

Generalization of Common Coupled Fixed Point Theorems in Complex Valued b-Metric Spaces

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Abstract: Recently, Azam et al. [1] introduced the complex valued metric space and obtained sufficient conditions for the existence of common fixed points. Rao et al. [20] introduce the notion of complex valued b-metric spaces. In this paper, some common coupled fixed point theorems have been established for a pair of mappings in a complete complex valued b-metric space in view of diverse contractive conditions. Our results extend and improve several fixed point theorems in the literature.

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1. Introduction and Preliminaries

The Banach fixed point theorem [6] is the first important result in fixed point theory. There are a lot of generalizations of the Banach contraction mapping principle in the literature. The concept of b-metric space was introduced by Bakhtin [5] and Czerwik [9]. They proved the contraction mapping principle in b-metric spaces that generalized the famous Banach contraction mapping principle in metric spaces.

Azam et al. [1] first introduced the concept of complex valued metric spaces and proved some common fixed point theorems for a pair of contractive type mappings satisfying a rational inequality. Many authors have been studied several fixed point and common fixed point results for two maps satisfying rational inequality in the context of complex valued-metric spaces [7, 13, 19, 21, 22].

In 2013, Rao et al. [20] introduced the notion of complex valued b-metric space which was more general than the well known complex valued metric spaces [1]. In sequel, A.A.Mukheimer [16] proved some common fixed point theorems of two self mappings satisfying some contraction condition on complex valued b-metric spaces.

In [8], Bhaskar and Lakshmikantham introduced the concept of coupled fixed points for a given partially ordered set X . Subsequently, Samet et al. [23] proved the most of the coupled fixed point theorems on ordered metric spaces. The purpose of the present paper is to extend and generalize the results of Kutbi et al. [13] and prove the existence and

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uniqueness of the common coupled fixed point in complete complex valued b-metric space in view of diverse contractive conditions. The results given in this paper substantially extend and strengthen the results given in [1, 10, 11, 13, 16, 20].

The following definitions and results will be needed in the sequel. Let \mathbb{C} be the set of complex numbers and $z_1, z_2 \in \mathbb{C}$. Define a partial order \preceq on \mathbb{C} as follows:

$$z_1 \preceq z_2 \text{ if and only if } \operatorname{Re}(z_1) \leq \operatorname{Re}(z_2), \operatorname{Im}(z_1) \leq \operatorname{Im}(z_2).$$

Consequently, one can infer that $z_1 \preceq z_2$ if one of the following conditions is satisfied:

- (1). $\operatorname{Re}(z_1) = \operatorname{Re}(z_2), \operatorname{Im}(z_1) < \operatorname{Im}(z_2)$,
- (2). $\operatorname{Re}(z_1) < \operatorname{Re}(z_2), \operatorname{Im}(z_1) = \operatorname{Im}(z_2)$,
- (3). $\operatorname{Re}(z_1) < \operatorname{Re}(z_2), \operatorname{Im}(z_1) < \operatorname{Im}(z_2)$,
- (4). $\operatorname{Re}(z_1) = \operatorname{Re}(z_2), \operatorname{Im}(z_1) = \operatorname{Im}(z_2)$.

In particular, we write $z_1 \prec z_2$ if $z_1 \neq z_2$ and one of (1), (2) and (3) is satisfied and we write $z_1 \prec z_2$ if only (3) is satisfied. Notice that

- (1). $0 \preceq z_1 \prec z_2 \Rightarrow |z_1| < |z_2|$,
- (2). $z_1 \preceq z_2, z_2 \prec z_3 \Rightarrow z_1 \prec z_3$.

Definition 1.1 ([20]). *Let X be a nonempty set and let $s \geq 1$ be a given real number. 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:*

- (1). $0 \preceq d(x, y)$ and $d(x, y) = 0$ if and only if $x = y$;
- (2). $d(x, y) = d(y, x)$;
- (3). $d(x, y) \preceq s[d(x, z) + d(z, y)]$.

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

Example 1.2 ([20]). *Let $X = [0, 1]$. Define the mapping $d : X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ by $d(x, y) = |x - y|^2 + i|x - y|^2$ for all $x, y \in X$. Then (X, d) is a complex valued b-metric space with $s = 2$.*

Definition 1.3 ([20]). *Let (X, d) be a complex valued b-metric space.*

- (1). *A point $x \in X$ is called interior point of a set $A \subseteq X$ whenever there exists $0 \prec r \in \mathbb{C}$ such that $B(x, r) = \{y \in X : d(x, y) \prec r\} \subseteq A$, where $B(x, r)$ is an open ball. Then $\overline{B(x, r)} = \{y \in X : d(x, y) \preceq r\}$ is a closed ball.*
- (2). *A point $x \in X$ is called a limit point of a set A whenever for every $0 \prec r \in \mathbb{C}$, $B(x, r) \cap (A - \{x\}) \neq \emptyset$.*
- (3). *A subset $A \subseteq X$ is called open set whenever each element of A is an interior point of A .*
- (4). *A subset $B \subseteq X$ is called closed set whenever each limit point of B belongs to B . The family $F = \{B(x, r) : x \in X, 0 \prec r\}$ is a sub-basis for a Hausdorff topology τ on X .*

Definition 1.4 ([20]). *Let (X, d) be a complex valued b-metric space, $\{x_n\}$ be a sequence in X and $x \in X$.*

- (1). If for every $c \in \mathbb{C}$, with $0 \prec c$ there is $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that for all $n > N$, $d(x_n, x) \prec c$, then $\{x_n\}$ is said to be convergent, $\{x_n\}$ converges 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 $n \rightarrow \infty$.
- (2). If for every $c \in \mathbb{C}$, with $0 \prec c$ there is $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that for all $n > N$, $d(x_n, x_{n+m}) \prec c$, where $m \in \mathbb{N}$, then $\{x_n\}$ is said to be Cauchy sequence.
- (3). If every Cauchy sequence in X is convergent, then (X, d) is said to be a complete complex valued b -metric space.

Lemma 1.5 ([20]). 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 1.6 ([20]). 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 $|d(x_n, x_{n+m})| \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$, where $m \in \mathbb{N}$.

2. Common Coupled Fixed Point Theorems

Theorem 2.1. Let (X, d) be a complete complex valued b -metric space with the coefficient $s \geq 1$ and let $S, T : X \times X \rightarrow X$ are mappings satisfying:

$$d(S(x, y), T(u, v)) \preceq \frac{\alpha (d(x, u) + d(y, v))}{2} + \frac{(\beta d(x, S(x, y))d(u, T(u, v)) + \gamma d(u, S(x, y))d(x, T(u, v)))}{(1 + d(x, u) + d(y, v))} \tag{1}$$

for all $x, y, u, v \in X$ and α, β and γ are nonnegative reals with $s\alpha + \beta < 1$ and $\alpha + \gamma < 1$. Then S and T have a unique common coupled fixed point.

Proof. Let x_0 and y_0 be arbitrary points in X . Define

$$\begin{aligned} x_{2n+1} &= S(x_{2n}, y_{2n}), y_{2n+1} = S(y_{2n}, x_{2n}) \text{ and} \\ x_{2n+2} &= T(x_{2n+1}, y_{2n+1}), y_{2n+2} = T(y_{2n+1}, x_{2n+1}) \end{aligned} \tag{2}$$

for $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$. Now, we show that the sequences $\{x_n\}$ and $\{y_n\}$ are Cauchy sequences in X . Then,

$$\begin{aligned} d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2}) &= d(S(x_{2n}, y_{2n}), T(x_{2n+1}, y_{2n+1})) \\ &\preceq \frac{\alpha (d(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}) + d(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}))}{2} \\ &\quad + \frac{(\beta d(x_{2n}, S(x_{2n}, y_{2n}))d(x_{2n+1}, T(x_{2n+1}, y_{2n+1})) + \gamma d(x_{2n+1}, S(x_{2n}, y_{2n}))d(x_{2n}, T(x_{2n+1}, y_{2n+1})))}{1 + d(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}) + d(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1})} \\ &\preceq \frac{\alpha (d(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}) + d(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}))}{2} + \frac{\beta d(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1})d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2})}{1 + d(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}) + d(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1})} \\ &\quad + \frac{\gamma d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+1})d(x_{2n}, x_{2n+2})}{1 + d(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}) + d(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1})} \\ &\preceq \frac{\alpha (d(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}) + d(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}))}{2} + \frac{\beta d(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1})d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2})}{1 + d(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}) + d(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1})} \end{aligned} \tag{3}$$

which implies that

$$|d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2})| \leq \frac{\alpha |d(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}) + d(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1})|}{2} + \frac{\beta |d(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1})d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2})|}{|1 + d(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}) + d(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1})|}. \tag{4}$$

Since $|1 + d(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}) + d(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1})| > |d(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1})|$, so we get

$$|d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2})| \leq \frac{\alpha |d(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1})| + \alpha |d(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1})|}{2} + \beta |d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2})| \tag{5}$$

$$|d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2})| \leq \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\alpha}{1 - \beta} \right) |d(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1})| + \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\alpha}{1 - \beta} \right) |d(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1})|. \tag{6}$$

Similarly, one can show that

$$|d(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n+2})| \leq \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\alpha}{1-\beta} \right) |d(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1})| + \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\alpha}{1-\beta} \right) |d(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1})|. \tag{7}$$

Also, $d(x_{2n+2}, x_{2n+3})$

$$\begin{aligned} &= d(T(x_{2n+1}, y_{2n+1}), S(x_{2n+2}, y_{2n+2})) \\ &\lesssim \frac{\alpha (d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2}) + d(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n+2}))}{2} \\ &+ \frac{(\beta d(x_{2n+1}, T(x_{2n+1}, y_{2n+1}))d(x_{2n+2}, S(x_{2n+2}, y_{2n+2})) + \gamma d(x_{2n+2}, T(x_{2n+1}, y_{2n+1}))d(x_{2n+1}, S(x_{2n+2}, y_{2n+2})))}{1 + d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2}) + d(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n+2})} \\ &\lesssim \frac{\alpha (d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2}) + d(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n+2}))}{2} + \frac{\beta d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2})d(x_{2n+2}, x_{2n+3})}{1 + d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2}) + d(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n+2})} \\ &+ \frac{\gamma d(x_{2n+2}, x_{2n+2})d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+3})}{1 + d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2}) + d(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n+2})} \\ &\lesssim \frac{\alpha (d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2}) + d(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n+2}))}{2} + \frac{\beta d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2})d(x_{2n+2}, x_{2n+3})}{1 + d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2}) + d(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n+2})} \end{aligned} \tag{8}$$

so that

$$|d(x_{2n+2}, x_{2n+3})| \leq \frac{\alpha |d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2}) + d(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n+2})|}{2} + \frac{\beta |d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2})| |d(x_{2n+2}, x_{2n+3})|}{|1 + d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2}) + d(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n+2})|}. \tag{9}$$

As $|1 + d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2}) + d(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n+2})| > |d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2})|$, therefore,

$$|d(x_{2n+2}, x_{2n+3})| \leq \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\alpha}{1-\beta} \right) |d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2})| + \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\alpha}{1-\beta} \right) |d(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n+2})|. \tag{10}$$

Similarly, one can show that

$$|d(y_{2n+2}, y_{2n+3})| \leq \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\alpha}{1-\beta} \right) |d(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n+2})| + \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\alpha}{1-\beta} \right) |d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2})|. \tag{11}$$

Adding up (6) & (7) and (10) & (11) we get

$$|d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2})| + |d(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n+2})| \leq \frac{\alpha}{1-\beta} |d(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1})| + \frac{\alpha}{1-\beta} |d(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1})| \tag{12}$$

$$|d(x_{2n+2}, x_{2n+3})| + |d(y_{2n+2}, y_{2n+3})| \leq \frac{\alpha}{1-\beta} |d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2})| + \frac{\alpha}{1-\beta} |d(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n+2})|. \tag{13}$$

Since $s\alpha + \beta < 1$ and $s \geq 1$ we get $\alpha + \beta < 1$. Therefore with $h = \frac{\alpha}{1-\beta} < 1$, and for all $n \geq 0$ and consequently, we have

$$\begin{aligned} |d(x_n, x_{n+1})| + |d(y_n, y_{n+1})| &\leq h(|d(x_{n-1}, x_n)| + |d(y_{n-1}, y_n)|) \\ &\leq \dots \leq h^n (|d(x_0, x_1)| + |d(y_0, y_1)|). \end{aligned} \tag{14}$$

Now if $|d(x_n, x_{n+1})| + |d(y_n, y_{n+1})| = \delta_n$ then

$$\delta_n \leq h\delta_{n-1} \leq \dots \leq h^n \delta_0. \tag{15}$$

Without loss of generality, we take $m > n, m, n \in \mathbb{N}$, and since $0 \leq h < 1$, so we get

$$\begin{aligned}
|d(x_n, x_m)| + |d(y_n, y_m)| &\leq s(|d(x_n, x_{n+1})| + |d(x_{n+1}, x_m)|) + s(|d(y_n, y_{n+1})| + |d(y_{n+1}, y_m)|) \\
&\leq s(|d(x_n, x_{n+1})| + |d(y_n, y_{n+1})|) + s^2(|d(x_{n+1}, x_{n+2})| + |d(x_{n+2}, x_m)|) \\
&\quad + s^2(|d(y_{n+1}, y_{n+2})| + |d(y_{n+2}, y_m)|) \\
&\leq s(|d(x_n, x_{n+1})| + |d(y_n, y_{n+1})|) + s^2(|d(x_{n+1}, x_{n+2})| + |d(y_{n+1}, y_{n+2})|) \\
&\quad + s^3(|d(x_{n+2}, x_{n+3})| + |d(x_{n+3}, x_m)|) + s^3(|d(y_{n+2}, y_{n+3})| + |d(y_{n+3}, y_m)|) \\
&\quad \dots \\
|d(x_n, x_m)| + |d(y_n, y_m)| &\leq s(|d(x_n, x_{n+1})| + |d(y_n, y_{n+1})|) + s^2(|d(x_{n+1}, x_{n+2})| + |d(y_{n+1}, y_{n+2})|) \\
&\quad + s^{m-n-1}(|d(x_{m-2}, x_{m-1})| + |d(y_{m-2}, y_{m-1})|) + s^{m-n}(|d(x_{m-1}, x_m)| + |d(y_{m-1}, y_m)|).
\end{aligned}$$

By using (15), we get

$$\begin{aligned}
|d(x_n, x_m)| + |d(y_n, y_m)| &\leq sh^n(|d(x_0, x_1)| + |d(y_0, y_1)|) + s^2h^{n+1}(|d(x_0, x_1)| + |d(y_0, y_1)|) \\
&\quad \dots \\
&\quad + s^{m-n-1}h^{m-2}(|d(x_0, x_1)| + |d(y_0, y_1)|) + s^{m-n}h^{m-1}(|d(x_0, x_1)| + |d(y_0, y_1)|) \\
&= sh^n\delta_0 + s^2h^{n+1}\delta_0 + \dots + s^{m-n-1}h^{m-2}\delta_0 + s^{m-n}h^{m-1}\delta_0 \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^{m-n} s^i h^{i+n-1} \delta_0.
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}
|d(x_n, x_m)| + |d(y_n, y_m)| &\leq \sum_{i=1}^{m-n} s^{i+n-1} h^{i+n-1} \delta_0 \\
&= \sum_{t=n}^{m-1} s^t h^t \delta_0 \\
&\leq \sum_{t=n}^{\infty} (sh)^t \delta_0 = \frac{(sh)^n}{1-sh} \delta_0
\end{aligned}$$

and hence

$$|d(x_n, x_m)| + |d(y_n, y_m)| \leq \frac{(sh)^n}{1-sh} \delta_0 \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } m, n \rightarrow +\infty.$$

This implies that $\{x_n\}$ and $\{y_n\}$ are Cauchy sequences in X . Since X is complete, there exists $x, y \in X$ such that $x_n \rightarrow x$ and $y_n \rightarrow y$ as $n \rightarrow +\infty$. We now show that $x = S(x, y)$ and $y = S(y, x)$. We assume on the contrary that $x \neq S(x, y)$ and $y \neq S(y, x)$ so that $0 < d(x, S(x, y)) = u_1$ and $0 < d(y, S(y, x)) = u_2$; then we have

$$\begin{aligned}
u_1 = d(x, S(x, y)) &\lesssim sd(x, x_{2n+2}) + sd(x_{2n+2}, S(x, y)) \tag{16} \\
&\lesssim sd(x, x_{2n+2}) + sd(T(x_{2n+1}, y_{2n+1}), S(x, y)) \\
&\lesssim sd(x, x_{2n+2}) + \frac{s \propto (d(x_{2n+1}, x) + d(y_{2n+1}, y))}{2} + \frac{s\beta d(x_{2n+1}, T(x_{2n+1}, y_{2n+1}))d(x, S(x, y))}{1 + d(x_{2n+1}, x) + d(y_{2n+1}, y)} \\
&\quad + \frac{s\gamma d(x, T(x_{2n+1}, y_{2n+1}))d(x_{2n+1}, S(x, y))}{1 + d(x_{2n+1}, x) + d(y_{2n+1}, y)} \\
&= sd(x, x_{2n+2}) + \frac{s \propto (d(x_{2n+1}, x) + d(y_{2n+1}, y))}{2} \\
&\quad + \frac{s\beta d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2})d(x, S(x, y))}{1 + d(x_{2n+1}, x) + d(y_{2n+1}, y)} + \frac{s\gamma d(x, x_{2n+2})d(x_{2n+1}, S(x, y))}{1 + d(x_{2n+1}, x) + d(y_{2n+1}, y)}
\end{aligned}$$

which implies that

$$|u_1| \leq s|d(x, x_{2n+2})| + \frac{s \alpha |d(x_{2n+1}, x) + d(y_{2n+1}, y)|}{2} + \frac{s\beta|d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2})||d(x, S(x, y))|}{|1 + d(x_{2n+1}, x) + d(y_{2n+1}, y)|} + \frac{s\gamma|d(x, x_{2n+2})||d(x_{2n+1}, S(x, y))|}{|1 + d(x_{2n+1}, x) + d(y_{2n+1}, y)|}. \tag{17}$$

Taking the limit of (17) as $n \rightarrow +\infty$, we obtain $|d(x, S(x, y))| = 0$, which is a contradiction so that $x = S(x, y)$. Similarly, one can prove that $y = S(y, x)$. It follows similarly that $x = T(x, y)$ and $y = T(y, x)$. Hence (x, y) is a common coupled fixed point of S and T . Now, we show that S and T have a unique common coupled fixed point. For this, assume that $(x^*, y^*) \in X$ is another common coupled fixed point of S and T . Then

$$\begin{aligned} d(x, x^*) &= d(S(x, y), T(x^*, y^*)) \\ &\lesssim \frac{\alpha (d(x, x^*) + d(y, y^*))}{2} + \frac{\beta d(x, S(x, y))d(x^*, T(x^*, y^*))}{1 + d(x, x^*) + d(y, y^*)} + \frac{\gamma d(x, T(x^*, y^*))d(x^*, S(x, y))}{1 + d(x, x^*) + d(y, y^*)}. \\ &\lesssim \frac{\alpha (d(x, x^*) + d(y, y^*))}{2} + \frac{\beta d(x, x)d(x^*, x^*)}{1 + d(x, x^*) + d(y, y^*)} + \frac{\gamma d(x, x^*)d(x^*, x)}{1 + d(x, x^*) + d(y, y^*)}. \end{aligned}$$

So that

$$|d(x, x^*)| \leq \frac{\alpha |d(x, x^*) + d(y, y^*)|}{2} + \frac{\gamma |d(x, x^*)||d(x^*, x)|}{|1 + d(x, x^*) + d(y, y^*)|}. \tag{18}$$

Since $|1 + d(x, x^*) + d(y, y^*)| > |d(x, x^*)|$, so we get

$$|d(x, x^*)| \leq \frac{\alpha |d(x, x^*) + d(y, y^*)|}{2} + \gamma |d(x, x^*)| = \left(\frac{\alpha}{2 - \alpha - 2\gamma}\right) |d(y, y^*)|. \tag{19}$$

Similarly, one can easily prove that

$$|d(y, y^*)| \leq \left(\frac{\alpha}{2 - \alpha - 2\gamma}\right) |d(x, x^*)|. \tag{20}$$

Adding up (19) and (20), we get

$$|d(x, x^*)| + |d(y, y^*)| \leq \left(\frac{\alpha}{2 - \alpha - 2\gamma}\right) (|d(x, x^*)| + |d(y, y^*)|)$$

which is a contradiction because $\alpha + \gamma < 1$. So $x^* = x$ and $y = y^*$ which proves the uniqueness of common coupled fixed point of S and T . This completes the proof. □

Corollary 2.2. *Let (X, d) be a complete complex valued b-metric space with the coefficient $s \geq 1$ and let $T : X \times X \rightarrow X$ satisfy*

$$d(T(x, y), T(u, v)) \lesssim \frac{\alpha (d(x, u) + d(y, v))}{2} + \frac{\beta d(x, T(x, y))d(u, T(u, v))}{1 + d(x, u) + d(y, v)} + \frac{\gamma d(u, T(x, y))d(x, T(u, v))}{1 + d(x, u) + d(y, v)} \tag{21}$$

for all $x, y, u, v \in X$, where α, β and γ are nonnegative reals with $s \alpha + \beta < 1$ and $\alpha + \gamma < 1$. Then T has a unique coupled fixed point.

Proof. We can prove this result by applying Theorem 2.1 by setting $S = T$. □

Corollary 2.3. *Let (X, d) be a complete complex valued b-metric space with the coefficient $s \geq 1$ and let $T : X \times X \rightarrow X$ satisfy*

$$d(T^n(x, y), T^n(u, v)) \lesssim \frac{\alpha (d(x, u) + d(y, v))}{2} + \frac{\beta d(x, T^n(x, y))d(u, T^n(u, v))}{1 + d(x, u) + d(y, v)} + \frac{\gamma d(u, T^n(x, y))d(x, T^n(u, v))}{1 + d(x, u) + d(y, v)} \tag{22}$$

for all $x, y, u, v \in X$, where α, β and γ are nonnegative reals with $s \alpha + \beta < 1$ and $\alpha + \gamma < 1$. Then T has a unique coupled fixed point.

Proof. From Corollary 2.2, we obtain $(x, y) \in X \times X$ such that $T^n(x, y) = x$. The uniqueness follows from

$$\begin{aligned}
 d(T(x, y), x) &= d(T(T^n(x, y), y), T^n(x, y)) \\
 &= d(T^n(T(x, y), y), T^n(x, y)) \\
 &\lesssim \frac{\alpha(d(T(x, y), x) + d(y, y))}{2} + \frac{\beta d(T(x, y), T^n(T(x, y), y))d(x, T^n(x, y))}{1 + d(T(x, y), x) + d(y, y)} + \frac{\gamma d(x, T^n(T(x, y), y))d(T(x, y), T^n(x, y))}{1 + d(T(x, y), x) + d(y, y)} \\
 &\lesssim \frac{\alpha(d(T(x, y), x))}{2} + \frac{\gamma d(x, T(T^n(x, y), y))d(T(x, y), x)}{1 + d(T(x, y), x)} \\
 &= \frac{\alpha(d(T(x, y), x))}{2} + \frac{\gamma d(x, T(x, y))d(x, T(x, y))}{1 + d(x, T(x, y))}. \tag{23}
 \end{aligned}$$

By taking modulus of (23) we get

$$|d(T(x, y), x)| \leq \frac{\alpha |d(T(x, y), x)|}{2} + \frac{\gamma |d(x, T(x, y))| |d(x, T(x, y))|}{|1 + d(x, T(x, y))|}.$$

Since $|1 + d(x, T(x, y))| > |d(x, T(x, y))|$

$$\begin{aligned}
 |d(T(x, y), x)| &\leq \left(\frac{\alpha}{2} + \gamma\right) |d(T(x, y), x)| \\
 &< |d(T(x, y), x)|, \quad \text{a contradiction.}
 \end{aligned}$$

So, $T(x, y) = x$. Hence $T(x, y) = T^n(x, y) = x$. Similarly, it can be proved,

$$T(y, x) = T^n(y, x) = y.$$

Therefore, the coupled fixed of T is unique. This completes the proof. □

Theorem 2.4. Let (X, d) be a complete complex valued b -metric space with the coefficient $s \geq 1$ and let $S, T : X \times X \rightarrow X$ are mappings satisfying:

$$d(S(x, y), T(u, v)) \lesssim \begin{cases} \frac{\alpha(d(x, u) + d(y, v))}{2} + \frac{\beta d(x, S(x, y))d(u, T(u, v))}{d(x, T(u, v)) + d(u, S(x, y)) + d(x, u) + d(y, v)} & \text{if } D \neq 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } D = 0 \end{cases} \tag{24}$$

for all $x, y, u, v \in X$, where $D = d(x, T(u, v)) + d(u, S(x, y)) + d(x, u) + d(y, v)$ and α, β are nonnegative reals with $s(\alpha + \beta) < 1$. Then S and T have a unique common coupled fixed point.

Proof. Let x_0 and y_0 be arbitrary points in X . Define

$$\begin{aligned}
 x_{2n+1} &= S(x_{2n}, y_{2n}), y_{2n+1} = S(y_{2n}, x_{2n}) \quad \text{and} \\
 x_{2n+2} &= T(x_{2n+1}, y_{2n+1}), y_{2n+2} = T(y_{2n+1}, x_{2n+1}), \quad \text{for } n = 0, 1, 2, \tag{25}
 \end{aligned}$$

Now, we assume that

$$\begin{aligned}
 D_S(x_{2n}, y_{2n}) &= d(S(x_{2n}, y_{2n}), T(x_{2n+1}, y_{2n+1})) \\
 &= d(x_{2n}, T(x_{2n+1}, y_{2n+1})) + d(x_{2n+1}, S(x_{2n}, y_{2n})) + d(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}) + d(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}) \\
 &= d(x_{2n}, x_{2n+2}) + d(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}) + d(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}) \neq 0, \\
 D_S(y_{2n}, x_{2n}) &= d(S(y_{2n}, x_{2n}), T(y_{2n+1}, x_{2n+1})) \\
 &= d(y_{2n}, T(y_{2n+1}, x_{2n+1})) + d(y_{2n+1}, S(y_{2n}, x_{2n})) + d(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}) + d(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}) \\
 &= d(y_{2n}, y_{2n+2}) + d(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}) + d(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}) \neq 0.
 \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned}
 d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2}) &= d(S(x_{2n}, y_{2n}), T(x_{2n+1}, y_{2n+1})) \\
 &\lesssim \frac{\alpha (d(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}) + d(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}))}{2} + \frac{\beta d(x_{2n}, S(x_{2n}, y_{2n}))d(x_{2n+1}, T(x_{2n+1}, y_{2n+1}))}{D_S(x_{2n}, y_{2n})} \\
 &= \frac{\alpha (d(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}) + d(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}))}{2} + \frac{\beta d(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1})d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2})}{d(x_{2n}, x_{2n+2}) + d(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}) + d(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1})}. \tag{26}
 \end{aligned}$$

Taking modulus of (26), we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 |d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2})| &\leq \frac{\alpha |d(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}) + d(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1})|}{2} + \frac{\beta |d(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1})||d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2})|}{|d(x_{2n}, x_{2n+2}) + d(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}) + d(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1})|} \\
 &\leq \frac{\alpha |d(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}) + d(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1})|}{2} + \beta |d(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1})|.
 \end{aligned}$$

As $|d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2})| \leq |d(x_{2n}, x_{2n+2}) + d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n}) + d(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1})|$. Therefore

$$|d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2})| \leq \frac{(\alpha + 2\beta)}{2} |d(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1})| + \frac{\alpha}{2} |d(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1})|. \tag{27}$$

Similarly, it can be easily proved,

$$|d(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n+2})| \leq \frac{(\alpha + 2\beta)}{2} |d(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1})| + \frac{\alpha}{2} |d(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1})|. \tag{28}$$

Now if

$$\begin{aligned}
 D_T(x_{2n+1}, y_{2n+1}) &= d(T(x_{2n+1}, y_{2n+1}), S(x_{2n+2}, y_{2n+2})) \\
 &= d(x_{2n+2}, T(x_{2n+1}, y_{2n+1})) + d(x_{2n+1}, S(x_{2n+2}, y_{2n+2})) + d(x_{2n+2}, x_{2n+1}) + d(y_{2n+2}, y_{2n+1}) \\
 &= d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+3}) + d(x_{2n+2}, x_{2n+1}) + d(y_{2n+2}, y_{2n+1}) \neq 0.
 \end{aligned}$$

Then,

$$\begin{aligned}
 d(x_{2n+2}, x_{2n+3}) &= d(T(x_{2n+1}, y_{2n+1}), S(x_{2n+2}, y_{2n+2})) \\
 &\lesssim \frac{\alpha (d(x_{2n+2}, x_{2n+1}) + d(y_{2n+2}, y_{2n+1}))}{2} + \frac{\beta d(x_{2n+2}, S(x_{2n+2}, y_{2n+2}))d(x_{2n+1}, T(x_{2n+1}, y_{2n+1}))}{D_T(x_{2n+1}, y_{2n+1})} \\
 &= \frac{\alpha (d(x_{2n+2}, x_{2n+1}) + d(y_{2n+2}, y_{2n+1}))}{2} + \frac{\beta d(x_{2n+2}, x_{2n+3})d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2})}{d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+3}) + d(x_{2n+2}, x_{2n+1}) + d(y_{2n+2}, y_{2n+1})}. \tag{29}
 \end{aligned}$$

Taking modulus of (29), we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 |d(x_{2n+2}, x_{2n+3})| &\leq \frac{\alpha |d(x_{2n+2}, x_{2n+1}) + d(y_{2n+2}, y_{2n+1})|}{2} + \frac{\beta |d(x_{2n+2}, x_{2n+3})||d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2})|}{|d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+3})| + |d(x_{2n+2}, x_{2n+1})| + |d(y_{2n+2}, y_{2n+1})|} \\
 &\leq \frac{\alpha |d(x_{2n+2}, x_{2n+1}) + d(y_{2n+2}, y_{2n+1})|}{2} + \beta |d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2})|.
 \end{aligned}$$

As $|d(x_{2n+2}, x_{2n+3})| \leq |d(x_{2n+2}, x_{2n+1})| + |d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+3})| + |d(y_{2n+2}, y_{2n+1})|$. Therefore

$$|d(x_{2n+2}, x_{2n+3})| \leq \frac{(\alpha + 2\beta)}{2} |d(x_{2n+2}, x_{2n+1})| + \frac{\alpha}{2} |d(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n+2})|. \tag{30}$$

Similarly, if $D_T(y_{2n+1}, x_{2n+1}) \neq 0$ one can easily prove that

$$|d(y_{2n+2}, y_{2n+3})| \leq \frac{(\alpha + 2\beta)}{2} |d(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n+2})| + \frac{\alpha}{2} |d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2})|. \tag{31}$$

Adding up the inequalities (27) with (28) and (30) with (31), we get

$$|d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2})| + |d(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n+2})| \leq (\alpha + \beta)(|d(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1})| + |d(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1})|) \tag{32}$$

$$|d(x_{2n+2}, x_{2n+3})| + |d(y_{2n+2}, y_{2n+3})| \leq (\alpha + \beta)(|d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2})| + |d(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n+2})|). \tag{33}$$

Since $s(\alpha + \beta) < 1$ and $s \geq 1$, we get $\alpha + \beta < 1$. Therefore with $h = (\alpha + \beta) < 1$ and for all $n \geq 0$ and consequently, we get

$$|d(x_n, x_{n+1})| + |d(y_n, y_{n+1})| \leq h(|d(x_{n-1}, x_n)| + |d(y_{n-1}, y_n)|) \leq \dots \leq h^n(|d(x_0, x_1)| + |d(y_0, y_1)|). \tag{34}$$

Now if $|d(x_n, x_{n+1})| + |d(y_n, y_{n+1})| = \delta_n$, then

$$\delta_n \leq h\delta_{n-1} \leq \dots \leq h^n\delta_0. \tag{35}$$

Without loss of generality, we take $m > n, m, n \in \mathbb{N}$ and since $0 \leq h < 1$, so we get

$$\begin{aligned} |d(x_n, x_m)| + |d(y_n, y_m)| &\leq s(|d(x_n, x_{n+1})| + |d(x_{n+1}, x_m)|) + s(|d(y_n, y_{n+1})| + |d(y_{n+1}, y_m)|) \\ &\leq s(|d(x_n, x_{n+1})| + |d(y_n, y_{n+1})|) + s^2(|d(x_{n+1}, x_{n+2})| + |d(x_{n+2}, x_m)|) \\ &\quad + s^2(|d(y_{n+1}, y_{n+2})| + |d(y_{n+2}, y_m)|) \\ &\quad \dots \\ |d(x_n, x_m)| + |d(y_n, y_m)| &\leq s(|d(x_n, x_{n+1})| + |d(y_n, y_{n+1})|) + s^2(|d(x_{n+1}, x_{n+2})| + |d(y_{n+1}, y_{n+2})|) \\ &\quad + \dots + s^{m-n-1}(|d(x_{m-2}, x_{m-1})| + |d(y_{m-2}, y_{m-1})|) + s^{m-n}(|d(x_{m-1}, x_m)| + |d(y_{m-1}, y_m)|). \end{aligned}$$

By using (35), we get

$$\begin{aligned} |d(x_n, x_m)| + |d(y_n, y_m)| &\leq sh^n(|d(x_0, x_1)| + |d(y_0, y_1)|) + s^2h^{n+1}(|d(x_0, x_1)| + |d(y_0, y_1)|) \\ &\quad + \dots + s^{m-n-1}h^{m-2}(|d(x_0, x_1)| + |d(y_0, y_1)|) + s^{m-n}h^{m-1}(|d(x_0, x_1)| + |d(y_0, y_1)|) \\ &= sh^n\delta_0 + s^2h^{n+1}\delta_0 + \dots + s^{m-n-1}h^{m-2}\delta_0 + s^{m-n}h^{m-1}\delta_0 \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^{m-n} s^i h^{i+n-1} \delta_0. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} |d(x_n, x_m)| + |d(y_n, y_m)| &\leq \sum_{i=1}^{m-n} s^{i+n-1} h^{i+n-1} \delta_0 \\ &= \sum_{t=n}^{m-1} s^t h^t \delta_0 \leq \sum_{t=n}^{\infty} (sh)^t \delta_0 \\ &= \frac{(sh)^n}{1 - sh} \delta_0 \end{aligned}$$

and hence $|d(x_n, x_m)| + |d(y_n, y_m)| \leq \frac{(sh)^n}{1-sh} \delta_0 \rightarrow 0$ as $m, n \rightarrow +\infty$. This implies that $\{x_n\}$ and $\{y_n\}$ are Cauchy sequences in X . Since X is complete, so there exists $x, y \in X$ such that $x_n \rightarrow x$ and $y_n \rightarrow y$ as $n \rightarrow +\infty$. We now show that $x = S(x, y)$ and $y = S(y, x)$. We suppose on the contrary that $x \neq S(x, y)$ and $y \neq S(y, x)$ so that

$$\begin{aligned} 0 < d(x, S(x, y)) &= u_1 \quad \text{and} \\ 0 < d(y, S(y, x)) &= u_2 \end{aligned} \tag{36}$$

then we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 u_1 &= d(x, S(x, y)) \lesssim sd(x, x_{2n+2}) + sd(x_{2n+2}, S(x, y)) \\
 &\lesssim sd(x, x_{2n+2}) + sd(T(x_{2n+1}, y_{2n+1}), S(x, y)) \\
 &\lesssim sd(x, x_{2n+2}) + \frac{s \propto (d(x_{2n+1}, x) + d(y_{2n+1}, y))}{2} + \frac{s\beta d(x_{2n+1}, T(x_{2n+1}, y_{2n+1}))d(x, S(x, y))}{d(x, T(x_{2n+1}, y_{2n+1})) + d(x_{2n+1}, S(x, y)) + d(x_{2n+1}, x) + d(y_{2n+1}, y)} \\
 &\lesssim sd(x, x_{2n+2}) + \frac{s \propto (d(x_{2n+1}, x) + d(y_{2n+1}, y))}{2} + \frac{s\beta u_1 d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2})}{d(x, x_{2n+2}) + d(x_{2n+1}, S(x, y)) + d(x_{2n+1}, x) + d(y_{2n+1}, y)}
 \end{aligned}$$

which implies that

$$|u_1| \leq s|d(x, x_{2n+2})| + \frac{s \propto |d(x_{2n+1}, x) + d(y_{2n+1}, y)|}{2} + \frac{s\beta|u_1||d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2})|}{|d(x, x_{2n+2}) + d(x_{2n+1}, S(x, y)) + d(x_{2n+1}, x) + d(y_{2n+1}, y)|}. \quad (37)$$

By taking $n \rightarrow +\infty$, we get $|d(x, S(x, y))| = 0$, which is contradiction so that $x = S(x, y)$. Now

$$\begin{aligned}
 u_2 &= d(y, S(y, x)) \lesssim sd(y, y_{2n+2}) + sd(y_{2n+2}, S(y, x)) \\
 &\lesssim sd(y, y_{2n+2}) + sd(T(y_{2n+1}, x_{2n+1}), S(y, x)) \\
 &\lesssim sd(y, y_{2n+2}) + \frac{s \propto (d(y_{2n+1}, y) + d(x_{2n+1}, x))}{2} + \frac{s\beta d(y_{2n+1}, T(y_{2n+1}, x_{2n+1}))d(y, S(y, x))}{d(y_{2n+1}, S(y, x)) + d(y, T(y_{2n+1}, x_{2n+1})) + d(y_{2n+1}, y) + d(x_{2n+1}, x)} \\
 &\lesssim sd(y, y_{2n+2}) + \frac{s \propto (d(y_{2n+1}, y) + d(x_{2n+1}, x))}{2} + \frac{s\beta u_2 d(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n+2})}{d(y_{2n+1}, S(y, x)) + d(y, y_{2n+2}) + d(y_{2n+1}, y) + d(x_{2n+1}, x)}
 \end{aligned}$$

which implies that

$$|u_2| \leq s|d(y, y_{2n+2})| + \frac{s \propto |d(y_{2n+1}, y) + d(x_{2n+1}, x)|}{2} + \frac{s\beta|u_2||d(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n+2})|}{|d(y_{2n+1}, S(y, x)) + d(y, y_{2n+2}) + d(y_{2n+1}, y) + d(x_{2n+1}, x)|}. \quad (38)$$

By taking $n \rightarrow +\infty$, gives us $|d(y, S(y, x))| = 0$ which is a contradiction so that $y = S(y, x)$. It follows similarly that $x = T(x, y)$ and $y = T(y, x)$. Hence (x, y) is a common coupled fixed point of S and T . As in Theorem 2.1, the uniqueness of common coupled fixed point remains a consequence of contraction condition (24). We have obtained the existence and uniqueness of a unique common coupled fixed point of

$$D_S(x_{2n}, y_{2n}), D_S(y_{2n}, x_{2n}), D_T(x_{2n+1}, y_{2n+1}), D_T(y_{2n+1}, x_{2n+1}) \neq 0 \quad (39)$$

for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Now assume that $D_S(x_{2n}, y_{2n}) = 0$ for some $n \in \mathbb{N}$. From

$$d(x_{2n}, x_{2n+2}) + d(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}) + d(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}) = 0. \quad (40)$$

We get $x_{2n} = x_{2n+1} = x_{2n+2}$ and $y_{2n} = y_{2n+1}$. If $D_S(y_{2n}, x_{2n}) \neq 0$, using (1), we deduce

$$d(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n+2}) = d(S(y_{2n}, x_{2n}), T(y_{2n+1}, x_{2n+1})) = 0. \quad (41)$$

That is $y_{2n+1} = y_{2n+2}$ (this equality holds also if $D_S(y_{2n}, x_{2n}) = 0$). The equalities

$$x_{2n} = x_{2n+1} = x_{2n+2}, y_{2n} = y_{2n+1} = y_{2n+2}. \quad (42)$$

This ensure that (x_{2n+1}, y_{2n+1}) is a unique common coupled fixed point of S and T . The same holds if either $D_S(y_{2n}, x_{2n}) = 0, D_T(x_{2n+1}, y_{2n+1}) = 0$ or $D_T(y_{2n+1}, x_{2n+1}) = 0$. \square

Corollary 2.5. Let (X, d) be a complete complex valued b -metric space with the coefficient $s \geq 1$ and let $S, T : X \times X \rightarrow X$ are mappings satisfying:

$$d(S(x, y), T(u, v)) \lesssim \begin{cases} \frac{\beta d(x, S(x, y))d(u, T(u, v))}{d(x, T(u, v)) + d(u, S(x, y)) + d(x, u) + d(y, v)} & \text{if } D \neq 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } D = 0, \end{cases} \quad (43)$$

for all $x, y, u, v \in X$, where $D = d(x, T(u, v)) + d(u, S(x, y)) + d(x, u) + d(y, v)$ and β is a nonnegative real such that $0 < s\beta < 1$. Then S and T have a unique common coupled fixed point.

Proof. We can prove this result by applying Theorem 2.4 by setting $\alpha = 0$. □

Corollary 2.6. Let (X, d) be a complete complex valued b -metric space with the coefficient $s \geq 1$ and let the mapping $T : X \times X \rightarrow X$ satisfy

$$d(T(x, y), T(u, v)) \lesssim \begin{cases} \frac{\alpha(d(x, u) + d(y, v))}{2} + \frac{\beta d(x, T(x, y))d(u, T(u, v))}{d(x, T(u, v)) + d(u, T(x, y)) + d(x, u) + d(y, v)} & \text{if } D \neq 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } D = 0 \end{cases} \quad (44)$$

for all $x, y, u, v \in X$, where $D = d(x, T(u, v)) + d(u, T(x, y)) + d(x, u) + d(y, v)$ and α, β are nonnegative reals with $s(\alpha + \beta) < 1$. Then T has a unique coupled fixed point.

Proof. We can prove this result by applying Theorem 2.4 by setting $S = T$. □

Corollary 2.7. Let (X, d) be a complete complex valued b -metric space with the coefficient $s \geq 1$ and let the mapping $T : X \times X \rightarrow X$ satisfy:

$$d(T^n(x, y), T^n(u, v)) \lesssim \begin{cases} \frac{\alpha(d(x, u) + d(y, v))}{2} + \frac{\beta d(x, T^n(x, y))d(u, T^n(u, v))}{d(x, T^n(u, v)) + d(u, T^n(x, y)) + d(x, u) + d(y, v)} & \text{if } D \neq 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } D = 0 \end{cases} \quad (45)$$

for all $x, y, u, v \in X$, where $D = d(x, T^n(u, v)) + d(u, T^n(x, y)) + d(x, u) + d(y, v)$ and α, β are nonnegative reals with $s(\alpha + \beta) < 1$. Then T has a unique coupled fixed point.

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