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I. INTRODUCTION

Let $(X; d)$ be a metric space. If f is a self-map on X , and $x_0 \in X$, we denote by fx the f -image of x_0 .

As a weaker form of the metric d , Kada et al. [5] introduced the notion of weak distance (or simply w -distance) on X as follows:

Definition 1.1. Let $(X; d)$ be a metric space and $p : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ satisfy the following conditions:

(w_1) $p(x, y) \leq p(x, z) + p(z, y)$ for all $x, y, z \in X$

(w_2) For any $x \in X$, $p(x, \cdot) : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$ is lower semi continuous in the second variable, that is $p(x, y_n) \leq \liminf p(x, y_n)$ whenever $y_n \rightarrow y$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$ for some $x \in X$, and

$$(a) \quad g(X) \subset f(X) \quad (1.1)$$

(b) there exists $at \in X$ such that

$$p(t, gx) \leq rp(t, fx) + \phi(fx) - \phi(gx) \text{ for all } x, y \in X, \quad (1.2)$$

$$0 \leq r < 1$$

(c) for every sequence $\langle x_n \rangle_{n=1}^\infty$ in X with

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} p(t, fx_n) = 0 = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} p(t, gx_n), \quad (1.3)$$

we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \max \{p(t, fx_n), p(t, gx_n), p(fgx_n, gfx_n)\} = 0,$$

and

(d) for each $u \in X$ with $u \neq fu$ or $u \neq gu$

$$\{p(u, fx) + p(u, gx) + p(fgx, gfx) : x \in X\} > 0. \quad (1.4)$$

Then f and g will have a unique common fixed point.

Theorem 1.2 ([4], Theorem 3.6). Let X be a complete metric space (X, d) with w -distance p and the mappings $f, g : X \rightarrow X$ satisfy the conditions (a) and (d). Suppose that $\phi, \psi : X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ are such that

(w_3) Given $\epsilon > 0$, there is a $\delta > 0$ such that $p(z, x) \leq \delta$ and $p(z, y) \leq \delta$ imply that $d(x, y) < \epsilon$. Then p is known as a w -distance on X .

Obviously, every metric d on X satisfies the conditions (w_1)-(w_3), that is d is a w -distance on X .

Example 1.1. Let $X = \left\{ \frac{1}{m} : m = 1, 2, 3, \dots \right\} \cup \{0\}$ with

metric $d(x, y) = x + y$ if $x \neq y$ and $d(x, y) = 0$ if $x = y$ for all $x, y \in X$. Note that (X, d) is a complete metric space. Define $p(x, y) = y$. Then p a w -distance on X .

For other examples one can refer to [5].

Recently Ume and Sucheol [4] have proved two common fixed point theorems, given below, for self-maps on a complete metric space with a w -distance on X , which generalize and improve the results of Fisher [1], Dien [3] and Liu et al. [6].

Theorem 1.1 ([4], Theorem 3.1). Let X be a complete metric space (X, d) with w -distance p on it. Suppose that $f, g : X \rightarrow X$ and $\phi : X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ satisfy the conditions:

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- (e) for every sequence $\langle x_n \rangle_{n=1}^\infty$ in X with $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f x_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} g x_n = t$,
we have $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \max \{p(t, f x_n), p(t, g x_n), p(f g x_n, g f x_n)\} = 0$,

and

- (f)
$$p(gx, gy) \leq a_1 p(fx, fy) + a_2 p(fx, gx) + a_3 p(fy, gy) + a_4 p(fx, gy) + a_5 \sqrt{p(gx, fy)d(fy, gx)} + [\phi(fx) - \phi(gx)] + [\psi(fy) - \psi(gy)] \quad (1.5)$$

for all $x, y \in X$ where $a_i \in [0, 1)$, $i = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5$ are such that

$$a_1 + a_4 + a_5 < 1 \quad \text{and} \quad a_1 + a_2 + a_3 + 2a_4 < 1 \quad (1.6)$$

Then f and g will have a unique common fixed point.

The purpose of this paper is to establish two fixed point theorems, which generalize those of Brian Fisher [1], Dien [3] and Liu et al. [6].

II. PRELIMINARIES

First we state the following lemma, proved in [5]:

Lemma 2.1. Let X be a metric space with w -distance p on it. Then

- (g) $p(x, y) = 0$ and $p(x, z) = 0$ imply that $y = z$.

Also $\langle x_n \rangle_{n=1}^\infty \subset X$ is a Cauchy sequence in X , provided

- (h) $p(x_n, x_m) \leq \alpha_n$ for all $m > n \geq 1$

- (i) $p(x, x_n) \leq \alpha_n$ for all $n \geq 1$ for each $x \in X$:

We now introduce an orbit notion that is followed in the rest of the paper.

Definition 2.1. Let f and g be self-maps on X . Given $x_0 \in X$, if there exist points $x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots$ in X such that

$$y_n = g x_{n-1} = f x_n \quad \text{for } n \geq 1, \quad (2.1)$$

the sequence $\langle y_n \rangle_{n=1}^\infty$ is called a g -orbit relative to f at x_0 or simply a (g, f) -orbit at x_0 . We call $\langle x_n \rangle_{n=1}^\infty$ a base sequence associated with the g -orbit (2.1). Note that when f is the identity map i on X , (2.1) and the base sequence coincide with the g -orbit $g x_0, g x_1, \dots$ at x_0 . This notion was adopted in [8]. The notion of (g, f) -orbit is not unique. For instance, Nesic [7] defined a (g, f) -orbit at x_0 by the iterations:

$$x_{2n-1} = g x_{2n-2}, \quad x_{2n} = f x_{2n-1} \quad \text{for } n \geq 1 \quad (2.2)$$

which was employed by Fisher [1] though no name was mentioned.

Remark 2.1. If the self-maps f and g on X satisfy the inclusion (1.1), then by a routine induction, it can be easily shown that (g, f) -orbit at each x_0 exists with the choice (2.1). Given $x_0 \in X$, there can be more than one base sequence $\langle x_n \rangle_{n=1}^\infty$ as the following examples reveal:

Example 2.1. Let $X = \mathbb{R}$ with usual metric $d(x, y) = |x - y|$ for all $x, y \in X$. Define $f, g : X \rightarrow X$ by $f(x) = x_2$ and $g(x) = \frac{x^2}{4}$ for $x \in X$. Then (1.1) is obvious and hence by Remark 2.1, orbits can be specified at each x_0 . Given $x_0 \in X$, choose $x_n = \pm \frac{x_0}{2^n}$ for $n \geq 1$.

Since each x_n has two choices, several base sequences $\langle x_n \rangle_{n=1}^\infty$ can be specified to get the respective (g, f) -orbit. We now prove

Lemma 2.2. Suppose that (X, d) is a metric space with w -distance p on X . Let $f, g : X \rightarrow X$ and $\phi : X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ satisfy the inclusion (1.1) and the condition (b) of Theorem 1:1. If X is complete metric space and $x_0 \in X$, then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f x_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} g x_n = z \quad \text{for some } z \in X. \quad (2.3)$$

Proof. Given $x_0 \in X$, Suppose that $\langle x_n \rangle_{n=1}^\infty$ is a base sequence at x_0 and f, g are such that (2.1) holds good. Now, by condition (b) with $x = x_{n-1}$, we have

$$p(t, f x_n) = p(t, g x_{n-1}) \leq r \cdot p(t, f x_{n-1}) + \phi(f x_{n-1}) - \phi(g x_{n-1})$$

so that for any $k \geq 2$

$$\sum_{n=1}^k p(t, f x_n) \leq r \cdot \sum_{n=1}^k p(t, f x_{n-1}) + \sum_{n=1}^k [\phi(f x_{n-1}) - \phi(f x_n)]$$

which gives

$$\begin{aligned}\sum_{n=2}^k p(t, fx_n) &\leq \frac{r}{1-r} p(t, fx_1) + \frac{1}{1-r} [\phi(fx_0) - \phi(fx_k)] \\ &< \frac{r}{1-r} p(t, fx_0) + \frac{1}{1-r} \phi(fx_0)\end{aligned}$$

Showing that $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} p(t, fx_n)$ converges so that

n th term tends to 0 as $n \rightarrow \infty$, that is $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} p(t, fx_n) = 0$.

Now, by (i) of Lemma 2.1, it follows that $\langle fx_n \rangle_{n=1}^{\infty}$ is a Cauchy sequence in the (g, f) -orbit X . Since X is complete, there is a $z \in X$ such that $fx_n \rightarrow z$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

Similar argument shows $\langle gx_n \rangle_{n=1}^{\infty}$ converges to z' in X . Proceeding the limit as $n \rightarrow \infty$ in (2.1) and using these limits, it follows that $z = z'$, proving the lemma.

Remark 2.2. The converse of Lemma 2.2 is not true. Infact, the example given below shows that we can find a metric

space (X, d) with a w -distance p on it satisfying condition (a) and (b) of Theorem 1.1 such that for any $x_0 \in X$ and for any base sequence $\langle x_n \rangle_{n=1}^{\infty}$ at x_0 , both $\langle fx_n \rangle_{n=1}^{\infty}$ and $\langle gx_n \rangle_{n=1}^{\infty}$ converge to the same point in X ; but X is not complete.

Example 2.2. Let $X = [0, 1)$ with $d(x, y) = |x - y|$ for all $x, y \in X$. Clearly (X, d) is an incomplete metric space. Define $f, g : X \rightarrow X$ by $fx = \frac{2x+1}{4}$ and $gx = \frac{1}{2}$ for $x \in X$. Then $g(X) = \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \right\}$ and $f(X) = \left[\frac{1}{4}, \frac{3}{4} \right)$ so that $g(X) \subset f(X)$. Let

$$p(x, y) = \frac{1}{4} \max \left\{ |2x - 1|, |2x - 4y + 1|, 2|x - y| \right\} \text{ for } x, y \in X,$$

which will be a w -distance on X . Also for any $t \in X$; $p(t, gx) = \frac{1}{4} |2t - 1|$ and

$$p(t, fx) = \frac{1}{8} \max \left\{ |2(2t - 1)|, |4(t - x)|, |(4t - 2x - 1)| \right\}$$

from which it follows $p(t, gx) \leq \frac{1}{2} p(t, fx) + \phi(fx) - \phi(gx)$ for any $x \in X$ where $\phi(x) = 1$ for all $x \in X$.

Note that for any $x_0 \in X$ there is only one base sequence $\langle x_n \rangle_{n=1}^{\infty}$ given by $x_n = \frac{1}{2}$ for all $n \geq 1$ so that both $\langle fx_n \rangle_{n=1}^{\infty}$ and $\langle gx_n \rangle_{n=1}^{\infty}$ are constant sequences with each term equal to $\frac{1}{2}$; and hence they converge to $\frac{1}{2} \in X$.

Proof. Suppose that $\langle x_n \rangle_{n=1}^{\infty}$ is a base sequence at some $x_0 \in X$ with the choice (2.1). Write

$$\gamma_n = p(fx_n, fx_{n+1}) = p(gx_{n-1}, gx_n) \text{ for } n \geq 1$$

Then by (f) of Theorem 1.2, we have

Lemma 2.3. Suppose (X, d) is a metric space with w -distance p on it. Let $f, g : X \rightarrow X$ and $\phi, \psi : X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ be such that (a) of Theorem 1.1 and (f) of Theorem 1.2 hold. If (X, d) is a complete metric space, then for any $x_0 \in X$ and for any base sequence $\langle x_n \rangle_{n=1}^{\infty}$ at x_0 , both the sequences $\langle fx_n \rangle_{n=1}^{\infty}$ and $\langle gx_n \rangle_{n=1}^{\infty}$ converge to the same point in X .

$$\begin{aligned}
\gamma_n &= p(gx_{n-1}, gx_n) \\
&\leq a_1 p(fx_{n-1}, fx_n) + a_2 p(fx_{n-1}, gx_{n-1}) + a_3 p(fx_n, gx_n) \\
&\quad + a_4 p(fx_{n-1}, gx_n) + a_5 \sqrt{p(gx_{n-1}, fx_n) d(fx_n, gx_{n-1})} \\
&\quad + [\phi(fx_{n-1}) - \phi(gx_{n-1})] + [(fx_n) - (gx_n)] \\
&\leq a_1 \gamma_{n-1} + a_2 \gamma_{n-1} + a_3 \gamma_n + a_4 (\gamma_{n-1} + \gamma_n) \\
&\quad + [\phi(fx_{n-1}) - \phi(fx_n)] + [(fx_n) - (fx_{n+1})] \\
&= (a_1 + a_2 + a_4) \gamma_{n-1} + (a_3 + a_4) \gamma_n \\
&\quad + [\phi(fx_{n-1}) - \phi(fx_n)] + [(fx_n) - (fx_{n+1})]
\end{aligned}$$

from which we get

$$\gamma_n \leq \alpha \gamma_{n-1} + \beta \{[\phi(fx_{n-1}) - \phi(fx_n)] + [(fx_n) - (fx_{n+1})]\}, \quad n \geq 2,$$

$$\text{where } \alpha = \frac{a_1 + a_2 + a_4}{1 - a_3 - a_4} \quad \text{and} \quad \beta = \frac{1}{1 - a_3 - a_4}$$

Therefore for any integer $k \geq 2$,

$$\sum_{n=2}^k \gamma_n \leq \alpha \sum_{n=2}^k \gamma_{n-1} + \beta \left[\phi(fx_1) - \phi(fx_k) + [(fx_2) - (fx_3)] \right]$$

which gives

$$\sum_{n=2}^k \gamma_n \leq \frac{\gamma_1 \alpha}{1 - \alpha} + \frac{\beta [\phi(fx_1) + (fx_2)]}{1 - \alpha}$$

showing that $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \gamma_n$ converges and hence

$n \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. Also from the above lines, for $m > n \geq 2$, we see that $p(fx_n, fx_m) \leq \alpha_n$ where $\alpha_n = \gamma_n + \gamma_{n+1} + \dots + \gamma_{m-1}$. Since $\alpha \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$, it follows from (h) of Lemma 2.1 that $\langle fx_n \rangle_{n=1}^{\infty}$ is a Cauchy sequence in X and hence converges to some $z \in X$. Similarly we can prove that $\langle gx_n \rangle_{n=1}^{\infty}$ converges to some z' in X . But $gx_{n-1} = fx_n$ for all $n \geq 1$ it follows that $z = z'$, completing the proof of lemma.

Remark 2.3. The converse of Lemma 2.3 is not true. In fact, it is not difficult to exhibit a metric space (X, d) with w -distance p on it for which (a) of Theorem 1.1 and (f) of Theorem 1.2 in which for any $x_0 \in X$ and for any base sequence $\langle x_n \rangle_{n=1}^{\infty}$ at x_0 both sequences $\langle fx_n \rangle_{n=1}^{\infty}$ and $\langle gx_n \rangle_{n=1}^{\infty}$ converge to the same point, yet (X, d) is not complete.

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \max \{p(z, fu_n), p(z, gu_n), p(fgu_n, gfu_n)\} = 0.$$

(3.1)

Then z is a unique common fixed point of f and g .

Proof. Writing $x = x_n$ in (k) we get

$$p(z, fx_{n+1}) = p(z, gx_n) \leq rp(z, fx_n) + \phi(fx_n) - \phi(gx_n).$$

III. MAIN RESULTS

Theorem 3.1. let (X, d) be a metric space with w -distance p on it. Suppose that $f, g : X \rightarrow X$ and $\phi : X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ satisfy the inclusion (1.1) and the condition (1.4) of Theorem 1.1. Also suppose that

(j) there is a base sequence $\langle x_n \rangle_{n=1}^{\infty}$ at some point $x_0 \in X$ such that $\langle fx_n \rangle_{n=1}^{\infty}$ and $\langle gx_n \rangle_{n=1}^{\infty}$ converge the same point $z \in X$

(k) $p(z, gx) \leq rp(z, fx) + \phi(fx) - \phi(gx)$ for all $x \in X$, where $0 \leq r < 1$ and

(l) for every sequence $\langle u_n \rangle_{n=1}^{\infty} \subset X$ with $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} p(z, fu_n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} p(z, gu_n) = 0$, we have

Then as in Lemma 2.2, we can prove that $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} p(z, fx_n)$ converges hence

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

Using this in (3.1), it follows that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} p(fgx_n, gfx_n) = 0$.

Now if z is not a common fixed point of f and g , then either $fx \neq z$ or $gx \neq z$; and therefore, by the condition (1.4) of Theorem 1:1

$$\begin{aligned} & 0 < \inf\{p(z, fx) + p(z, gx) + p(fgx, gfx) : x \in X\} \\ & \leq \inf\{p(z, fx_n) + p(z, gx_n) + p(fgx_n, gfx_n) : n \geq 1\} \\ & = 0, \\ & \text{a contradiction. Hence } fx \neq z \text{ and } gx \neq z. \end{aligned}$$

The uniqueness of the common fixed point z follows as in the proof of Theorem 3.1 of [4].

Remark 3.1. In view of Remark 2.3, Theorem 3.1 generalizes Theorem 1.2. Also since d is a w -distance, the results proved by Dien [3] and Liuet.al [6] will be particular cases of Theorem 3.1.

Theorem 3.2. Let (X, d) be a metric space with w -distance p on it. Suppose that $f, g : X \rightarrow X$ and

$\phi : X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ satisfy the inclusion (1.1) and the condition (1.4) of Theorem 1:1 and the condition (f) of Theorem 1.2. If (j) and (l) hold good, then z is the unique common fixed point of f and g .

Proof. The proof is similar to the first main result and is omitted here.

Remark 3.2. In view of Remark 2.6, Theorem 3.2 generalizes Theorem 1.2. Also since d is a w -distance on X , the fixed point theorem of Fisher [1] is a particular case of Theorem 3.2 with $p = d$.

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