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## A General Fixed Point Theorem for Weakly Compatible Mappings in Compact Metric Spaces

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### Abstract

A general fixed point theorem for weakly compatible mappings satisfying an implicit relation in compact metric spaces is proved generalizing the results by [1],[3],[13],[14] and others.

**Key words and phrases:** compact metric space, compatible mappings of type (A), compatible mappings of type (P), compatible mappings, weakly compatible mappings, implicit relation.

### 1. Introduction

Let  $S$  and  $T$  be self mappings of a metric space  $(X, d)$ . Sessa [11] defines  $S$  and  $T$  to be weakly commuting if  $d(STx, TSx) \leq d(Tx, Sx)$  for all  $x$  in  $X$ . Jungck [2] defines  $S$  and  $T$  to be compatible if

$$\lim d(STx_n, TSx_n) = 0$$

whenever  $\{x_n\}$  is a sequence in  $X$  such that

$$\lim Sx_n = \lim Tx_n = t$$

for some  $t \in X$ . Clearly, commuting mappings are weakly commuting and weakly commuting mappings are compatible, but neither implications is reversible [12 ,Ex.1] and

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[2,Ex.2.2]. Recently, Jungck et al. [5] defines S and T to be compatible of type (A) if

$$\lim d(TSx_n, SSx_n) = 0$$

and

$$\lim d(STx_n, TTx_n) = 0$$

whenever  $\{x_n\}$  is a sequence in X such that

$$\lim Sx_n = \lim Tx_n = t$$

for some  $t \in X$ . Clearly, weakly commuting mappings are compatible of type (A). By [5 ,Ex.2.2] follows that the implication is not reversible. By [5 ,Ex.2.1 and 2.2 ] follows that the notions of compatible mappings and compatible mappings of type (A) are independent. In [10] the concept of compatible mappings of type (P) was introduced and compared with compatible mappings of type (A) and compatible mappings. S and T are compatible of type (P) if

$$\lim d(SSx_n, TTx_n) = 0$$

whenever  $\{x_n\}$  is a sequence in X such that

$$\lim Sx_n = \lim Tx_n = t$$

for some  $t \in X$ .

Lemma 1 [2] (resp. [5],[9]). Let f and g be compatible (resp. compatible of type (A), compatible of type (P)) self mappings on a metric space (X,d). If  $f(t)=g(t)$  for some  $t \in X$ , then  $fg(t)=gf(t)$ .

Lemma 2 [5] (resp. [9] ). Let  $S, T : (X, d) \rightarrow (X, d)$  be continuous mappings. Then S and T are compatible if and only if they are compatible of type (A) (resp. compatible of type (P)).

In 1994 , Pant [6] introduced the notion of R-weakly commuting mappings. Two self mappings A and S of a metric space (X,d) are called R-weakly commuting at a point  $x \in X$  if  $d(ASx, SAs) \leq Rd(Ax, Sx)$  for some  $R > 0$ . The mappings A and S are called pointwise R-weakly commuting on X if given x in X there exists  $R > 0$  such that

$d(ASx, SAx) \leq Rd(Ax, Sx)$ . It is proved in [7] that the notion of pointwise R-weak commutativity is equivalent to commutativity in coincidence points.

Recently, Jungck [4] defined S and T to be weakly compatible if  $Sx=Tx$  implies  $STx=TSx$ . Thus S and T are weakly compatible if and only if S and T are pointwise R-weakly commuting mappings. However as shown in [8] there exist weakly compatible mappings which are not compatible.

By Lemma 1 it follows that if S and T are compatible (resp. compatible of type (A), compatible of type (P)) then S and T are weakly compatible.

The following example from [8] is an example of a weakly compatible mappings which are not compatible of type (A) (resp. compatible of type (P)).

Let  $X=[2,20]$  with the usual metric. Define

$$T = \begin{cases} 2 & \text{if } x = 2 \\ 12 + x & \text{if } 2 < x \leq 5 \\ x - 3 & \text{if } x > 5 \end{cases} ; S = \begin{cases} 2 & \text{if } x \in 2 \cup (5, 20] \\ 8 & \text{if } 2 < x \leq 5 \end{cases}$$

S and T are weakly compatible since they commute at their coincidence points. To see that S and T are not compatible of type (A) (resp. compatible of type (P)) let us consider a decreasing sequence  $\{x_n\}$  such that

$$\lim x_n = 5.$$

Then  $Tx_n = x_n - 3 \rightarrow 2$ ;  $Sx_n = 2$ ;  $STx_n = S(x_n - 3) = 8$  and  $TTx_n = T(x_n - 3) = 12 + x_n - 3 \rightarrow 14$ , that is

$$\lim d(STx_n, TTx_n) = 6 \neq 0$$

and hence S and T are noncompatible of type (A).  $SSx_n = S(2) = 2$  and

$$\lim d(SSx_n, TTx_n) = d(2, 14) = 12 \neq 0$$

and hence S and T are noncompatible of type (P).

**Lemma 3.** Two continuous self maps of a compact metric space are compatible (resp. compatible of type (A), compatible of type (P)) if and only if they are weakly compatible.

## 2. Implicit Relations

Let  $\mathcal{F}^*$  be the set of real functions  $F(t_1, \dots, t_6) : R_+^6 \rightarrow R$  satisfying the following conditions:

$(F_1^*) : F$  is non increasing in variables  $t_5$  and  $t_6$ ,

$(F_2^*) : \text{For every } u \geq 0, v > 0$

$$(F_a^*) : F(u, v, v, u, u + v, 0) < 0 \text{ or}$$

$$(F_b^*) : F(u, v, u, v, o, u + v) < 0$$

we have  $u < v$ .

$$(F_3^*) : F(u, u, o, o, u, u) \geq 0, \forall u > 0.$$

$$\text{Ex.1. } F(t_1, \dots, t_6) = t_1 - \max\{t_2, t_3, t_4, \frac{1}{2}(t_5 + t_6)\}.$$

$(F_1^*) : \text{Obviously.}$

$(F_2^*) : \text{Let } u > 0, v > 0 \text{ and } F(u, v, v, u, u + v, 0) = u - \max\{u, v, \frac{1}{2}(u + v)\} < 0. \text{ If } u \geq v, \text{ then } u < u, \text{ a contradiction. Thus } u < v. \text{ If } u = 0, v > 0, \text{ then } u < v.$

Similarly, if  $F(u, v, u, v, o, u + v) < 0$  then  $u < v$ .

$$(F_3^*) : F(u, u, o, o, u, u) = 0, \forall u > 0.$$

$$\text{Ex.2: } F(t_1, \dots, t_6) = t_1^2 - c_1 \max\{t_2^2, t_3^2, t_4^2\} - c_2 \max\{t_3 t_5, t_4 t_6\} - c_3 t_5 t_6$$

where  $c_1 + 2c_2 \leq 1, c_1 + c_3 \leq 1$  and  $c_1, c_2, c_3 \geq 0$ .

$(F_1^*) : \text{Obviously.}$

$(F_2^*) : \text{Let } u > 0, v > 0 \text{ and } F(u, v, v, u, u + v, o) = u^2 - c_1 \max\{u^2, v^2\} - c_2 \max\{v(u + v), 0\} < 0. \text{ If } u \geq v \text{ then } u^2(1 - (c_1 + 2c_2)) < 0, \text{ a contradiction. Thus } u < v. \text{ If } u = 0, v > 0, \text{ then } u < v.$

Similarly,  $F(u, v, u, v, o, u + v) < 0$  implies  $u < v$ .

$$(F_3^*) : F(u, u, 0, 0, u, u) = u^2(1 - (c_1 + c_3)) \geq 0, \forall u > 0.$$

$$\text{Ex.3. } F(t_1, \dots, t_6) = (1 + pt_2)t_1 - p \max\{t_3 t_4, t_5 t_6\} - \max\{t_2, t_3, t_4, \frac{1}{2}(t_5 + t_6)\}$$

where  $p > 0$ .

$(F_1^*) : \text{Obviously.}$

$$(F_2^*) : \text{Let } u > 0, v > 0 \text{ and } F(u, v, v, u, u + v, o) = (1 + pv)u - puv - \max\{u, v, \frac{1}{2}(u + v)\} < 0.$$

If  $u \geq v$ , then  $u < u$ , a contradiction. Hence  $u < v$ . If  $u = 0, v > 0$ , then  $u < v$ .

Similarly,  $F(u, v, u, v, o, u + v) < 0$  implies  $u < v$ .

$$(F_3^*) : F(u, u, o, o, u, u) = (1 + pu)u - pu^2 - u = 0, \forall u > 0.$$

Ex.4.  $F(t_1, \dots, t_6) = t_1 - \max\{t_2, t_3, t_4, \frac{1}{2}(t_5 + t_6), b\sqrt{t_5 t_6}\}$ , where  $0 < b < 1$ .

$(F_1^*)$  : Obviously.

$(F_2^*)$  : As in Ex.1.

$(F_3^*)$  :  $F(u, u, o, o, u, u) = u - \max\{u, bu\} = u(1 - b) \geq 0, \forall u > 0$ .

Ex.5.  $F(t_1, \dots, t_6) = t_1^3 - at_1^2 t_2 - bt_1 t_3 t_4 - ct_3^2 t_6 - dt_5 t_6^2$ , where  $a, b, c, d \geq 0$  and  $a+b+c+d < 1$ .

$(F_1^*)$  : Obviously.

$(F_2^*)$  : Let  $u > 0, v > 0$  and  $F(u, v, v, u, u+v, 0) = u^3 - au^2v - bu^2v = u^2(u - (a+b)v) < 0$  which implies  $u < (a+b)v < v$ . If  $u = 0, v > 0$  then  $u < v$ . Similary  $F(u, v, u, v, o, u+v) < 0$  implies  $u < v$ .

$(F_3)$  :  $F(u, u, o, o, u, u) = u^3(1 - (a + c + d)) \geq 0, \forall u > 0$

Ex.6.  $F(t_1, \dots, t_6) = t_1^3 - c \frac{t_3^2 t_4^2 + t_5^2 t_6^2}{t_2 + t_3 + t_4 + 1}$ , where  $c \in (0, 1)$ .

$(F_1^*)$  : Obviously.

$(F_2)$  : Let  $u > 0, v > 0$  and  $F(u, v, v, u, u, u+v, o) = u^3 - c \frac{u^2 v^2}{1+2v+u} < 0$ . Then  $u < \frac{cv^2}{2v+u+1} < cv < v$ . If  $u = 0, v > 0$  then  $u < v$ .

Similary, if  $F(u, v, u, v, o, u+v) < 0$  then  $u < v$ .

$(F_3)$  :  $F(u, u, o, o, u, u) = u^3 \frac{(1-c)u+1}{u+1} > 0, \forall u > 0$ .

### 3. Main Result

The following theorems are proved in [1] , [3] , [13] and [14] .

**Theorem 1.** [1]. Let  $(X, d)$  be a compact metric space and let  $S$  and  $T$  be continuous self maps of  $X$  satisfying

$$(1) (1 + pd(x, y))d(Sx, Ty) < p \max\{d(x, Sx)d(y, Ty), d(x, Ty)d(y, Sx)\} + \max\{d(x, y), d(x, Sx), d(y, Ty), \frac{1}{2}(d(x, Ty) + d(y, Sx))\}$$

for all  $x, y$  in  $X$  for which the right hand side of (1) is positive, where  $p \geq 0$ . Then  $S$  and  $T$  have a unique common fixed point.

**Theorem 2.** [2]. Let  $A, B, S, T$  be continuous self mappings of a compact metric space with  $A(X) \subset T(X)$  and  $B(X) \subset S(X)$ . If  $\{A, S\}$  and  $\{B, T\}$  are compatible pairs and

$$(2) d(Ax, By) < \max\{d(Sx, Ty), d(Ax, Sx), d(By, Ty), \frac{1}{2}(d(Ax, Ty) + d(By, Sx))\}$$

for all  $x, y$  in  $X$  for which the right hand side of (2) is positive. Than  $A, B, S, T$  have a unique common fixed point.

**Theorem 3.** [13]. Let A,B,S and T be continuous self maps of a compact metric space (X,d) with  $A(X) \subset T(X)$  and  $B(X) \subset S(X)$ . If  $\{A, S\}$  and  $\{B, T\}$  are compatible pairs and

$$(3) \quad d^2(Ax, By) < c \max\{d^2(Sx, Ax), d^2(Ty, By), d^2(Sx, Ty)\}, \frac{1}{2}(1 - c) \max\{d(Sx, Ax)d(Sx, By), d(Ax, Ty)d(By, Ty)\} + (1 - c)d(Sx, By)d(Ty, Ax)$$

for all x,y in X for which the right hand side of (3) is positive, where  $c \in (0, 1)$ . Then A,B,S and T have a common fixed point z.

Further, z is the unique common fixed point of A and S and of B and T.

**Theorem 4.** [14]. Let S and T be continuous self mappings of a compact metric space (X,d) satisfying inequality

$$(4) \quad d(Sx, Ty) < \max\{d(x, y), d(x, Sx), d(y, Ty), \frac{1}{2}d(x, Ty) + d(y, Sx)\}, \\ b\sqrt{d(x, Ty)d(y, Sx)}$$

for all x,y in X for which the right hand side of (4) is positive, where  $b > 0$ . Then S and T have a common fixed point. Further, if  $b < 1$ , then the common fixed point is unique.

The purpose of this paper is to prove a general fixed point theorem for weakly compatible mappings in compact metric spaces which generalizes Theorems 1-4 and others.

**Theorem 5.** Let f,g,I,J be self maps of a compact metric space (X,d) such that:

$$(a) \quad f(X) \subset J(X) \text{ and } g(X) \subset I(X),$$

$$(b) \quad F(d(fx, gy), d(Ix, Jy), d(Ix, fx), d(Jy, gy), d(Ix, gy), d(Jy, fy)) < 0$$

for all x,y in X for which one of  $d(Ix, Jy), d(Ix, fx), d(Jy, gy)$  is positive, where  $F \in \mathcal{F}^*$

(c) The pair  $\{f, I\}$  is compatible (resp. compatible of type (A), compatible of type (P)) and the pair  $\{g, J\}$  is weakly compatible,

(d) The functions f and I are continuous,

then f,g,I and J have a unique common fixed point z. Further z is the unique common fixed point of f and I and of g and J.

**Proof.** Let  $m = \inf\{d(fx, Ix) : x \in X\}$ . Since X is compact metric space there is a convergent sequence  $\{x_n\}$  with

$$\lim x_n = x_0$$

in  $X$  such that

$$\lim d(Ix_n, fx_n) = m.$$

Since

$$d(Ix_0, fx_0) \leq d(Ix_0, Ix_n) + d(Ix_n, fx_n) + d(fx_n, fx_0)$$

then by continuity of  $f$  and  $I$  and

$$\lim x_n = x_0$$

we get  $d(Ix_0, fx_0) \leq m$  and thus  $d(Ix_0, fx_0) = m$ .

Since  $f(X) \subset J(X)$ , there exists a point  $y_0$  in  $X$  such that  $Jy_0 = fx_0$  and thus  $d(Ix_0, Jy_0) = m$ . Suppose that  $m > 0$ . Then by (b) we have successively

$$F(d(fx_0, gy_0), d(Ix_0, Jy_0), d(Ix_0, fx_0), d(Jy_0, gy_0), d(Ix_0, gy_0), d(Jy_0, fx_0)) < 0$$

$$F(d(Jy_0, gy_0), m, m, d(Jy_0, gy_0), d(Ix_0, Jy_0) + d(Jy_0, gy_0), 0) < 0$$

$$F(d(Jy_0, gy_0), m, m, d(Jy_0, gy_0), m + d(Jy_0, gy_0), 0) < 0$$

By  $(F_a^*)$  follows that

$$(5)d(Jy_0, gy_0) < m.$$

Since  $g(X) \subset I(X)$ , then there is a point  $z_0$  in  $X$  such that  $Iz_0 = gy_0$  and thus  $d(Iz_0, Jy_0) < m$ . Since  $d(Iz_0, fz_0) \geq m > 0$ , by (b), we have

$$F(d(fz_0, gy_0), d(Iz_0, Jy_0), d(Iz_0, fz_0), d(Jy_0, gy_0), d(Iz_0, gy_0), d(Jy_0, fz_0)) < 0$$

$$F(d(Iz_0, fz_0), d(Jy_0, gy_0), d(Iz_0, fz_0), d(Jy_0, g(y_0)), 0, d(Jy_0, gy_0) + d(gy_0, fz_0)) < 0$$

$$F(d(Iz_0, fz_0), d(Jy_0, gy_0), d(Iz_0, fz_0), d(Jy_0, g(y_0)), 0, d(Jy_0, gy_0) + d(Iz_0, fz_0)) < 0$$

By  $(F_b^*)$  follows that

$$(6)d(Iz_0, fz_0) < d(Jy_0, gy_0).$$

Then, by (5) and (6) we obtain

$$m \leq d(Iz_0, fz_0) < d(Jy_0, gy_0) < m. \text{ Thus } m < m, \text{ a contradiction.}$$

Therefore,  $m = 0$  which implies

$$(7)Ix_0 = Jy_0 = fx_0.$$



If  $d(Jy_0, gy_0) > 0$ , then by (b) we have successively

$$F(d(fx_0, gy_0), d(Ix_0, Jy_0), d(Ix_0, fx_0), d(Jy_0, gy_0), d(Ix_0, gy_0), d(Jy_0, fx_0)) < 0,$$

$$F(d(Jy_0, gy_0), 0, 0, d(Jy_0, gy_0), d(Jy_0, gy_0), 0) < 0$$

which implies by  $(F_a^*)$  that  $d(Jy_0, gy_0) < 0$ , a contradiction. Thus  $d(Jy_0, gy_0) = 0$ , which implies  $Jy_0 = gy_0$ . Therefore,

$$(8)Ix_0 = fx_0 = Jy_0 = gy_0.$$

Since I and f are compatible (resp.compatible of type (A), compatible of type (P)) and  $Ix_0 = fx_0$ , by Lemma 1  $Ifx_0 = fIx_0$ . By (8)

$$f^2x_0 = fIx_0 = Ifx_0 = I^2x_0.$$

If  $I^2x_0 \neq Ix_0$  then  $Ifx_0 \neq Jy_0$  and by (b) we have successively

$$F(d(f^2x_0, gy_0), d(Ifx_0, Jy_0), d(Ifx_0, f^2x_0), d(Jy_0, gy_0), d(Ifx_0, gy_0), d(Jy_0, Ifx_0)) < 0,$$

$$F(d(f^2x_0, Ix_0), d(I^2x_0, Ix_0), 0, 0, d(I^2x_0, Ix_0), d(I^2x_0, Ix_0)) < 0$$

a contradiction of  $(F_3^*)$ . Therefore,  $Ix_0 = I^2x_0$ . Hence

$$(9)fIx_0 = Ix_0 = I^2x_0.$$

Similary, we have

$$(10)gJy_0 = Jy_0 = J^2y_0.$$

Let  $u = Ix_0 = Jy_0$ . Then  $fu = fIx_0 = Ifx_0 = I^2x_0 = Iu$ , which implies  $fu = Iu$ .

Similary,  $gu = Ju$ . Since  $u = Ix_0 = I^2x_0$ , then  $Iu = u$ . Similary,  $Ju = u$ . Therefore,

$$(11)f(u) = u = Iu = Ju = gu$$

and u is a common fixed point of f,g,I and J.

Suppose that g and J have another common fixed point  $v \neq u$ , then  $d(u, v) \neq 0$  and by (b) we have successively

$$F(d(fu, gv), d(Iu, Jv), d(Iu, fu), d(Jv, gv), d(Iu, gv), d(Jv, fu)) < 0$$

$$F(d(u, v), d(u, v), 0, 0, d(u, v), d(u, v)) < 0, \text{ a contradiction of } (F_3^*).$$

Thus  $u = v$ . Similarly, u is unique common fixed point of f and I.

**Corollary 1.** Let f,g,I,J be self maps of a compact metric space (X,d) such that  
 $a)f(X) \subset J(X)$  and  $g(X) \subset I(X)$ ,

$$(b')(1 + pd(Ix, Jy))d(fx, gy) < p \max\{d(Ix, fx)d(Jy, gy), d(Ix, gy)d(Jy, fx)\} \\ + \max\{d(Ix, Jy), d(Ix, fx), d(Jy, gy), \frac{1}{2}(d(Ix, gy) + d(Jy, fx))\}$$

for all  $x, y$  in  $X$  for which the right hand side of (b') is positive, where  $p > 0$ .

c) the pair  $\{f, I\}$  is compatible (resp. compatible of type (A), compatible of type (P))

and the pair  $\{g, J\}$  is weakly compatible,

d)  $f$  and  $I$  are continuous,

then  $f, g, I$  and  $J$  have a unique common fixed point.

**Proof.** Follows from Theorem 5 and Ex.3.

**Remark.** If  $I = J = id$ , by Corollary 1, Theorem 1 follows.

**Corollary 2.** Theorem 2.

**Proof.** Follows from Theorem 5 and Ex.1.

**Corollary 3.** Theorem 3.

**Proof.** Follows from Theorem 5 and Ex.2 for  $c_1 = c$ ,  $c_2 = \frac{1}{2}(1 - c)$ ,  $c_3 = 1 - c$

**Corollary 4.** Theorem 4.

**Proof.** Follows from Theorem 5 and Ex.4 if  $f = S$ ,  $g = T$  and  $I = J = id$ .

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