

**COMMON COUPLED FIXED POINTS FOR FOUR
MAPS USING α -ADMISSIBLE FUNCTIONS IN
COMPLEX VALUED b - METRIC SPACES**

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Abstract: In this paper, we obtain a unique common coupled fixed point theorem for four self maps using α -admissible function in complex valued b -metric spaces. Also we give an example to illustrate our main theorem.

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1. Introduction and Preliminaries

It is a well-known fact that the mathematical results regarding fixed points of contraction type mappings are very useful for determining the existence and

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uniqueness of solutions to various mathematical models.

Azam et al. [1] introduced the notion of complex valued metric space which is a generalization of the classical metric space and obtained sufficient conditions for the existence of common fixed points of a pair of mappings satisfying a rational contractive condition. Later several authors proved fixed and common fixed point theorems in complex valued metric spaces, for example, refer [3, 4, 6, 8, 11, 12, 14, 16, 20, 21, 28]. Recently some authors, for example [7, 13, 17, 22, 24, 25, 26], obtained coupled and common coupled fixed point theorems for a pair of mappings in complex valued metric spaces.

In this paper, we prove a unique common fixed point theorem for two pairs of mappings satisfying a contractive condition of rational type in the frame work of complex valued b -metric spaces using α -admissible function. The proved result generalizes and extends some of the results of [13, 22, 24, 25].

To begin with, we recall some basic definitions, notations and results.

Throughout this paper \mathcal{R} , \mathcal{R}^+ , \mathcal{N} and \mathcal{C} denote the set of all real numbers, non-negative real numbers, positive integers and complex numbers respectively. First we refer the following preliminaries.

Let $z_1, z_2 \in \mathcal{C}$. Define a partial order \lesssim on \mathcal{C} follows:

$z_1 \lesssim z_2$ if and only if $Re(z_1) \leq Re(z_2), Im(z_1) \leq Im(z_2)$.

Thus $z_1 \lesssim z_2$ if one of the following holds:

- (1) $Re(z_1) = Re(z_2)$ and $Im(z_1) = Im(z_2)$,
- (2) $Re(z_1) < Re(z_2)$ and $Im(z_1) = Im(z_2)$,
- (3) $Re(z_1) = Re(z_2)$ and $Im(z_1) < Im(z_2)$,
- (4) $Re(z_1) < Re(z_2)$ and $Im(z_1) < Im(z_2)$.

Clearly $z_1 \lesssim z_2 \Rightarrow |z_1| \leq |z_2|$.

Definition 1. ([1]) Let X be a non empty set. A function $d : X \times X \rightarrow \mathcal{C}$ is called a complex valued metric on X if for all $x, y, z \in X$ the following conditions are satisfied:

- (i) $0 \lesssim d(x, y)$ and $d(x, y) = 0$ if and only if $x = y$;
- (ii) $d(x, y) = d(y, x)$;
- (iii) $d(x, y) \lesssim d(x, z) + d(z, y)$.

The pair (X, d) is called a complex valued metric space.

Now, we briefly review the notation about complex valued b -metric spaces.

Definition 2. ([9]) Let X be a non empty set and $s \geq 1$. A function $d : X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is called a complex valued b - metric on X if for all $x, y, z \in X$ the following conditions are satisfied:

- (i) $0 \preceq d(x, y)$ and $d(x, y) = 0$ if and only if $x = y$;
- (ii) $d(x, y) = d(y, x)$;
- (iii) $d(x, y) \preceq s [d(x, z) + d(z, y)]$.

The pair (X, d) is called a complex valued b - metric space.

Remark 1. Let (X, d) be a complex valued b -metric space. Then

- (i) $|d(x, y)|$ or $|d(u, v)| < |1 + d(x, y) + d(u, v)|, \forall x, y, u, v \in X$.
- (ii) If $x \neq y$ then $|d(x, y)| > 0$.
- (iii) For $0 \leq k < 1$ and $z, w \in \mathcal{C}$, if $|z| \leq k|w|$ and $|w| \leq k|z|$ then $z = w = 0$.

Definition 3. ([9]) Let (X, d) be a complex valued b -metric space.

- (i) A point $x \in X$ is called interior point of a set $A \subseteq X$ whenever there exists $0 \prec r \in \mathcal{C}$ such that $B(x, r) = \{y \in X : d(x, y) \prec r\} \subseteq A$.
- (ii) A point $x \in X$ is called a limit point of a set $A \subseteq X$ whenever there exists $0 \prec r \in \mathcal{C}$ such that $B(x, r) \cap (X - A) \neq \phi$.
- (iii) A subset $B \subseteq X$ is called open whenever each point of B is an interior point of B .
- (iv) A subset $B \subseteq X$ is called closed whenever each limit point of B is in B .
- (v) The family $F = \{B(x, r) : x \in X \text{ and } 0 \prec r\}$ is a sub basis for a topology on X . We denote this complex topology by τ_c . Indeed, the topology τ_c is Hausdorff.

Let $\{x_n\}$ be a sequence in X and $x \in X$. If for every $c \in \mathcal{C}$ with $0 \preceq c$ there is $n_0 \in \mathcal{N}$ such that for all $n > n_0, d(x_n, x) \prec c$, then $\{x_n\}$ is said to be convergent to x and x is the limit point of $\{x_n\}$. We denote this by $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x$ or $x_n \rightarrow x$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. If for every $c \in \mathcal{C}$ with $0 \prec c$ there is $n_0 \in \mathcal{N}$ such that for all $n > n_0, d(x_n, x_{n+m}) \prec c$, where $m \in \mathcal{N}$, then $\{x_n\}$ is called a Cauchy sequence in (X, d) . If every Cauchy sequence is convergent in (X, d) then (X, d) is called a complete complex valued b -metric space. We require the following lemmas.

Lemma 1.([9]) Let (X, d) be a complex valued b -metric space and let $\{x_n\}$ be a sequence in X . Then $\{x_n\}$ converges to x if and only if $|d(x_n, x)| \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

Lemma 2.([9]) Let (X, d) be a complex valued b -metric space and let $\{x_n\}$ be a sequence in X . Then $\{x_n\}$ is a Cauchy sequence if and only if

$$|d(x_n, x_{n+m})| \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n, m \rightarrow \infty.$$

One can easily prove the following lemma

Lemma 3. Let (X, d) be a complex valued b -metric space and let $\{x_n\}$ and $\{y_n\}$ be sequences in X converging to x and y respectively. Then

$$(i) \frac{1}{s} |d(x, z)| \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |d(x_n, z)| \leq s |d(x, z)| \text{ for all } z \in X,$$

$$(ii) \frac{1}{s^2} |d(x, y)| \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |d(x_n, y_n)| \leq s^2 |d(x, y)|.$$

Recently Bhaskar and Lakshmikantham [23] introduced the concept of coupled fixed point and discussed some problems of the uniqueness of a coupled fixed point and applied their results to the problems of the existence and uniqueness of a solution for the periodic boundary value problems. Later Lakshmikantham and Ćirić [27] proved some coupled coincidence and coupled common fixed point results in partially ordered metric spaces.

Definition 4. Let X be a non empty set and $F : X \times X \rightarrow X$ and $S : X \rightarrow X$.

(i)([27]) An element $(x, y) \in X \times X$ is called a common coupled fixed point of mappings F and S if $x = Sx = F(x, y)$ and $y = Sy = F(y, x)$.

(ii)([10]) The pair (F, S) is called w -compatible if $S(F(x, y)) = F(Sx, Sy)$ and $S(F(y, x)) = F(Sy, Sx)$, whenever $Sx = F(x, y)$ and $Sy = F(y, x)$.

Now we extend the definition of compatible maps introduced by Jungck [5] in metric spaces to complex valued b -metric spaces to the maps $F : X \times X \rightarrow X$ and $S : X \rightarrow X$ as follows.

Definition 5. Let (X, d) be a complex valued b -metric space and $F : X \times X \rightarrow X$ and $S : X \rightarrow X$. Then the pair (F, f) is said to be compatible if

$$(i) \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |d(S(F(x_n, y_n)), F(Sx_n, Sy_n))| = 0 \text{ and}$$

$$(ii) \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |d(S(F(y_n, x_n)), F(Sy_n, Sx_n))| = 0$$

whenever there exist sequences $\{x_n\}$ and $\{y_n\}$ in X such that $F(x_n, y_n) \rightarrow t$, $Sx_n \rightarrow t$ and $F(y_n, x_n) \rightarrow t'$, $Sy_n \rightarrow t'$ for some $t, t' \in X$.

Samet et al. [2] introduced the notion of α -admissible mappings as follows

Definition 6. ([2]) Let X be a non empty set, $T : X \rightarrow X$ and $\alpha : X \times X \rightarrow \mathcal{R}^+$ be mappings. Then T is called α - admissible if for all $x, y \in X$, we have $\alpha(x, y) \geq 1$ implies $\alpha(Tx, Ty) \geq 1$.

In the sequel, Kaushik et al. [18] introduced the following α -admissible mapping concept which is a generalization of the concept introduced by Mursaleen et al. [15].

Definition 7. ([18]) Let X be a nonempty set and $\alpha : X^2 \times X^2 \rightarrow \mathcal{R}^+$ be a function. Let $F : X \times X \rightarrow X$ and $S : X \rightarrow X$ be mappings. Then F and S are said to be α -admissible if

$$\alpha((Sx, Sy), (Su, Sv)) \geq 1 \Rightarrow \alpha((F(x, y), F(y, x)), (F(u, v), F(v, u))) \geq 1,$$

for all $x, y, u, v \in X$.

If $S = I$ (Identity map), then the above definition is the concept of Mursaleen et al. [15].

In this paper, we give an extension of the above definition for four maps.

Definition 8. Let X be a nonempty set and $\alpha : X^2 \times X^2 \rightarrow \mathcal{R}^+$. Let $F, G : X \times X \rightarrow X$ and $S, T : X \rightarrow X$ be mappings. Then we say that the pair (S, T) is α -admissible with respect to the pair (F, G) if

$$(i) \quad \alpha((Sx, Sy), (Tu, Tv)) \geq 1 \Rightarrow \alpha((F(x, y), F(y, x)), (G(u, v), G(v, u))) \geq 1,$$

$$(ii) \quad \alpha((Tx, Ty), (Su, Sv)) \geq 1 \Rightarrow \alpha((G(x, y), G(y, x)), (F(u, v), F(v, u))) \geq 1,$$

for all $x, y, u, v \in X$.

Combining all the above notions, now we prove our main result.

2. Main Result

Theorem 9. Let (X, d) be a complete complex valued b -metric space with $s \geq 1$. Let $\alpha : X^2 \times X^2 \rightarrow \mathcal{R}^+$ be a function and $F, G : X \times X \rightarrow X$ and $S, T : X \rightarrow X$ be mappings satisfying the following:

$$(9.1) \quad F(X \times X) \subseteq T(X), \quad G(X \times X) \subseteq S(X),$$

$$(9.2)$$

$$\alpha((Sx, Sy), (Tu, Tv)) s^4 d(F(x, y), G(u, v)) \lesssim a_1 d(Sx, Tu) + a_2 d(Sy, Tv) + a_3 d(Sx, F(x, y))$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &+ a_4 d(Sy, F(y, x)) + a_5 d(Tu, G(u, v)) + a_6 d(Tv, G(v, u)) \\
 &+ a_7 \frac{d(Sx, F(x, y)) d(Tu, G(u, v))}{1 + s^4 d(Sx, Tu) + s^4 d(Sy, Tv)} \\
 &+ a_8 \frac{d(Tu, F(x, y)) d(Sx, G(u, v))}{1 + s^4 d(Sx, Tu) + s^4 d(Sy, Tv)},
 \end{aligned}$$

for all $x, y, u, v \in X$, where $a_i, i = 1, 2, \dots, 8$ are non-negative real numbers such that $\sum_{i=1}^8 a_i < \frac{1}{s}$,

(9.3) (a) $\alpha((Sx_1, Sy_1), (F(x_1, y_1), F(y_1, x_1))) \geq 1$,

(b) $\alpha((Sy_1, Sx_1), (F(y_1, x_1), F(x_1, y_1))) \geq 1$,

(c) $\alpha((F(x_1, y_1), F(y_1, x_1)), (Sx_1, Sy_1)) \geq 1$ and

(d) $\alpha((F(y_1, x_1), F(x_1, y_1)), (Sy_1, Sx_1)) \geq 1$ for some $x_1, y_1 \in X$,

(9.4) the pair (S, T) is α -admissible with respect to the pair (F, G) ,

(9.5)(a) the pair (F, S) is compatible, S is continuous and the pair (G, T) is w -compatible and if there exist sequences $\{z_n\}, \{w_n\}$ in X such that

$$\begin{aligned}
 \alpha((z_n, w_n), (z_{n+1}, w_{n+1})) &\geq 1, \\
 \alpha((z_{n+1}, w_{n+1}), (z_n, w_n)) &\geq 1, \\
 \alpha((w_n, z_n), (w_{n+1}, z_{n+1})) &\geq 1, \\
 \alpha((w_{n+1}, z_{n+1}), (w_n, z_n)) &\geq 1,
 \end{aligned}$$

with $z_n \rightarrow z$ and $w_n \rightarrow w$ imply

(i) $\alpha((Sz_{2n}, Sw_{2n}), (z_{2n+1}, w_{2n+1})) \geq 1, \alpha((Sw_{2n}, Sz_{2n}), (w_{2n+1}, z_{2n+1})) \geq 1$,

(ii) $\alpha((z, w), (z_{2n+1}, w_{2n+1})) \geq 1, \alpha((w, z), (w_{2n+1}, z_{2n+1})) \geq 1$,

(iii) $\alpha(z, w), (z, w) \geq 1, \alpha(w, z), (w, z) \geq 1$,

(iv) $\alpha((z, w), (Tz, Tw)) \geq 1, \alpha((w, z), (Tw, Tz)) \geq 1$ for all $n \in \mathcal{N}$.

(or)

(9.5)(b) the pair (G, T) is compatible, T is continuous and the pair (F, S) is w -compatible and if there exist sequences $\{z_n\}, \{w_n\}$ in X such that

$$\begin{aligned}
 \alpha((z_n, w_n), (z_{n+1}, w_{n+1})) &\geq 1, \\
 \alpha((z_{n+1}, w_{n+1}), (z_n, w_n)) &\geq 1, \\
 \alpha((w_n, z_n), (w_{n+1}, z_{n+1})) &\geq 1,
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\alpha((w_{n+1}, z_{n+1}), (w_n, z_n)) \geq 1,$$

with $z_n \rightarrow z$ and $w_n \rightarrow w$ imply

$$(i) \alpha((z_{2n}, w_{2n}), (Tz_{2n+1}, Tw_{2n+1})) \geq 1, \alpha((w_{2n}, z_{2n}), (Tw_{2n+1}, Tz_{2n+1})) \geq 1,$$

$$(ii) \alpha(z_{2n}, w_{2n}), (z, w) \geq 1, \alpha(w_{2n}, z_{2n}), (w, z) \geq 1,$$

$$(iii) \alpha((z, w), (z, w)) \geq 1, \alpha((w, z), (w, z)) \geq 1,$$

$$(iv) \alpha((Sz, Sw), (z, w)) \geq 1, \alpha((Sw, Sz), (w, z)) \geq 1 \text{ for all } n \in \mathcal{N}.$$

Then F, G, S and T have a common coupled fixed point.

(9.6) Further if we assume that $\alpha((z, w), (z', w')) \geq 1$ and $\alpha((w, z), (w', z')) \geq 1$ whenever (z, w) and (z', w') are common coupled fixed points of F, G, S and T then F, G, S and T have a unique common coupled fixed point in $X \times X$.

Proof. Let x_1 and y_1 be in X satisfying (9.3). Now define the sequences $\{z_n\}$ and $\{w_n\}$ from (9.1) as follows:

$$z_{2n+1} = F(x_{2n+1}, y_{2n+1}) = Tx_{2n+2},$$

$$z_{2n+2} = G(x_{2n+2}, y_{2n+2}) = Sx_{2n+3},$$

$$w_{2n+1} = F(y_{2n+1}, x_{2n+1}) = Ty_{2n+2},$$

$$w_{2n+2} = G(y_{2n+2}, x_{2n+2}) = Sy_{2n+3}, \text{ for } n = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

From (9.3)(a), we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \alpha((Sx_1, Sy_1), (F(x_1, y_1), F(y_1, x_1))) \geq 1 \\ & \Rightarrow \alpha((Sx_1, Sy_1), (Tx_2, Ty_2)) \geq 1, \text{ from definition of } \{z_n\} \text{ and } \{w_n\} \\ & \Rightarrow \alpha((F(x_1, y_1), F(y_1, x_1)), (G(x_2, y_2), G(y_2, x_2))) \geq 1, \text{ from(9.4)} \\ & \Rightarrow \alpha((z_1, w_1), (z_2, w_2)) \geq 1 \text{ from definition of } \{z_n\} \text{ and } \{w_n\} \\ & \Rightarrow \alpha((Tx_2, Ty_2), (Sx_3, Sy_3)) \geq 1, \text{ from definition of } \{z_n\} \text{ and } \{w_n\} \\ & \Rightarrow \alpha((G(x_2, y_2), G(y_2, x_2)), (F(x_3, y_3), F(y_3, x_3))) \geq 1, \text{ from(9.4)} \\ & \Rightarrow \alpha((z_2, w_2), (z_3, w_3)) \geq 1. \end{aligned}$$

Continuing in this way, we have

$$\alpha((z_n, w_n), (z_{n+1}, w_{n+1})) \geq 1, \quad \forall n. \quad (1)$$

Similarly from (9.3)(c), (9.3)(b) and (9.3)(d) we can obtain

$$\alpha((z_{n+1}, w_{n+1}), (z_n, w_n)) \geq 1. \quad (2)$$

$$\alpha((w_n, z_n), (w_{n+1}, z_{n+1})) \geq 1. \tag{3}$$

$$\alpha((w_{n+1}, z_{n+1}), (w_n, z_n)) \geq 1. \tag{4}$$

Let $R_n = \max \{d(z_n, z_{n+1}), d(w_n, w_{n+1})\}$.

Case (i) Suppose $R_{2m} = 0$ for some m . Then $z_{2m} = z_{2m+1}$ and $w_{2m} = w_{2m+1}$. Now

$$\alpha((Sx_{2m+1}, Sy_{2m+1}), (Tx_{2m+2}, Ty_{2m+2})) = \alpha((z_{2m}, w_{2m}), (z_{2m+1}, w_{2m+1})) \geq 1,$$

from (1),

$$\begin{aligned} d(z_{2m+1}, z_{2m+2}) &= d(F(x_{2m+1}, y_{2m+1}), G(x_{2m+2}, y_{2m+2})) \\ &\lesssim \alpha((Sx_{2m+1}, Sy_{2m+1}), (Tx_{2m+2}, Ty_{2m+2})) \\ &\quad s^4 d(F(x_{2m+1}, y_{2m+1}), G(x_{2m+2}, y_{2m+2})) \\ &\lesssim a_1 d(z_{2m}, z_{2m+1}) + a_2 d(w_{2m}, w_{2m+1}) + a_3 d(z_{2m}, z_{2m+1}) \\ &\quad + a_4 d(w_{2m}, w_{2m+1}) + a_5 d(z_{2m+1}, z_{2m+2}) \\ &\quad + a_6 d(w_{2m+1}, w_{2m+2}) \\ &\quad + a_7 \frac{d(z_{2m}, z_{2m+1})d(z_{2m+1}, z_{2m+2})}{1 + s^4 d(z_{2m}, z_{2m+1}) + s^4 d(w_{2m}, w_{2m+1})} \\ &\quad + a_8 \frac{d(z_{2m+1}, z_{2m+1})d(z_{2m}, z_{2m+2})}{1 + s^4 d(z_{2m}, z_{2m+1}) + s^4 d(w_{2m}, w_{2m+1})} \\ &= a_5 d(z_{2m+1}, z_{2m+2}) + a_6 d(w_{2m+1}, w_{2m+2}). \end{aligned}$$

Thus $|d(z_{2m+1}, z_{2m+2})| \leq (a_5 + a_6) |R_{2m+1}|$.

Similarly using (3), we have $|d(w_{2m+1}, w_{2m+2})| \leq (a_5 + a_6) |R_{2m+1}|$.

Thus $|R_{2m+1}| \leq (a_5 + a_6) |R_{2m+1}|$ which in turn yields that $z_{2m+1} = z_{2m+2}$ and $w_{2m+1} = w_{2m+2}$.

Continuing in this way, we get $z_{2m} = z_{2m+1} = z_{2m+2} = \dots$ and $w_{2m} = w_{2m+1} = w_{2m+2} = \dots$.

Hence $\{z_n\}$ and $\{w_n\}$ are Cauchy sequences in (X, d) .

Case (ii): Assume that $R_n \neq 0$ for all n .

As in Case (i), using Remark 1(i), we have

$$|d(z_{2n+1}, z_{2n+2})| \leq (a_1 + a_2 + a_3 + a_4) |R_{2n}| + (a_5 + a_6 + a_7) |R_{2n+1}|$$

and

$$|d(w_{2n+1}, w_{2n+2})| \leq (a_1 + a_2 + a_3 + a_4) |R_{2n}| + (a_5 + a_6 + a_7) |R_{2n+1}|.$$

Thus $|R_{2n+1}| \leq k |R_{2n}|$, where $k_1 = \frac{a_1+a_2+a_3+a_4}{1-a_5-a_6-a_7}$.

Similarly using (2) and (4), we have $|R_{2n+2}| \leq k_2 |R_{2n+1}|$, where $k_2 = \frac{a_1+a_2+a_5+a_6}{1-a_3-a_4-a_7}$. Let $k = \max\{k_1, k_2\}$. Thus

$$\begin{aligned} |R_n| &\leq k |R_{n-1}|, \quad n = 2, 3, \dots \\ &\leq k^{n-1} |R_1| \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

For $m > n$, using (5) we have

$$\begin{aligned} |d(z_n, z_m)| &\leq s |d(z_n, z_{n+1})| + s^2 |d(z_{n+1}, z_{n+2})| + \dots + s^{m-n-1} |d(z_{m-1}, z_m)| \\ &\leq [sk^{n-1} + s^2 k^n + \dots + s^{m-n-1} k^{m-2}] |R_1| \\ &\leq [(sk)^{n-1} + (sk)^n + \dots + (sk)^{m-2}] |R_1| \\ &\leq \frac{(sk)^{n-1}}{1-sk} |R_1| \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n, m \rightarrow \infty, \text{ since } sk < 1. \end{aligned}$$

Thus $\{z_n\}$ is a Cauchy sequence in (X, d) . Similarly we can show that $\{w_n\}$ is a Cauchy sequence in (X, d) . Since (X, d) is complete, there exist $z, w \in X$ such that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |d(z_n, z)| = 0$ and $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |d(w_n, w)| = 0$ from Lemma 1. Thus

$$\begin{aligned} z &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} F(x_{2n+1}, y_{2n+1}) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} G(x_{2n+2}, y_{2n+2}) \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} T x_{2n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S x_{2n+1} \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} w &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} F(y_{2n+1}, x_{2n+1}) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} G(y_{2n+2}, x_{2n+2}) \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} T y_{2n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S y_{2n+1} \end{aligned} \quad (7)$$

Suppose (9.5)(a) holds.

Since S is continuous at z and w we have

$$S S x_{2n+1} \rightarrow S z, S S y_{2n+1} \rightarrow S w, S(F(x_{2n+1}, y_{2n+1})) \rightarrow S z$$

and

$$S(F(y_{2n+1}, x_{2n+1})) \rightarrow S w.$$

Since (F, S) is compatible and by Lemma 1, we have

$$\begin{aligned} |d(F(S x_{2n+1}, S y_{2n+1}), S z)| &\leq s |d(S(F(x_{2n+1}, y_{2n+1})), F(S x_{2n+1}, S y_{2n+1}))| \\ &\quad + s |d(S(F(x_{2n+1}, y_{2n+1})), S z)| \rightarrow 0. \end{aligned}$$

Hence $F(Sx_{2n+1}, Sy_{2n+1}) \rightarrow Sz$.

Similarly, we get $F(Sy_{2n+1}, Sx_{2n+1}) \rightarrow Sw$. Now from (9.5)(a)(i) we have

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha((SSx_{2n+1}, SSy_{2n+1}), (Tx_{2n+2}, Ty_{2n+2})) \\ = \alpha((Sz_{2n}, Sw_{2n}), (z_{2n+1}, w_{2n+1})) \geq 1. \end{aligned} \tag{8}$$

Consider

$$\begin{aligned} & 1 + s^2d(Sz, z) + s^2d(Sw, w) \\ & \lesssim 1 + s^2[sd(Sz, SSx_{2n+1}) + s^2d(SSx_{2n+1}, Tx_{2n+2}) + s^2d(Tx_{2n+2}, z)] \\ & \quad + s^2[sd(Sw, SSy_{2n+1}) + s^2d(SSy_{2n+1}, Ty_{2n+2}) + s^2d(Ty_{2n+2}, z)] \\ & = [1 + s^4d(SSx_{2n+1}, Tx_{2n+2}) + s^4d(SSy_{2n+1}, Ty_{2n+2})] \\ & \quad + s^3d(Sz, SSx_{2n+1}) + s^4d(Tx_{2n+2}, z) + s^3d(Sw, SSy_{2n+1}) + s^4d(Ty_{2n+2}, w). \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & |1 + s^2d(Sz, z) + s^2d(Sw, w)| \\ & \leq |1 + s^4d(SSx_{2n+1}, Tx_{2n+2}) + s^4d(SSy_{2n+1}, Ty_{2n+2})| + s^3 |d(Sz, SSx_{2n+1})| \\ & \quad + s^4 |d(Tx_{2n+2}, z)| + s^3 |d(Sw, SSy_{2n+1})| + s^4 |d(Ty_{2n+2}, w)|. \end{aligned}$$

Letting $n \rightarrow \infty$ and using Lemma 1, we get

$$\begin{aligned} & |1 + s^2d(Sz, z) + s^2d(Sw, w)| \\ & \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |1 + s^4d(SSx_{2n+1}, Tx_{2n+2}) + s^4d(SSy_{2n+1}, Ty_{2n+2})|. \end{aligned} \tag{9}$$

Now we consider

$$\begin{aligned} s^2 |d(Sz, z)| &= s^4 \frac{1}{s^2} |d(Sz, z)| \\ &\leq s^4 \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |d(F(Sx_{2n+1}, Sy_{2n+1}), G(x_{2n+2}, y_{2n+2}))| \\ &\leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \alpha((SSx_{2n+1}, SSy_{2n+1}), (Tx_{2n+2}, Ty_{2n+2})) s^4 \\ &\quad |d(F(Sx_{2n+1}, Sy_{2n+1}), G(x_{2n+2}, y_{2n+2}))| \\ &\leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} [a_1 |d(SSx_{2n+1}, Tx_{2n+2})| + a_2 |d(SSy_{2n+1}, Ty_{2n+2})| \\ &\quad + a_3 |d(SSx_{2n+1}, F(Sx_{2n+1}, Sy_{2n+1}))| \\ &\quad + a_4 |d(SSy_{2n+1}, F(Sy_{2n+1}, Sx_{2n+1}))| \\ &\quad + a_5 |d(Tx_{2n+2}, G(x_{2n+2}, y_{2n+2}))| + a_6 |d(Ty_{2n+2}, G(y_{2n+2}, x_{2n+2}))| \\ &\quad + a_7 \frac{|d(SSx_{2n+1}, F(Sx_{2n+1}, Sy_{2n+1}))| |d(Tx_{2n+2}, G(x_{2n+2}, y_{2n+2}))|}{|1 + s^4d(SSx_{2n+1}, Tx_{2n+2}) + s^4d(SSy_{2n+1}, Ty_{2n+2})|} \\ &\quad + a_8 \frac{|d(Tx_{2n+2}, F(Sx_{2n+1}, Sy_{2n+1}))| |d(SSx_{2n+1}, G(x_{2n+2}, y_{2n+2}))|}{|1 + s^4d(SSx_{2n+1}, Tx_{2n+2}) + s^4d(SSy_{2n+1}, Ty_{2n+2})|}] \\ &\leq a_1 s^2 |d(Sz, z)| + a_2 s^2 |d(Sw, w)| + a_8 \frac{s^2 |d(Sz, z)| \quad s^2 |d(Sz, z)|}{|1 + s^2d(Sz, z) + s^2d(Sw, w)|}, \end{aligned}$$

from Lemma 3 and (9)
 $< (a_1 + a_8)s^2 |d(Sz, z)| + a_2s^2 |d(Sw, w)|,$
 from Remark 1(i).

Thus $|d(z, Sz)| < \frac{a_2}{1-a_1-a_8} |d(w, Sw)|.$
 Similarly using (9.5)(a)(i), we have

$$|d(w, Sw)| < \frac{a_2}{1 - a_1 - a_8} |d(z, Sz)| .$$

From Remark 1(iii), we have $Sz = z$ and $Sw = w.$

From (9.5)(a)(ii), we have
 $\alpha((Sz, Sw), (Tx_{2n+2}, Ty_{2n+2})) = \alpha((z, w), (z_{2n+1}, w_{2n+1})) \geq 1.$

From Lemma 3:

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{s} |d(F(z, w), z)| \\ & \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |d(F(z, w), G(x_{2n+2}, y_{2n+2}))| \\ & \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \alpha((Sz, Sw), (Tx_{2n+2}, Ty_{2n+2})) s^4 |d(F(z, w), G(x_{2n+2}, y_{2n+2}))| \\ & \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left[\begin{array}{l} a_1 |d(z, z_{2n+1})| + a_2 |d(w, w_{2n+1})| + a_3 |d(z, F(z, w))| \\ a_4 |d(w, F(w, z))| + a_5 |d(z_{2n+1}, z_{2n+2})| + a_6 |d(w_{2n+1}, w_{2n+2})| \\ + a_7 \frac{|d(z, F(z, w))| |d(z_{2n+1}, z_{2n+2})|}{|1+d(z, z_{2n+1})+d(w, w_{2n+1})|} + a_8 \frac{|d(z_{2n+1}, F(z, w))| |d(z, z_{2n+2})|}{|1+d(z, z_{2n+1})+d(w, w_{2n+1})|} \end{array} \right] \\ & \leq a_3 |d(z, F(z, w))| + a_4 |d(w, F(w, z))|, \text{ by Lemmas 1 and 3.} \end{aligned}$$

Thus $|d(z, F(z, w))| \leq \frac{a_4s}{1-a_3s} |d(w, F(w, z))|.$

Similarly using (9.5)(a)(ii), we have
 $|d(w, F(w, z))| \leq \frac{a_4s}{1-a_3s} |d(z, F(z, w))|.$ From Remark 1(iii), we have $z = F(z, w)$ and $F(w, z) = w.$ Thus $Sz = z = F(z, w), Sw = w = F(w, z).$ Since $z = F(z, w) \in F(X \times X) \subseteq T(X)$ and $w = F(w, z) \in F(X \times X) \subseteq T(X),$ there exist u and v in X such that $z = Tu$ and $w = Tv.$ From (9.5)(a)(iii), we have $\alpha((Sz, Sw), (Tu, Tv)) = \alpha((z, w), (z, w)) \geq 1.$ Now from (9.2), we have

$$\begin{aligned} d(z, G(u, v)) &= d(F(z, w), G(u, v)) \\ &\preceq \alpha((Sz, Sw), (Tu, Tv))s^4 d(F(z, w), G(u, v)) \\ &\preceq a_1d(z, z) + a_2d(w, w) + a_3d(z, z) + a_4d(w, w) + a_5d(z, G(u, v)) \\ &\quad + a_6d(w, G(v, u)) + a_7 \frac{d(z, z) d(z, G(u, v))}{1 + s^4d(z, z) + s^4d(w, w)} \\ &\quad + a_8 \frac{d(z, z) d(z, G(u, v))}{1 + s^4d(z, z) + s^4d(w, w)} \\ &= a_5d(z, G(u, v)) + a_6d(w, G(v, u)). \end{aligned}$$

Thus $|d(z, G(u, v))| \leq \frac{a_6}{1-a_5} |d(w, G(v, u))|$.

Similarly using (9.5)(a)(iii), we have

$$|d(w, G(v, u))| \leq \frac{a_6}{1-a_5} |d(z, G(u, v))|.$$

From Remark 1(iii), we have $z = G(u, v)$ and $w = G(v, u)$.

Since the pair (G, T) is w -compatible, we have $Tz = G(z, w)$ and $w = G(w, z)$. From (9.5)(a)(iv), we have

$\alpha((Sz, Sw), (Tz, Tw)) = \alpha((z, w), (Tz, Tw)) \geq 1$. From (9.2), we have

$$\begin{aligned} |d(z, Tz)| &= d(F(z, w), G(z, w)) \\ &\leq \alpha((Sz, Sw), (Tz, Tw)) s^4 |d(F(z, w), G(z, w))| \\ &\leq a_1 |d(z, Tz)| + a_2 |d(w, Tw)| + a_3 |d(z, z)| + a_4 |d(w, w)| \\ &\quad + a_5 |d(Tz, Tz)| + a_6 |d(Tw, Tw)| + a_7 \frac{|d(z, z)| |d(Tz, G(z, w))|}{|1 + s^4 d(z, Tz) + s^4 d(w, Tw)|} \\ &\quad + a_8 \frac{|d(z, Tz)| |d(z, Tz)|}{|1 + s^4 d(z, Tz) + s^4 d(w, Tw)|} \\ &\leq a_1 |d(z, Tz)| + a_2 |d(w, Tw)| + a_8 s^4 \frac{|d(z, Tz)| |d(z, Tz)|}{|1 + s^4 d(z, Tz) + s^4 d(w, Tw)|} \\ &\leq a_1 |d(z, Tz)| + a_2 |d(w, Tw)| + a_8 |d(z, Tz)|, \text{ from Remark 1(i)}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus $|d(z, Tz)| < \frac{a_2}{1-a_1-a_8} |d(w, Tw)|$.

Similarly using (9.5)(a)(iv), we have

$$|d(w, Tw)| < \frac{a_2}{1-a_1-a_8} |d(z, Tz)|.$$

Thus from Remark 1(iii), we have $Tz = z$ and $Tw = w$. Thus (z, w) is a common coupled fixed point of F, G, S and T .

Uniqueness of common coupled fixed point of F, G, S and T follows easily from (9.6) and (9.2). \square

Now we give an example to illustrate Theorem 9.

Example 1. Let $X = [0, 2]$ and $d(x, y) = i|x - y|^2$, $\forall x, y \in X$.

Define $F, G : X \times X \rightarrow X$ by $F(x, y) = \frac{x^2+y^2}{24}$ and $G(x, y) = \frac{x^2+y^2}{36}$ and $S, T : X \rightarrow X$ by $Sx = \frac{x^2}{2}$ and $Tx = \frac{x^2}{3}$.

Define $\alpha : X^2 \times X^2 \rightarrow \mathcal{R}^+$ by

$$\alpha((x, y), (u, v)) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } x, y, u, v \in [0, \sqrt{3}], \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Clearly $F(X \times X) \subseteq T(X)$ and $G(X \times X) \subseteq S(X)$. To verify (9.2) we consider the following two cases.

Case (a) Suppose $x, y, u, v \in [0, \sqrt{3}]$.

Then $\alpha((Sx, Sy), (Tu, Tv)) = \alpha((\frac{x^2}{2}, \frac{y^2}{2}), (\frac{u^2}{3}, \frac{v^2}{3})) = 1$,

$$\begin{aligned} & \alpha((Sx, Sy), (Tu, Tv)) s^4 d(F(x, y), G(u, v)) \\ &= 16i \left| \frac{x^2 + y^2}{24} - \frac{u^2 + v^2}{36} \right|^2 \\ &= \frac{16}{144} i \left| \frac{3x^2 - 2u^2 + 3y^2 - 2v^2}{6} \right|^2 \\ &\leq \frac{2}{9} i \left[\left| \frac{3x^2 - 2u^2}{6} \right|^2 + \left| \frac{3y^2 - 2v^2}{6} \right|^2 \right] \\ &= \frac{2}{9} [d(Sx, Tu) + d(Sy, Tv)]. \end{aligned}$$

Here $a_1 = a_2 = \frac{2}{9}$, $a_3 = a_4 = 0$. Clearly $\sum_{i=1}^4 a_i < \frac{1}{s}$.

Case (b): Atleast one of $x, y, u, v \notin [0, \sqrt{3}]$.

Then $\alpha((Sx, Sy), (Tu, Tv)) = \alpha((\frac{x^2}{2}, \frac{y^2}{2}), (\frac{u^2}{3}, \frac{v^2}{3}))$.

Sub case: If $\frac{x^2}{2}, \frac{y^2}{2}, \frac{u^2}{3}, \frac{v^2}{3} \in (1, \sqrt{3}]$ then

$$\alpha((Sx, Sy), (Tu, Tv)) = 1.$$

The inequality (9.2) holds as in case (a).

Sub case: If atleast one of $\frac{x^2}{2}, \frac{y^2}{2}, \frac{u^2}{3}, \frac{v^2}{3} \in (\sqrt{3}, 2]$ then

$$\alpha((Sx, Sy), (Tu, Tv)) = 0.$$

Hence (9.2) holds.

By definition of α , the condition (9.3) with $x_1 = 0 = y_1$ and (9.4) are satisfied clearly.

To verify the compatibility of the pair (F, S) , let us consider the sequences $\{x_n\}, \{y_n\}$ in X such that $F(x_n, y_n) \rightarrow t$, $Sx_n \rightarrow t$, $F(y_n, x_n) \rightarrow t'$ and $Sx_n \rightarrow t'$ for some $t, t' \in X$, $F(x_n, y_n) \rightarrow t \Rightarrow \frac{x_n^2 + y_n^2}{24} \rightarrow t$ and $F(y_n, x_n) \rightarrow t' \Rightarrow \frac{y_n^2 + x_n^2}{24} \rightarrow t'$. Hence $t = t'$, $Sx_n \rightarrow t \Rightarrow \frac{x_n^2}{2} \rightarrow t$ and $Sy_n \rightarrow t' \Rightarrow \frac{y_n^2}{2} \rightarrow t' = t$.

Now $\frac{x_n^2+y_n^2}{24} \rightarrow \frac{4t^2+4t^2}{24} = \frac{t^2}{3}$. Hence $\frac{t^2}{3} = t \Rightarrow t = 0$. Thus $x_n^2, y_n^2 \rightarrow 0$.

$$|d(S(F(x_n, y_n)), F(Sx_n, Sy_n))| = \left| \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{x_n^2 + y_n^2}{24} \right)^2 - \frac{1}{24} \left(\frac{x_n^4}{4} + \frac{y_n^4}{4} \right) \right|^2 \rightarrow 0$$

as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

Similarly $|d(S(F(y_n, x_n)), F(Sy_n, Sx_n))| \rightarrow 0$. Thus the pair (F, S) is compatible. Also it is clear that the pair (G, T) is w -compatible.

By definition of α , one can easily verify the conditions (9.5) and (9.6).

Thus all the conditions of Theorem 9 are satisfied and $(0, 0)$ is the unique common fixed point of F, G, S and T .

If $\alpha((x, y), (u, v)) = 1$ for all $x, y, u, v \in X$ and $s = 1$ in Theorem 9, we have the following corollary.

Corollary 10. *Let (X, d) be a complete complex valued metric space. Let $F, G : X \times X \rightarrow X$ and $S, T : X \rightarrow X$ be mappings satisfying the following :*

(10.1) $F(X \times X) \subseteq T(X), G(X \times X) \subseteq S(X),$

(10.2)

$$\begin{aligned} & d(F(x, y), G(u, v)) \\ & \lesssim a_1 d(Sx, Tu) + a_2 d(Sy, Tv) + a_3 d(Sx, F(x, y)) \\ & \quad + a_4 d(Sy, F(y, x)) + a_5 d(Tu, G(u, v)) \\ & + a_6 d(Tv, G(v, u)) + a_7 \frac{d(Sx, F(x, y)) d(Tu, G(u, v))}{1+d(Sx, Tu)+d(Sy, Tv)} \\ & \quad + a_8 \frac{d(Tu, F(x, y)) d(Sx, G(u, v))}{1+d(Sx, Tu)+d(Sy, Tv)} \end{aligned}$$

for all $x, y, u, v \in X$, where $a_i, i = 1, 2, \dots, 8$ are non-negative real numbers such that $\sum_{i=1}^8 a_i < 1,$

(10.3)(a) *the pair (F, S) is compatible, S is continuous and the pair (G, T) is w -compatible*

(or)

(b) *the pair (G, T) is compatible, T is continuous and the pair (F, S) is w -compatible*

Then F, G, S and T have a unique common coupled fixed point.

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