



## SOME PROPERTIES OF COMMON FIXED POINT FOR TWO SELF-MAPPINGS ON SOME CONTRACTION MAPPINGS IN QUASI $\alpha b$ -METRIC SPACE

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**Abstract.** This paper proposes the common fixed point theorems and its proof for two self-mappings on some contraction mappings in quasi  $\alpha b$ -metric space, through the coincidence point and the weakly compatible mapping.

### 1. INTRODUCTION

We know that b-metric space was introduced by Bakhtin in 1989 [1], and then in 1993 Czerwik [2] used this space to show the properties of fixed point of functions on some types of contraction mapping. However, many authors used b-metric space to show the existence and uniqueness of common fixed point on contraction mapping or expansive mapping [3, 4, 5, 6, 14], even with using the notion of incidence point and weakly compatible functions [7, 8]. This space developing continuously to become quasi b-metric space, this space is obtained with omitting the symmetric property in b-metric space conditions, and many authors used as dislocated quasi b-metric space to show the existence of fixed point on some contraction mappings [9, 10, 11]. While, quasi b-metric space is extension of quasi b-metric space [12, 13].

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The aim of this paper is to show the existence and uniqueness of common fixed point in quasi  $\alpha b$ -metric space for some contraction mappings, by using coincidence and weakly compatible functions property.

## 2. PRELIMINARIES

**Definition 2.1.** ([1, 2]) Let  $X$  be a nonempty set and let  $b \geq 1$  be a given real number. Let  $d : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  be a mapping on  $X$  and for all  $x, y, z \in X$  the following conditions are satisfied:

- (1)  $d(x, y) = d(y, x) = 0$  if and only if  $x = y$ ;
- (2)  $d(x, y) = d(y, x)$ ;
- (3)  $d(x, y) \leq b(d(x, z) + d(z, y))$ .

Then  $d$  is called a  $b$ -metric on  $X$  and  $(X, d)$  is called a  $b$ -metric space. And  $(X, d)$  is called a quasi  $b$ -metric space, if the conditions (1) and (3) hold. From the definition of  $b$ -metric shows that every  $b$ -metric is a quasi  $b$ -metric, but the converse is not true.

Now we introduce a generalization of quasi  $b$ -metric space by modifying the triangle inequality condition in quasi  $b$ -metric space.

**Definition 2.2.** ([12]) Let  $X$  be a nonempty set,  $0 \leq \alpha < 1$  and  $b \geq 1$  be given real number. Let  $d : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  be a mapping on  $X$  and for all  $x, y, z \in X$  the following conditions are satisfied:

- (1)  $d(x, y) = d(y, x) = 0$  if and only if  $x = y$ ;
- (2)  $d(x, y) \leq \alpha d(y, x) + \frac{1}{2}b(d(x, z) + d(z, y))$ . (2.1)

Then  $d$  is called a  $b$ -metric on  $X$  and  $(X, d)$  is called a  $b$ -metric space. And  $(X, d)$  is called a quasi  $b$ -metric space, if the conditions (1) and (3) hold. From the definition of  $b$ -metric shows that every  $b$ -metric is a quasi  $b$ -metric, but the converse is not true.

**Example 2.3.** ([12, 13]) Let  $X = R$  and defined  $d : X \times X \rightarrow R^+$  as

$$d(x, y) = \begin{cases} 2x^2 + y^2, & \text{if } x \neq y \\ 0, & \text{if } x = y \end{cases}$$

For the first condition of quasi  $\alpha b$ -metric, it is clear from definition of function  $d$ . While for the second condition, we have to show as follows: For all  $x, y, z \in X$  and  $x \neq y$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
d(x, y) &= 2x^2 + y^2 \\
&\leq \frac{5}{2}x^2 + 2y^2 + 3z^2 \\
&= \frac{1}{2}(2y^2 + x^2) + ((2x^2 + z^2) + (2z^2 + y^2)) \\
&= \frac{1}{2}d(y, x) + \frac{2}{2}(d(x, z) + d(z, y)).
\end{aligned}$$

So we get

$$d(x, y) \leq \frac{1}{2}d(y, x) + \frac{2}{2}(d(x, z) + d(z, y)).$$

Hence  $d$  is a quasi  $\alpha b$ -metric with  $\alpha = \frac{1}{2}$  and  $b = 2$ .

**Definition 2.4.** ([12, 13]) Let  $(X, d)$  be a quasi  $\alpha b$ -metric space. Then a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $(X, d)$  is said to be *convergent* to  $x \in X$  if  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n, x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x, x_n) = 0$ , we write  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x$ .

**Definition 2.5.** ([12, 13]) Let  $(X, d)$  be a quasi  $\alpha b$ -metric space. Then a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $(X, d)$  is said to be *Cauchy* in  $X$  if  $\lim_{n, m \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n, x_m) = \lim_{n, m \rightarrow \infty} d(x_m, x_n) = 0$ .

**Definition 2.6.** ([12, 13]) Let  $(X, d)$  be a quasi  $\alpha b$ -metric space. Then  $(X, d)$  is said to be *complete* if every Cauchy sequence in  $X$  is convergent in  $X$ .

**Definition 2.7.** ([2]) Let  $X$  be a nonempty set and let  $T$  be a self-mapping on  $X$ . Then  $x \in X$  is called a *fixed point* of  $T$ , if  $Tx = x$ . We define for all  $x \in X$ ,  $TT^{(n-1)}x = T^n x$  with  $T^0 x = x$ .

**Definition 2.8.** ([7, 8]) Let  $X$  be a nonempty set and  $T_1, T_2 : X \rightarrow X$  be self-mapping. If  $T_1 x = T_2 x = y$  for some  $x \in X$ , then  $y$  is called a *point of coincidence* of  $T_1$  and  $T_2$ , and  $x$  is called a *coincidence point* of  $T_1$  and  $T_2$ .

**Definition 2.9.** ([7, 8]) Let  $X$  be a nonempty set and  $T_1, T_2 : X \rightarrow X$  be self-mapping. The pair  $\{T_1, T_2\}$  is called *weakly compatible*, if for all  $x \in X$ ,  $T_1 x = T_2 x$  then  $T_2 T_1 x = T_1 T_2 x$ .

For the proof of main theorems, we need a lemma regarding sufficient conditions for the Cauchy sequence in quasi  $\alpha b$ -metric space, this lemma has been proved in [12] as follows:

**Lemma 2.10.** ([12]) Let  $(X, d)$  be a quasi  $\alpha b$ -metric space with  $0 \leq \alpha < 1$  and  $b \geq 1$ , and let  $\{x_n\}$  be a sequence in  $X$  such that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n, x_{n+1}) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_{n+1}, x_n) = 0.$$

Then  $\{x_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence in  $X$ .

### 3. MAIN RESULTS

Now, we give the main results in this paper.

**Theorem 3.1.** Let  $(X, d)$  be a quasi  $\alpha b$ -metric space with  $0 \leq \alpha < 1$  and  $b \geq 1$ . Let  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  be self-mappings on  $X$  such that

$$d(T_1x, T_1y) \leq \frac{(pd(T_2x, T_1x)d(T_2x, T_1y) + qd(T_1x, T_2y)d(T_1y, T_2y))}{(1 + d(T_2x, T_1y) + d(T_1x, T_2y))} \quad (3.1)$$

for all  $x, y \in X$ , where  $0 < p, q < 1$ . If  $\{T_1, T_2\}$  is weakly compatible,  $T_1(X) \subseteq T_2(X)$  and  $T_2(X)$  is complete, then  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  have a unique common fixed point in  $X$ .

*Proof.* Let  $x_0 \in X$ . Then  $T_1x_0 \in T_1(X)$ , it follows from  $T_1(X) \subseteq T_2(X)$  that there exists  $x_1 \in X$  such that  $T_1x_0 = T_2x_1$ . Since  $x_1 \in X$ ,  $T_1x_1 \in T_1(X)$ . Similarly we have  $T_1x_1 = T_2x_2$  for some  $x_2 \in X$ . With repeating this process, we can define a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  such that  $T_2x_n = T_1x_{n-1}$  for  $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ . By using (3.1) we have

$$\begin{aligned} & d(T_2x_n, T_2x_{n+1}) \\ &= d(T_1x_{n-1}, T_1x_n) \\ &\leq \frac{pd(T_2x_{n-1}, T_1x_{n-1})d(T_2x_{n-1}, T_1x_n) + qd(T_1x_{n-1}, T_2x_n)d(T_1x_n, T_2x_n)}{1 + d(T_2x_{n-1}, T_1x_n) + d(T_1x_{n-1}, T_2x_n)} \\ &= \frac{pd(T_2x_{n-1}, T_2x_n)d(T_2x_{n-1}, T_2x_{n+1}) + qd(T_2x_n, T_2x_n)d(T_1x_n, T_2x_n)}{1 + d(T_2x_{n-1}, T_2x_{n+1}) + qd(T_2x_n, T_2x_n)} \\ &= \frac{pd(T_2x_{n-1}, T_2x_n)d(T_2x_{n-1}, T_2x_{n+1})}{1 + d(T_2x_{n-1}, T_2x_{n+1})} \\ &\leq pd(T_2x_{n-1}, T_2x_n). \end{aligned}$$

Thus we get

$$d(T_2x_n, T_2x_{n+1}) \leq pd(T_2x_{n-1}, T_2x_n).$$

Repeating this process for  $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ , then we get

$$d(T_2x_n, T_2x_{n+1}) \leq p^n d(T_2x_0, T_2x_1).$$

Now we calculate for  $d(T_2x_{n+1}, T_2x_n)$

$$\begin{aligned}
& d(T_2x_{n+1}, T_2x_n) \\
&= d(T_1x_n, T_1x_{n-1}) \\
&\leq \frac{pd(T_2x_n, T_1x_n)d(T_2x_n, T_1x_{n-1}) + qd(T_1x_n, T_2x_{n-1})d(T_1x_{n-1}, T_2x_{n-1})}{1 + d(T_2x_n, T_1x_{n-1}) + d(T_1x_n, T_2x_{n-1})} \\
&= \frac{pd(T_2x_n, T_2x_{n+1})d(T_2x_n, T_2x_n) + qd(T_2x_{n+1}, T_2x_{n-1})d(T_2x_n, T_2x_{n-1})}{1 + d(T_2x_n, T_2x_n) + d(T_2x_{n+1}, T_2x_{n-1})} \\
&\leq \frac{qd(T_2x_{n+1}, T_2x_{n-1})d(T_2x_n, T_2x_{n-1})}{1 + d(T_2x_{n+1}, T_2x_{n-1})}.
\end{aligned}$$

Thus we get

$$d(T_2x_{n+1}, T_2x_n) \leq qd(T_2x_n, T_2x_{n-1}).$$

Continuing in this process for  $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ , then we get

$$d(T_2x_{n+1}, T_2x_n) \leq q^n d(T_2x_1, T_2x_0)$$

Thus we obtain

$$d(T_2x_n, T_2x_{n+1}) \leq p^n d(T_2x_0, T_2x_1)$$

and

$$d(T_2x_{n+1}, T_2x_n) \leq q^n d(T_2x_1, T_2x_0). \quad (3.2)$$

Since  $0 < p, q < 1$ , it implies from (3.2) that for  $n \rightarrow \infty$

$$d(T_2x_n, T_2x_{n+1}) \rightarrow 0$$

and

$$d(T_2x_{n+1}, T_2x_n) \rightarrow 0. \quad (3.3)$$

Thus by using (3.3) and Lemma 2.10, we obtain that  $\{T_2x_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence in  $T_2(X)$ . Since  $T_2(X)$  is complete, there exists  $y^* \in T_2(X)$  such that

$$d(T_2x_n, y^*) \rightarrow 0$$

and

$$d(y^*, T_2x_n) \rightarrow 0, \quad (3.4)$$

for  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . Since  $y^* \in T_2(X)$ , there is  $x^* \in X$  such that  $y^* = T_2x^*$ .

We claim that  $d(T_1x_n, T_1x^*) \rightarrow 0$  and  $d(T_1x^*, T_1x_n) \rightarrow 0$ .

From (3.1) we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& d(T_1x_n, T_1x^*) \\
& \leq \frac{pd(T_2x_n, T_1x_n)d(T_2x_n, T_1x^*) + qd(T_1x_n, T_2x^*)d(T_2x^*, T_1x^*)}{1 + d(T_2x_n, T_1x^*) + d(T_1x_n, T_2x^*)} \\
& = \frac{(pd(T_2x_n, T_2x_{n+1})d(T_2x_n, T_1x^*) + qd(T_2x_{n+1}, y^*)d(y^*, T_1x^*))}{(1 + d(T_2x_n, T_1x^*) + d(T_2x_{n+1}, y^*))} \\
& = \frac{pd(T_2x_n, T_2x_{n+1})d(T_2x_n, T_1x^*)}{1 + d(T_2x_n, T_1x^*) + d(T_2x_{n+1}, y^*)} + \frac{qd(T_2x_{n+1}, y^*)d(y^*, T_1x^*)}{1 + d(T_2x_n, T_1x^*) + d(T_2x_{n+1}, y^*)} \\
& \leq \frac{pd(T_2x_n, T_2x_{n+1})d(T_2x_n, T_1x^*)}{1 + d(T_2x_n, T_1x^*) + qd(T_2x_{n+1}, y^*)d(y^*, T_1x^*)} \\
& \leq pd(T_2x_n, T_2x_{n+1}) + qd(T_2x_{n+1}, y^*)d(y^*, T_1x^*).
\end{aligned}$$

Thus we have

$$d(T_1x_n, T_1x^*) \leq pd(T_2x_n, T_2x_{n+1}) + qd(T_2x_{n+1}, y^*)d(y^*, T_1x^*).$$

By using (3.2), we get

$$d(T_1x_n, T_1x^*) \leq p^{n+1}d(T_2x_0, T_2x_1) + qd(T_2x_{n+1}, y^*)d(y^*, T_1x^*)$$

Since  $0 < p < 1$ ,  $d(T_2x_n, y^*) \rightarrow 0$ ,  $d(y^*, T_2x_n) \rightarrow 0$  for  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , then we obtain

$$d(T_1x_n, T_1x^*) \rightarrow 0. \quad (3.5)$$

And we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& d(T_1x^*, T_1x_n) \\
& \leq \frac{pd(T_2x^*, T_1x^*)d(T_2x^*, T_1x_n) + qd(T_1x^*, T_2x_n)d(T_1x_n, T_2x_n)}{1 + d(T_2x^*, T_1x_n) + d(T_1x^*, T_2x_n)} \\
& = \frac{pd(y^*, T_1x^*)d(y^*, T_2x_{n+1}) + qd(T_1x^*, T_2x_n)d(T_2x_{n+1}, T_2x_n)}{1 + d(y^*, T_1x_n) + d(T_1x^*, T_2x_n)} \\
& = \frac{pd(y^*, T_1x^*)d(y^*, T_2x_{n+1})}{1 + d(y^*, T_1x_n) + d(T_1x^*, T_2x_n)} + \frac{qd(T_1x^*, T_2x_n)d(T_2x_n, T_2x_{n+1})}{1 + d(y^*, T_1x_n) + d(T_1x^*, T_2x_n)} \\
& \leq \frac{pd(y^*, T_1x^*)d(y^*, T_2x_{n+1})}{1 + d(y^*, T_1x_n)} + \frac{qd(T_1x^*, T_2x_n)d(T_2x_n, T_2x_{n+1})}{1 + d(T_1x^*, T_2x_n)} \\
& \leq pd(y^*, T_2x_{n+1}) + d(T_2x_n, T_2x_{n+1}).
\end{aligned}$$

By using (3.2), we get

$$d(T_1x^*, T_1x_n) \leq d(y^*, T_2x_{n+1}) + qp^n d(T_2x_0, T_2x_1).$$

Since  $0 < p < 1$ ,  $(T_2x_n, y^*) \rightarrow 0$ ,  $d(y^*, T_2x_n) \rightarrow 0$  for  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , then we obtain

$$d(T_1x^*, T_1x_n) \rightarrow 0. \quad (3.6)$$

We will show that  $y^*$  is a coincidence point of  $T_1$  and  $T_2$ . From (2.1) we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& d(T_1x^*, T_2x^*) \\
&= d(T_1x^*, y^*) \\
&\leq \alpha d(y^*, T_1x^*) + \frac{b}{2}(d(T_1x^*, T_1x_n) + d(T_1x_n, y^*)) \\
&= \alpha d(y^*, T_1x^*) + \frac{b}{2}(d(T_1x^*, T_1x_n) + d(T_2x_{n+1}, y^*)) \\
&\leq \alpha[\alpha d(T_1x^*, y^*) + \frac{b}{2}(d(y^*, T_2x_{n+1}) + d(T_1x_n, T_1x^*))] \\
&\quad + \frac{b}{2}(d(T_1x^*, T_1x_n) + d(T_2x_{n+1}, y^*)).
\end{aligned}$$

Thus we get

$$\begin{aligned}
d(T_1x^*, y^*) &\leq \alpha[\alpha d(T_1x^*, y^*) + \frac{b}{2}(d(y^*, T_2x_{n+1}) + d(T_1x_n, T_1x^*))] \\
&\quad + \frac{b}{2}(d(T_1x^*, T_1x_n) + d(T_2x_{n+1}, y^*)).
\end{aligned}$$

By using (3.4), (3.5), (3.6) and  $y^* = T_2x^*$  then we get for  $n \rightarrow \infty$ ,

$$d(T_1x^*, T_2x^*) \rightarrow 0.$$

Then we obtain  $d(T_1x^*, T_2x^*) = 0$ . Thus we have  $T_1x^* = T_2x^* = y^*$ , this means that  $y^*$  is a coincidence point of  $T_1$  and  $T_2$ .

We will show that  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  have only one coincidence point. Suppose there is another coincidence point  $w^*$  such that  $T_1x = T_2x = w^*$  for some  $x \in X$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned}
d(y^*, w^*) &= d(T_1x^*, T_1x) \\
&\leq \frac{pd(T_2x^*, T_1x^*)d(T_2x^*, T_1x) + qd(T_1x^*, T_2x)d(T_1x, T_2x)}{1 + d(T_2x^*, T_1x) + d(T_1x^*, T_2x)} \\
&= \frac{pd(T_2x^*, T_2x^*)d(T_2x^*, T_1x) + qd(T_1x^*, T_2x)d(T_2x, T_2x)}{1 + d(T_2x^*, T_1x) + d(T_1x^*, T_2x)} \\
&= 0.
\end{aligned}$$

Thus we have  $y^* = w^*$ . Therefore  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  have only one coincidence point in  $X$ .

Next, we show that  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  have a unique common fixed point. Since  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  is weakly compatible, from  $T_1x^* = T_2x^* = y^*$ , we have  $T_1T_2x^* = T_2T_1x^*$ . Thus we get

$$T_1y^* = T_1T_2x^* = T_2T_1x^* = T_2y^*.$$

Therefore from (3.1) we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 d(y^*, T_1 y^*) &= d(T_1 x^*, T_1 y^*) \\
 &\leq \frac{pd(T_2 x^*, T_1 x^*)d(T_2 x^*, T_1 y^*) + qd(T_1 x^*, T_2 y^*)d(T_1 y^*, T_2 y^*)}{1 + d(T_2 x^*, T_1 y^*) + d(T_1 x^*, T_2 y^*)} \\
 &= \frac{pd(y^*, y^*)d(y^*, T_1 y^*) + qd(y^*, T_2 y^*)d(T_2 y^*, T_2 y^*)}{1 + d(y^*, T_1 y^*) + d(T_1 x^*, T_2 y^*)} \\
 &= 0.
 \end{aligned}$$

Thus we get  $d(y^*, T_1 y^*) = 0$ , it implies that  $y^* = T_1 y^*$  is a fixed point of  $T_1$ . Since  $T_1 y^* = T_2 y^*$ , we have  $y^* = T_1 y^* = T_2 y^*$ . Hence,  $y^*$  is a common fixed point of  $T_1$  and  $T_2$ .

Furthermore, we will show that  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  have a unique common fixed point in  $X$ . Suppose there is another common fixed point  $s^*$  such that  $T_1 s^* = T_2 s^* = s^*$ . Then, from (3.2) we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 d(y^*, s^*) &= d(T_1 y^*, T_1 s^*) \\
 &\leq \frac{pd(y^*, y^*)d(T_2 y^*, T_1 s^*) + qd(T_1 y^*, T_2 s^*)d(s^*, s^*)}{1 + d(T_2 y^*, T_1 s^*) + d(T_1 y^*, T_2 s^*)} \\
 &= 0.
 \end{aligned}$$

Thus we get  $d(y^*, s^*) = d(T_1 y^*, T_1 s^*) = 0$ , it implies  $y^* = s^*$ . Hence  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  have a unique common fixed point in  $X$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 3.2.** *Let  $(X, d)$  be a quasi  $\alpha b$ -metric space with  $0 \leq \alpha < 1$  and  $b \geq 1$ . Let  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  be self-mappings on  $X$  such that  $T_1(X) \subseteq T_2(X)$ ,  $T_2(X)$  be complete and*

$$d(T_1 x, T_1 y) \leq pd(T_2 x, T_2 y) + qd(T_2 y, T_2 x) \quad (3.7)$$

for all  $x, y \in X$ , where  $p, q > 0$ ,  $p + q < 1$ . If  $\{T_1, T_2\}$  is weakly compatible, then  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  have a unique common fixed point in  $X$ .

*Proof.* Let  $x_0 \in X$ . Then  $T_1 x_0 \in T_1(X)$ , it implies there exists  $x_1 \in X$  such that  $T_1 x_0 = T_2 x_1$ , from  $T_1(X) \subseteq T_2(X)$ . Since  $x_1 \in X$ ,  $T_1 x_1 \in T_1(X)$ . Similarly we have  $T_1 x_1 = T_2 x_2$  for some  $x_2 \in X$ . With repeating this process, we can define a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  such that  $T_2 x_n = T_1 x_{n-1}$  for  $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ . By using (3.7) we have that

$$\begin{aligned}
 d(T_2 x_n, T_2 x_{n+1}) &= d(T_1 x_{n-1}, T_1 x_n) \\
 &\leq pd(T_2 x_{n-1}, T_2 x_n) + qd(T_2 x_n, T_2 x_{n-1})
 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
 d(T_2 x_{n+1}, T_2 x_n) &= d(T_1 x_n, T_1 x_{n-1}) \\
 &\leq pd(T_2 x_n, T_2 x_{n-1}) + qd(T_2 x_{n-1}, T_2 x_n).
 \end{aligned}$$



So we have

$$\begin{aligned} & d(T_2x_n, T_2x_{n+1}) + d(T_2x_{n+1}, T_2x_n) \\ & \leq (p+q)(d(T_2x_{n-1}, T_2x_n) + qd(T_2x_n, T_2x_{n-1})). \end{aligned}$$

Continuing this process, we get

$$d(T_2x_n, T_2x_{n+1}) + d(T_2x_{n+1}, T_2x_n) \leq (p+q)^n(d(T_2x_0, T_2x_1) + qd(T_2x_1, T_2x_0)).$$

Thus we have

$$d(T_2x_n, T_2x_{n+1}) \leq (p+q)^n(d(T_2x_0, T_2x_1) + qd(T_2x_1, T_2x_0))$$

and

$$d(T_2x_{n+1}, T_2x_n) \leq (p+q)^n(d(T_2x_0, T_2x_1) + qd(T_2x_1, T_2x_0)).$$

From  $0 < p+q < 1$ , for  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , we get

$$d(T_2x_n, T_2x_{(n+1)}) \rightarrow 0, \quad d(T_2x_{(n+1)}, T_2x_n) \rightarrow 0. \quad (3.8)$$

By using Lemma 2.10, we get that  $\{T_2x_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence in  $T_2(X)$ . And since  $T_2(X)$  is complete, there exists  $y^* \in T_2(X)$  such that for  $n \rightarrow \infty$

$$d(T_2x_n, y^*) \rightarrow 0, \quad d(y^*, T_2x_n) \rightarrow 0. \quad (3.9)$$

Since  $y^* \in T_2(X)$ , there is  $x^* \in X$  such that  $y^* = T_2x^*$ .

Claim that  $d(T_1x_n, T_1x^*) \rightarrow 0$  and  $d(T_1x^*, T_1x_n) \rightarrow 0$ .

From (3.7) we have

$$d(T_1x_n, T_1x^*) \leq pd(T_2x_n, T_2x^*) + qd(T_2x^*, T_2x_n)$$

and

$$d(T_1x^*, T_1x_n) \leq pd(T_2x^*, T_2x_n) + qd(T_2x_n, T_2x^*).$$

Thus we have

$$\begin{aligned} d(T_1x_n, T_1x^*) + d(T_1x^*, T_1x_n) & \leq (p+q)(d(T_2x_n, T_2x^*) + d(T_2x^*, T_2x_n)) \\ & = (p+q)(d(T_2x_n, y^*) + d(y^*, T_2x_n)). \end{aligned}$$

Thus we get

$$d(T_1x_n, T_1x^*) \leq (p+q)(d(T_2x_n, y^*) + d(y^*, T_2x_n))$$

and

$$d(T_1x^*, T_1x_n) \leq (p+q)(d(T_2x_n, y^*) + d(y^*, T_2x_n)).$$

By using (3.9), for  $n \rightarrow \infty$  we get

$$d(T_1x_n, T_1x^*) \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{and} \quad d(T_1x^*, T_1x_n) \rightarrow 0. \quad (3.10)$$

From (2.1) we have

$$\begin{aligned} d(T_1x^*, T_2x^*) &\leq \frac{1}{(1-\alpha^2)} \frac{b}{2} (d(y^*, T_2x_{n+1}) + d(T_1x_n, T_1x^*)) \\ &\quad + \frac{b}{2} (d(T_1x^*, T_1x_n) + d(T_2x_{n+1}, y^*)). \end{aligned}$$

Thus by (3.9), (3.10) and for  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , we get  $d(T_1x^*, T_2x^*) = 0$ , this means that  $T_1x^* = T_2x^* = y^*$ . Thus  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  have coincidence point in  $X$ .

Next, we show the uniqueness of the coincidence point of  $T_1$  and  $T_2$ . Suppose there is another coincidence point  $w^*$  such that  $T_1x = T_2x = w^*$  for some  $x \in X$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} d(y^*, w^*) &= d(T_1x^*, T_1x) \\ &\leq pd(T_2x^*, T_2x) + qd(T_2x, T_2x^*) \\ &= pd(y^*, w^*) + qd(w^*, y^*)d(w^*, y^*) \\ &\leq pd(w^*, y^*) + qd(y^*, w^*). \end{aligned}$$

Thus we have

$$d(y^*, w^*) + d(w^*, y^*) \leq (p+q)(d(y^*, w^*) + d(w^*, y^*)).$$

Thus we get

$$(1-p-q)(d(y^*, w^*) + d(w^*, y^*)) \leq 0.$$

Since  $p+q < 1$ , we get  $d(y^*, w^*) = 0$ , this means that  $y^* = w^*$ .

Claim that  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  have a unique common fixed point in  $X$ . From (3.7) we have

$$\begin{aligned} d(y^*, T_1y^*) &= d(T_1x^*, T_1y^*) \\ &\leq pd(T_2x^*, T_2y^*) + qd(T_2y^*, T_2x^*). \end{aligned} \quad (3.11)$$

Since  $\{T_1, T_2\}$  is weakly compatible, from  $T_1x^* = T_2x^* = y^*$ , we can have  $T_1T_2x^* = T_2T_1x^*$ . Thus we get

$$T_1y^* = T_1T_2x^* = T_2T_1x^* = T_2y^*. \quad (3.12)$$

Hence, from (3.11) we get

$$\begin{aligned} d(y^*, T_1y^*) &\leq pd(T_2x^*, T_2y^*) + qd(T_2y^*, T_2x^*) \\ &= pd(y^*, T_1y^*) + qd(T_1y^*, y^*). \end{aligned}$$

Similarly, we have

$$d(T_1y^*, y^*) \leq pd(T_1y^*, y^*) + qd(y^*, T_1y^*).$$

Thus we have

$$(1-p-q)(d(y^*, T_1y^*) + d(T_1y^*, y^*)) \leq 0.$$

Since  $p + q < 1$ , we get  $d(y^*, T_1y^*) = 0$  and  $d(T_1y^*, y^*) = 0$ , this means that  $y^* = T_1y^*$ . From using (3.12) we get  $T_2y^* = T_1y^* = y^*$ . Thus  $y^*$  is a unique common fixed point of  $T_1$  and  $T_2$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 3.3.** *Let  $(X, d)$  be a quasi  $ab$ -metric space with  $0 \leq \alpha < 1$  and  $b \geq 1$ . Let  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  be self-mappings on  $X$  such that  $T_1(X) \subseteq T_2(X)$ ,  $T_2(X)$  be complete and*

$$d(T_1x, T_1y) \leq \frac{pd(T_2x, T_2y) + qd(T_1x, T_2y)d(T_2x, T_1y)}{1 + d(T_1x, T_2y) + d(T_2x, T_1y)} \quad (3.13)$$

for all  $x, y \in X$ , where  $p, q > 0$ ,  $p + q < 1$ . If  $\{T_1, T_2\}$  is weakly compatible, then  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  have a unique common fixed point in  $X$ .

*Proof.* Let  $x_0 \in X$ , then  $T_1x_0 \in T_1(X)$ , it implies there exists  $x_1 \in X$  such that  $T_1x_0 = T_2x_1$ , since  $T_1(X) \subseteq T_2(X)$ . From  $x_1 \in X$ ,  $T_1x_1 \in T_1(X)$ . Similarly we have  $T_1x_1 = T_2x_2$  for some  $x_2 \in X$ . With repeating this process, we can define a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  such that  $T_2x_n = T_1x_{n-1}$  for  $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ . So by using (3.13) we have

$$\begin{aligned} & d(T_2x_n, T_2x_{n+1}) \\ &= d(T_1x_{n-1}, T_1x_n) \\ &\leq pd(T_2x_{n-1}, T_2x_n) + \frac{qd(T_1x_{n-1}, T_2x_n)d(T_2x_{n-1}, T_1x_n)}{1 + d(T_1x_{n-1}, T_2x_n) + d(T_2x_{n-1}, T_1x_n)} \\ &\leq pd(T_2x_{n-1}, T_2x_n) + \frac{qd(T_2x_n, T_2x_n)d(T_2x_{n-1}, T_1x_n)}{1 + d(T_2x_n, T_2x_n) + d(T_2x_{n-1}, T_1x_n)} \\ &= pd(T_2x_{n-1}, T_2x_n). \end{aligned}$$

Continuing this process, we get

$$d(T_2x_n, T_2x_{(n+1)}) \leq p^n d(T_2x_0, T_2x_1).$$

And also we consider that

$$\begin{aligned} & d(T_2x_{n+1}, T_2x_n) \\ &= d(T_1x_n, T_1x_{n-1}) \\ &\leq pd(T_2x_n, T_2x_{n-1}) + \frac{qd(T_1x_n, T_2x_{n-1})d(T_2x_n, T_1x_{n-1})}{1 + d(T_1x_n, T_2x_{n-1}) + d(T_2x_n, T_1x_{n-1})} \\ &\leq pd(T_2x_n, T_2x_{n-1}) + \frac{qd(T_1x_n, T_2x_{n-1})d(T_2x_n, T_2x_n)}{1 + d(T_1x_n, T_2x_{n-1}) + d(T_2x_n, T_2x_n)} \\ &= pd(T_2x_n, T_2x_{n-1}). \end{aligned}$$

Continuing this process, we get

$$d(T_2x_{n+1}, T_2x_n) \leq p^n d(T_2x_1, T_2x_0).$$

Since  $0 < p + q < 1$ , for  $n \rightarrow \infty$  we get

$$d(T_2x_n, T_2x_{(n+1)}) \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{and} \quad d(T_2x_{(n+1)}, T_2x_n) \rightarrow 0.$$

So from Lemma 2.10, we know that  $\{T_2x_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence in  $T_2(X)$ . Since  $T_2(X)$  is complete, there exists  $y^* \in T_2(X)$  such that for  $n \rightarrow \infty$

$$d(T_2x_n, y^*) \rightarrow 0, \quad d(y^*, T_2x_n) \rightarrow 0. \quad (3.14)$$

Since  $y^* \in T_2(X)$ , there is  $x^* \in X$  such that  $y^* = T_2x^*$ .

We will show that for  $n \rightarrow \infty$ ,

$$d(T_1x_n, T_1x^*) \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{and} \quad d(T_1x^*, T_1x_n) \rightarrow 0.$$

From (3.13) we have

$$\begin{aligned} d(T_1x_n, T_1x^*) &\leq pd(T_2x_n, T_2x^*) + \frac{qd(T_1x_n, T_2x^*)d(T_2x_n, T_1x^*)}{1 + d(T_1x_n, T_2x^*) + d(T_2x_n, T_1x^*)} \\ &\leq pd(T_2x_n, T_2x^*) + \frac{qd(T_1x_n, T_2x^*)d(T_2x_n, T_1x^*)}{1 + d(T_2x_n, T_1x^*)} \\ &\leq pd(T_2x_n, T_2x^*) + qd(T_1x_n, T_2x^*) \\ &= pd(T_2x_n, y^*) + qd(T_1x_n, y^*). \end{aligned}$$

By using (3.14), for  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , we get

$$d(T_1x_n, T_1x^*) \rightarrow 0. \quad (3.15)$$

From (3.13) we have

$$\begin{aligned} d(T_1x^*, T_1x_n) &\leq pd(T_2x^*, T_2x_n) + \frac{qd(T_1x^*, T_2x_n)d(T_2x^*, T_1x_n)}{1 + d(T_1x^*, T_2x_n) + d(T_2x^*, T_1x_n)} \\ &\leq pd(T_2x^*, T_2x_n) + \frac{qd(T_1x^*, T_2x_n)d(T_2x^*, T_1x_n)}{1 + d(T_1x^*, T_2x_n)} \\ &\leq pd(y^*, T_2x_n) + qd(y^*, T_2x_{n+1}). \end{aligned}$$

By using (3.14), for  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , we get

$$d(T_1x^*, T_1x_n) \rightarrow 0. \quad (3.16)$$

Claim that  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  have only one coincidence point.

From (2.1), for  $y^* = T_2x^*$ , we can have

$$\begin{aligned} d(T_1x^*, T_2x^*) &\leq \frac{1}{(1 - \alpha^2)} \frac{\alpha b}{2} (d(y^*, T_2x_{(n+1)}) + d(T_1x_n, T_1x^*)) \\ &\quad + \frac{b}{2} (d(T_1x^*, T_1x_n) + d(T_2x_{(n+1)}, y^*)). \end{aligned}$$

Then by using (3.14), (3.15), (3.16) and for  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , we obtain

$$d(T_1x^*, T_2x^*) = 0.$$

Thus we have  $T_1x^* = T_2x^* = y^*$ . This means that  $y^*$  is a coincidence point of  $T_1$  and  $T_2$ .

Suppose there is another coincidence point  $w^*$  such that  $T_1x = T_2x = w^*$  for some  $x \in X$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} d(y^*, w^*) &= d(T_1x^*, T_1x) \\ &\leq pd(T_2x^*, T_2x) + \frac{qd(T_1x^*, T_2x)d(T_2x^*, T_1x)}{1 + d(T_1x^*, T_2x) + d(T_2x^*, T_1x)} \\ &= pd(y^*, w^*) + \frac{qd(y^*, w^*)d(y^*, w^*)}{1 + d(y^*, w^*) + d(y^*, w^*)} \\ &\leq pd(y^*, w^*) + qd(y^*, w^*). \end{aligned}$$

Thus we get

$$(1 - p - q)d(y^*, w^*) \leq 0.$$

Since  $0 < p + q < 1$ , we get  $d(y^*, w^*) = 0$ . This means that  $y^* = w^*$ . Therefore  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  have only one coincidence point in  $X$ .

Claim that  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  have a unique common fixed point in  $X$ . From (3.14) we have

$$\begin{aligned} d(y^*, T_1y^*) &= d(T_1x^*, T_1y^*) \\ &\leq pd(T_2x^*, T_2y^*) + \frac{qd(T_1x^*, T_2y^*)d(T_2x^*, T_1y^*)}{1 + d(T_1x^*, T_2y^*) + d(T_2x^*, T_1y^*)}. \end{aligned} \quad (3.17)$$

Since  $\{T_1, T_2\}$  is weakly compatible, from  $T_1x^* = T_2x^* = y^*$ , we have  $T_1T_2x^* = T_2T_1x^*$ . Thus we get

$$T_1y^* = T_1T_2x^* = T_2T_1x^* = T_2y^*. \quad (3.18)$$

Thus from (3.17) and (3.18) we get

$$\begin{aligned} d(y^*, T_1y^*) &\leq pd(T_2x^*, T_1y^*) + \frac{qd(T_1x^*, T_1y^*)d(T_2x^*, T_1y^*)}{1 + d(T_1x^*, T_1y^*) + d(T_2x^*, T_1y^*)} \\ &= pd(y^*, T_1y^*) + \frac{qd(y^*, T_1y^*)d(y^*, T_1y^*)}{1 + d(y^*, T_1y^*) + d(y^*, T_1y^*)} \\ &\leq pd(y^*, T_1y^*) + qd(y^*, T_1y^*). \end{aligned}$$

Thus we get

$$(1 - p - q)d(y^*, T_1y^*) \leq 0.$$

Since  $0 < p + q < 1$ , we get  $d(y^*, T_1y^*) = 0$ . This means that  $y^* = T_1y^*$ . So by using (3.18), we get  $T_2y^* = T_1y^* = y^*$ . Hence  $y^*$  is a unique common fixed point of  $T_1$  and  $T_2$ .  $\square$

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