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# Common Fixed Point Theorems for $\alpha$ - $\psi$ -Contractive Type Mappings

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Recently, Samet et al. (2012) introduced the notion of  $\alpha$ - $\psi$ -contractive type mappings. They established some fixed point theorems for these mappings in complete metric spaces. In this paper, we introduce the notion of a coupled  $\alpha$ - $\psi$ -contractive mapping and give a common fixed point result about the mapping. Also, we give a result of common fixed points of some coupled self-maps on complete metric spaces satisfying a contractive condition.

## 1. Introduction

We know fixed point theory has many applications and was extended by several authors from different views (see, e.g., [1–33]). Recently, Samet et al. introduced the notion of  $\alpha$ - $\psi$ -contractive type mappings [3]. Denote with  $\Psi$  the family of nondecreasing functions  $\psi : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  such that  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \psi^n(t) < \infty$  for all  $t > 0$ , where  $\psi^n$  is the  $n$ th iterate of  $\psi$ . It is known that  $\psi(t) < t$  for all  $t > 0$  and  $\psi \in \Psi$  [3]. Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space,  $T$  a self map on  $X$ ,  $\psi \in \Psi$  and  $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ . Then,  $T$  is called a  $\alpha$ - $\psi$ -contractive mapping whenever  $\alpha(x, y)d(Tx, Ty) \leq \psi(d(x, y))$  for all  $x, y \in X$ . Also, we say that  $T$  is  $\alpha$ -admissible whenever  $\alpha(x, y) \geq 1$  implies  $\alpha(Tx, Ty) \geq 1$  for all  $x, y \in X$  [3]. Also, we say that  $X$  has the property  $(B_\alpha)$  if  $\{x_n\}$  is a sequence in  $X$  such that  $\alpha(x_n, x_{n+1}) \geq 1$  for all  $n \geq 1$  and  $x_n \rightarrow x$ , then  $\alpha(x_n, x) \geq 1$  for all  $n \geq 1$ . Let  $(X, d)$  be a complete metric space and let  $T$  a  $\alpha$ -admissible  $\alpha$ - $\psi$ -contractive mapping on  $X$ . Suppose that there exists  $x_0 \in X$  such that  $\alpha(x_0, Tx_0) \geq 1$ . If  $T$  is continuous or  $X$  has the property  $(B_\alpha)$ , then  $T$  has a fixed point (see [3]; Theorems 2.1 and 2.2). Finally, we say that  $X$  has the property  $(H_\alpha)$  whenever for each  $x, y \in X$  there exists  $z \in X$  such that  $\alpha(x, z) \geq 1$  and  $\alpha(y, z) \geq 1$ . If  $X$  has the property  $(H_\alpha)$  in the Theorems 2.1 and 2.2, then  $X$  has a unique fixed point ([3]; Theorem 2.3). It is considerable that the results of Samet et al. generalize similar ordered results in the literature (see the results of the third section [3]). The aim

of this paper is introducing the notion of generalized coupled  $\alpha$ - $\psi$ -contractive mappings and give a common fixed point result about the mappings.

*Definition 1.* Let  $\mathcal{F}$  the family of functions  $f : [0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  satisfy:

- (i)  $f(0) = 0$  and  $f(t) > 0$  for all  $t \in (0, +\infty)$ ;
- (ii)  $f$  is continuous;
- (iii)  $f$  is nondecreasing on  $[0, +\infty)$ ;
- (iv)  $f(t_1 + t_2) \leq f(t_1) + f(t_2)$  for all  $t_1, t_2 \in (0, +\infty)$ .

*Definition 2.* Let  $\Psi$  the family of functions  $\psi : [0, +\infty) \rightarrow [0, +\infty)$  satisfy

- ( $\psi_1$ )  $\psi$  is nondecreasing;
- ( $\psi_2$ )  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \psi^n(t) < \infty$ , for all  $t \in (0, +\infty)$ .

These functions are known in the literature as (c)-comparison functions. It is easily proved that if  $\psi$  is a (c)-comparison function, then  $\psi(t) < t$  for all  $t > 0$ .

*Definition 3.* Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space, and let  $T, S : X \rightarrow X$  with given coupled mappings. Let  $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow [0, +\infty)$ ,  $f \in \mathcal{F}$ ,  $\psi \in \Psi$ , and let

$$\begin{aligned}
 m(Ax, By) &= \max \left\{ d(x, y), d(x, Ax), d(y, By), \right. \\
 &\quad \left. \frac{1}{2} [d(x, By) + d(y, Ax)] \right\}, \tag{1}
 \end{aligned}$$

for all coupled mappings  $A, B : X \rightarrow X$  and  $x, y \in X$ . One says that  $T, S$  are generalized coupled  $\alpha$ - $\psi$ -contractive mappings whenever

$$\begin{aligned}
 \alpha(x, y) f(d(Tx, Sy)) &\leq \psi(f(m(Tx, Sy))), \\
 \alpha(x, y) f(d(Sx, Ty)) &\leq \psi(f(m(Sx, Ty))), \tag{2}
 \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x, y \in X$ .

*Definition 4.* Let  $T, S : X \rightarrow X$ , and let  $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow [0, +\infty)$ . One says that  $T, S$  are coupled  $\alpha$ -admissible if

$$\alpha(x, y) \geq 1 \implies \alpha(Tx, Sy) \geq 1 \quad \text{or} \quad \alpha(Sx, Ty) \geq 1 \tag{3}$$

for all  $x, y \in X$ .

*Definition 5.* Let  $(X, d)$  be a complete metric space. For two subsets  $A, B$  of  $X$ , one marks  $A \leq B$ , if for all  $a \in A$ , there exists  $b \in B$  such that  $a \leq b$ .

*Definition 6.* A partial metric on a nonempty set  $X$  is a function  $\rho : X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$  such that for all  $x, y, z \in X$ :

- ( $\rho_1$ )  $x = y \iff \rho(x, x) = \rho(x, y) = \rho(y, y)$ ;
- ( $\rho_2$ )  $\rho(x, x) \leq \rho(x, y)$ ;
- ( $\rho_3$ )  $\rho(x, y) = \rho(y, x)$ ;
- ( $\rho_4$ )  $\rho(x, y) \leq \rho(x, z) + \rho(y, z) - \rho(z, z)$ .

A partial metric space is a pair  $(X, \rho)$  such that  $X$  is a nonempty set, and  $\rho$  is a partial metric on  $X$ . It is clear that if  $\rho(x, y) = 0$ , then from ( $\rho_1$ ) and ( $\rho_2$ ),  $x = y$ . But if  $x = y$ ,  $\rho(x, y)$  may not be 0. A basic example of a partial metric is the pair  $(\mathbb{R}^+, \rho)$ , where  $\rho(x, y) = \max\{x, y\}$  for all  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^+$ . If  $\rho$  is a partial metric on  $X$ , then the function  $\rho^s : X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$  given by  $\rho^s(x, y) = 2\rho(x, y) - \rho(x, x) - \rho(y, y)$  is a metric on  $X$ .

*Example 7.* Let  $X = \mathbb{R}$  endowed with the standard metric  $d(x, y) = |x - y|$  for all  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$ . Define the coupled mappings  $T, S : X \rightarrow X$  by

$$\begin{aligned}
 Tx &= \begin{cases} x + 1, & \text{if } x > 1, \\ x^2, & \text{if } 0 \leq x \leq 1, \\ 0, & \text{if } x < 0, \end{cases} \\
 Sx &= \begin{cases} x - 1, & \text{if } x > 1, \\ x^3, & \text{if } 0 \leq x \leq 1, \\ 0, & \text{if } x < 0. \end{cases} \tag{4}
 \end{aligned}$$

We define the mapping  $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow [0, +\infty)$  by

$$\alpha(x, y) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } x, y \in [0, 1], \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases} \tag{5}$$

If

$$\begin{aligned}
 \alpha(x, y) \geq 1 &\implies x, y \in [0, 1] \implies x^2, y^3 \in [0, 1] \implies \alpha(Tx, Sy) \\
 &= \alpha(x^2, y^3) = 1. \tag{6}
 \end{aligned}$$

Similarly,  $\alpha(x, y) \geq 1 \implies \alpha(Sx, Ty) \geq 1$ . This shows that  $T, S$  are coupled  $\alpha$ -admissible.

**Lemma 8.** Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space. Suppose that  $T, S : X \rightarrow X$  are generalized coupled  $\alpha$ - $\psi$ -contractive mappings. Then,  $\mathcal{F}(T) = \mathcal{F}(S)$ .

*Proof.* We first show that any fixed point of  $T$  is also a fixed point of  $S$  and conversely. Define  $\alpha(x, y) = 1$  for all  $x, y \in X$ . Since  $\mathcal{F}(T) \neq \mathcal{F}(S)$ , we may assume there exists  $x^* \in X$  such that  $x^* \in \mathcal{F}(T)$ , but  $x^* \notin \mathcal{F}(S)$ . Since  $d(x^*, Sx^*) > 0$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 m(Tx^*, Sx^*) &= \max \left\{ d(x^*, x^*), d(x^*, Tx^*), d(x^*, Sx^*), \right. \\
 &\quad \left. \frac{1}{2} [d(x^*, Sx^*) + d(x^*, Tx^*)] \right\} \\
 &= d(x^*, Sx^*), \\
 f(d(x^*, Sx^*)) &= f(d(Tx^*, Sx^*)) \\
 &\leq \alpha(x^*, x^*) f(d(Tx^*, Sx^*)) \\
 &\leq \psi(f(m(Tx^*, Sx^*))) \\
 &\leq \psi(f(d(x^*, Sx^*))) \\
 &< f(d(x^*, Sx^*)). \tag{7}
 \end{aligned}$$

This contradiction establishes that  $\mathcal{F}(T) \subseteq \mathcal{F}(S)$ . A similar argument establishes the reverse containment, and therefore  $\mathcal{F}(T) = \mathcal{F}(S)$ .  $\square$

## 2. Main Results

Now, we are ready to state and prove our main results.

**Theorem 9.** Let  $(X, d)$  be a complete metric space. Suppose that  $T, S : X \rightarrow X$  are generalized coupled  $\alpha$ - $\psi$ -contractive mappings and satisfy the following conditions:

- (i)  $T, S$  are coupled  $\alpha$ -admissible;
- (ii) there exists  $x_0 \in X$  such that  $\alpha(x_0, Tx_0) \geq 1$ ; or
- (ii)\* there exists  $x_0 \in X$  such that  $\alpha(x_0, Tx_0) \geq 1$ ;
- (iii)  $T$  or  $S$  is continuous.

Then  $T, S$  have common fixed point  $x^* \in X$ . Further, for each  $x_0 \in X$ , the iterated sequence  $\{x_n\}$  with  $x_{2n+1} = Tx_{2n}$  and  $x_{2n+2} = Sx_{2n+1}$  converges to the common fixed point of  $T, S$ .

*Proof.* By Lemma 8, we have  $\mathcal{F}(T) = \mathcal{F}(S)$ . Let  $x_0 \in X$  such that  $\alpha(x_0, Tx_0) \geq 1$ . Define the sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $X$  by  $x_{2n+1} = Tx_{2n}$  and  $x_{2n+2} = Sx_{2n+1}$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$ . If  $x_{n_0} = x_{n_0+1}$  for some  $n_0 > 1$ , then  $x^* = x_{n_0}$  are a common fixed point for  $T, S$ . So, we can assume that  $x_{2n} \neq Tx_{2n}$  and  $x_{2n+1} \neq Sx_{2n+1}$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$ . Since  $T, S$  are coupled  $\alpha$ -admissible, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha(x_0, x_1) &= \alpha(x_0, Tx_0) \geq 1 \implies \alpha(Tx_0, Sx_1) \\ &= \alpha(x_1, x_2) \geq 1 \implies \alpha(Sx_1, Tx_2) = \alpha(x_2, x_3) \geq 1. \end{aligned} \tag{8}$$

Inductively, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}) &\geq 1, \\ \alpha(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2}) &\geq 1, \end{aligned} \tag{9}$$

for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$ . We obtain

$$\begin{aligned} f(d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2})) &= f(d(Tx_{2n}, Sx_{2n+1})) \\ &\leq \alpha(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}) f(d(Tx_{2n}, Sx_{2n+1})) \\ &\leq \psi(f(m(Tx_{2n}, Sx_{2n+1}))). \end{aligned} \tag{10}$$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned} m(Tx_{2n}, Sx_{2n+1}) &= \max \left\{ d(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}), d(x_{2n}, Tx_{2n}), d(x_{2n+1}, Sx_{2n+1}), \right. \\ &\quad \left. \frac{1}{2} [d(x_{2n}, Sx_{2n+1}) + d(x_{2n+1}, Tx_{2n})] \right\} \\ &= \max \left\{ d(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}), d(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}), d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2}), \right. \\ &\quad \left. \frac{1}{2} [d(x_{2n}, x_{2n+2}) + d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+1})] \right\} \\ &\leq \max \left\{ d(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}), d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2}), \right. \\ &\quad \left. \frac{1}{2} [d(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}) + d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2}) + 0] \right\} \\ &= \max \{d(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}), d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2})\} \end{aligned} \tag{11}$$

if

$$\max \{d(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}), d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2})\} = d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2}). \tag{12}$$

So, in general,

$$\begin{aligned} f(d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2})) &\leq \psi(f(d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2}))) \\ &< f(d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2})), \end{aligned} \tag{13}$$

which is a contradiction since  $d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2}) > 0$ . Thus,

$$f(d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2})) \leq \psi(f(d(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}))). \tag{14}$$

Similarly, if

$$f(d(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1})) \leq \psi(f(d(x_{2n-1}, x_{2n}))), \tag{15}$$

we have

$$f(d(x_n, x_{n+1})) \leq \psi(f(d(x_{n-1}, x_n))), \tag{16}$$

for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$ . By induction, we get

$$\begin{aligned} f(d(x_n, x_{n+1})) &\leq \psi(\psi(f(d(x_{n-2}, x_{n-1})))) \\ &\leq \dots \leq \psi^n(f(d(x_0, x_1))), \end{aligned} \tag{17}$$

for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$ . Fix  $\epsilon > 0$ , and let  $n(\epsilon) \in \mathbb{N}_0$  such that

$$\sum_{n=n(\epsilon)}^{\infty} \psi^n(f(d(x_0, x_1))) < \epsilon. \tag{18}$$

Let  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}_0$  with  $m > n > n(\epsilon)$ . Using the triangle inequality, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} f(d(x_n, x_m)) &\leq \sum_{k=n}^{m-1} f(d(x_k, x_{k+1})) \\ &\leq \sum_{k=n}^{m-1} \psi^k(f(d(x_0, x_1))) \\ &\leq \sum_{n=n(\epsilon)}^{\infty} \psi^n(f(d(x_0, x_1))) < \epsilon. \end{aligned} \tag{19}$$

Thus we proved that  $\{x_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence in the metric space  $(X, d)$ .

Since  $(X, d)$  is a complete metric space, there exists  $x^* \in X$  such that  $x_n \rightarrow x^*$  as  $n \rightarrow +\infty$ . From the continuity of  $T$ , it follows that  $x_{2n+1} = Tx_{2n} \rightarrow Tx^*$  as  $n \rightarrow +\infty$ , then  $x^* = Tx^*$ . Similarly if  $S$  is continuous, we have  $x^* = Sx^*$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 10.** Let  $(X, d)$  be a complete metric space. Suppose that  $T : X \rightarrow X$  is a generalized  $\alpha$ - $\psi$ -contractive mapping and satisfies the following conditions:

- (i)  $T$  is  $\alpha$ -admissible;
- (ii) there exists  $x_0 \in X$  such that  $\alpha(x_0, Tx_0) \geq 1$ ; or
- (ii)\* there exists  $x_0 \in X$  such that  $\alpha(x_0, Tx_0) \geq 1$ ;
- (iii)  $T$  is continuous.

Then,  $T$  has a fixed point  $x^* \in X$ . Further, for each  $x_0 \in X$ , the iterated sequence  $\{x_n\}$  with  $x_{n+1} = Tx_n$  converges to the fixed point of  $T$ .

*Example 11.* Let  $X = \mathbb{R}$  endowed with the standard metric  $d(x, y) = |x - y|$  for all  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$ . Define the coupled mappings  $T, S : X \rightarrow X$  by

$$Tx = \begin{cases} 2x - \frac{3}{2}, & \text{if } x > 1, \\ \frac{x}{2}, & \text{if } 0 \leq x \leq 1, \\ 0, & \text{if } x < 0, \end{cases} \tag{20}$$

$$Sx = \begin{cases} 2x - \frac{5}{3}, & \text{if } x > 1, \\ \frac{x}{2}, & \text{if } 0 \leq x \leq 1, \\ 0, & \text{if } x < 0. \end{cases}$$

We define the mapping  $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow [0, +\infty)$  by

$$\alpha(x, y) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } x, y \in [0, 1], \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases} \tag{21}$$

If  $f(t) = t$  and  $\psi(t) = (1/2)t$  for all  $t \geq 0$ , we have

$$\alpha(x, y) f(d(Tx, Sy)) = \begin{cases} f(d(Tx, Sy)), & \text{if } x, y \in [0, 1], \\ 0, & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

$$\alpha(x, y) f(d(Tx, Sy)) \leq f(d(Tx, Sy))$$

$$= \left| \frac{x}{2} - \frac{y}{2} \right| \leq \frac{1}{2} |x - y| \leq \psi(f(m(Tx, Sy))), \tag{22}$$

for all  $x, y \in X$ . Thus,  $T, S$  are generalized coupled  $\alpha$ - $\psi$ -contractive mappings. Moreover, there exists  $x_0 \in X$  such that  $\alpha(x_0, Tx_0) \geq 1$ . In fact, for  $x_0 = 1$ , we have  $\alpha(1, T1) = 1$ . Obviously,  $T$  is continuous, and so it remains to show that  $T, S$  are coupled  $\alpha$ -admissible. To do so, let  $x, y \in X$  such that  $\alpha(x, y) \geq 1$ . This implies that  $x, y \in [0, 1]$  by the definition of  $\alpha$ . We then have  $Tx \in [0, 1], Sy \in [0, 1]$  and  $\alpha(Tx, Sy) = 1$ . Then,  $T, S$  are coupled  $\alpha$ -admissible. Now, all the hypotheses of Theorem 9 are satisfied.

Consequently,  $T, S$  have common fixed points. In this example, 0 is at least one common fixed point of  $T$  and  $S$ .

Now, we omit the continuity hypothesis of  $T$  and  $S$ .

**Theorem 12.** Let  $(X, d)$  be a complete metric space. Suppose that  $T, S : X \rightarrow X$  are generalized coupled  $\alpha$ - $\psi$ -contractive mappings and satisfy the following conditions:

- (i)  $T, S$  are coupled  $\alpha$ -admissible;
- (ii) there exists  $x_0 \in X$  such that  $\alpha(x_0, Tx_0) \geq 1$ ; or
- (ii)\* there exists  $x_0 \in X$  such that  $\alpha(x_0, Tx_0) \geq 1$ ;
- (iii) if  $\{x_n\}$  is a sequence in  $X$  such that  $\alpha(x_n, x_{n+1}) \geq 1$  for all  $n$  and  $x_n \rightarrow x \in X$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , then there exists a subsequence  $\{x_{n(k)}\}$  of  $\{x_n\}$  such that  $\alpha(x_{n(k)}, x) \geq 1$  for all  $k$ ; or
- (iii)\* if  $\{x_n\}$  is a sequence in  $X$  such that  $\alpha(x_{n+1}, x_n) \geq 1$  for all  $n$  and  $x_n \rightarrow x \in X$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , then there exists

a subsequence  $\{x_{n(k)}\}$  of  $\{x_n\}$  such that  $\alpha(x, x_{n(k)}) \geq 1$  for all  $k$ .

Then,  $T, S$  have common fixed point  $x^* \in X$ . Further, for each  $x_0 \in X$ , the iterated sequence  $\{x_n\}$  with  $x_{2n+1} = Tx_{2n}$  and  $x_{2n+2} = Sx_{2n+1}$  converges to the common fixed point of  $T, S$ .

*Proof.* Following the proof of Theorem 9, we know that  $\{x_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence in the complete metric space  $(X, d)$ . Then, there exists  $x^* \in X$  such that  $x_n \rightarrow x^*$  as  $n \rightarrow +\infty$ . From Theorem 9 and condition (iii), there exists a subsequence  $\{x_{n(k)}\}$  of  $\{x_n\}$  such that  $\alpha(x_{2n(k)}, x^*) \geq 1$  for all  $k$ .

Applying Theorem 9, for all  $k$ , we get that

$$f(d(x_{2n(k)+1}, Sx^*)) = f(d(Tx_{2n(k)}, Sx^*))$$

$$\leq \alpha(x_{2n(k)}, x^*) d(Tx_{2n(k)}, Sx^*) \tag{23}$$

$$\leq \psi(f(m(Tx_{2n(k)}, Sx^*))).$$

On the other hand, we have

$$m(Tx_{2n(k)}, Sx^*)$$

$$= \max \left\{ d(x_{2n(k)}, x^*), d(x_{2n(k)}, Tx_{2n(k)}), \right.$$

$$d(x^*, Sx^*),$$

$$\left. \frac{1}{2} [d(x_{2n(k)}, Sx^*) + d(x^*, Tx_{2n(k)})] \right\}. \tag{24}$$

Letting  $k \rightarrow +\infty$ , in the above equality, we get that

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} m(Tx_{2n(k)}, Sx^*) = d(x^*, Sx^*). \tag{25}$$

Suppose that  $d(x^*, Sx^*) > 0$ . From (25), for  $k$  large enough, we have  $m(Tx_{2n(k)}, Sx^*) > 0$ , which implies that

$$\psi(f(m(Tx_{2n(k)}, Sx^*))) < f(m(Tx_{2n(k)}, Sx^*)). \tag{26}$$

Thus, from (23), we have  $f(d(x_{2n(k)+1}, Sx^*)) < m(Tx_{2n(k)}, Sx^*)$ . Letting  $k \rightarrow \infty$  in the above inequality, and using (25), we obtain that  $f(d(x^*, Sx^*)) < f(d(x^*, Sx^*))$  which is a contradiction. Thus, we have  $d(x^*, Sx^*) = 0$ ; that is,  $x^* = Sx^*$ . Similarly, it can be shown that  $x^* = Tx^*$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 13.** Let  $(X, d)$  be a complete metric space. Suppose that  $T : X \rightarrow X$  is generalized  $\alpha$ - $\psi$ -contractive mapping and satisfies the following conditions:

- (i)  $T$  is  $\alpha$ -admissible;
- (ii) there exists  $x_0 \in X$  such that  $\alpha(x_0, Tx_0) \geq 1$ ; or
- (ii)\* there exists  $x_0 \in X$  such that  $\alpha(x_0, Tx_0) \geq 1$ ;
- (iii) if  $\{x_n\}$  is a sequence in  $X$  such that  $\alpha(x_n, x_{n+1}) \geq 1$  for all  $n$  and  $x_n \rightarrow x \in X$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , then there exists a subsequence  $\{x_{n(k)}\}$  of  $\{x_n\}$  such that  $\alpha(x_{n(k)}, x) \geq 1$  for all  $k$ ; or
- (iii)\* if  $\{x_n\}$  is a sequence in  $X$  such that  $\alpha(x_{n+1}, x_n) \geq 1$  for all  $n$  and  $x_n \rightarrow x \in X$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , then there exists a subsequence  $\{x_{n(k)}\}$  of  $\{x_n\}$  such that  $\alpha(x, x_{n(k)}) \geq 1$  for all  $k$ .

Then,  $T$  has a fixed point  $x^* \in X$ . Further, for each  $x_0 \in X$ , the iterated sequence  $\{x_n\}$  with  $x_{n+1} = Tx_n$  converges to the fixed point of  $T$ .

*Example 14.* Let  $X = \mathbb{R}$  endowed with the standard metric  $d(x, y) = |x - y|$  for all  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$ . Define the coupled mappings  $T, S : X \rightarrow X$  by

$$Tx = \begin{cases} 2x - \frac{3}{4}, & \text{if } x > 1, \\ \frac{x}{2}, & \text{if } 0 \leq x \leq 1, \\ 0, & \text{if } x < 0, \end{cases} \tag{27}$$

$$Sx = \begin{cases} 2x - \frac{5}{6}, & \text{if } x > 1, \\ \frac{x}{2}, & \text{if } 0 \leq x \leq 1, \\ 0, & \text{if } x < 0. \end{cases}$$

We define the mapping  $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow [0, +\infty)$  by

$$\alpha(x, y) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } x, y \in [0, 1], \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases} \tag{28}$$

If  $f(t) = t$  and  $\psi(t) = (1/2)t$  for all  $t \geq 0$ , we have

$$\alpha(x, y) f(d(Tx, Sy)) = \begin{cases} f(d(Tx, Sy)), & \text{if } x, y \in [0, 1], \\ 0, & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

$$\alpha(x, y) f(d(Tx, Sy)) \leq f(d(Tx, Sy))$$

$$= \left| \frac{x}{2} - \frac{y}{2} \right| \leq \frac{1}{2} |x - y| \leq \psi(f(m(Tx, Sy))), \tag{29}$$

for all  $x, y \in X$ . Thus,  $T, S$  are generalized coupled  $\alpha$ - $\psi$ -contractive mappings. Moreover, there exists  $x_0 \in X$  such that  $\alpha(x_0, Tx_0) \geq 1$ . In fact, for  $x_0 = 1$ , we have  $\alpha(1, T1) = 1$ . Let  $\{x_n\} \in X$ ,  $x_n \rightarrow x$  and  $\alpha(x_{n+1}, x_n) \geq 1$  for all  $n \geq 1$ . By the definition of  $\alpha$  we have,  $x_n, x_{n+1} \in [0, 1]$  for all  $n$ , so  $x \in [0, 1]$  and  $\alpha(x_n, x) \geq 1$ . It remains to show that  $T, S$  are coupled  $\alpha$ -admissible. In doing so, let  $x, y \in X$  such that  $\alpha(x, y) \geq 1$ . This implies that  $x, y \in [0, 1]$  by the definition of  $\alpha$ . We have  $Tx \in [0, 1]$ ,  $Sy \in [0, 1]$ , and  $\alpha(Tx, Sy) = 1$ . Then  $T, S$  are coupled  $\alpha$ -admissible. Now, all the hypotheses of Theorem 12 are satisfied. Consequently,  $T, S$  have common fixed points. In this example, 0 is at least one common fixed point of  $T$  and  $S$ .

### 3. Fixed Point Theorems on Ordered Metric Space

**Theorem 15.** Let  $(X, \leq, d)$  be a complete ordered metric space,  $\psi \in \Psi$ ,  $f \in \mathcal{F}$ , and  $T, S$  be coupled mappings on  $X$  such that  $f(d(Tx, Sy)) \not\leq \psi(f(m(Tx, Sy)))$  and  $f(d(Sx, Ty)) \leq \psi(f(m(Sx, Ty)))$  for all  $x, y \in X$  with  $x \leq y$ . Suppose that there exists  $x_0 \in X$  such that  $x_0 \leq Tx_0$  or  $(Tx_0 \leq x_0)$ , and if  $\{x_n\}$  is a sequence in  $X$  such that  $x_n \leq x_{n+1}$  or  $(x_{n+1} \leq x_n)$  for

all  $n \geq 1$  and  $x_n \rightarrow x$ , then  $x_n \leq x$  or  $(x \leq x_n)$  for all  $n \geq 1$ . If  $x \leq y$  implies  $Tx \leq Sy$  or  $Sx \leq Ty$  or  $(Ty \leq Sx$  or  $Sy \leq Tx)$ , then  $T, S$  have common fixed points.

*Proof.* Define  $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  by  $\alpha(x, y) = 1$  whenever  $x \leq y$ , and define  $\alpha(x, y) = 0$  whenever  $x \not\leq y$ . It is easy to check that  $T, S$  are a coupled  $\alpha$ -admissible and generalized coupled  $\alpha$ - $\psi$ -contractive mappings on  $X$ . Now, by using Theorem 9,  $T, S$  have common fixed points.  $\square$

**Corollary 16.** Let  $(X, \leq, d)$  be a complete ordered metric space,  $\psi \in \Psi$ ,  $f \in \mathcal{F}$ , and  $T$  a mapping on  $X$  such that  $f(d(Tx, Ty)) \leq \psi(f(m(Tx, Ty)))$  for all  $x, y \in X$  with  $x \leq y$ . Suppose that there exists  $x_0 \in X$  such that  $x_0 \leq Tx_0$  or  $(Tx_0 \leq x_0)$  and if  $\{x_n\}$  is a sequence in  $X$  such that  $x_n \leq x_{n+1}$  or  $(x_{n+1} \leq x_n)$  for all  $n \geq 1$  and  $x_n \rightarrow x$ , then  $x_n \leq x$  or  $(x \leq x_n)$  for all  $n \geq 1$ . If  $x \leq y$  implies  $Tx \leq Ty$  or  $(Ty \leq Tx)$ , then  $T$  has a fixed point.

### 4. Fixed Point Theorems on Metric Spaces Endowed with Partial Metric

If we substitute a partial metric  $\rho$  instead the metric  $d$  in Theorem 9, it is easy to check that a similar result holds for the partial metric space case as follows. We define

$$m^*(Ax, By) = \max \left\{ \rho(x, y), \rho(x, Ax), \rho(y, By), \frac{1}{2} [\rho(x, By) + \rho(y, Ax)] \right\} \tag{30}$$

for all coupled mappings  $A, B : X \rightarrow X$  and  $x, y \in X$ .

**Theorem 17.** Let  $(X, \rho)$  be a complete partial metric space,  $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  a function,  $\psi \in \Psi$ ,  $f \in \mathcal{F}$ , and  $T, S$  self maps on  $X$  such that

$$\alpha(x, y) f(\rho(Tx, Sy)) \leq \psi(f(m^*(Tx, Sy))),$$

$$\alpha(x, y) f(\rho(Sx, Ty)) \leq \psi(f(m^*(Sx, Ty))) \tag{31}$$

for all  $x, y \in X$ . Suppose that  $T, S$  are coupled  $\alpha$ -admissible and there exists  $x_0 \in X$  such that  $\alpha(x_0, Tx_0) \geq 1$  or  $(\alpha(Tx_0, x_0) \geq 1)$ . Assume that if  $\{x_n\}$  is a sequence in  $X$  such that  $\alpha(x_n, x_{n+1}) \geq 1$  or  $(\alpha(x_{n+1}, x_n) \geq 1)$  for all  $n$  and  $x_n \rightarrow x$  as  $n \rightarrow +\infty$ , then there exists a subsequence  $\{x_{n(k)}\}$  of  $\{x_n\}$  such that  $\alpha(x_{n(k)}, x) \geq 1$  or  $(\alpha(x, x_{n(k)}) \geq 1)$  for all  $k$ . Then  $T, S$  have common fixed points.

**Corollary 18.** Let  $(X, \rho)$  be a complete partial metric space,  $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  a function,  $\psi \in \Psi$ ,  $f \in \mathcal{F}$ , and  $T$  a self map on  $X$  such that

$$\alpha(x, y) f(\rho(Tx, Ty)) \leq \psi(f(m^*(Tx, Ty))) \tag{32}$$

for all  $x, y \in X$ . Suppose that  $T$  is  $\alpha$ -admissible and there exists  $x_0 \in X$  such that  $\alpha(x_0, Tx_0) \geq 1$  or  $(\alpha(Tx_0, x_0) \geq 1)$ . Assume that if  $\{x_n\}$  is a sequence in  $X$  such that  $\alpha(x_n, x_{n+1}) \geq 1$  or  $(\alpha(x_{n+1}, x_n) \geq 1)$  for all  $n$  and  $x_n \rightarrow x$  as  $n \rightarrow +\infty$ , then

there exists a subsequence  $\{x_{n(k)}\}$  of  $\{x_n\}$  such that  $\alpha(x_{n(k)}, x) \geq 1$  or  $(\alpha(x, x_{n(k)}) \geq 1)$  for all  $k$ . Then  $T$  has a fixed point.

*Example 19.* Let  $X = [0, +\infty)$  endowed with the partial metric  $\rho(x, y) = \max\{x, y\}$ , for all  $x, y \in X$ . Define the mapping  $T : X \rightarrow X$ , by

$$Tx = \begin{cases} 2x - \frac{3}{2}, & \text{if } x > 1, \\ \frac{x^2}{1+x}, & \text{if } 0 \leq x \leq 1, \\ 0, & \text{if } x < 0. \end{cases} \quad (33)$$

We define the mapping  $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow [0, +\infty)$  by

$$\alpha(x, y) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } x, y \in [0, 1], x \leq y, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases} \quad (34)$$

$$\alpha(x, y) \geq 1 \iff x, y \in [0, 1],$$

$$x \leq y \iff Tx, Ty \in [0, 1],$$

$$Tx \leq Ty \iff \alpha(Tx, Ty) \geq 1$$

since  $T$  is  $\alpha$ -admissible. If  $\psi(t) = t^2/(1+t)$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha(x, y) \rho(Tx, Ty) &\leq \rho\left(\frac{x^2}{1+x}, \frac{y^2}{1+y}\right) \\ &= \max\left\{\frac{x^2}{1+x}, \frac{y^2}{1+y}\right\} \\ &= \frac{y^2}{1+y} \leq y \\ &= \rho\{x, y\}. \end{aligned} \quad (35)$$

Suppose that  $\{x_n\}$  is a sequence in  $X$  such that  $\alpha(x_n, x_{n+1}) \geq 1$  for all  $n$  and  $x_n \rightarrow x$  as  $n \rightarrow +\infty$ ; by definition of  $\alpha$ , we have  $x_n, x_{n+1}$  and  $x \in [0, 1]$ , on the other hand  $x_n \leq x_{n+1} \Rightarrow x_{n(k)} \leq x$ ; then there exists a subsequence  $\{x_{n(k)}\}$  of  $\{x_n\}$  such that  $\alpha(x_{n(k)}, x) \geq 1$  for all  $k$ . There exists  $x_0 = 1$  such that  $\alpha(x_0, Tx_0) = 1$ . This show that all conditions of Corollary 18 are satisfied, and so  $T$  has a fixed point in  $X$ .

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