

## Coupled fixed point theorems on $G$ -metric spaces via $\alpha$ -series

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**Abstract** The object of this paper is to study of the results of coupled fixed point in generalized metric spaces, as known as  $G$ -metric spaces. We will impose some conditions upon a self-mapping and a sequence of mappings via a kind of series, known as  $\alpha$ -series. Also, an example is provided to illustrate the results.

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### 1 Introduction

The concept of  $G$ -metric spaces, as a generalization of the metric space  $(X, d)$ , was introduced in [8] and [9]. In [2], Bhaskar and Lakshmikantham introduced coupled fixed point results for partially ordered metric spaces. Latter, many authors have acquired interesting important coupled fixed point theorems [4]-[6]

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In this paper, we investigate coupled fixed point theorems by imposing some conditions on a self-mapping  $g$  and a sequence of mappings  $\{T_m\}_{m \in \mathbf{N}_0}$ , for partially ordered  $G$ -metric spaces, via  $\alpha$ -series. The  $\alpha$ -series are wider than the convergent series. Throughout this article,  $\mathbf{N}$  is a positive integer and  $\mathbf{N}_0 = \mathbf{N} \cup \{0\}$ , and " $\xrightarrow{G}$ " will denote  $G$ -convergence. First, we present some basic definitions that are used throughout the paper.

**Definition 1** [9] A  $G$ -metric space is a pair  $(X, G)$ , where  $X \neq \emptyset$  and  $G : X^3 \rightarrow [0, +\infty)$  is map such that satisfies:

- (G1)  $G(x^1, x^2, x^3) = 0$  if  $x^1 = x^2 = x^3$ .
- (G2)  $G(x^1, x^1, x^2) > 0$  for all  $x^1, x^2 \in X$  with  $x^1 \neq x^2$ .
- (G3)  $G(x^1, x^1, x^2) \leq G(x^1, x^2, x^3)$  for all  $x^1, x^2, x^3 \in X$  with  $x^3 \neq x^2$ .
- (G4)  $G(x^1, x^2, x^3) = G(x^1, x^3, x^2) = G(x^2, x^3, x^1) = \dots$  (symmetry in all three variables).
- (G5)  $G(x^1, x^2, x^3) \leq G(x^1, e, e) + G(e, x^2, x^3)$  for all  $x^1, x^2, x^3, e \in X$ , (rectangle inequality).

The map  $G$  is called a  $G$ -metric on  $X$ .

**Proposition 1** [9] Every  $G$ -metric space  $(X, G)$  defines a metric space  $(X, d_G)$  by  $d_G(x^1, x^2) = G(x^1, x^2, x^2) + G(x^2, x^1, x^1)$ , for all  $x^1, x^2 \in X$ .

**Definition 2** [9] Let  $(X, G)$  be a  $G$ -metric space. Then

1. a sequence  $\{x_m^1\} \in X$  is  $G$ -convergent to  $x^1$  if

$$\lim_{m, n \rightarrow +\infty} G(x^1, x_m^1, x_n^1) = 0,$$

that is, for each  $\epsilon > 0$  there exists  $N$  such that  $G(x^1, x_m^1, x_n^1) < \epsilon$  for all  $m, n \geq N$ .

2. If for each  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists  $N \in \mathbf{N}$  such that  $G(x_m^1, x_n^1, x_n^1) < \epsilon$  for all  $m, n \geq N$ , then a sequence  $\{x_m^1\}$  is called  $G$ -Cauchy.
3. If every  $G$ -Cauchy sequence in  $(X, G)$  be  $G$ -convergent in  $(X, G)$ , then  $G$ -metric space is called  $G$ -complete.

**Proposition 2** [9] A  $G$ -metric space  $(X, G)$  is  $G$ -complete if and only if  $(X, d_G)$  is a complete metric space.

**Definition 3** [9] Let  $(X, G)$  be a  $G$ -metric space, and let a mapping  $F : X^2 \rightarrow X$ .  $F$  is called continuous if sequences  $x_n^1 \xrightarrow{G} x^1, x_n^2 \xrightarrow{G} x^2$ , then sequence  $F(x_m^1, x_m^2) \xrightarrow{G} F(x^1, x^2)$ .

**Definition 4** [9] Let  $(X, G)$  and  $(X', G')$  be  $G$ -metric spaces, and let a function  $f : (X, G) \rightarrow (X', G')$ . Then  $f$  is called  $G$ -continuous at a point  $e \in X$  iff for every  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists  $\delta > 0$  such that  $x^1, x^2 \in X$  and  $G(e, x^1, x^2) < \delta$  implies  $G(f(e), f(x^1), f(x^2)) < \epsilon$ .

A function  $f$  is  $G$ -continuous at  $X$  iff it is  $G$ -continuous at all  $e \in X$ .

**Proposition 3** [9] Let  $(X, G)$  be a  $G$ -metric space. Then the following are equivalent:

1. sequence  $x_n \xrightarrow{G} x^1$ ;
2.  $G(x_m^1, x_m^1, x^1) \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow +\infty$ ;
3.  $G(x_m^1, x^1, x^1) \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow +\infty$ ;
4.  $G(x_m^1, x_m^1, x^1) \rightarrow 0$  as  $n, m \rightarrow +\infty$ .

**Definition 5** [3] let  $F : X^2 \rightarrow X$ . An element  $(x^1, x^2) \in X^2$  is called a *coupled fixed point* of  $F$  if

$$F(x^1, x^2) = x^1, \quad F(x^2, x^1) = x^2.$$

**Definition 6** [7] Let  $F : X^2 \rightarrow X$  and  $g : X \rightarrow X$  are given. An element  $(x^1, x^2) \in X^2$  is called a *coupled coincidence point* of the mappings  $F$  and  $g$  if  $F(x^1, x^2) = gx^1$  and  $F(x^2, x^1) = gx^2$ . So,  $(gx^1, gx^2)$  is called a *coupled coincidence point*.

**Definition 7** Let  $(X, \preceq)$  be a poset (or partially ordered set) and  $F : X^2 \rightarrow X$ . We say that  $F$  has the *mixed monotone property* if for any  $x^1, x^2 \in X$

$$\begin{aligned} x_1^1, x_2^1 \in X, \quad x_1^1 \preceq x_2^1 &\Rightarrow F(x_1^1, x^2) \preceq F(x_2^1, x^2), \\ x_1^2, x_2^2 \in X, \quad x_1^2 \preceq x_2^2 &\Rightarrow F(x^1, x_1^2) \succeq F(x^1, x_2^2) \end{aligned}$$

that is,  $F(x^1, x^2)$  is monotone increasing in  $x^1$  and is monotone decreasing in  $x^2$ .

**Definition 8** [7] Let  $(X, \preceq)$  be a poset,  $g : X \rightarrow X$  and  $F : X^2 \rightarrow X$  are given. We say that  $F$  has the  *$g$ -mixed monotone property* if for any  $x^1, x^2 \in X$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} x_1^1, x_2^1 \in X, \quad gx_1^1 \preceq gx_2^1 &\Rightarrow F(x_1^1, x^2) \preceq F(x_2^1, x^2), \\ x_1^2, x_2^2 \in X, \quad gx_1^2 \preceq gx_2^2 &\Rightarrow F(x^1, x_1^2) \succeq F(x^1, x_2^2) \end{aligned}$$

that is,  $F(x^1, x^2)$  is monotone increasing in  $x^1$ , and it is monotone decreasing in  $x^2$ .

**Definition 9** [3] Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space and let  $g : X \rightarrow X$  and  $F : X^2 \rightarrow X$ . The mappings  $F$  and  $g$  are said to be *compatible* if

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{m \rightarrow +\infty} d(g(F(x_m^1, x_m^2)), F(gx_m^1, gx_m^2)) &= 0, \\ \lim_{m \rightarrow +\infty} d(g(F(x_m^2, x_m^1)), F(gx_m^2, gx_m^1)) &= 0, \end{aligned}$$

whenever  $\{x_m^1\}, \{x_m^2\}$  are sequences in  $X$ , such that

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow +\infty} F(x_m^1, x_m^2) = \lim_{m \rightarrow +\infty} gx_m^1 = x^1,$$

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow +\infty} F(x_m^2, x_m^1) = \lim_{m \rightarrow +\infty} gx_m^2 = x^2,$$

for some  $x^1, x^2 \in X$ .

**Definition 10** [3] Let  $g : X \rightarrow X$  and  $F : X^2 \rightarrow X$  be mappings, if

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow +\infty} g(F(x_m^1, x_m^2)) = gx^1, \text{ and } \lim_{m \rightarrow +\infty} F(gx_m^1, gx_m^2) = F(x^1, x^2)$$

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow +\infty} g(F(x_m^2, x_m^1)) = gx^2, \text{ and } \lim_{m \rightarrow +\infty} F(gx_m^2, gx_m^1) = F(x^2, x^1)$$

whenever  $\{x_m^1\}, \{x_m^2\}$  are sequences in  $X$ , such that

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow +\infty} F(x_m^1, x_m^2) = \lim_{m \rightarrow +\infty} gx_m^1 = x^1,$$

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow +\infty} F(x_m^2, x_m^1) = \lim_{m \rightarrow +\infty} gx_m^2 = x^2,$$

for some  $x^1, x^2 \in X$ , then  $g$  and  $F$  are called *reciprocally continuous*, and if

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow +\infty} g(F(x_m^1, x_m^2)) = gx^1, \text{ or } \lim_{m \rightarrow +\infty} F(gx_m^1, gx_m^2) = F(x^1, x^2),$$

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow +\infty} g(F(x_m^2, x_m^1)) = gx^2, \text{ or } \lim_{m \rightarrow +\infty} F(gx_m^2, gx_m^1) = F(x^2, x^1),$$

such that

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow +\infty} F(x_m^1, x_m^2) = \lim_{m \rightarrow +\infty} gx_m^1 = x^1,$$

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow +\infty} F(x_m^2, x_m^1) = \lim_{m \rightarrow +\infty} gx_m^2 = x^2,$$

for some  $x^1, x^2 \in X$ , then  $g$  and  $F$  are called *w-reciprocally continuous*.

**Definition 11** [12] Let  $(X, G, \preceq)$  be a partially ordered  $G$ -metric space on  $X$ .

We say that  $(X, G, \preceq)$  is regular if the following conditions hold:

1. if a increasing sequence  $x_m^1 \rightarrow x^1$ , then  $x_m^1 \preceq x^1$  for all  $m$ ,
2. if a decreasing sequence  $x_m^2 \rightarrow x^2$ , then  $x_m^2 \succeq x^2$  for all  $m$ .

**Definition 12** [11] Let  $\{a_n\}$  be a sequence of positive real numbers. A series  $\sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} a_n$  is called an  $\alpha$ -series, if there exist  $0 < \alpha < 1$  and  $n_\alpha \in \mathbf{N}$  such that  $\sum_{i=1}^k a_i \leq \alpha k$  for each  $k \geq n_\alpha$ .

For example, we know that every convergent series is bounded hence every convergent series is an  $\alpha$ -series. Moreover, we can show that for each  $\alpha$ ,  $0 < \alpha < 1$ ,  $\sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{n}$  is an  $\alpha$ -series. In other words, there exist divergent series that is an  $\alpha$ -series.

In this paper, for the sequence of mappings  $T_m : X^2 \rightarrow X$  and  $g : X \rightarrow X$ , where  $(X, G)$  is a  $G$ -metric space, we consider existence and uniqueness of coupled common fixed point.

## 2 Main results

Inspired by the Definition 8 we have the following definition.

**Definition 13** Let  $(X, \preceq)$  be a poset and  $T_m : X^2 \rightarrow X$ ,  $m \in \mathbf{N}_0$ , and  $g : X \rightarrow X$  are given. We say that  $T_m$  has the  *$g$ -mixed monotone property* if for any  $x^1, x'^1, x^2, x'^2 \in X$ ,

$$gx^1 \preceq gx'^1, gx'^2 \preceq gx^2 \text{ imply } T_m(x^1, x^2) \preceq T_{m+1}(x'^1, x'^2),$$

$$T_{m+1}(x'^2, x'^1) \preceq T_m(x^2, x^1).$$

**Definition 14** Let  $T_m : X^2 \rightarrow X$  and  $g : X \rightarrow X$  are given. We call  $\{T_m\}_{m \in \mathbf{N}_0}$  and  $g$  are satisfied in  $(K)$  property if there exists  $0 \leq \beta_{m,m'}, \gamma_{m,m'} < 1$  for  $m, m' \in \mathbf{N}_0$ , such that

$$G(T_m(x^1, x^2), T_{m'}(u^1, u^2), T_{m'}(u^3, x^3)) \leq \beta_{m,m'} [G(gx^1, T_m(x^1, x^2), T_m(x^1, x^2))$$

$$+ G(gu^1, T_{m'}(u^1, u^2), T_{m'}(u^3, x^3))] + \gamma_{m,m'} (G(gx^1, gu^1, gu^3)) \quad (1)$$

for  $x^1, x^2, u^1, u^2 \in X$  with  $gx^1 \preceq gu^1, gu^2 \preceq gx^2$  or  $gx^1 \succeq gu^1, gu^2 \succeq gx^2$ .

**Definition 15** We call  $g$  and  $T_0$  have a non-decreasing transcendence point in the first component and non-increasing transcendence point in the second component, which we call  $g$  and  $T_0$  have *mixed coupled transcendence point*, if there exist  $x_0^1, x_0^2 \in X$  such that

$$T_0(x_0^1, x_0^2) \succeq gx_0^1, T_0(x_0^2, x_0^1) \preceq gx_0^2. \quad (2)$$

We begin with the following statement, which, in proof of the main theorem, considers the sequences that are made in the following way. Let  $x_0^1, x_0^2 \in X$ , such that condition (2) holds, since  $T_0(X^2) \subseteq g(X)$ , we can define  $x_1^1, x_1^2 \in X$  such that  $gx_1^1 = T_0(x_0^1, x_0^2)$ ,  $gx_1^2 = T_0(x_0^2, x_0^1)$ . Again since  $T_0(X^2) \subseteq g(X)$ , there exists  $x_2^1, x_2^2 \in X$  such that  $gx_2^1 = T_1(x_1^1, x_1^2)$ ,  $gx_2^2 = T_1(x_1^2, x_1^1)$ . Continuing this technique, for all  $n \geq 0$ , we get

$$gx_m^1 = T_{m-1}(x_{m-1}^1, x_{m-1}^2), \quad gx_m^2 = T_{m-1}(x_{m-1}^2, x_{m-1}^1). \quad (3)$$

Now, using mathematical induction, we show that

$$gx_m^1 \preceq gx_{m+1}^1, \quad gx_m^2 \succeq gx_{m+1}^2, \quad (4)$$

for all  $n \geq 0$ . To show this, since (2) holds in view of

$$gx_1^1 = T_0(x_0^1, x_0^2), \quad gx_1^2 = T_0(x_0^2, x_0^1),$$

we have  $gx_0^1 \preceq gx_1^1$ ,  $gx_0^2 \succeq gx_1^2$ , that is, for  $n = 0$ , condition (4) holds. We assume that (4) holds for some  $n > 0$ . Now, by (3) and (4), we deduce that

$$gx_{m+1}^1 = T_m(x_m^1, x_m^2) \preceq T_{m+1}(x_{m+1}^1, x_{m+1}^2) = gx_{m+2}^1,$$

$$gx_{m+2}^2 = T_{m+1}(x_{m+1}^2, x_{m+1}^1) \preceq T_m(x_m^2, x_m^1) = gx_{m+1}^2.$$

Thus by mathematical induction, we have done. Therefore, we have

$$\begin{aligned} gx_0^1 &\preceq \dots \preceq gx_{m+1}^1 \preceq \dots, \\ gx_0^2 &\succeq \dots \succeq gx_{m+1}^2 \succeq \dots \end{aligned}$$

Due to the above considerations and [10] Definitions 9 and 10 are as follows.

**Definition 16** Let  $(X, G)$  be a  $G$ -metric space, and let  $g : X \rightarrow X$  and  $T_m : X^2 \rightarrow X$  be given.  $g$  and  $\{T_m\}_{m \in \mathbf{N}_0}$  are *compatible* if

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{m \rightarrow +\infty} G(gT_m(x_m^1, x_m^2), T_m(gx_m^1, gx_m^2), T_m(gx_m^1, gx_m^2)) &= 0, \\ \lim_{m \rightarrow +\infty} G(gT_m(x_m^2, x_m^1), T_m(gx_m^2, gx_m^1), T_m(gx_m^2, gx_m^1)) &= 0, \end{aligned}$$

whenever  $\{x_m^1\}, \{x_m^2\}$  are sequences in  $X$ , such that

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{m \rightarrow +\infty} T_m(x_m^1, x_m^2) &= \lim_{m \rightarrow +\infty} gx_{m+1}^1 = gx^1, \\ \lim_{m \rightarrow +\infty} T_m(x_m^2, x_m^1) &= \lim_{m \rightarrow +\infty} gx_{m+1}^2 = gx^2, \end{aligned}$$

for some  $x^1, x^2 \in X$ .

**Definition 17** Let  $(X, G)$  be a  $G$ -metric space, and let  $g : X \rightarrow X$  and  $T_m : X^2 \rightarrow X$  be given.  $g$  and  $\{T_m\}_{m \in \mathbf{N}_0}$  are called *w-reciprocally continuous* if

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{m \rightarrow +\infty} g(T_m(x_m^1, x_m^2)) &= g(x^1), \\ \lim_{m \rightarrow +\infty} g(T_m(x_m^2, x_m^1)) &= g(x^2), \end{aligned}$$

whenever  $\{x_m^1\}, \{x_m^2\}$  are sequences in  $X$ , such that

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{m \rightarrow +\infty} T_m(x_m^1, x_m^2) &= \lim_{m \rightarrow +\infty} g(x_{m+1}^1) = x^1, \\ \lim_{m \rightarrow +\infty} T_m(x_m^2, x_m^1) &= \lim_{m \rightarrow +\infty} g(x_{m+1}^2) = x^2, \end{aligned}$$

for some  $x^1, x^2 \in X$ .

**Definition 18** For  $x^1, x^2 \in X$ , we say that  $(x^1, x^2)$  is coupled comparable with  $(u^1, u^2)$  iff

$$\begin{aligned} x^1 \succeq u^1, x^2 \preceq u^2 \text{ or } x^1 \preceq u^1, x^2 \succeq u^2 \text{ or} \\ x^1 \succeq u^2, x^2 \preceq u^1 \text{ or } x^1 \preceq u^2, x^2 \succeq u^1. \end{aligned}$$

If in the above definition replace  $(x^1, x^2)$  and  $(u^1, u^2)$  with  $(gx^1, gx^2)$  and  $(gu^1, gu^2)$ , we call  $(x^1, x^2)$  is coupled comparable with  $(u^1, u^2)$  with respect to  $g$ .

At the following, we state the main result of this manuscript.

**Theorem 1** Let  $(X, G, \preceq)$  be partially ordered  $G$ -metric on  $X$  such that  $(X, G)$  is a complete  $G$ -metric space, Let  $g : X \rightarrow X$  and  $T_m : X^2 \rightarrow X$  be a sequence of mappings, has  $g$ -mixed monotone property with  $T_m(X^2) \subseteq g(X)$ ,  $g$  and  $\{T_m\}_{m \in \mathbf{N}_0}$  are continuous,  $w$ -reciprocally continuous, and  $g(X)$  is closed. Assume that the following holds:

1.  $\{T_m\}_{m \in \mathbf{N}_0}$  and  $g$  are compatible,
2. there exists  $(x_0^1, x_0^2) \in X$  such that condition (2) holds,
3.  $\{T_m\}_{m \in \mathbf{N}_0}$  and  $g$  satisfying the condition (K),  
if  $\sum_{m=1}^{+\infty} \left( \frac{\beta_{m,m+1} + \gamma_{m,m+1}}{1 - \beta_{m,m+1}} \right)$  is an  $\alpha$ -series, then  $\{T_m\}_{m \in \mathbf{N}_0}$  and  $g$  have a coupled coincidence point.
4. If  $\{T_m\}_{m \in \mathbf{N}_0}$  and  $g$ , have coupled coincidence points comparable with respect to  $g$ , then there exists  $(x^1, x^2) \in X$  such that

$$x^1 = gx^1 = T_m(x^1, x^2), \quad x^2 = gx^2 = T_m(x^2, x^1),$$

for  $m \in \mathbf{N}$ , that is,  $\{T_m\}_{m \in \mathbf{N}_0}$  and  $g$  have a unique coupled common fixed point.

*Proof* For any  $x_0^1, x_0^2 \in X$ , we can consider the sequences  $\{x_r^1\}, \{x_r^2\}$  constructed above, that is,

$$gx_r^1 = T_{r-1}(x_{r-1}^1, x_{r-1}^2), \quad gx_r^2 = T_r(x_{r-1}^2, x_{r-1}^1).$$

By (1), we get

$$\begin{aligned} G(gx_1^1, gx_2^1, gx_2^1) &= G(T_0(x_0^1, x_0^2), T_1(x_1^1, x_1^2), T_1(x_1^1, x_1^2)) \\ &\leq \beta_{1,2}[G(gx_0^1, T_0(x_0^1, x_0^2), T_0(x_0^1, x_0^2)) \\ &\quad + G(gx_1^1, T_1(x_1^1, x_1^2), T_1(x_1^1, x_1^2))] + \gamma_{1,2}G(gx_0^1, gx_1^1, gx_1^1) \\ &= \beta_{1,2}[G(gx_0^1, gx_1^1, gx_1^1) + G(gx_1^1, gx_2^1, gx_2^1)] \\ &\quad + \gamma_{1,2}G(gx_0^1, gx_1^1, gx_1^1). \end{aligned}$$

It follows that

$$G(gx_1^1, gx_2^1, gx_2^1) \leq \left( \frac{\beta_{1,2} + \gamma_{1,2}}{1 - \beta_{1,2}} \right) G(gx_0^1, gx_1^1, gx_1^1). \quad (5)$$

Also, we get

$$\begin{aligned} G(gx_2^1, gx_3^1, gx_3^1) &= G(T_1(x_1^1, x_1^2), T_2(x_2^1, x_2^2), T_2(x_2^1, x_2^2)) \\ &\leq \left( \frac{\beta_{2,3} + \gamma_{2,3}}{1 - \beta_{2,3}} \right) G(gx_1^1, gx_2^1, gx_2^1) \\ &\leq \left( \frac{\beta_{2,3} + \gamma_{2,3}}{1 - \beta_{2,3}} \right) \left( \frac{\beta_{1,2} + \gamma_{1,2}}{1 - \beta_{1,2}} \right) G(gx_0^1, gx_1^1, gx_1^1). \end{aligned}$$

Similarly, we obtain

$$G(gx_r^1, gx_{r+1}^1, gx_{r+1}^1) \leq \prod_{m=1}^r \left( \frac{\beta_{m,m+1} + \gamma_{m,m+1}}{1 - \beta_{m,m+1}} \right) G(gx_0^1, gx_1^1, gx_1^1). \quad (6)$$

Using the same method as above, we can also show that

$$G(gx_r^2, gx_{r+1}^2, gx_{r+1}^2) \leq \prod_{m=1}^r \left( \frac{\beta_{m,m+1} + \gamma_{m,m+1}}{1 - \beta_{m,m+1}} \right) G(gx_0^2, gx_1^2, gx_1^2). \quad (7)$$

Adding (6) and (7), we get

$$\begin{aligned} \delta_r &:= G(gx_r^1, gx_{r+1}^1, gx_{r+1}^1) + G(gx_r^2, gx_{r+1}^2, gx_{r+1}^2) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^2 G(gx_r^i, gx_{r+1}^i, gx_{r+1}^i) \\ &\leq \prod_{m=1}^r \left( \frac{\beta_{m,m+1} + \gamma_{m,m+1}}{1 - \beta_{m,m+1}} \right) \sum_{i=1}^2 G(gx_0^i, gx_1^i, gx_1^i) \\ &= \prod_{m=1}^r \left( \frac{\beta_{m,m+1} + \gamma_{m,m+1}}{1 - \beta_{m,m+1}} \right) \delta_0. \end{aligned}$$

Moreover, by repeated use of (G5) and for  $p > 0$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^2 G(gx_r^i, gx_{r+p}^i, gx_{r+p}^i) &\leq \sum_{i=1}^2 G(gx_r^i, gx_{r+1}^i, gx_{r+1}^i) \\ &\quad + \sum_{i=1}^2 G(gx_{r+1}^i, gx_{r+2}^i, gx_{r+2}^i) \\ &\quad + \dots \\ &\quad + \sum_{i=1}^2 G(gx_{r+p-1}^i, gx_{r+p}^i, gx_{r+p}^i) \\ &\leq \prod_{m=1}^r \left( \frac{\beta_{m,m+1} + \gamma_{m,m+1}}{1 - \beta_{m,m+1}} \right) \delta_0 \\ &\quad + \prod_{m=1}^{r+1} \left( \frac{\beta_{m,m+1} + \gamma_{m,m+1}}{1 - \beta_{m,m+1}} \right) \delta_0 \\ &\quad + \dots \\ &\quad + \prod_{m=1}^{r+p-1} \left( \frac{\beta_{m,m+1} + \gamma_{m,m+1}}{1 - \beta_{m,m+1}} \right) \delta_0 \end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned}
&= \sum_{k=0}^{p-1} \prod_{m=1}^{r+k} \left( \frac{\beta_{m,m+1} + \gamma_{m,m+1}}{1 - \beta_{m,m+1}} \right) \delta_0 \\
&= \sum_{k=r}^{r+p-1} \prod_{m=1}^k \left( \frac{\beta_{m,m+1} + \gamma_{m,m+1}}{1 - \beta_{m,m+1}} \right) \delta_0.
\end{aligned}$$

Let  $\alpha$  and  $n_\alpha$  as in Definition 12, then, for  $r \geq n_\alpha$  and using that the non-negative numbers geometric mean is less than or equal to the arithmetic mean, it follows that

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum_{i=1}^2 G(gx_r^i, gx_{r+p}^i, gx_{r+p}^i) &\leq \sum_{k=r}^{r+p-1} \left[ \frac{1}{k} \sum_{m=1}^k \left( \frac{\beta_{m,m+1} + \gamma_{m,m+1}}{1 - \beta_{m,m+1}} \right) \right]^k \delta_0 \\
&\leq \left( \sum_{k=r}^{r+p-1} \alpha^k \right) \delta_0 \\
&\leq \frac{\alpha^r}{1 - \alpha} \delta_0.
\end{aligned}$$

Now, letting  $r \rightarrow +\infty$ , we conclude that

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^2 G(gx_r^i, gx_{r+p}^i, gx_{r+p}^i) = 0,$$

which implies that

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} G(gx_r^i, gx_{r+p}^i, gx_{r+p}^i) = 0,$$

Thus  $\{gx_r^1\}, \{gx_r^2\}$  are Cauchy sequences in  $X$ . Since  $g(X)$  is closed in a complete  $G$ -metric space, there exist  $(x^1, x^2) \in X$ , with  $\lim_{r \rightarrow +\infty} \{gx_r^1\} = g(x^1) := x^1$ ,  $\lim_{r \rightarrow +\infty} \{gx_r^2\} = g(x^2) := x^2$ . By construction we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} g(x_{r+1}^1) &= \lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} T_r(x_r^1, x_r^2) = x^1, \\
\lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} g(x_{r+1}^2) &= \lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} T_r(x_r^2, x_r^1) = x^2.
\end{aligned}$$

Now, by  $w$ -reciprocally continuous and the compatibility of  $\{T_m\}_{m \in \mathbf{N}_0}$  and  $g$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\lim_{r \rightarrow +\infty} T_r(g(x_r^1), g(x_r^2)) &= g(x^1), \\
\lim_{r \rightarrow +\infty} T_r(g(x_r^2), g(x_r^1)) &= g(x^2).
\end{aligned}$$

Now suppose that  $\{T_m\}_{m \in \mathbf{N}}$  is continuous. Using triangle inequality we get

$$\begin{aligned}
G(T_m(x^1, x^2), T_r(gx_r^1, gx_r^2), T_r(gx_r^1, gx_r^2)) &\leq G[T_m(x^1, x^2), gT_r(x_r^1, x_r^2), \\
&\quad gT_r(x_r^1, x_r^2)] + G[gT_r(x_r^1, x_r^2), T_r(gx_r^1, gx_r^2), T_r(gx_r^1, gx_r^2)]
\end{aligned}$$

and

$$G(T_m(x^2, x^1), T_r(gx_r^2, gx_r^1), T_r(gx_r^2, gx_r^1)) \leq G[T_m(x^2, x^1), gT_r(x_r^2, x_r^1),$$

$$gT_r(x_r^2, x_r^1)] + G[gT_r(x_r^2, x_r^1), T_r(gx_r^2, gx_r^1), T_r(gx_r^2, gx_r^1)].$$

Now using continuity of  $\{T_m\}_{m \in \mathbf{N}}$  and  $g$ , and taking the limit as  $r \rightarrow \infty$  we get

$$G(T_m(x^1, x^2), gx^1, gx^1) = 0, \quad G(T_m(x^2, x^1), gx^2, gx^2) = 0$$

i.e.  $T_m(x^1, x^2) = gx^1$ , and  $T_m(x^2, x^1) = gx^2$ . Thus,  $(x^1, x^2)$  is a coupled coincidence point of  $\{T_m\}_{m \in \mathbf{N}}$  and  $g$ . Then the set of coupled coincidences is non-empty.

Now, we show that if  $(x^1, x^2)$  and  $(u^3, x^3)$  are coupled coincidence points, that is, if  $gx^1 = T_m(x^1, x^2)$ ,  $gx^2 = T_m(x^2, x^1)$ ,  $gu^3 = T_m(u^3, x^3)$  and  $gx^3 = T_m(x^3, u^3)$ , then  $gx^1 = gu^3$  and  $gx^2 = gx^3$ . Since the set of coupled coincidence points is comparable, applying condition (1), we get

$$\begin{aligned} G(gx^1, gu^3, gu^3) &= G(T_m(x^1, x^2), T_{m'}(u^3, x^3), T_{m'}(u^3, x^3)) \\ &\leq \beta_{m,m'} [G(gx^1, T_m(x^1, x^2), T_m(x^1, x^2)) \\ &\quad + G(gu^3, T_{m'}(u^3, x^3), T_{m'}(u^3, x^3))] \\ &\quad + \gamma_{m,m'} G(gx^1, gu^3, gu^3) \end{aligned}$$

and so as  $\gamma_{m,m'} < 1$ , it follows that  $G(gx^1, gu^3, gu^3) = 0$ , that is,  $gx^1 = gu^3$ . Similarly, it can be proved that  $gx^2 = gx^3$ . Hence,  $\{T_m\}_{m \in \mathbf{N}_0}$  and  $g$  have a unique coupled point of coincidence  $(gx^1, gx^1)$ , since two compatible mappings, commute at their coincidence points. Thus, clearly,  $\{T_m\}_{m \in \mathbf{N}_0}$  and  $g$  have a unique coupled common fixed point whenever  $\{T_m\}_{m \in \mathbf{N}_0}$  and  $g$  are w-compatible.

As a result of Theorem 1, if  $g$  is the identity mapping, then we state the following corollary.

**Corollary 1** *Let  $(X, G, \preceq)$  be poset  $G$ -metric space on  $X$  such that  $(X, G)$  is a complete  $G$ -metric space. Let  $\{T_m\}_{m \in \mathbf{N}_0}$  be a sequence of mappings from  $X^2$  into  $X$ , which  $\{T_m\}_{m \in \mathbf{N}_0}$  and  $Id : X \rightarrow X$  satisfying the (K) property. Also,  $T_0$  and  $Id$  have mixed coincidence point. If  $\sum_{m=1}^{+\infty} \left( \frac{\beta_{m,m+1} + \gamma_{m,m+1}}{1 - \beta_{m,m+1}} \right)$  is an  $\alpha$ -series and  $X$  is regular, then  $\{T_m\}_{m \in \mathbf{N}_0}$  has a coupled fixed point, that is, there exists  $(x^1, x^2) \in X^2$  such that*

$$x^1 = T_m(x^1, x^2), x^2 = T_m(x^2, x^1), \text{ for } m \in \mathbf{N}_0.$$

**Theorem 2** *Let  $(X, G, \preceq)$  be partially ordered  $G$ -metric space on  $X$  such that  $(X, G, \preceq)$  is regular and let  $g$  and  $\{T_m\}_{m \in \mathbf{N}_0}$  be as in the preceding theorem and  $\lim_{r \rightarrow +\infty} \sup \beta_{r,m} < 1$ . Therefore, the conditions (1) – (3) in theorem 1 hold.*

*Proof* According to Theorem 1, sequences  $\{gx_r^1\}$  and  $\{gx_r^2\}$  are Cauchy sequences in the complete  $G$ -metric space  $(g(X), G)$ . Since  $\{gx_r^1\}$  and  $\{gx_r^2\}$  are non-decreasing and non-increasing respectively, using the regularity of  $(X, G, \preceq)$ , we have  $gx_r^1 \preceq x^1, x^2 \preceq gx_r^2$  for all  $r \geq 0$ . Then by (1), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & G(T_r(gx_r^1, gx_r^2), T_m(x^1, x^2), T_m(x^1, x^2)) \\ & \leq \beta_{r,m}[G(ggx_r, T_r(gx_r^1, gx_r^2), T_r(gx_r^1, gx_r^2)) \\ & + G(gx^1, T_m(x^1, x^2), T_m(x^1, x^2))] + \gamma_{r,m}(G(ggx_r, gx^1, gx^1)). \end{aligned}$$

Taking the limit as  $r \rightarrow +\infty$ , we obtain  $T_m(x^1, x^2) = gx^1$  as  $\beta_{r,m} < 1$ . Similarly, it can be proved that  $gx^2 = T_m(x^2, x^1)$ . Thus,  $(x^1, x^2)$  is a coupled coincidence point of  $\{T_m\}_{m \in \mathbb{N}}$  and  $g$ .

*Example 1* Let  $X = [0, 1]$  and

$$G(x^1, x^2, x^3) = \max\{|x^1 - x^2|, |x^2 - x^3|, |x^3 - x^1|\}.$$

It is clear that  $(X, G)$  is a complete  $G$ -metric space. Also define

$\beta_{m,m'} = \frac{1}{2^{2m+1}}, \gamma_{m,m'} = \frac{1}{2^m}$  for all  $m, m' = 1, 2, \dots$ . Consider the mapping  $T_m : X^2 \rightarrow X$  and  $g : X \rightarrow X$  with

$$T_m(x^1, x^2) = \frac{x^1 + x^2}{2^m}, \quad g(x^1) = 6x^1$$

for all  $x^1, x^2 \in X, m = 1, 2, \dots$

$$G(T_m(x^1, x^2), T_{m'}(u^1, u^2), T_{m'}(u^3, x^3)) = \left| \frac{x^1 + x^2}{2^m} - \frac{u^3 + x^3}{2^{m'}} \right|$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} & G(gx^1, T_m(x^1, x^2), T_m(x^1, x^2)) + G(gx^2, T_{m'}(u^1, u^2), T_{m'}(u^3, x^3)) \\ & = \left| 6x^1 - \frac{x^1 + x^2}{2^m} \right| + \left| 6x^2 - \frac{u^3 + x^3}{2^{m'}} \right|, \\ & G(gx^1, gx^2, gu^3) = 6|x^1 - u^3| \end{aligned}$$

Then by mathematical induction condition (1) is satisfied for all  $x^1, x^2, u^1, u^2 \in X$  with  $gx^1 \preceq gu^1, gu^2 \preceq gx^2$  or  $gx^1 \succeq gu^1, gu^2 \succeq gx^2$ . Moreover, the series

$$\sum_{m=1}^{+\infty} \left( \frac{\beta_{m,m+1} + \gamma_{m,m+1}}{1 - \beta_{m,m+1}} \right) = \sum_{m=1}^{+\infty} \frac{2^{m+1} + 1}{2^{2m+1} - 1}$$

is an  $\alpha$ -series with  $\alpha = \frac{1}{2}$ . Then  $(0, 0)$  is a unique coupled fixed point for  $T_m$  and  $g$ .

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