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## Greguš type common fixed point theorems in metric spaces of hyperbolic type

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**Abstract.** In this paper we investigate a class of pairs of Greguš type mappings I and T on a metric space (X, d) which satisfy the following condition:  $d(Tx, Ty) \leq \alpha d(Ix, Iy) + \beta \max\{d(Ix, Tx), d(Iy, Ty)\} + \gamma \max\{d(Ix, Iy), d(Ix, Tx), d(Iy, Ty), b(d(Ix, Ty) + d(Iy, Tx))\}$  for all x, y in X, where  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma$  are constants such that  $\alpha > 0, \beta > 0, \gamma \geq 0$  and  $\alpha + \beta + \gamma = 1$ , and  $3b \leq 1 + 2\alpha\beta$ . The main result is that if X is a complete metric space of hyperbolic type, I is continuous,  $\operatorname{Co}(T(X)) \subset I(X)$  and I and T are compatible mappings of type (T), then I and T have a unique common fixed point and at this point T is continuous.

## 1. Introduction

Let X be a BANACH space and C a non-empty closed and convex subset of X. In [15] GREGUŠ proved the following result.

**Theorem 1** (GREGUŠ [15]). Let  $T : C \to C$  be a mapping satisfying the following condition:

$$d(Tx, Ty) \le ad(x, y) + pd(x, Tx) + pd(y, Ty)$$

for all  $x, y \in C$ , where 0 < a < 1,  $p \ge 0$  and a + 2p = 1. Then T has a unique fixed point.

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This result has been found very useful and has many interesting generalizations and applications (c.f. [1]–[16], [18]–[21]). Generalizing Greguš result and the result of FISHER and SESSA [14], DAVIS [9] proved the following common fixed point theorem.

**Theorem 2** (DAVIS [9]). Let I and T be two mappings of C into itself, satisfying the inequality

$$d(Tx, Ty) \le \alpha d(Ix, Iy) + \beta \max\{(Ix, Tx), d(Iy, Ty)\} + \gamma \max\{d(Ix, Iy), d(Ix, Tx), d(Iy, Ty)\}$$

for all  $x, y \in C$ , where  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma$  are constants such that  $\alpha > 0, \beta > 0, \gamma \ge 0$ and  $\alpha + \beta + \gamma = 1$ . If I is linear, non-expansive and weakly commuting with T in C, and if I(C) contains T(C), then T and I have a unique common fixed point in C and at this point T is continuous.

Further, DAVIS and SESSA in [10] relaxed hypotheses for I, and weakly commutativity replaced by compatibility.

The purpose of this paper is to introduce and to study a class of pairs of Greguš-type mappings I and T from an arbitrary non-empty set Y into a metric space (X, d) of hyperbolic type satisfying the following condition:

$$d(Tx,Ty) \le \alpha d(Ix,Iy) + \beta \max\{d(Ix,Tx),d(Iy,Ty)\} + \gamma \max\left\{d(Ix,Iy),d(Ix,Tx),d(Iy,Ty),\frac{1+2\alpha\beta}{3}(d(Ix,Ty)+d(Iy,Tx))\right\}$$

for all x, y in Y, where  $\alpha > 0, \beta > 0, \gamma \ge 0$  and  $\alpha + \beta + \gamma = 1$ . We introduce an improved technique and prove that if Y is a subset of X such that T(Y) is bounded,  $\operatorname{Co}(T(Y)) \subset I(Y), I$  is continuous on Y and I and T are compatible mappings of type (T), then T and I have a unique common fixed point in Y and at this point T is continuous.

## 2. Main results

Throughout our consideration we suppose that (X, d) is a metric space which contains a family L of metric segments (isometric images of real line segments) such that

- (a) each two points x, y in X are endpoints of exactly one member seg[x, y] of L,
- (b) if  $u, x, y \in X$  and if  $z \in seg[x, y]$  satisfies  $d(x, z) = \lambda d(x, y)$  for  $\lambda \in [0, 1]$ , then

$$d(u,z) \le (1-\lambda)d(u,x) + \lambda d(u,y).$$
(1)

Space of this type is said to be a metric space of hyperbolic type (Takahashi [15] uses the term "convex metric space"). Further, a non-empty subset C of X is of hyperbolic type if a subspace (C, d) is of hyperbolic type. For  $A \subset X$ , Co(A) will denote the intersection of all subsets of X which are of hyperbolic type and contain A. A class of metric spaces of hyperbolic type includes all normed linear spaces, as well as all spaces with hyperbolic metric (see [16], for a discussion).

Now we prove the following lemma in metric spaces of hyperbolic type.

**Lemma 1.** Let Y be an arbitrary non-empty set and (X, d) a metric space of hyperbolic type. Let I and T be maps from Y into X satisfying the following condition:

$$d(Tx, Ty) \le \alpha d(Ix, Iy) + \beta \max\{d(Ix, Tx), d(Iy, Ty)\} + \gamma \max\{d(Ix, Iy), d(Ix, Tx), d(Iy, Ty), b(d(Ix, Ty) + d(Iy, Tx))\}$$
(2)

for all  $x, y \in Y$ , where  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma, b$  are constant such that  $\alpha > 0, \beta > 0$ ,  $\gamma \ge 0, 3b \le 1 + 2\alpha\beta$  and

$$\alpha + \beta + \gamma = 1. \tag{3}$$

If  $Co(T(Y)) \subset I(Y)$ , then

$$\inf\{d(Ix, Tx) : x \in Y\} = 0.$$
(4)

PROOF. To show that I and T satisfy (4), it is sufficient to show that for any point  $x_0$  in Y there exists a point  $z = z(x_0)$  in Y such that

$$d(Iz, Tz) \le \lambda d(Ix_0, Tx_0),$$

where  $\lambda < 1$  and  $\lambda$  does not depend of  $x_0$ .

Pick  $x_0 \in Y$ . Then  $Ix_0$  and  $Tx_0$  are defined. Choose an element  $x_1 \in Y$ such that  $Ix_1 = Tx_0$ . Such a choice is permissible since  $T(Y) \subset I(Y)$ . Similarly, choose  $x_2 \in Y$  such that  $Ix_2 = Tx_1$ . Then choose  $x_3 \in Y$  such that  $Ix_3 = Tx_2$ , and so on. Thus, inductively we choose the sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in Y defined by

$$Ix_{n+1} = Tx_n$$
 (for  $n = 0, 1, 2, ...$ ).

For notation simplicity, for each  $n \ge 0$  set

$$r_n = d(Ix_n, Tx_n), \quad s_n = d(Ix_n, Tx_{n+1}).$$

If  $r_n = 0$  for some n, then  $Tx_n = Ix_n$  and we have finished the proof of Lemma. So we assume that  $r_n > 0$  for all  $n \ge 0$ . From (2), with  $x = x_n$ and  $y = x_{n+1}$ , we have for each  $n \ge 0$ , as  $Ix_{n+1} = Tx_n$ , as  $Ix_{n+1} = Tx_n$ ,

$$r_{n+1} = d(Tx_n, Tx_{n+1}) \le \alpha d(Ix_n, Tx_n) + \beta \max\{d(Ix_n, Tx_n), d(Ix_{n+1}, Tx_{n+1})\} + \gamma \max\{d(Ix_n, Tx_n), d(Ix_{n+1}, Tx_{n+1}), bd(Ix_n, Tx_{n+1})\}.$$

Thus we have

$$r_{n+1} \le \alpha r_n + \beta \max\{r_n, r_{n+1}\} + \gamma \max\{r_n, r_{n+1}, bs_n\}.$$
 (5)

Since (3) implies that

$$\alpha\beta \leq \frac{(1-\gamma)^2}{4} \leq \frac{1-\gamma}{4} \leq \frac{1}{4},$$

we have  $b \leq \frac{1}{2}$ . By the triangle inequality we get  $s_n \leq (r_n + r_{n+1}) \leq 2 \cdot \max\{r_n, r_{n+1}\}$ . Thus, from (5), it follows

$$r_{n+1} \le \alpha r_n + (\beta + \gamma) \max\{r_n, r_{n+1}\}.$$
(6)

If we assume that  $r_n < r_{n+1}$  for some n, then from (6) and (3) we have, as  $\alpha > 0$ ,

$$r_{n+1} < \alpha r_{n+1} + (\beta + \gamma)r_{n+1} = r_{n+1},$$

a contradiction. Therefore,  $r_{n+1} \leq r_n$  for all  $n \geq 0$ . This implies

$$r_n \le r_0 = d(Ix_0, Tx_0) \quad \text{(for } n = 1, 2, \ldots\text{)}.$$
 (7)

From (2), with  $x = x_n$  and  $y = x_{n+2}$ , we get, by (7),

$$s_{n+1} = d(Tx_n, Tx_{n+2}) \le \alpha s_n + \beta r_0 + \gamma \max\{s_n, r_0, b(d(Ix_n, Tx_{n+2}) + r_0)\}.$$
(8)

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Write  $t_n = d(Ix_n, Tx_{n+2})$  for  $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$  Then from (2) and (7) we obtain1/7

$$t_{n+1} = d(Tx_n, Tx_{n+3}) \le \alpha t_n + \beta r_0 + \gamma \max\{t_n, r_0, b(d(Ix_n, Tx_{n+3}) + s_{n+1})\}.$$
(9)

Since by the triangle inequality and (7) we have

$$d(Ix_n, Tx_{n+3}) \le d(Ix_n, Tx_{n+2}) + r_{n+3} \le t_n + r_0$$

and as  $s_{n+1} \leq 2r_0$ , from (9) we get

$$t_{n+1} \le \alpha t_n + \beta r_0 + \gamma \max\{t_n, r_0, b(t_n + 3r_0)\}.$$
 (10)

By the triangle inequality and (7), we have that  $t_n \leq 3r_0$  for each  $n \geq 0$ . Thus,  $\limsup t_n = t \leq 3r_0$ . Taking the limit superior in (10) we get

$$t \le \alpha t + \beta r_0 + \gamma \max\{t, r_0, b(t+3r_0)\}.$$
(11)

Assume that  $t \ge r_0$ . Then, if from (11)  $t \le \alpha t + \beta r_0 + \gamma t$ , then we get  $t \leq r_0$ .

If from (11),  $t \leq \alpha t + \beta r_0 + \gamma b(t + 3r_0)$ , then, as  $\gamma bt \leq \frac{\gamma}{2}t$  and by (3),

$$3\gamma br_0 \leq (\gamma + 2(\alpha\gamma)\beta)r_0 \leq \left(\gamma + \frac{\beta}{2}\right)r_0,$$

we get that

$$t \le \alpha t + \beta r_0 + \frac{\gamma}{2}t + \left(\gamma + \frac{\beta}{2}\right)r_0.$$

Hence we get

$$t \le \frac{3\beta + 2\gamma}{2\beta + \gamma} r_0 = \left(2 - \frac{\beta}{2\beta + \gamma}\right) r_0 < \left(2 - \frac{\beta}{3}\right) r_0.$$
(12)

Thus, there exists  $n_0$  such that  $d(Ix_n, Tx_{n+2}) = t_n < 2r_0 - (\beta/4)r_0$  for all  $n \ge n_0$ . Substituting this in (8) we get that

$$s_{n+1} \le \alpha s_n + \beta r_0 + \gamma \max\left\{s_n, r_0, 3br_0 - \frac{b\beta}{4}r_0\right\}$$
(13)

for all  $n \ge n_0$ . Since  $s_n \le r_n + r_{n+1} \le 2r_0$  for all  $n \ge 0$ , we have that  $\limsup s_n = s \leq 2r_0$ . Taking the upper limit in (13) we get

$$s \le \alpha s + \beta r_0 + \gamma \max\left\{s, r_0, (1+2\alpha\beta)r_0 - \frac{b\beta}{4}r_0\right\}.$$
 (14)

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Assume that  $s \ge r_0$ . Then, if from (14),  $s \le \alpha s + \beta r_0 + \gamma s$ , then we get  $s \le r_0$ .

If from (14),  $s \leq \alpha s + \beta r_0 + (\gamma + 2\alpha\beta\gamma)r_0 - \frac{b\beta\gamma}{4}r_0$ , then it follows

$$s \leq \left(1 + \frac{2\alpha\beta\gamma}{\beta+\gamma} - \frac{b\beta\gamma}{4(\beta+\gamma)}\right)r_0.$$

Thus, there exists  $k > n_0$  such that

$$s_k \le \left(1 + \frac{2\alpha\beta\gamma}{\beta + \gamma}\right) r_0. \tag{15}$$

Let  $z \in Y$  be such that  $Iz \in seg[Tx_k, Tx_{k+1}]$  and such that

$$d(Iz, Tx_k) = \frac{1}{2}d(Tx_k, Tx_{k+1}) = \frac{1}{2}r_{k+1} \le \frac{1}{2}r_0.$$
 (16)

Since X is of hyperbolic type, from (1), with  $\lambda = \frac{1}{2}$  and  $u = Tx_{k+1}$ , we get

$$d(Iz, Tx_{k+1}) \le \frac{1}{2}d(Tx_k, Tx_{k+1}) \le \frac{1}{2}r_0.$$
 (17)

Again from (1), but now with  $u = Tx_{k-1}$ , we obtain

$$d(Iz, Tx_{k-1}) \leq \frac{1}{2} (d(Tx_{k-1}, Tx_k) + d(Tx_{k-1}, Tx_{k+1}))$$
  
=  $\frac{1}{2} (r_k + s_k) \leq \frac{1}{2} (r_0 + s_k).$  (18)

From (18) and (15) we have

$$d(Iz, Tx_{k-1}) \le \left(1 + \frac{\alpha\beta\gamma}{\beta + \gamma}\right) r_0.$$
(19)

Again from (1), but now with u = Tz, we get

$$d(Iz, Tz) \le \frac{1}{2} (d(Tz, Tx_k) + d(Tz, Tx_{k+1})).$$
(20)

Put

$$M = \max\{d(Iz, Tz), d(Ix_0, Tx_0)\}.$$

Then from (2), (16) and (17) we have, as  $Ix_{k+1} = Tx_k$ ,

$$d(Tz, Tx_{k+1}) \leq \frac{\alpha}{2}M + \beta M + \gamma \max\left\{\frac{M}{2}, M, b\left(\frac{M}{2} + d(Tx_k, Tz)\right)\right\}.$$
 (21)

Since  $b \leq \frac{1}{2}$ , by the triangle inequality and (16) we get

$$b\left(\frac{M}{2} + d(Tx_k, Tz)\right) \le b\left(\frac{M}{2} + d(Tx_k, Iz) + d(Iz, Tz)\right)$$
$$\le \frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{M}{2} + \frac{M}{2} + M\right) = M.$$

Thus from (21) and (3) we obtain

$$d(Tz, Tx_{k+1}) \le \left(1 - \frac{\alpha}{2}\right) M.$$
(22)

Again from (2) and (16) we have

$$d(Tz, Tx_k) \le \alpha d(Iz, Tx_{k-1}) + \beta M$$
  
+  $\gamma \max \left\{ d(Iz, Tx_{k-1}), M, b\left(\frac{M}{2} + d(Ix_k, Tz)\right) \right\}.$  (23)

Since by the triangle inequality

$$d(Ix_k, Tz) = d(Tx_{k-1}, Tz) \le d(Tx_{k-1}, Iz) + d(Iz, Tz)$$
  
$$\le d(Iz, Tx_{k-1}) + M,$$

from (23) we get

$$d(Tz, Tx_k) \le \alpha d(Iz, Tx_{k-1}) + \beta M$$
  
+  $\gamma \max \left\{ d(Iz, Tx_{k-1}), M, \frac{1+2\alpha\beta}{3} \left( \frac{3}{2}M + d(Iz, Tx_{k-1}) \right) \right\}.$  (24)

Consider now two possible cases.

Case I. Assume that from (24) we have

$$d(Tz, Tx_k) \le \alpha d(Iz, Tx_{k-1}) + \beta M + \gamma d(Iz, Tx_{k-1}).$$

Then by (19) we get

$$d(Tz, Tx_k) \le (\alpha + \beta + \gamma)M + \frac{\alpha\beta\gamma(\alpha + \gamma)}{\beta + \gamma}M$$
  
=  $M + \frac{(\alpha\gamma)\alpha\beta + (\beta\gamma)\alpha\gamma}{\beta + \gamma}M.$  (25)

Since (3) implies that  $4\alpha\gamma \leq (1-\beta)^2 < 1$ ,  $4\beta\gamma \leq (1-\alpha)^2 < 1$ , from (25) we get

$$d(Tz, Tx_k) < M + \frac{\alpha\beta + \alpha\gamma}{4(\beta + \gamma)}M = \left(1 + \frac{\alpha}{4}\right)M.$$

Hence we have

$$d(Tz, Tx_k) < \left(1 + \frac{\alpha}{2}\right)M - \frac{\alpha}{4}M.$$
(26)

Thus, from (20) and by (26) and (22), we get

$$d(Iz, Tz) < \left(1 - \frac{\alpha}{8}\right) \max\{d(Iz, Tz), d(Ix_0, Tx_0)\}.$$

Hence we have, as  $\alpha > 0$ ,

$$d(Iz,Tz) < \left(1 - \frac{\alpha}{8}\right) d(Ix_0,Tx_0).$$
(27)

Case II. Assume now that (24) implies

$$d(Tz, Tx_k) \le \alpha d(Iz, Tx_{k-1}) + \beta M + \frac{\gamma + 2\alpha\beta\gamma}{3} \left(\frac{3}{2}M + d(Iz, Tx_{k-1})\right).$$

Then by (19) we get

$$d(Tz, Tx_k) \le \alpha \left(1 + \frac{\alpha\beta\gamma}{\beta + \gamma}\right) M + \beta M + \frac{\gamma + 2\alpha\beta\gamma}{3} \left(\frac{5}{2}M + \frac{\alpha\beta\gamma}{\beta + \gamma}M\right)$$
$$= \left(\alpha + \beta + \frac{5}{6}\gamma\right) M + \frac{5\alpha\beta\gamma(\beta + \gamma) + \alpha\beta\gamma(3\alpha + \gamma + 2\alpha\beta\gamma)}{3(\beta + \gamma)}M.$$

Thus we have

$$d(Tz, Tx_k) \le \left(\alpha + \beta + \frac{5}{6}\gamma\right)M + \frac{L}{6(\beta + \gamma)}M,\tag{28}$$

where

$$L = 10(\beta\gamma)\alpha\beta + (2(\beta\gamma)\alpha\gamma + 4(\alpha\gamma)\beta\gamma + 4(\alpha\beta)\gamma^{2}) + 6(\alpha\beta)\alpha\gamma + 2(\beta\gamma)\alpha\gamma + 2(\alpha\gamma)(\beta\gamma)\alpha\beta + 2(\alpha\beta)(\beta\gamma)\alpha\gamma.$$

Since  $\alpha\beta$ ,  $\alpha\gamma$ ,  $\beta\gamma \leq \frac{1}{4}$ , we get

$$L \leq \frac{5}{2}\alpha\beta + \frac{5}{2}\alpha\gamma + \beta\gamma + \gamma^2 + \frac{1}{8}\alpha\beta + \frac{1}{8}\alpha\gamma$$

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$$= 3\alpha(\beta + \gamma) + \gamma(\beta + \gamma) - \frac{3}{8}\alpha(\beta + \gamma)$$

Now from (28) we get

$$d(Tz, Tx_k) \le \left(\alpha + \beta + \frac{5}{6}\gamma\right)M + \left(\frac{\alpha}{2} + \frac{\gamma}{6} - \frac{1}{16}\alpha\right)M.$$

Hence, by (3), we have

$$d(Tz, Tx_k) \le \left(1 + \frac{\alpha}{2}\right)M - \frac{1}{16}\alpha M.$$
(29)

Thus, from (20) and by (29) and (22), we get

$$d(Iz, Tz) < \left(1 - \frac{\alpha}{32}\right) \max\left\{d(Iz, Tz), d(Ix_0, Tx_0)\right\},\$$

and hence

$$d(Iz,Tz) < \left(1 - \frac{\alpha}{32}\right) d(Ix_0,Tx_0).$$

$$(30)$$

Taking in consideration (27) and (30), we conclude that in both cases

$$d(Iz,Tz) \le \left(1 - \frac{\alpha}{32}\right) d(Ix_0,Tx_0)$$

holds.

Generalizing the Jungck's notion of compatibility of two mappings, PATHAK *et al.* in [20] introduced the concept of compatible mappings of type (T) (type (I)) in normed spaces.

Definition 1. Let I and T be mappings from a normed space X into itself. The mappings I and T are said to be compatible of type (T) if

$$\limsup_{n \to \infty} \|ITx_n - Ix_n\| + \limsup_{n \to \infty} \|ITx_n - TIx_n\| \le \limsup_{n \to \infty} \|TIx_n - Tx_n\|,$$

whenever  $\{x_n\}$  is a sequence in X such that  $\lim_{n\to\infty} Ix_n = \lim_{n\to\infty} Tx_n = t$  for some  $t \in X$ . (Note that originally in [20] write lim instead of lim sup, but we think that lim sup is more convenient.)

Every compatible pair of mappings is a compatible pair of type (T) (see Proposition 2.1 in [20]), but not conversily (see Example 2.1 in [20]).

Now we prove our main result.

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**Theorem 1.** Let Y be an arbitrary non-empty set and (X, d) a metric space of hyperbolic type. Let I and T be two mappings from Y into X, satisfying (2), where  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ ,  $\gamma$ , b are as in Lemma 1, and such that  $\operatorname{Co}(T(Y)) \subset I(Y)$ . Further, suppose that

(I) T(Y) or I(Y) is complete, then I and T have a coincidence point, say  $u \in Y$ , i.e. such that Tu = Iu, and if Tv = Iv for some other point  $v \in Y$ , then Iv = Iu;

(II) Y is a subset of X such that T(Y) is bounded, I is continuous on Y and I and T are compatible mappings of type (T), then T and I have a unique common fixed point in Y and at this point T is continuous.

PROOF. By Lemma 1 it follows that I and T satisfy (4). Thus we can choose a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in Y such that

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} d(Ix_n, Tx_n) = 0.$$
(31)

We show that  $\{Ix_n\}$  in X is a Cauchy sequence. Denote

$$r_n = d(Ix_n, Tx_n)$$

Using the triangle inequality, from (2) we have

$$d(Ix_m, Ix_n) \le r_m + d(Tx_m, Tx_n) + r_n \le r_m + r_n + \alpha d(Ix_m, Ix_n) + \beta \max\{r_m, r_n\} + \gamma \max\{d(Ix_m, Ix_n), r_m, r_n, b(d(Ix_m, Tx_n) + d(Ix_n, Tx_m))\}.$$

Using again the triangle inequality and take in consideration that  $\max\{r_m, r_n\} \leq r_m + r_n$ , we get

$$d(Ix_m, Ix_n) \le (1+\beta)(r_m + r_n) + \alpha d(Ix_m, Ix_n) + \gamma \max\{d(Ix_m, Ix_n), r_m, r_n, b(2d(Ix_m, Ix_n) + r_n + r_m)\}.$$
(32)

Since  $b \leq \frac{1}{2}$ , from (32) we get

$$d(Ix_m, Ix_n) \le (1+\beta)(r_m + r_n) + \alpha d(Ix_m, Ix_n) + \gamma \max\{d(Ix_m, Ix_n), r_m, r_n, (d(Ix_m, Ix_n) + \frac{1}{2}(r_m + r_n))\}.$$

Hence we have, by (3),

$$d(Ix_m, Ix_n) \le \frac{1 + \beta + \gamma/2}{\beta} (r_m + r_n).$$
(33)

Taking the limit in (33) when  $n > m \to +\infty$  we get, by (31),

$$\lim_{n>m\to\infty} d(Ix_m, Ix_n) = 0.$$

Thus,  $\{Ix_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence in X.

We show (I). Suppose that I(Y) is complete. Then there exists a point  $p \in I(Y)$  such that

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} I x_n = p. \tag{34}$$

From (31) it also follows that  $\lim_{n\to\infty} Tx_n = p$ .

Let  $u \in Y$  be such that Iu = p. This can done since  $T(Y) \subset I(Y)$ . We prove that Tu = p. From (2) we have

$$d(Tu, Tx_n) \le \alpha d(Iu, Ix_n) + \beta \max\{d(Iu, Tu), d(Ix_n, Tx_n)\} + \gamma \max\{d(Iu, Ix_n), d(Iu, Tu), d(Ix_n, Tx_n), b(d(Iu, Tx_n) + d(Ix_n, Tu))\}.$$

Passage to the limit as n tends to infinity yelds, by (34),

$$d(Tu, p) \le (\beta + \gamma)d(Tu, p). \tag{35}$$

Since  $\beta + \gamma = 1 - \alpha < 1$ , from (35) it follows that d(Tu, p) = 0. Hence Tu = p. Thus we have

$$Tu = Iu = p. \tag{36}$$

Further, if we assume that T(Y) is complete, we get the same conclusion. Assume that  $v \in Y$  is such that Iv = Tv. Then we get, as  $2b \leq 1$ ,

$$d(Iv, Iu) = d(Tv, Tu) \le \alpha d(Iv, Iu) + \gamma \max\{d(Iu, Iv), 2bd(Iv, Iu)\}$$
$$= (\alpha + \gamma)d(Iv, Iu).$$

This implies, as  $\alpha + \gamma = 1 - \beta < 1$ , that d(Iv, Iu) = 0. Hence Iv = Iu. Now we prove (II). Since I is continuous, from (34) it follows

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} IIx_n = Ip \quad \text{and} \quad \lim_{n \to \infty} ITx_n = Ip.$$
(37)

Since I and T are compatible mapping of type (T), by Definition 1, and by (34), (36) and (37) we have

$$d(Ip,p) + \limsup_{n \to \infty} d(TIx_n, Ip) \le \limsup_{n \to \infty} d(TIx_n, Tu).$$
(38)

From (2) and by (36) we get, as  $b \leq \frac{1}{2}$ ,

$$d(TIx_n, Tu) \le \alpha d(IIx_n, Iu) + \beta d(IIx_n, TIx_n) + \gamma \max\{d(IIx_n, Iu), d(IIx_n, TIx_n), \frac{1}{2}(d(IIx_n, Tu) + d(Iu, TIx_n))\}.$$

Using that  $d(Iu, TIx_n) \leq d(Iu, Ip) + d(TIx_n, Ip)$  and taking the limit superior as  $n \to \infty$ , we obtain, by (36) and (37),

$$\limsup_{n \to \infty} d(TIx_n, Tu) \le \alpha d(Ip, p) + \beta \limsup_{n \to \infty} d(TIx_n, Ip) + \gamma (d(Ip, p) + \limsup_{n \to \infty} d(TIx_n, Ip)).$$

Hence we get

$$\limsup_{n \to \infty} d(TIx_n, Tu) \le (\alpha + \gamma)d(Ip, p) + (\beta + \gamma)\limsup_{n \to \infty} d(TIx_n, Ip).$$
(39)

From (38) and (39), and using (3), we obtain

$$\beta d(Ip,p) + \alpha \limsup_{n \to \infty} d(TIx_n, Ip) \le 0.$$

This implies, as  $\alpha > 0$ ,  $\beta > 0$ , that d(Ip, p) = 0 and  $\lim_{n\to\infty} d(TIx_n, Ip) = 0$ . Hence Ip = p. Again from (2) we have

$$d(Tp, Tx_n) \le \alpha d(Ip, Ix_n) + \beta \max\{d(Ip, Tp), d(Ix_n, Tx_n)\} + \gamma \max\{d(Ip, Ix_n), d(Ip, Tp), d(Ix_n, Tx_n), \frac{1}{2}(d(Ip, Tx_n) + d(Ix_n, Tp))\}.$$

Taking the limit as  $n \to \infty$  we get

$$d(Tp,p) \le (\beta + \gamma) \, d(Tp,p).$$

Hence, as  $\beta + \gamma = 1 - \alpha < 1$ , we have d(Tp, p) = 0; hence Tp = p. Thus we proved that

$$Tp = p = Ip,$$

i.e. p is a common fixed point of T and I. Let q be also a common fixed point of T and I. Then, from d(p,q) = d(Tp,Tq) and (2), we obtain

$$d(p,q) \le (\alpha + \gamma)d(p,q).$$

Since  $\beta > 0$  implies that  $\alpha + \gamma = 1 - \beta < 1$ , we have d(p,q) = 0 and so T and I have a unique common fixed point.

Now we show that T is continuous at p. Let  $\{y_n\}$  be a sequence in  $Y \subset X$  with the limit p. From (2) we have, as  $b \leq \frac{1}{2}$ ,

$$d(p, Ty_n) = d(Tp, Ty_n) \le \alpha d(Ip, Iy_n) + \beta d(Iy_n, Ty_n) + \gamma \max\{d(Ip, Iy_n), d(Iy_n, Ty_n), \frac{1}{2}(d(Ip, Ty_n) + d(Iy_n, Tp))\} \le \alpha d(p, Iy_n) + \beta (Iy_n, p) + d(p, Ty_n)) + \gamma (d(Iy_n, p) + d(p, Ty_n))$$

and hence, letting n go to infinity, we obtain

$$\limsup_{n \to \infty} d(p, Ty_n) \le (\beta + \gamma) \limsup_{n \to \infty} d(p, Ty_n).$$

As  $\beta + \gamma < 1$ , the last inequality implies

$$\limsup_{n \to \infty} d(p, Ty_n) = 0$$

and this means that T is continuous at u.

Remark 1. If b = 0, then the condition (2) becomes the contractive condition of DAVIS [9], but Theorem 1, with b = 0, is a generalization of Theorem in [9].

Remark 2. Theorem 1 with  $\gamma = 0$  is a generalization of Theorem of FISHER and SESSA [14] and JUNGCK [16].

Remark 3. The condition that Co(T(Y)) is contained in I(Y) is necessary in our Theorem 1. This shows the following example.

*Example 1.* Let X be the set of reals with the usual distance and Y = [0, 1]. Define  $T, I : Y \to Y$  as follows:

$$Tx = 1$$
 for  $0 \le x \le 1/2$  and  $Tx = 0$  for  $1/2 < x \le 1$ ;  
 $Ix = 0$  for  $0 \le x \le 1/2$  and  $Ix = 1$  for  $1/2 < x \le 1$ .

Then all the assumptions of our Theorem are trivially satisfied except that  $Co(T(Y)) \subseteq I(Y)$ , but T and I do not have common fixed points.

*Remark* 4. The following example shows that our Theorem 1 as a genuine generalizaton of the theorems [6], [12]-[14], [16] and [19].

Example 2. Let Y = [0, 1] be the closed unit interval and  $T, I : Y \to Y$ be defined by Tx = x/4 and  $Ix = x^{1/2}$ . Clearly  $\operatorname{Co}[T(Y)] \subseteq I(Y)$ , I is continuous and T and I are weakly commutative, hence compatile of type (T). As

$$d(Tx,Ty) = 1/4 \cdot |x-y| \le 1/4 \cdot |x-y| \frac{2}{x^{1/2} + y^{1/2}} = 1/2 \cdot d(Ix,Iy)$$

for all  $x, y \in Y$ , we conclude that all the hypotheses of Theorem 1 are satisfed and 0 is a unique common fixed point. But I is neither linear nor nonexpansive.

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