

Common Fixed Point Theorems of ψ - Weak Generalized Geraghty Contractions In Partially Ordered Partial b -Metric Spaces

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Abstract—In this paper we consider the concept of ψ - weak generalized Geraghty contractive self mappings in a complete partially ordered partial b - metric space. We study the existence of fixed points for such self mappings in complete partially ordered partial b - metric spaces controlled by ψ - weak generalized Geraghty contractive type condition and obtain some fixed point results of Babu.G.V.R. et.al [3] in complete partially ordered metric spaces as corollaries. Supporting example is also provided. An open problem is given at the end of the paper.

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I. Introduction

MOST of the generalizations of fixed point theorems usually start from Banach [5] contraction principle. But all the generalizations may not be from this principle. In 1973, Geraghty [8] introduced an extension of the contraction in which the contraction constant was replaced by a function having some specified properties. In 1989, Bakhtin [4] introduced the concept of a b - metric space as a generalization of a metric space. In 1993, Czerwik [7] extended many results related to the b - metric spaces. In 1994, Matthews [16] introduced the concept of partial metric space in which the self distance of any point of space may not be zero. In 1996, Neill.S.J.O' [21] generalized the concept of partial metric space by admitting negative distances. In 2013, Shukla [26] generalized both the concepts of b - metric and partial metric space by introducing the partial b - metric spaces. Many authors recently studied the existence of fixed points of self maps in different types of metric spaces [13,25,1,2,20,28]. Xian Zhang [29] proved a common fixed point theorem for two self maps on a metric space satisfying generalized contractive type conditions. Some authors studied some fixed point theorems in b - metric spaces [17,23,24,30]. After that some authors proved $\alpha - \psi$ versions

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of certain fixed point theorems in different type metric spaces [12,18,23,]. Mustafa [19] gave a generalization of Banach contraction principle in complete ordered partial b - metric space by introducing a generalized $\alpha - \psi$ weakly contractive mapping. Mukheimer.A [18] generalized the concept of Mustafa [19] by introducing the $\alpha - \psi - \varphi$ contractive mapping in a complete ordered partial b - metric space. In this paper we prove fixed point theorems for ψ - weak generalized Geraghty contractive self mappings in complete partially ordered partial b - metric spaces satisfying a contractive type condition by considering partial b - metric p as in definition 2.1(Shukla [26]) which is more general than that of any partial b - metric and obtained some fixed point results of Babu.G.V.R. et.al [3] in complete partially ordered metric space as corollaries. A supporting example is given and an open problem is also given at the end of the paper. Shukla [26] introduced the notation of a partial b - metric space as follows.

II. Some Preliminary Results

In this section, some definitions and preliminary results are given which we use in this paper.

Definition 2.1(Shukla.S[26]) Let X be a non empty set and let $s \geq 1$ be a given real number. A function $p : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ is called a partial b - metric if for all $x, y, z \in X$ the following conditions are satisfied.

- (i) $x = y$ if and only if $p(x, x) = p(x, y) = p(y, y)$
- (ii) $p(x, x) \leq p(x, y)$
- (iii) $p(x, y) = p(y, x)$
- (iv) $p(x, y) \leq s\{p(x, z) + p(z, y)\} - p(z, z)$.

The pair (X, p) is called a partial b - metric space. The number $s \geq 1$ is called a coefficient of (X, p) . \square

Definition 2.2(Karapinar.E. et.al [12]) Let (X, \leq) be a partially ordered set and $T : X \rightarrow X$ be a mapping. We say that T is non decreasing with respect to \leq if $x, y \in X, x \leq y \Rightarrow Tx \leq Ty$ \square

Definition 2.3(Karapinar.E. et.al [12]) Let (X, \leq) be a partially ordered set. A sequence $\{x_n\} \in X$ is said to be non decreasing with respect to \leq if

$$x_n \leq x_{n+1} \forall n \in \mathbb{N} \quad \square$$

Definition 2.4 (Mustafa.Z [19]) A triple (X, \leq, p) is called an ordered partial b - metric space if (X, \leq) is a partially ordered set and p is a partial b -metric on X . \square

Definition 2.5(Mohammad Mursaleen. et. al.[18]) Define $\Psi = \{\psi/\psi : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)\}$ is non-decreasing and satisfies

(2.5.1)}

ψ is continuous and $\psi(t) = 0 \Leftrightarrow t = 0$ (2.5.1) \square

Definition 2.6(Geraghty [8]) A self map $f : X \rightarrow X$ is said to be a Geraghty contraction if there exists $\beta \in S$ such that $d(f(x), f(y)) \leq \beta(d(x, y))d(x, y)$

where $S = \{\beta : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, 1)/\beta(t_n) \rightarrow 1 \Rightarrow t_n \rightarrow 0\}$ \square

Definition 2.7(Ciric. et.al [6]) Suppose (X, \leq) is a partially ordered set and $f, g : X \rightarrow X$ are self maps. f is said to be g - non-decreasing if for $x, y \in X, gx \leq gy \Rightarrow fx \leq fy$ \square

Definition 2.8 (Babu.G.V.R. et.al[3]) Let (X, \leq) be a partially ordered set and suppose that there exists a metric d such that (X, d) is a metric space. Let f and g be two self mappings on X . Suppose there exists $\psi \in \Psi, \beta \in S$ and $L > 0$ such that

$$\psi(d(f(x), f(y))) \leq \beta(M(x, y))M(x, y) + L.N(x, y) \quad (2.8.1)$$

for all $x, y \in X$ with $gx \geq gy$, where

$$M(x, y) =$$

$$\max\{d(gx, gy), d(gx, fx), d(gy, fy), \frac{1}{2}[d(gx, fy) + d(fx, gy)]\}$$

$$\text{and } N(x, y) = \min\{d(gx, fy), d(gx, fx), d(gx, fy)\}.$$

Then we say that (f, g) is a pair of ψ weak generalized Geraghty contraction maps. \square

Definition 2.9(Jungck.G [9])Two self maps f and g of a metric space (X, d) are said to be compatible if

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(fg x_n, gf x_n) = 0$ whenever $\{x_n\}$ is a sequence in X such that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f x_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} g x_n = u$ for some $u \in X$ \square

Definition 3.0(Jungck.G [10])Two self maps f and g of a metric space (X, d) are said to be weakly compatible if they commute at their coincidence points, that is if $fu = gu$ for some $u \in X$, then $fgu = gfu$. \square

Definition 3.1(Pant.R.P[22])Two self maps f and g of a metric space (X, d) are said to be reciprocally continuous if

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f g x_n = f z$ and $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} g f x_n = g z$ whenever $\{x_n\}$ is a sequence in X with $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f x_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} g x_n = z$. \square

Babu.G.V.R. et.al [3] proved the following theorems :

Theorem 3.2 (Babu.G.V.R. et.al [3], Theorem 2.1)Let (X, \leq) be a partially ordered set and suppose that there exists a metric d such that (X, d) is a complete metric space. Let f and g be two self maps on X such that f is g - non - decreasing. Suppose that (f, g) is a pair of generalized Geraghty contraction maps satisfying (2.8.1). Assume that

(i) $fX \subseteq gX$

(ii) there exists $x_0 \in X$ such that $g x_0 \leq f x_0$

(iii) $g(X)$ is a closed subset of X .

(iv) if any non - decreasing $\{x_n\}$ in X , converges to u , then $x_n \leq u \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$

Then f and g have a coincidence point in X . \square

Theorem 3.3 (Babu.G.V.R. et.al [3], Theorem 2.2)In addition to the hypothesis of Theorem 3.2, if $gu < ggu$ where u is as in (iv) and f and g are weakly compatible then f and g have a common fixed point in X . \square

Theorem 3.4 (Babu.G.V.R. et.al [3], Theorem 2.3)Let (X, \leq) be a partially ordered set and suppose that there exists a metric d such that (X, d) is a complete metric space. Let f and g be two self maps on X , f is g - non - decreasing. Suppose that (f, g) is a pair of ψ - weak generalized Geraghty contraction maps. Assume that

(i) $fX \subseteq gX$

(ii) f and g are compatible.

(iii) there exists $x_0 \in X$ such that $g x_0 \leq f x_0$

(iv) f and g are reciprocally continuous.

Then f and g have a coincidence point in X . \square

III. Main Result

In this section we prove coincident point and common fixed point theorems for two self maps on partially ordered partial b - metric spaces by using by partial b - metric p of definition 2.1 and obtain theorems 3.2,3.3 and 3.4 as corollaries. A supporting example is also given. An open problem is also given at the end.

We begin this section with the following definition

Definition 3.5(Mustafa.Z[19])Suppose (X, \leq) is a partially ordered set and p is a partial b - metric with $s \geq 1$ as the coefficient of (X, p) . Then we say that the triplet (X, \leq, p) is a partially ordered partial b - metric space. We observe that every ordered partial b - metric space is a partially ordered partial b - metric space.

Definition 3.6(Mustafa.Z [19])A sequence $\{x_n\}$ in a partial b - metric space (X, p) is said to be:

(i) convergent to a point $x \in X$ if $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} p(x_n, x) = p(x, x)$

(ii) a Cauchy sequence if $\lim_{n, m \rightarrow \infty} p(x_n, x_m)$ exists and is finite

(iii) a partial metric space (X, p) is said to be complete if every Cauchy sequence $\{x_n\}$ in X converges to a point $x \in X$ such that

$$\lim_{n, m \rightarrow \infty} p(x_n, x_m) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} p(x_n, x) = p(x, x). \quad \square$$

Now we introduce the notions of compatibility, weak compatibility and reciprocal continuity of two self maps on a partially ordered partial b - metric space.

Definition 3.7 Two self maps f and g of a partially ordered partial b - metric space (X, \leq, p) are said to be compatible if $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} p(fg x_n, gf x_n) = 0$ whenever $\{x_n\}$ is a sequence in X such that

$$\lim_{m, n \rightarrow \infty} p(fx_m, fx_n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} p(fx_n, u) = p(u, u) = 0$$

and

$$\lim_{m, n \rightarrow \infty} p(gx_m, gx_n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} p(gx_n, u) = p(u, u) = 0 \text{ for some } u \in X. \quad \square$$

Definition 3.8 Two self maps f and g of a partially ordered partial b - metric space (X, \leq, p) are said to be weakly compatible if they commute at their coincidence points. that is $fu = gu$ for some $u \in X$, then $fgu = gfu$. \square

Definition 3.9 Two self maps f and g of a partially ordered partial b - metric space (X, \leq, p) are said to be reciprocally continuous if

$$\lim_{m, n \rightarrow \infty} p(fg x_m, fg x_n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} p(fg x_n, fz) = p(fz, fz) = 0$$

and

$$\lim_{m, n \rightarrow \infty} p(gf x_m, gf x_n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} p(gf x_n, fz) = p(gz, gz) = 0$$

whenever $\{x_n\}$ is a sequence in X with

$$\lim_{m, n \rightarrow \infty} p(fx_m, fx_n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} p(fx_n, z) = p(z, z) = 0$$

and $\lim_{m, n \rightarrow \infty} p(gx_m, gx_n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} p(gx_n, z) = p(z, z) = 0$ for some $z \in X$. \square

In the following definition we extend the notion of ψ weak generalized Geraghty contraction and weak generalized Geraghty contraction for two self maps on a partially ordered partial b - metric space.

Definition 4.0 Let (X, \leq) be a partially ordered set and suppose that there exists a partial b - metric p such that (X, p) is a partial b - metric space. Let f and g be two self mappings on X . Suppose there exists $\psi \in \Psi, \beta \in S$ such that $\psi(sp(f(x), f(y))) \leq \beta(\psi(M(x, y)))\psi(M(x, y))$ (4.0.1) for all $x, y \in X$ whenever gx and gy are comparable, where

$$M(x, y) = \max\{p(gx, gy), p(gx, fx), p(gy, fy), \frac{1}{2s}[p(gx, fy)+p(fx, gy)]\}$$

Then we say that (f, g) is a pair of ψ weak generalized Geraghty contraction maps. We also say that (f, g) is a pair of weak generalized Geraghty contraction maps if $\psi(t) = t \forall t \in [0, \infty)$. □

Now we state the following useful lemmas 4.1 and 4.2, whose proofs can be found in Sastry. et. al [25].

Lemma 4.1 Let (X, \leq, p) be a complete partially ordered partial b - metric space with coefficient $s \geq 1$. Let $\{x_n\}$ be a sequence in X such that

(i) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x, \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n = y$ and $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} p(x_n, y_n) = 0 \Rightarrow x = y$. □

(ii) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} p(x_n, x_{n+1}) = 0$ and $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x, \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = y$
Then $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} p(x_n, x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} p(x_n, y) = p(x, y)$ and hence $x = y$. □

Lemma 4.2 (i) $p(x, y) = 0 \Rightarrow x = y$ □

(ii) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} p(x_n, x) = 0 \Rightarrow p(x, x) = 0$ and hence $x_n \rightarrow x$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$ □

Lemma 4.3 Let (X, \leq, p) be a partially ordered partial b - metric space with coefficient $s \geq 1$. Let $\{x_n\}$ be a sequence in X such that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} p(x_n, x_{n+1}) = 0$.

Then (i) $\{x_n\}$ is a Cauchy sequence $\Rightarrow \lim_{m, n \rightarrow \infty} p(x_m, x_n) = 0$.

(ii) $\{x_n\}$ is not a Cauchy sequence $\Rightarrow \exists \epsilon > 0$ and sequences $\{m_k\}, \{n_k\} \ni m_k > n_k > k \in \mathbb{N}; p(x_{n_k}, x_{m_k}) > \epsilon$ and $p(x_{n_k}, x_{m_k-1}) \leq \epsilon$

Proof : (i) Suppose $\{x_n\}$ is a Cauchy sequence then $\lim_{m, n \rightarrow \infty} p(x_m, x_n)$ exists and finite. Therefore

$$0 = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} p(x_n, x_{n+1}) = \lim_{m, n \rightarrow \infty} p(x_m, x_n)$$

Therefore $\lim_{m, n \rightarrow \infty} p(x_m, x_n) = 0$.

(ii) $\{x_n\}$ is not a Cauchy sequence $\Rightarrow \lim_{m, n \rightarrow \infty} p(x_m, x_n) \neq 0$

if it exists

$$\Rightarrow \exists \epsilon > 0 \text{ and for every } N \text{ and } m, n > N \ni p(x_m, x_n) > \epsilon$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} p(x_n, x_{n+1}) = 0 \Rightarrow \exists M \ni p(x_n, x_{n+1}) < \epsilon \forall n > M.$$

Let $N_1 > M$ and n_1 be the smallest such that $m > n_1$ and $p(x_{n_1}, x_m) > \epsilon$ for at least one m . Let m_1 be the smallest such that $m_1 > n_1 > N_1 > 1$ and $p(x_{n_1}, x_{m_1}) > \epsilon$

so that $p(x_{n_1}, x_{m_1-1}) \leq \epsilon$. Let $N_2 > N_1$ and choose $m_2 > n_2 > N_2 > 2 \ni p(x_{n_2}, x_{m_2}) > \epsilon$ and $p(x_{n_2}, x_{m_2-1}) \leq \epsilon$.

Continuing this process we can get sequences of positive integers $\{m_k\}$ and $\{n_k\}$ such that $m_k > n_k > k$ and $p(x_{m_k}, x_{n_k}) > \epsilon; p(x_{n_k}, x_{m_k-1}) \leq \epsilon$ □

Now we state our first main result

Theorem 4.4 Let (X, \leq, p) be a complete partially ordered partial b - metric space with coefficient $s \geq 1$. Let f and g be

two self maps on X , f is g - non - decreasing. Suppose that (f, g) is a pair of ψ - weak generalized Geraghty contraction maps, that is there exist $\psi \in \Psi$ and $\beta \in S$ such that $\psi(sp(f(x), f(y))) \leq \beta(\psi(M(x, y)))\psi(M(x, y))$ for all $x, y \in X$ whenever gx and gy are comparable, where

$$M(x, y) = \max\{p(gx, gy), p(gx, fx), p(gy, fy), \frac{1}{2s}[p(gx, fy)+p(fx, gy)]\} \tag{4.4.1}$$

(i) $fX \subseteq gX$

(ii) there exists $x_0 \in X$ such that $gx_0 \leq fx_0$

(iii) $g(X)$ is a closed subset of X .

(iv) if any non - decreasing sequence $\{x_n\}$ in X , converges to u , then $x_n \leq u \forall n \geq 0$

Then f and g have a coincidence point in X

Proof : let $x_0 \in X$ be as in (ii). If $gx_0 = fx_0$ then x_0 is a coincident point and there is nothing to prove. Now suppose $gx_0 < fx_0$. By (i) $\exists x_1 \in X$ such that $gx_1 = fx_0$.

Since $gx_0 < fx_0 = gx_1$ and f is g - non decreasing, we have $fx_0 < fx_1$.

Since $f(X) \subseteq g(X)$ and $fx_1 \in fX \subseteq gX$, there exists $x_2 \in X$ such that $gx_2 = fx_1$ and $gx_1 \leq gx_2$. Continuing this process, we can find sequence $\{x_n\}$ with $fx_n = gx_{n+1}$ for $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$. Further, since $gx_1 \leq gx_2$ and f is g - non decreasing, we have $fx_1 \leq fx_2$ so that $gx_2 \leq gx_3$.

\therefore By induction, we get $gx_n \leq gx_{n+1} \forall n = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$

Suppose $gx_{n+1} = gx_{n+2}$ for some $n \in \mathbb{N} \Rightarrow gx_{n+1} = fx_{n+1} \Rightarrow x_{n+1}$ is a coincident point of f and g in X .

Hence we may assume that $gx_{n+1} \neq gx_{n+2} \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$.

Then we have $p(gx_{n+2}, gx_{n+1}) > 0$, therefore by (4.4.1),

$$\begin{aligned} & \psi(sp(g(x_{n+2}), g(x_{n+1}))) \\ &= \psi(sp(f(x_{n+1}), f(x_n))) \\ &\leq \beta(M(x_{n+1}, x_n)) M(x_{n+1}, x_n), \end{aligned}$$

where $M(x_{n+1}, x_n)$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \max\{p(gx_{n+1}, gx_n), p(gx_{n+1}, fx_{n+1}), p(gx_n, fx_n), \\ & \frac{1}{2s}[p(gx_{n+1}, fx_n) + p(fx_{n+1}, gx_n)]\} \\ &= \max\{p(gx_{n+1}, gx_n), p(gx_{n+1}, gx_{n+2}), p(gx_n, gx_{n+1}), \\ & \frac{1}{2s}[p(gx_{n+1}, gx_{n+1}) + p(gx_{n+2}, gx_n)]\} \\ &\leq \max\{p(gx_{n+1}, gx_n), p(gx_{n+1}, gx_{n+2}), \\ & \frac{1}{2s}[p(gx_{n+1}, gx_{n+1}) + s(p(gx_{n+2}, gx_{n+1})+p(gx_{n+1}, gx_n)) - \\ & p(gx_{n+1}, gx_{n+1})]\} \end{aligned}$$

$$= \max[p(gx_{n+1}, gx_n), p(gx_{n+1}, x_{n+2})]$$

$$\text{Suppose } p(gx_{n+1}, gx_n) \leq gp(x_{n+1}, gx_{n+2}) \tag{4.4.2}$$

Then $M(x_{n+1}, x_n) = p(gx_{n+1}, gx_{n+2})$

$$\therefore \psi(sp(gx_{n+2}, gx_{n+1}))$$

$$\leq \beta(\psi(p(gx_{n+2}, gx_{n+1})))\psi(p(gx_{n+2}, gx_{n+1})) < \psi(p(gx_{n+2}, gx_{n+1}))$$

$\Rightarrow sp(gx_{n+2}, gx_{n+1}) < p(gx_{n+2}, gx_{n+1})$, a contradiction.

$$\therefore M(x_{n+1}, x_n) = p(gx_{n+1}, gx_n) \tag{4.4.3}$$

$$\therefore \psi(p(gx_{n+2}, gx_{n+1})) \leq \psi(sp(gx_{n+2}, gx_{n+1}))$$

$$\leq \beta(\psi(p(gx_{n+1}, gx_n)))\psi(p(gx_{n+1}, gx_n))$$

$$< \psi(p(gx_{n+1}, gx_n))$$

$$\Rightarrow p(gx_{n+2}, gx_{n+1}) \leq sp(gx_{n+2}, gx_{n+1}) < p(gx_{n+1}, gx_n) \tag{4.4.4}$$

\therefore sequence $\{\psi(p(gx_{n+1}, gx_n))\}$ is strictly decreasing and converges to r (say).

Also sequence $p(gx_{n+1}, gx_n)$ is strictly decreasing and converges to λ (say). $\therefore r = \psi(\lambda)$ (4.4.5)

Suppose $r \neq 0$

$$\therefore \frac{\psi(p(gx_{n+2}, gx_{n+1}))}{\psi(p(gx_{n+1}, gx_n))} \leq \beta(\psi(p(gx_{n+1}, gx_n))) < 1 \quad (4.4.6)$$

taking limits as $n \rightarrow \infty$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \beta(\psi(p(gx_{n+1}, gx_n))) &= 1 \\ \Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \psi(p(gx_{n+1}, gx_n)) &= 0 \\ \therefore r = 0 \Rightarrow \psi(\lambda) = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda = 0 \end{aligned} \quad (4.4.7)$$

Now we claim sequence $\{gx_n\}$ is a Cauchy sequence. Assume that $\{gx_n\}$ is not a Cauchy sequence. Then by lemma 4.3 $\exists \epsilon > 0$ and sequences $\{m_k\}, \{n_k\}; m_k > n_k > k$ such that $p(gx_{m_k}, gx_{n_k}) \geq \epsilon$ and $p(gx_{m_k-1}, gx_{n_k}) < \epsilon$.

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \psi(\epsilon) &\leq \psi\{sp(gx_{m_k}, gx_{n_k})\} \\ &= \psi\{sp(fx_{m_k-1}, fx_{n_k-1})\} \\ &\leq \beta(\psi(M(x_{m_k-1}, x_{n_k-1}))) \psi\{M(x_{m_k-1}, x_{n_k-1})\} \end{aligned} \quad (4.4.8)$$

where $M(x_{m_k-1}, x_{n_k-1})$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \max\{p(gx_{m_k-1}, gx_{n_k-1}), p(gx_{n_k-1}, fx_{n_k-1}), \\ &p(gx_{m_k-1}, fx_{m_k-1}), \frac{1}{2s} [p(gx_{m_k-1}, fx_{n_k-1}) + \\ &p(fx_{m_k-1}, gx_{n_k-1})]\} \\ &= \max\{p(gx_{m_k-1}, gx_{n_k-1}), p(gx_{n_k-1}, gx_{n_k}), p(gx_{m_k-1}, gx_{m_k}), \\ &\frac{1}{2s} [p(gx_{m_k-1}, gx_{n_k}) + p(gx_{m_k}, gx_{n_k-1})]\} \\ &\leq \max\{p(gx_{m_k-1}, gx_{n_k-1}), p(gx_{n_k-1}, gx_{n_k}), p(gx_{m_k-1}, gx_{m_k}), \\ &\frac{1}{2s} [sp(gx_{m_k-1}, gx_{n_k-1}) + sp(gx_{n_k-1}, gx_{n_k}) \\ &- p(gx_{n_k-1}, gx_{n_k-1}) + sp(gx_{m_k-1}, gx_{n_k-1}) \\ &+ sp(gx_{m_k}, gx_{m_k-1}) - p(gx_{m_k-1}, gx_{m_k-1})]\} \\ &\leq \max\{p(gx_{m_k-1}, gx_{n_k-1}), p(gx_{n_k-1}, gx_{n_k}), p(gx_{m_k-1}, gx_{m_k}), \\ &\frac{1}{2s} [2sp(gx_{m_k-1}, gx_{n_k-1}) + sp(gx_{n_k-1}, gx_{n_k}) + \\ &sp(gx_{m_k}, gx_{m_k-1})]\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= p(gx_{m_k-1}, gx_{n_k-1}) + \frac{1}{2}p(gx_{n_k-1}, gx_{n_k}) + \frac{1}{2}p(gx_{m_k}, gx_{m_k-1}) \\ &\leq sp(gx_{m_k-1}, gx_{n_k}) + sp(gx_{n_k}, gx_{n_k-1}) - p(gx_{n_k}, gx_{n_k}) + \\ &\frac{1}{2}p(gx_{n_k-1}, gx_{n_k}) + \frac{1}{2}p(gx_{m_k}, gx_{m_k-1}) \\ &\leq sp(gx_{m_k-1}, gx_{n_k}) + sp(gx_{n_k}, gx_{n_k-1}) + \\ &\frac{1}{2}p(gx_{n_k-1}, gx_{n_k}) + \frac{1}{2}p(gx_{m_k}, gx_{m_k-1}) \\ &\leq \epsilon + s\eta + \frac{1}{2}\eta + \frac{1}{2}\eta \text{ where } \eta > 0 \text{ for large } k \\ \therefore \psi(\epsilon) &\leq \beta(\psi(M(x_{m_k-1}, x_{n_k-1}))) \psi(\epsilon + s\eta + \eta) \\ &< \psi(\epsilon + s\eta + \eta) \end{aligned} \quad (4.4.9)$$

(This is being for large k and true for every $\eta > 0$)
Since ψ is continuous, then we get for large k ,

$$\psi(\epsilon) \leq \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \beta(\psi(M(x_{m_k-1}, x_{n_k-1}))) \psi(\epsilon) \leq \psi(\epsilon)$$

$$\therefore \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \beta(\psi(M(x_{m_k-1}, x_{n_k-1}))) = 1$$

$$\therefore \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} M(x_{m_k-1}, x_{n_k-1}) = 0$$

\therefore By (4.4.8), $\psi(\epsilon) = 0 \Rightarrow \epsilon = 0$, a contradiction.

Consequently $\{gx_n\}$ is a Cauchy sequence.

$\therefore \{gx_n\} \rightarrow gy$ for some $y \in X$ by (iii)

Also

$$0 = \lim_{n, m \rightarrow \infty} p(gx_n, gx_m) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} p(gx_n, gy) = p(gy, gy) \quad (4.4.10)$$

Now by (iv) of the hypothesis $gx_n \leq gy \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$

Therefore $gx_{n+1} \leq gy \Rightarrow fx_n \leq fy \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ (since f is g -non decreasing)

$$\begin{aligned} &\psi\{sp(fx_n, fy)\} \\ &\leq \beta(\psi(M(x_n, y))) \psi\{M(x_n, y)\} \\ \text{where } M(x_n, y) &= \max\{p(gx_n, gy), p(gy, fy), p(gx_n, fx_n), \\ &\frac{1}{2s} [p(gx_n, fy) + p(fx_n, gy)]\} \\ &= \max\{p(gx_n, gy), p(gy, fy), p(gx_n, gx_{n+1}), \\ &\frac{1}{2s} [p(gx_n, fy) + p(gx_{n+1}, gy)]\} \\ &= p(gy, fy) \text{ for large } n. \end{aligned} \quad (4.4.11)$$

Now, $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \beta(\psi(M(x_n, y))) = 1$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \psi(M(x_n, y)) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \psi(p(gy, fy)) = 0 \text{ (by 4.4.11)} \quad (4.4.12)$$

$$\Rightarrow p(gy, fy) = 0 \Rightarrow gy = fy \text{ (by lemma 4.2 (i)).}$$

Therefore y is a coincident point of f and g .

Suppose $\exists \lambda$ such that $\beta(\psi(M(x_n, y))) = \lambda$, for infinitely many n

$$\therefore 0 \leq \lambda < 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\psi(sp(fx_n, fy)) \\ &\leq \lambda \psi(M(x_n, y)) \leq \lambda \psi(p(gy, fy)) < \psi(p(gy, fy)) \\ &\Rightarrow sp(fx_n, fy) < p(gy, fy) \\ &\Rightarrow \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} sp(fx_n, fy) \leq p(gy, fy) \end{aligned} \quad (4.4.14)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now } p(gy, fy) &\leq sp(gy, gx_{n+1}) + sp(gx_{n+1}, fy) - p(gx_{n+1}, gx_{n+1}) \\ &\leq sp(gy, gx_{n+1}) + sp(gx_{n+1}, fy) \\ &\Rightarrow p(gy, fy) - sp(gy, gx_{n+1}) \leq sp(fx_n, fy) \\ &\Rightarrow p(gy, fy) \leq \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} sp(fx_n, fy) \end{aligned} \quad (4.4.15)$$

$$\therefore \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} sp(fx_n, fy) \leq p(gy, fy) \leq \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} sp(fx_n, fy)$$

$$\therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} sp(fx_n, fy) = p(gy, fy)$$

$$\therefore \psi(p(gy, fy)) = \psi(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} sp(fx_n, fy))$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \psi(sp(fx_n, fy)) \text{ (since } \psi \text{ is continuous)}$$

$$\leq \lambda \psi(p(gy, fy))$$

$$\Rightarrow \psi(p(gy, fy)) = 0 \Rightarrow p(gy, fy) = 0 \Rightarrow gy = fy \quad (4.4.16)$$

Hence y is a coincident point of f and g .

Now we state and prove our second main result.

Theorem 4.5 Let (X, \leq, p) be a complete partially ordered partial b - metric space with coefficient $s \geq 1$. Let f and g be two self maps on X , f is g -non-decreasing. Suppose that (f, g) is a pair of ψ -weak generalized Geraghty contraction maps, that is there exist $\psi \in \Psi$ and $\beta \in S$ such that $\psi(sp(f(x), f(y))) \leq \beta(\psi(M(x, y))) \psi(M(x, y)) \quad \forall x, y \in X$ whenever

gx and gy are comparable,

where $M(x, y) =$

$$\max\{p(gx, gy), p(gx, fx), p(gy, fy), \frac{1}{2s} [p(gx, fy) + p(fx, gy)]\} \quad (4.5.1)$$

Assume that

(i) $fX \subseteq gX$

(ii) there exists $x_0 \in X$ such that $gx_0 \leq fx_0$

(iii) $g(X)$ is a closed subset of X .

(iv) if any non-decreasing $\{x_n\}$ in X , converges to y , then that $x_n \leq y \quad \forall n \geq 0$.

Further if f and g are weakly compatible f and g and if $gy \leq ggy \quad \forall y \in X$, then f and g have a common fixed point in X

Proof We have by Theorem 4.4, $\{gx_n\}$ is a Cauchy sequence, which is non-decreasing that converges to gy and $gy = fy$.

$$\therefore \lim_{n, m \rightarrow \infty} p(gx_n, gx_m) \text{ exists and is equal to } 0$$

As sequence $\{gx_n\} \rightarrow gy$ implies

$$0 = \lim_{n, m \rightarrow \infty} p(gx_n, gx_m) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} p(gx_n, gy) = p(gy, gy)$$

Since f and g are weakly compatible, we have $fgy = gfy$

$$\text{Let } gy = fy = u \text{ (say)} \quad (4.5.2)$$

$$\therefore fu = fggy = gfy = gu \quad (4.5.3)$$

If $y = u$, then $u = fu = gu \Rightarrow u$ is a common fixed point of f and g in X .

Let $y \neq u \Rightarrow gy \neq gu \Rightarrow p(gy, gu) \neq 0$ (by lemma 4.2 (i))

We have from (4.5.1),

$\psi(sp(gy, gu)) = \psi(sp(fy, fu)) \leq \beta(M(y, u))M(y, u)$
 where $M(y, u) =$
 $max\{p(gy, gu), p(gy, fy), p(gu, fu), \frac{1}{2s}[p(gy, fu)+p(fy, gu)]\}$
 $= p(gy, gu)$ (by (4.5.2) and lemma 4.1 (i))
 $\therefore \psi(sp(gy, gu)) \leq \beta(\psi(M(y, u)))\psi(M(y, u))$
 $\Rightarrow \psi(sp(gy, gu)) \leq \beta(\psi(p(gy, gu)))\psi(p(gy, gu))$
 $\Rightarrow \psi(p(gy, gu)) \leq \psi(sp(gy, gu)) < \psi(p(gy, gu))$
 if $\psi(p(gy, gu)) > 0$, a contradiction
 $\therefore \psi(p(gy, gu)) = 0 \Rightarrow p(gy, gu) = 0$
 $\therefore gy = gu$
 \therefore By (4.5.2) and (4.5.3) $u = fu = gu$
 $\therefore u$ is a common fixed point of f and g in X .
 Now we state and prove our third main result.

Theorem 4.6 Let (X, \leq, p) be a complete partially ordered partial b - metric space with coefficient $s \geq 1$. Let f and g be two self maps on X , f is g - non - decreasing. Suppose that (f, g) is a pair of ψ - weak generalized Geraghty contraction maps, that is there exist $\psi \in \Psi$ and $\beta \in S$ such that $\psi(sp(f(x), f(y))) \leq \beta(\psi(M(x, y))) \psi(M(x, y))$ for all $x, y \in X$ whenever gx and gy are comparable, where $M(x, y) =$
 $max\{p(gx, gy), p(gx, fx), p(gy, fy), \frac{1}{2s}[p(gx, fy)+p(fx, gy)]\}$
 (4.6.1)

Assume that

- (i) $fX \subseteq gX$
- (ii) f and g are compatible
- (iii) there exists $x_0 \in X$ such that $gx_0 \leq fx_0$
- (iv) f and g are reciprocally continuous.

Then f and g have a coincidence point in X

Proof: We have by Theorem 4.4, $\{gx_n\}$ is a Cauchy sequence, which is non-decreasing that converges to z (say).

$\therefore \lim_{n, m \rightarrow \infty} p(gx_n, gx_m)$ exists and is equal to 0

As sequence $\{gx_n\} \rightarrow z$ implies

$\lim_{n, m \rightarrow \infty} p(gx_n, gx_m) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} p(gx_n, z) = p(z, z) = 0$

Now $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} fx_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} gx_{n+1} = z$

$\therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} gx_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} fx_n = z$

Since f and g are reciprocally continuous,

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} fgx_n = fz$ and $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} gfx_n = gz$

Also since f and g are compatible,

$\therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} p(fgx_n, gfx_n) = 0$

Then by lemma 4.2 (i), we get $fz = gz$

Hence z is a coincidence point of f and g in X .

The following corollaries can be established for the theorems 4.4, 4.5 and 4.6

Corollary 4.7 Let (X, \leq, p) be a complete partially ordered partial b - metric space with coefficient $s \geq 1$. Let $f : X \rightarrow X$ be a ψ weak generalized Geraghty contraction map. If there exists $x_0 \in X$ such that $x_0 \leq fx_0$ and f is non decreasing, if any non decreasing sequence $\{x_n\}$ in X converges to u , then we assume that $x_n \leq u \forall n \geq 0$. Then f has a fixed point.

Proof: follows from the theorem 4.4 by choosing $g = I_x$

Corollary 4.8 Let (X, \leq, p) be a complete partially ordered partial b - metric space with coefficient $s \geq 1$. Let $f : X \rightarrow X$ be a weak generalized Geraghty contraction map. If there exists $x_0 \in X$ such that $x_0 \leq fx_0$ and f is non decreasing, if any non decreasing sequence $\{x_n\}$ in X converges to u , then

we assume that $x_n \leq u \forall n \geq 0$. Then f has a fixed point

Proof: follows from the theorem 4.4

by choosing $g = I_x$ and $\psi(t) = t$.

Corollary 4.9 Let (X, \leq, p) be a complete partially ordered partial b - metric space with coefficient $s \geq 1$. Let $f : X \rightarrow X$ be a ψ weak generalized Geraghty contraction map. If there exists $x_0 \in X$ such that $x_0 \leq fx_0$ and f is non decreasing and continuous. Then f has a fixed point.

Proof: follows from the theorem 4.6 by choosing $g = I_x$.

Corollary 4.10 Let (X, \leq, p) be a complete partially ordered partial b - metric space with coefficient $s \geq 1$. Let $f : X \rightarrow X$ be a weak generalized Geraghty contraction map. If there exists $x_0 \in X$ such that $x_0 \leq fx_0$ and f is non decreasing and continuous. Then f has a fixed point.

Proof: follows from the theorem 4.6 by choosing

$g = I_x$ and $\psi(t) = t$.

Now we give an example in support of theorem 4.4

Example: Let $X = \{0, 1, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{3}, \dots, \frac{1}{10}\}$ with usual ordering.

Define $p(x, y) = 0$ if $x = y$
 $= 1$ if $x \neq y \in \{0, 1\}$
 $= |x - y|$ if $x, y \in \{0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{6}, \frac{1}{8}, \frac{1}{10}\}$
 $= 4$ otherwise

Clearly, (X, \leq, p) is a partially ordered partial b - metric space with coefficient $s = \frac{8}{3}$ (P.Kumam et.al [15])

Define $f, g : X \rightarrow X$ by

$f1 = f\frac{1}{2} = f\frac{1}{3} = f\frac{1}{4} = f\frac{1}{5} = \frac{1}{2}$,
 $f\frac{1}{6} = \frac{1}{4} = f\frac{1}{7} = f\frac{1}{8} = f\frac{1}{9} = f\frac{1}{10} = f0 \Rightarrow f(X) = \{\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{4}\}$
 and

(i) For $x=0, y \in X \Rightarrow \psi(sp(fx, fy))=0$ or $\frac{1}{3} \leq \frac{2}{3} = \beta(\psi(M(x, y)))\psi(M(x, y))$

where $M(x, y)$

$= max\{p(gx, gy), p(gx, fx), p(gy, fy), \frac{1}{2s}[p(gx, fy)+p(fx, gy)]\}$
 $= 4$

(ii) For $1 \leq m \leq 5$ and $6 \leq n \leq 10$
 $\Rightarrow \psi(sp(fx, fy)) \leq \frac{1}{3} \leq \frac{2}{3} = \beta(\psi(M(x, y)))\psi(M(x, y))$
 where $M(x, y) = 4$

(iii) For $6 \leq m \leq 10$ and $1 \leq n \leq 5 \Rightarrow \psi(sp(fx, fy)) \leq \frac{1}{3} \leq \frac{2}{3} = \beta(\psi(M(x, y)))\psi(M(x, y))$

where $M(x, y) = 4$

(iv) For $6 \leq m \leq 10$ and $6 \leq n \leq 10 \Rightarrow \psi(sp(fx, fy))=0 \leq \frac{2}{3} = \beta(\psi(M(x, y)))\psi(M(x, y))$

where $M(x, y) = 4$

$f\frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2} = g\frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow fg\frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2} = gf\frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow f$ and g are weakly compatible at $\frac{1}{2} \in X$

Clearly $g\frac{1}{10} = \frac{1}{9} < \frac{1}{4} = f\frac{1}{10}$.

Let $x_0 = \frac{1}{10} \Rightarrow gx_0 < fx_0 = \frac{1}{4} = g\frac{1}{3} = gx_1$

$\Rightarrow fx_1 = f\frac{1}{3} = \frac{1}{2} = g\frac{1}{2} = gx_2$

$\Rightarrow fx_2 = f\frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2} = g\frac{1}{2} = gx_2$

Therefore $\frac{1}{2} \in X$ is a fixed point.

The hypothesis and conclusions of of theorem 4.4 satisfied.

Open Problem

Are the theorems 4.4, 4.5, 4.6 and their corollaries true if continuity of ψ is dropped?

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