

**ON A GENERALIZED COMMON FIXED POINT THEOREM FOR WEAK ** COMMUTING
 MAPS IN 2-METRIC SPACES**

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ABSTRACT

*In this present research article, we prove the existence of a common fixed point for four self mappings defined on a complete 2- metric space through weak ** commutativity. The results of kubaik [3] are generalized in this work.*

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INTRODUCTION

The notion of 2-metric space was introduced by *Gahler* [1] in 1963 as a generalization of area function for Euclidean triangles. Many fixed point theorems were established by various authors like *Brouwer*, *Banach*, *Schauder* etc. A point $x \in X$ is said to be a *fixed point* of a self-map $f : X \rightarrow X$ if $f(x) = x$, where X is a non- empty set. Theorems concerning fixed points of self-maps are known as fixed point theorems. Most of the fixed point theorems were proved for contraction mappings. It is well known that every contraction on a metric space is continuous. The converse is not necessarily true. The identity mapping on $[0, 1]$ simply serves the counter example.

In this present work we consider commuting self-maps on a 2-metric space. Let T_1 and T_2 be two mappings from a metric space (X, d) into itself. T_1 and T_2 are said to commute if $T_1T_2x = T_2T_1x$, for all x in X . *Sessa* [5] introduced the concept of weak commutativity in metric spaces. In subsequent years the condition of weak commutativity was again made weaker. Weak* commutativity was introduced in metric space. In recent years weak** commutativity has been introduced and some theorems have been established. The existence of fixed point for weak**commutative self maps in 2-metric space are studied.

In this research article we present the concepts of weak commutativity, weak* commutativity and weak** commutativity in 2-metric space. Our results generalize the result of *kubaik* [3]

1. PRELIMINARIES

In this section we define weak**commutativity, weak* commutativity and weak commutativity. We also present an example to establish the fact that weak** commutativity does not imply commutativity.

1.1 Definition: Two self-maps A and S of a 2-metric space (X, d) are called *weak** commutative*

$$(1) A(X) \subset S(X) \text{ and}$$

$$(1.1) d(A^2S^2x, S^2A^2x, a) \leq d(A^2Sx, S^2A^2x, a) \leq d(AS^2x, S^2Ax, a) \leq d(ASx, S^2Ax, a) \leq d(S^2x, A^2x, a)$$

for all x, a in X .

1.2 Definition : Two self-maps A and S define on a 2-metric space (X, d) are said to be *weak* commutative* if

$$(1) A(X) \subset S(X)$$

$$(1.1) d(A^2S^2x, S^2A^2x, a) \leq d(S^2x, A^2x, a)$$

for all x, a in X .

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1.3 Definition: Two self-maps A and S define on a 2-metric space (X, d) are said to be *weak commutative* if

$$(1) A(X) \subset S(X)$$

$$(1.1) d(ASx, SAx, a) \leq d(Ax, Sx, a)$$

for all x, a in X.

1.4 Example: let $X = [0,1]$ with 2-metric d-defined as

$$d(x, y, z) = \min \{ |x - y|, |y - z|, |z - x| \}$$

Let A and S be defined as

$$Ax = \frac{x}{x+4} \text{ and } Sx = \frac{x}{2} \text{ for all } x \text{ in } X$$

Then A and S are weak** commutative but not weak commutative.

2. GENERALIZED FIXED POINT THEOREM

2.1 Theorem: Let A, B, S and T be four self-mappings of a complete 2-metric space (X, d) such that

$$A^2, B^2 : X \rightarrow S^2(X) \cap T^2(X) \text{ and satisfy}$$

$$(1) d(A^2x, B^2y, a)$$

$$\leq c \max \left\{ d(S^2x, T^2y, a), d(S^2x, A^2x, a), d(T^2y, B^2y, a), \frac{1}{2} [d(S^2x, B^2y, a) + d(T^2y, A^2x, a)] \right\}$$

For all x, y, a in X, where $0 < c < 1$. If one of A, B, S and T is continuous and if A and B weak** commutative with S and T respectively, then A, B, S and T have a unique common fixed point.

Proof: Let x_0 be an arbitrary point of X and

$$\text{Since } A^2(X) \text{ and } B^2(X) \text{ are contained in } S^2(X) \cap T^2(X),$$

We can define sequence $\{x_n\}$ in X such that

$$S^2x_{2n-1} = B^2x_{2n-2} \text{ and } T^2x_{2n} = A^2x_{2n-1} \text{ for } n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

By (i) we have

$$d(S^2x_{2n-1}, T^2x_{2n}, a) = d(B^2x_{2n-2}, A^2x_{2n-1}, a) = d(A^2x_{2n-1}, B^2x_{2n-2}, a)$$

$$\leq c \max \left\{ d(S^2x_{2n-1}, T^2x_{2n-2}, a), d(S^2x_{2n-1}, A^2x_{2n-1}, a), d(T^2x_{2n-2}, B^2x_{2n-2}, a), \frac{1}{2} [d(S^2x_{2n-1}, B^2x_{2n-2}, a) + d(T^2x_{2n-2}, A^2x_{2n-1}, a)] \right\}$$

$$\leq c \max \left\{ d(S^2x_{2n-1}, T^2x_{2n-2}, a), d(S^2x_{2n-1}, T^2x_{2n}, a), \frac{1}{2} [d(T^2x_{2n-2}, T^2x_{2n}, a)] \right\}$$

$$\text{Thus } d(S^2x_{2n-1}, T^2x_{2n}, a) \leq cd(S^2x_{2n-1}, T^2x_{2n-2}, a)$$

For $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ and all $a \in X$.

By induction we obtain

$$d(S^2x_{2n-1}, T^2x_{2n}, a) \leq c^{2n-1} d(S^2x_1, T^2x_0, a) \dots \dots \dots (2)$$

$$d(S^2x_{2n+1}, T^2x_{2n}, a) \leq c^{2n-1} d(S^2x_1, T^2x_2, a) \dots \dots \dots (3)$$

For $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ and all $a \in X$

$$\text{Thus } d(S^2x_{2n-1}, S^2x_{2n+1}, a) \leq d(S^2x_{2n-1}, S^2x_{2n+1}, T^2x_{2n}) + d(S^2x_{2n-1}, T^2x_{2n}, a) + d(T^2x_{2n}, S^2x_{2n+1}, a)$$

$$\leq d(S^2x_{2n-1}, S^2x_{2n+1}, T^2x_{2n}) + c^{2n-1} d(S^2x_1, T^2x_0, a) + c^{2n-1} d(S^2x_1, T^2x_2, a)$$

$$\leq 0 + c^{2n-1} [d(S^2x_1, T^2x_0, a) + cd(S^2x_1, T^2x_0, a)]$$

Since $d(S^2x_{2n-1}, S^2x_{2n+1}, T^2x_{2n}) = 0$ and $d(S^2x_1, T^2x_2, a) < cd(S^2x_1, T^2x_0, a)$
 $d(S^2x_{2n-1}, S^2x_{2n+1}, a) \leq c^{2n-1}(1+c)d(S^2x_1, T^2x_0, a)$

Similarly $d(S^2x_{2n+1}, S^2x_{2n+3}, a) \leq c^{2n+1}(1+c)d(S^2x_1, T^2x_0, a)$
 $d(S^2x_{2n+3}, S^2x_{2n+5}, a) \leq c^{2n+3}(1+c)d(S^2x_1, T^2x_0, a)$ and So on

Since $0 < c < 1$
 $c^{2n-1} \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$

So that $\{s^2x_{2n-1}\}$ is a Cauchy sequence in X, thus converges to a point **u** in X

Consider $d(T^2x_{2n}, u, a) \leq d(T^2x_{2n}, u, S^2x_{2n-1}) + d(T^2x_{2n}, S^2x_{2n-1}, a) + d(S^2x_{2n-1}, u, a)$
 $\leq d(T^2x_{2n}, u, u) + d(T^2x_{2n}, u, a) + d(u, u, a)$
 $d(T^2x_{2n}, u, a) \leq d(T^2x_{2n}, u, a)$

Which is a contradiction

$d(T^2x_{2n}, u, a) = 0$ for every a in X

Therefore $\{T^2x_{2n}\}$ converges to **u**

Thus $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s^2x_{2n-1} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} B^2x_{2n-2} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} T^2x_{2n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} A^2x_{2n-1} = u$

Now suppose that S is continuous, we have the sequence $\{A^2Sx_{2n-1}\}$ converges to **su**

I.e. $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} A^2Sx_{2n-1} = u$

Since A and S are weak** commute

We have $d(A^2Sx, SA^2x, a) \leq d(A^2x, S^2x, a)$ for all $a \in X$

Put $x = x_{2n-1}$

$d(A^2Sx_{2n-1}, SA^2x_{2n-1}, a) \leq d(A^2x_{2n-1}, S^2x_{2n-1}, a)$
 $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(A^2Sx_{2n-1}, SA^2x_{2n-1}, a) \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(A^2x_{2n-1}, S^2x_{2n-1}, a)$
 $\leq d(u, u, a) = 0$

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(A^2Sx_{2n-1}, SA^2x_{2n-1}, a) = 0$

Also $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} A^2x_{2n-1} = u$

Since S is continuous

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} SA^2x_{2n-1} = Su$

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(A^2Sx_{2n-1}, Su, a) = 0 \forall a \in X$

$\Rightarrow \{A^2Sx_{2n-1}\}$ is convergent to **Su**

Since $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} B^2x_{2n} = u$ and S is continuous

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} SB^2x_{2n} = Su$

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} SS^2x_{2n+1} = Su$

Since $S^2x_{2n-1} = B^2x_{2n-2} \Rightarrow S^2x_{2n+1} = B^2x_{2n}$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S^3x_{2n+1} = Su$$

Now we have

$$d(A^2Sx_{2n-1}, B^2x_{2n}, a) \leq c \max \left\{ \begin{array}{l} d(S^3x_{2n+1}, T^2x_{2n}, a), d(S^3x_{2n+1}, A^2Sx_{2n+1}, a), d(T^2x_{2n}, B^2x_{2n}, a) \\ \frac{1}{2} [d(S^3x_{2n+1}, B^2x_{2n}, a) + d(T^2x_{2n}, A^2Sx_{2n+1}, a)] \end{array} \right\}$$

Letting $n \rightarrow \infty$ $d(su, u, a) = 0 \forall a \in X$

$$\Rightarrow Su = u$$

Hence u is a fixed point of S

$$\Rightarrow S^2u = Su = u$$

Consider

$$d(A^2u, B^2x_{2n}, a) \leq c \max \left\{ \begin{array}{l} d(S^2u, T^2x_{2n}, a), d(S^2u, A^2u, a), d(T^2x_{2n}, B^2x_{2n}, a) \\ \frac{1}{2} [d(S^2u, B^2x_{2n}, a) + d(T^2x_{2n}, A^2u, a)] \end{array} \right\}$$

Letting $n \rightarrow \infty$ $d(A^2u, u, a) = 0 \forall a \in X$

$$\Rightarrow A^2u = u$$

Consider

$$d(u, B^2u, a) = d(A^2u, B^2u, a) \leq c \max \left\{ \begin{array}{l} d(S^2u, T^2u, a), d(S^2u, A^2u, a), d(T^2u, B^2u, a) \\ \frac{1}{2} [d(S^2u, B^2u, a) + d(T^2u, A^2u, a)] \end{array} \right\}$$

$$d(u, B^2u, a) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow B^2u = u$$

Since $B^2(x) \subset T^2(x)$ and $u \in X$

We have $B^2u \in B^2(x)$

$$\Rightarrow u \in B^2(x)$$

$$\Rightarrow u \in T^2(x)$$

There exist $u_1 \in X$ Such that $u = T^2(u_1)$

$$\text{Then } d(u, B^2u_1, a) = d(A^2u, B^2u_1, a) \leq c \max \left\{ \begin{array}{l} d(S^2u, T^2u_1, a), d(S^2u, A^2u, a), d(T^2u_1, B^2u_1, a) \\ \frac{1}{2} [d(S^2u, B^2u_1, a) + d(T^2u_1, A^2u, a)] \end{array} \right\}$$

$$d(u, B^2u_1, a) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow B^2u_1 = u$$

There fore $T^2u_1 = B^2u_1 = u$

Since B and T are Weak** commutative

$$d(B^2T^2x, T^2B^2x, a) \leq d(B^2Tx, TB^2x, a) \leq d(BT^2x, T^2Bx, a) \leq d(BTx, TBx, a) \leq d(B^2x, T^2x, a) \forall x, a \in X$$

Put $x = u_1$

$$d(B^2T^2x, T^2B^2x, a) \leq d(B^2Tu_1, TB^2u_1, a) \leq d(BT^2u_1, T^2Bu_1, a) \leq d(BTu_1, TBu_1, a) \leq d(B^2u_1, T^2u_1, a) \forall a \in X$$

$$d(u, T^2u, a) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow T^2u = u \forall a \in T$$

$$\text{Hence } A^2u = B^2u = S^2u = T^2u = u$$

Since $A^2u = u$

$$A(A^2u) = Au$$

$$A^3u = Au$$

Then we have

$$d(u, Au, a) = d(Au, u, a) = d(A^3u, B^2u, a) = d(A^2Au, B^2u, a)$$

$$\leq c \max \left\{ \begin{array}{l} d(S^2Au, T^2u, a), d(S^2Au, A^3u, a), d(T^2u, B^2u, a) \\ \frac{1}{2} [d(S^2Au, B^2u, a) + d(T^2u, A^3u, a)] \end{array} \right\}$$

$$\Rightarrow d(u, Au, a) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow Au = u$$

$$\therefore Su = Au = u$$

Since B and T are weak** commutative

$$d(B^2T^2u, T^2B^2u, a) \leq d(B^2Tu, TB^2u, a) \leq d(BT^2u, T^2Bu, a) \leq d(BTu, TBu, a) \leq d(B^2u, T^2u, a)$$

$$d(u, u, a) \leq d(B^2Tu, Tu, a) \leq d(Bu, T^2Bu, a) \leq d(BTu, TBu, a) \leq d(u, u, a)$$

$$0 \leq d(B^2Tu, Tu, a) \leq d(Bu, T^2Bu, a) \leq d(BTu, TBu, a) \leq 0 \forall a \in X$$

$$d(B^2Tu, Tu, a) = 0 \Rightarrow B^2Tu = Tu$$

$$d(Bu, T^2Bu, a) = 0 \Rightarrow T^2Bu = Bu$$

$$d(BTu, TBu, a) = 0 \Rightarrow BTu = TBu$$

$$d(u, Tu, a) = d(A^2u, B^2Tu, a)$$

$$\leq c \max \left\{ \begin{array}{l} d(S^2u, T^2Tu, a), d(S^2u, A^2u, a), d(T^2Tu, B^2Tu, a) \\ \frac{1}{2} [d(S^2u, B^2Tu, a) + d(T^2Tu, A^2u, a)] \end{array} \right\}$$

$$d(u, Tu, a) = 0$$

$$\therefore Tu = u$$

Since $B^2u = u$

$$BB^2u = Bu$$

$$B^3u = Bu$$

We have

$$d(u, Bu, a) = d(A^2u, B^3u, a) = d(A^2u, B^2Bu, a)$$

$$\leq c \max \left\{ \begin{array}{l} d(S^2u, T^2Bu, a), d(S^2u, A^2u, a), d(T^2Bu, B^2Bu, a) \\ \frac{1}{2} [d(S^2u, B^2Bu, a) + d(T^2Bu, A^2u, a)] \end{array} \right\}$$

$$d(u, Bu, a) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow Bu = u$$

$$\therefore Au = Su = Tu = Bu = u$$

Hence u is a common fixed point of A, S, T and B

Now we prove that u is a Unique fixed point of A, S, T and B

Suppose that there is a point $v \in X$ such that

$$Av = Sv = Bv = Tv = v$$

$$A^2v = S^2v = B^2v = T^2v = v$$

$$\text{Then } d(u, v, a) = d(A^2u, B^2v, a) \leq c \max \left\{ \begin{array}{l} d(S^2u, T^2v, a), d(S^2u, A^2u, a), d(T^2v, B^2v, a) \\ \frac{1}{2} [d(S^2u, B^2v, a) + d(T^2v, A^2u, a)] \end{array} \right\}$$

$$d(u, v, a) = 0$$

$$\therefore u = v$$

So, we proved that u is the unique common fixed point of A, B, S and T.

2.2 Corollary: Let S, T: $X \rightarrow X$ and either S or T be continuous. Then S and T have a common fixed point z if there exists two self mappings A, B of X and A (resp. B) weakly commute with S (resp. T). Further z is the unique common fixed point of A, B, S and T.

Proof: As A (resp. B) weakly commutes with S (resp. T). But weakly commutativity implies weak **commutativity. Thus the proof of theorem [2.1] work.

Remark:

1. The corollary (2.2) generalizes theorem 1 of *kubaik* [3] where continuity of both S and T and commutative of both A and B with S and T are assumed. But assumptions in corollary (2.2) are much weaker than that of *kubaik* [3] and thus theorem (2.1) is more general than *kubaik* [3].

2.3 Theorem: Let A, B, S and T be four self-mappings of a complete 2-metric space (X, d) such that

$$(1) A^2(X) \subset T^2(X) \text{ and } B^2(X) \subset S^2(X),$$

$$(11) d(A^2x, B^2y, a) \leq c \max. \{d(S^2x, T^2x, a), d(S^2x, A^2x, a), d(T^2y, B^2y, a), [d(S^2x, B^2y, a) + d(T^2x, A^2y, a)]\}$$

For all x, y, a in X, where $0 < c < 1$. if one of A, B, S and T is continuous and if A and B weak**commute with S and T respectively, then A, B, S and T have a unique common fixed point in X.

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