p(y, y)$ .

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The pair,  $(X, p)$  is called a partial metric space ([16]).

If  $p(x, y) = 0$ , then (P1) and (P2) imply  $x = y$ , but the converse does not always hold.

In 2011, Sintunavarat and Kumam [25] introduced the notion of common limit range property for a pair of mappings. Also, Imdad et al [11], introduced the notion of joint common limit range property for two pairs of mappings. Other results for pairs of mappings satisfying common limit range property are obtained in [9, 10, 22] and other papers.

In all these papers and others on this topic, there exists some convergent sequences in  $X$ . We will introduce a new type of range property **without sequences**.

DEFINITION 1.2. Let  $(X, p)$  be a partial metric space and  $A, S, T$  be self mappings on  $(X, p)$ . A pair  $(A, S)$  is said to have a coincidence range property with respect to  $T$ , denoted  $CRP_{(A,S)T}$ -property, if there exists  $z = Ax = Sx$  for some  $x \in X$ , with  $z \in T(X)$  and  $p(z, z) = 0$ .

EXAMPLE 1.1. Let  $X = [0, \infty)$  be a partial metric space with

$$p(x, y) = \max \{x, y\} \text{ and } Ax = 0, Sx = \frac{x}{x+1}, Tx = x.$$

If  $Ax = Sx$  then  $x = 0$  and  $z = 0 \in T(X) = [0, \infty)$  and  $p(z, z) = p(0, 0) = 0$ . Hence,  $(A, S)$  and  $T$  satisfy the  $CRP_{(A,S)T}$ -property.

DEFINITION 1.3. An altering distance, [14] is a mapping  $\psi : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  which satisfies

- ( $\psi 1$ ) :  $\psi$  is increasing and continuous,
- ( $\psi 2$ ) :  $\psi(t) = 0$  if and only if  $t = 0$ .

Fixed point theorems involvings alterings distance have been studied in [20, 25] and other papers.

DEFINITION 1.4. A weak altering distance is a mapping  $\psi : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  which satisfies

- ( $\psi 1$ ) :  $\psi$  is increasing,
- ( $\psi 2$ ) :  $\psi(t) = 0$  if and only if  $t = 0$ .

EXAMPLE 1.2.  $\psi(t) = \begin{cases} t & \text{if } t \in [0, 1), \\ e^t & \text{if } t \in [1, \infty), \end{cases}$  is a weak altering distance and is not an altering distance.

Let  $X$  be a nonempty set and  $A, S : X \rightarrow X$  two self mappings on  $X$ . A point  $x \in X$  is a coincidence point of  $A$  and  $S$  if  $w = Ax = Sx$  for some  $x \in X$ . The set of all coincidence points of  $A$  and  $S$  is denoted by  $C(A, S)$ , and  $w$  is said to be a point of coincidence of  $A$  and  $S$ .

DEFINITION 1.5. Let  $X$  be a nonempty set and  $A$  and  $S$  be two self mappings on  $X$ .  $A$  and  $S$  are weakly compatible if  $ASu = SAu$  for all  $u \in C(A, S)$ .

### 2. Implicit relations

Several fixed point theorems and common fixed point theorems have been unified considering a general condition by an implicit function in [17, 18, 19] and other papers.

Some fixed point theorems for pairs of mappings satisfying implicit relations in partial metric spaces are proved in [7, 8, 21, 22, 26] and other papers.

DEFINITION 2.1. We define  $F_{CP}$  being the set of all functions  $F(t_1, \dots, t_6) : \mathfrak{R}_+^6 \rightarrow \mathfrak{R}$  satisfying the following conditions:

- (F1) :  $F$  is non increasing in  $t_3, t_4$ ,
- (F2) :  $F(t, 0, 0, t, t, 0) > 0, \forall t > 0$ ,
- (F3) :  $F(t, t, 0, t, t, t) > 0, \forall t > 0$ ,
- (F4) :  $F(t, t, t, 0, t, t) > 0, \forall t > 0$ .

EXAMPLE 2.1.  $F(t_1, \dots, t_6) = t_1 - k \max \{t_2, t_3, \dots, t_6\}$ , where  $k \in [0, 1)$ .

EXAMPLE 2.2.  $F(t_1, \dots, t_6) = t_1 - k \max \{t_2, t_3, t_4, \frac{t_5+t_6}{2}\}$ , where  $k \in [0, 1)$ .

EXAMPLE 2.3.  $F(t_1, \dots, t_6) = t_1 - k \max \{t_2, \frac{t_3+t_4}{2}, \frac{t_5+t_6}{2}\}$ , where  $k \in [0, 1)$ .

EXAMPLE 2.4.  $F(t_1, \dots, t_6) = t_1 - a t_2 - b t_3 - c t_4 - d t_5 - e t_6$ , where  $a, b, c, d, e > 0$  and  $a + b + c + d + e < 1$ .

EXAMPLE 2.5.  $F(t_1, \dots, t_6) = t_1 - \max \{c t_2, c t_3, c t_4, a t_5 + b t_6\}$ , where  $c \in (0, 1)$ ,  $a, b \geq 0$  and  $a + b < 1$ .

EXAMPLE 2.6.  $F(t_1, \dots, t_6) = t_1 - a t_2 - b \max \{t_3, t_4\} - c \max \{t_5, t_6\}$ , where  $a, b, c \geq 0$  and  $a + b + c < 1$ .

EXAMPLE 2.7.  $F(t_1, \dots, t_6) = t_1 - \alpha \max \{t_2, t_3, t_4\} - (1 - \alpha)(a t_5 + b t_6)$  where  $\alpha \in (0, 1)$ ,  $a, b \geq 0$  and  $a + b < 1$ .

EXAMPLE 2.8.  $F(t_1, \dots, t_6) = t_1^2 - a t_2 t_3 - b t_3 t_4 - c t_4 t_5 - d t_5 t_6$ , where  $a, b, c, d \geq 0$  and  $a + b + c + d < 1$ .

The purpose of this paper is to prove a common fixed point theorem in partial metric spaces for two pairs  $(A, S)$  and  $(B, T)$  of self mapping satisfying some implicit relations having  $CRP_{(A,S)T}$ -property. As applications we obtain some results for mappings satisfying an integral condition and  $\phi$ -contractive conditions.

### 3. Main results

THEOREM 3.1. Let  $(X, p)$  be a partial metric space and  $A, B, S, T$  be self mappings on  $X$  such that for all  $x, y \in X$

$$(3.1) \quad F(\psi(p(Ax, By)), \psi(p(Sx, Ty)), \psi(p(Sx, Ax)), \psi(p(Ty, By)), \psi(p(Sx, By)), \psi(p(Ty, Ax))) \leq 0$$

for some  $F \in F_{CP}$  and  $\psi$  is a weakly altering distance. If  $(A, S)$  and  $T$  satisfy  $CRP_{(A,S)T}$ -property, then  $C(B, T) \neq \emptyset$ . Moreover, if  $(A, S)$  and  $(B, T)$  are weakly compatibles then  $A, B, S, T$  have a unique common fixed point.

PROOF. Since  $(A, S)$  and  $T$  satisfies  $CR_{(A,S)T}$ -property, then there exists  $z = Av = Sv$  for some  $v \in X$ ,  $z \in T(X)$  and  $p(z, z) = 0$ . Since  $z \in T(X)$  there exists  $u \in X$  such that  $z = Tu$ . Then, by (3.1)

$$F(\psi(p(Av, Bu)), \psi(p(Sv, Tu)), \psi(p(Sv, Av)), \psi(p(Tu, Bu)), \psi(p(Sv, Bu)), \psi(p(Tu, Av))) \leq 0$$

$F(\psi(p(z, Bu)), 0, 0, \psi(p(z, Bu)), \psi(p(z, Bu)), 0) \leq 0$  contradiction with  $(F_2)$  if  $\psi(p(z, Bu)) > 0$ . Hence,  $\psi(p(z, Bu)) = 0$  which implies  $z = Bu = Tu$  and  $C(T, B) \neq \emptyset$ .

Therefore,  $z = Sv = Av = Tu = Bu$ . Moreover, if  $(A, S)$  and  $(B, T)$  are weakly compatible, then  $Sz = SAV = ASv = Az$  and  $Tz = TBU = BTu = Bz$ . By (3, 1) we obtain

$$F(\psi(p(Av, Bz)), \psi(p(Sv, Tz)), \psi(p(Sv, Av)), \psi(p(Tz, Bz)), \psi(p(Sv, Bz)), \psi(p(Tz, Av))) \leq 0,$$

$$F(\psi(p(z, Bz)), \psi(p(z, Bz)), 0, \psi(p(Bz, Bz)), \psi(p(z, Bz)), \psi(p(z, Bz))) \leq 0.$$

By  $(F_1)$  we have

$$F(\psi(p(z, Bz)), \psi(p(z, Bz)), 0, \psi(p(z, Bz)), \psi(p(z, Bz)), \psi(p(z, Bz))) \leq 0,$$

a contradiction with  $(F_3)$  if  $\psi(p(z, Bz)) > 0$ . Hence,  $\psi(p(z, Bz)) = 0$  which implies  $z = Bz = Tz$  and  $z$  is a common fixed point of  $T$  and  $B$ .

Similarly, by (3.1) we obtain

$$F(\psi(p(Az, Bu)), \psi(p(Sz, Tu)), \psi(p(Az, Sz)), \psi(p(Tu, Bu)), \psi(p(Sz, Bu)), \psi(p(Tu, Az))) \leq 0.$$

$$F(\psi(p(Az, z)), \psi(p(Az, z)), \psi(p(Az, Az)), 0, \psi(p(z, Az)), \psi(p(z, Az))) \leq 0.$$

By  $(P_2)$ ,  $p(Az, Az) \leq p(z, Az)$ . By  $(F_1)$  we obtain

$F(\psi(p(Az, z)), \psi(p(Az, z)), \psi(p(Az, z)), 0, \psi(p(Az, z)), \psi(p(Az, z))) \leq 0$ , a contradiction with  $(F_4)$  if  $\psi(p(z, Az)) > 0$ , hence,  $\psi(p(z, Az)) = 0$ . Which implies  $z = Az = Sz = Bz = Tz$ . Therefore,  $z$  is a common fixed point of  $A, S, B$  and  $T$ .

Suppose that  $w \neq z$  is another common fixed point of  $A, B, S$  and  $T$ . Then by (3.1) we obtain

$$F(\psi(p(Az, Bw)), \psi(p(Sz, Tw)), \psi(p(Sz, Az)), \psi(p(Tw, Bw)), \psi(p(Sz, Bw)), \psi(p(Az, Tw))) \leq 0.$$

$$F(\psi(p(z, w)), \psi(p(z, w)), 0, \psi(p(w, w)), \psi(p(z, w)), \psi(p(z, w))) \leq 0.$$

By  $(P_2)$   $p(w, w) \leq p(w, z)$  which implies  $\psi(p(w, w)) \leq \psi(p(w, z))$ .

By  $(F_1)$  we obtain

$F(\psi(p(z, w)), \psi(p(z, w)), 0, \psi(p(z, w)), \psi(p(z, w)), \psi(p(z, w))) \leq 0$ , a contradiction with  $(F_3)$  if  $\psi(p(z, w)) > 0$ , which implies  $\psi(p(z, w)) = 0$  hence,  $z = w$ . Therefore,  $z$  is the unique common fixed point of  $A, B, S, T$ .  $\square$

If  $\psi(t) = t$  by Theorem 3.1 we obtain

**THEOREM 3.2.** *Let  $(X, p)$  be a partial metric space and  $A, B, S, T$  be four self-mappings on  $X$  such that for for all  $x, y \in X$*

$$(3.2) \quad F(p(Ax, By), p(Sz, Ty), p(Sx, Ax), p(Ty, By), p(Sx, By), p(Ax, Ty)) \leq 0,$$

*for some  $F \in F_{CP}$ . If  $(A, S)$  and  $T$  satisfy  $CRP_{(A,S)T}$ -property then  $C(B, T) \neq \emptyset$ . Moreover, if  $A, S$  and  $B, T$  are weakly compatible, then  $A, S, B, T$ , have a unique common fixed point.*

In order to apply this theorem we have to do the followings steps:

**Step 1.** Solve the equation  $Sx = Ax$  on  $X$  and establish  $C(A, S)$ . If  $C(A, S) = \emptyset$  the theorem is not applicable.

**Step 2.** If  $C(A, S) \neq \emptyset$  we have to select  $z$  from  $C(A, S)$  such that  $z \in T(X)$  As a consequence,  $A, S, T$  satisfy the  $CRP_{(A,S)T}$  property.

**Step 3.** Verify if the pairs  $(A, S)$  and  $(B, T)$  are weakly compatible. i.e., if one of those pairs are not weakly compatible, the theorem can not be applied. Stop.

**Step 4.** If the Relation 3.1 is satisfied then, by Theorem 3.1,  $A, S, B, T$  have a unique fixed point:  $z$ .

EXAMPLE 3.1. Let  $X = [0, \infty)$  and  $p(x, y) = \max \{x, y\}$ , then  $(X, p)$  is a  $p$ -metric space. Let  $A, B, S, T$  be four self mappings on  $X$ :  $Ax = 0, Sx = \frac{x}{x+2}, Bx = \frac{x}{3}, Tx = x$ . If  $Ax = Sx = z$  then  $x = 0$  and  $C(A, S) = \{0\}$ . Then,  $z = 0, z \in T(X) = X$  with  $p(0, 0) = 0$ . Hence,  $(A, S)$  and  $T$  satisfy  $CRP_{(A,S)T}$ -property.

Moreover,  $AS0 = SA0 = 0$ , and  $BT0 = TB0 = 0$  hence,  $(A, S)$  and  $(B, T)$  are weakly compatible. On the other hand,  $p(Ax, By) = \max \{0, \frac{y}{3}\} = \frac{y}{3}, p(Ty, By) = \max \{y, \frac{y}{3}\} = y$ , which implies,  $p(Ax, By) \leq k p(Ty, By)$ . The fact that  $k \in [\frac{1}{3}, 1)$  implies  $p(Ax, By) \leq k \max \{p(Sx, Ty), p(Sx, Ax), p(Ty, By), p(Sx, By), p(Ax, Ty)\}$ , with  $k \in [\frac{1}{3}, 1)$ .

By Theorem 3.2, and Example 2.1,  $A, B, S$  and  $T$  have a unique common fixed point  $z = 0$  with  $p(z, z) = p(0, 0) = 0$ .

By Theorem 3.2 and Examples 2.2-2.8 we can obtain new particular results.

### 4. Applications

**4.1. Coincidence and common fixed point for the mappings satisfying contractive conditions of integral type.** In [5], Branciari established the folowing theorem which opened the way of the study of fixed point for the mappings satisfying a contractive condition of integral type.

THEOREM 4.1. *Let  $(X, d)$  be a complete metric space,  $c \in (0, 1)$ , and  $f : X \rightarrow X$  a mapping such that for all  $x, y \in X$*

$$(4.1) \quad \int_0^{d(fx, fy)} h(t)dt \leq c \int_0^{d(x, y)} h(t)dt$$

where  $h : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  is a Lebesgue measurable mapping which is summable, (i.e. with finite integral) on each compact subset of  $[0, \infty)$  such that for  $\epsilon > 0, \int_0^\epsilon h(t)dt > 0$ . Then,  $f$  has a unique fixed point such that for all  $x \in X$ ,

$$(4.2) \quad z = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f^n(x)$$

LEMMA 4.1. *Let  $h : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  as in Theorem 4.1 then  $\psi(t) = \int_0^t h(x)dx$  is a weakly altering distance.*

PROOF. The proof follows by Lemma 2.5 from [20]. □

**THEOREM 4.2.** *Let  $(X, p)$  be a partial metric space and  $A, B, S$  and  $T$  be self mappings on  $X$  such that for all  $x, y \in X$*

$$F\left(\int_0^{p(Ax, By)} h(t)dt, \int_0^{p(Sx, Ty)} h(t)dt, \int_0^{p(Sx, Ax)} h(t)dt, \int_0^{p(Ty, By)} h(t)dt, \int_0^{p(Sx, By)} h(t)dt, \int_0^{p(Ty, Ax)} h(t)dt\right) \leq 0$$

where  $h(t)$  is as in Theorem (4.1), for some  $F \in F_{CP}$ . If  $(A, S)$  and  $T$  satisfy  $CRP_{(A,S)T}$ -property, then  $C(B, T) \neq \emptyset$ . Moreover, if  $(A, S)$  and  $(B, T)$  are weakly compatible, then,  $A, B, S, T$  have a unique common fixed point.

**PROOF.** Let  $\psi(t)$  be as in Lemma 4.1, then

$$\begin{aligned} \psi(p(Ax, By)) &= \int_0^{p(Ax, By)} h(t)dt, & \psi(p(Sx, Ty)) &= \int_0^{p(Sx, Ty)} h(t)dt, \\ \psi(p(Sx, Ax)) &= \int_0^{p(Sx, Ax)} h(t)dt, & \psi(p(By, Ty)) &= \int_0^{p(By, Ty)} h(t)dt, \\ \psi(p(Sx, By)) &= \int_0^{p(Sx, By)} h(t)dt, & \psi(p(Ax, Ty)) &= \int_0^{p(Ax, Ty)} h(t)dt. \end{aligned}$$

Then we obtain

$$F(\psi(p(Ax, By)), \psi(p(Sx, Ty)), \psi(p(Sx, Ax)), \psi(p(Ty, By)), \psi(p(Sx, By)), \psi(p(Ax, Ty))) \leq 0$$

which is Inequality (3.1) hence, the conditions of Theorem 3.1 are satisfied and Theorem 4.2 follows by Theorem 3.1.  $\square$

By Theorem 4.2 and Example 2.1 we obtain

**THEOREM 4.3.** *Let  $(X, p)$  be a partial metric space,  $A, B, S, T$  self mapping on  $X$  and  $h(t)$  as in Theorem 4.1 such that for all  $x, y \in X$*

$$\int_0^{p(Ax, By)} h(t)dt \leq k \max \left\{ \int_0^{p(Sx, Ty)} h(t)dt, \int_0^{p(Sx, Ax)} h(t)dt, \int_0^{p(By, Ty)} h(t)dt, \int_0^{p(Sx, By)} h(t)dt, \int_0^{p(Ax, Ty)} h(t)dt \right\}.$$

If  $(A, S)$  and  $T$  satisfy  $CRP_{(A,S)T}$ -property, then  $C(B, T) \neq \emptyset$ . Moreover, if  $(A, S)$  and  $(B, T)$  are weakly compatible, then,  $A, B, S, T$  have a unique common fixed point.

By Theorem 4.2 and Examples 2.2-2.8 we obtain many new particular results.

**4.2. Coincidence and common fixed point for the mappings satisfying  $\varphi$ -contractive condition.** As in [15], let  $\Phi$  be the set of nondecreasing continuous function  $\varphi : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  with  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \varphi^n(t) = 0$  for  $t \in [0, \infty)$ . If  $\varphi \in \Phi$  then

$$(\Phi 1) : \varphi(t) < t \text{ for } t > 0,$$

$$(\Phi 2) : \varphi(0) = 0.$$

In the following we denote by  $\Phi_C$  the set of all nondecreasing functions satisfying condition  $(\Phi 1)$  and  $(\Phi 2)$ .

The following function  $F(t_1, \dots, t_6) : \mathfrak{R}_+ \rightarrow \mathfrak{R}$  satisfying condition  $(F_1) - (F_4)$ .

**EXAMPLE 4.1.**  $F(t_1, \dots, t_6) = t_1 - \varphi(\max \{t_2, t_3, t_4, t_5, t_6\})$ .

**EXAMPLE 4.2.**  $F(t_1, \dots, t_6) = t_1 - \varphi(\max \{t_2, t_3, t_4, \frac{t_5+t_6}{2}\})$ .

EXAMPLE 4.3.  $F(t_1, \dots, t_6) = t_1 - \varphi(\max\{t_2, \frac{t_3+t_4}{2}, \frac{t_5+t_6}{2}\})$ .

EXAMPLE 4.4.  $F(t_1, \dots, t_6) = t_1 - \varphi(\max\{t_2, \sqrt{t_3t_4}, \sqrt{t_3t_5}, \sqrt{t_4t_6}, \sqrt{t_5t_6}\})$ .

EXAMPLE 4.5.  $F(t_1, \dots, t_6) = t_1 - \varphi(at_2 + bt_3 + ct_4 + dt_5 + et_6)$  where  $a, b, c, d, e \geq 0$  and  $a + b + c + d + e \leq 1$ .

EXAMPLE 4.6.  $F(t_1, \dots, t_6) = t_1 - \varphi(at_2 + b \max\{t_3, t_4\} + c \max\{t_5, t_6\})$  where  $a, b, c \geq 0$  and  $a + b + c \leq 1$ .

By Theorem 3.2 and Example 4.1 we obtain:

THEOREM 4.4. *Let  $A, B, S, T$  be self mapping on a partial metric space such that for all  $x, y \in X$*

*$p(Ax, By) \leq \varphi(\max\{p(Sx, Ty), p(Sx, Ax), p(Ty, By), p(Sx, By), p(Ax, Ty)\})$  where  $\varphi \in \Phi_C$ . If  $(A, S)$  and  $T$  satisfy  $CRP_{(A,S)T}$ -property, then  $C(B, T) \neq \emptyset$ . Moreover, if  $(A, S)$  and  $(B, T)$  are weakly compatible, then,  $A, B, S, T$  have a unique common fixed point.*

By Theorem 3.2 and Examples 4.2 - 4.6 we obtain new particular results.

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