

# Fixed Point Theory for $(\mu, \psi)$ -Generalized Weakly Reich Contraction Mapping in Partially Ordered Metric Spaces

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#### Abstract

In this paper we introduce a concept of  $(\mu, \psi)$ -generalized weakly Reich contraction mapping, and prove a fixed point theorem. Some Corollaries are consequences of the main result.

## 1 Introduction and Preliminaries

**Definition 1.1** ([1], [2], [3]). Let (X, d) be a metric space. A map  $T : X \mapsto X$  is called a weakly contractive mapping if for each  $x, y \in X$ 

$$d(Tx, Ty) \le d(x, y) - \psi(d(x, y))$$

where  $\psi : [0, \infty) \mapsto [0, \infty)$  is continuous and non-decreasing,  $\psi(x) = 0$  if and only if x = 0 and  $\lim \psi(x) = \infty$ .

**Remark 1.2.** If we take  $\psi(x) = kx$ , 0 < k < 1, in the above definition, then a weakly contractive mapping is called a contraction.

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**Definition 1.3** ([4]). Let (X, d) be a metric space. A map  $T : X \mapsto X$  is called a f-weakly contractive mapping if for each  $x, y \in X$ ,

$$d(Tx, Ty) \le d(fx, fy) - \psi(d(fx, fy))$$

where  $f : X \mapsto X$  is a self-mapping,  $\psi : [0, \infty) \mapsto [0, \infty)$  is continuous and non-decreasing,  $\psi(x) = 0$  if and only if x = 0 and  $\lim \psi(x) = \infty$ .

**Remark 1.4.** If we take  $\psi(x) = (1 - k)x$ , 0 < k < 1 in the above definition, then a f-weakly contractive mapping is called a f-contraction. Further, if f is the identity mapping and  $\psi(x) = (1 - k)x$ , 0 < k < 1, then a f-weakly contractive mapping is called a contraction.

**Definition 1.5** ([5]). Let (X, d) be a metric space. A map  $T : X \mapsto X$  is called a generalized f-weakly contractive mapping if for each  $x, y \in X$ ,

$$d(Tx, Ty) \le \frac{1}{2} [d(fx, Ty) + d(fy, Tx)] - \psi(d(fx, Ty), d(fy, Tx))]$$

where  $f: X \mapsto X$  is a self-mapping,  $\psi: [0, \infty)^2 \mapsto [0, \infty)$  is a continuous mapping such that  $\psi(x, y) = 0$  if and only if x = y = 0.

**Remark 1.6** ([2]). If f is the identity mapping in the above definition, then generalized f-weakly contractive mapping is a generalized weakly contractive mapping.

**Definition 1.7** ([6]). A function  $\mu : [0, \infty) \mapsto [0, \infty)$  is called an altering distance function if the following properties are satisfied

- (a)  $\mu$  is monotone increasing and continuous;
- (b)  $\mu(t) = 0$  if and only if t = 0.

**Definition 1.8** ([7]). Let (X, d) be a metric space. A map  $T : X \mapsto X$  is called a  $(\mu, \psi)$ -generalized f-weakly contractive mapping if for each  $x, y \in X$ 

$$\mu(d(Tx,Ty)) \le \mu\left(\frac{1}{2}[d(fx,Ty) + d(fy,Tx)]\right) - \psi(d(fx,Ty),d(fy,Tx))$$

where  $f: X \mapsto X$  is a self-mapping,  $\mu : [0, \infty) \mapsto [0, \infty)$  is an altering distance function and  $\psi : [0, \infty)^2 \mapsto [0, \infty)$  is a lower semi-continuous mapping such that  $\psi(x, y) = 0$  if and only if x = y = 0.

**Remark 1.9.** If f is the identity mapping in the above definition, then a  $(\mu, \psi)$ -generalized f-weakly contractive mapping is a  $(\mu, \psi)$ -generalized weakly contractive mapping.

**Definition 1.10** ([8]). Let M be a nonempty subset of a metric space (X, d). A point  $x \in M$  is a common fixed (coincidence) point of f and T if x = fx = Tx (fx = Tx).

**Definition 1.11** ([8]). Let M be a nonempty subset of a metric space (X, d).  $T, f: M \mapsto M$  are called commuting if Tfx = fTx for all  $x \in M$ .

**Definition 1.12** ([8]). Let M be a nonempty subset of a metric space (X, d).  $T, f: M \mapsto M$  are called compatible if  $\lim d(Tfx_n, fTx_n) = 0$  whenever  $\{x_n\}$  is a sequence such that  $\lim Tx_n = \lim fx_n = t$  for some t in M.

**Definition 1.13** ([8]). Let M be a nonempty subset of a metric space (X, d).  $T, f: M \mapsto M$  are called weakly compatible if they commute at their coincidence points, that is, Tfx = fTx whenever fx = Tx.

**Definition 1.14** ([8]). Let  $(X, \leq)$  be a partially ordered set and  $T, f : X \mapsto X$ . A mapping T is said to be monotone f-nondecreasing if for all  $x, y \in X$ ,  $fx \leq fy$ implies  $Tx \leq Ty$ .

**Remark 1.15.** If f is the identity mapping in the above definition, then T is monotone non-decreasing.

**Definition 1.16** ([8]). A subset W of a partially ordered set X is said to be well-ordered if every two elements of W are comparable.

## 2 Main Result

**Definition 2.1.** A map  $T: X \mapsto X$  will be called  $(\mu, \psi)$ -generalized weakly Reich contractive if for each  $x, y \in X$ 

$$\begin{split} \mu(d(Tx,Ty)) &\leq \mu \bigg( \frac{1}{3} [d(fx,Tx) + d(fy,Ty) + d(fx,fy)] \bigg) \\ &- \psi(d(fx,Tx), d(fy,Ty), d(fx,fy)) \end{split}$$

where

- (a)  $\mu: [0,\infty) \mapsto [0,\infty)$  is an altering distance function;
- (b)  $\psi : [0, \infty)^3 \mapsto [0, \infty)$  is a lower semi-continuous function with  $\psi(x, y, z) = 0$ if and only if x = y = z = 0.

**Theorem 2.2.** Let  $(X, \leq)$  be a partially ordered set and suppose that there exists a metric d on X such that (X, d) is a complete metric space. Suppose that T and f are self-mappings on X,  $T(X) \subseteq f(X)$ , T is a monotone f-nondecreasing mapping and

$$\begin{split} \mu(d(Tx,Ty)) &\leq \mu \bigg( \frac{1}{3} [d(fx,Tx) + d(fy,Ty) + d(fx,fy)] \bigg) \\ &- \psi(d(fx,Tx), d(fy,Ty), d(fx,fy)) \end{split}$$

where

(a)  $\mu: [0,\infty) \mapsto [0,\infty)$  is an altering distance function;

(b)  $\psi : [0, \infty)^3 \mapsto [0, \infty)$  is a lower semi-continuous function with  $\psi(x, y, z) = 0$ if and only if x = y = z = 0.

If  $\{fx_n\} \subset X$  is a nondecreasing sequence with  $f(x_n) \to f(z)$  in f(X), then  $f(x_n) \leq f(z)$  and  $f(z) \leq f(f(z))$  for every n. Also, suppose that f(X) is closed. If there exists an  $x_0 \in X$  with  $f(x_0) \leq T(x_0)$ , then T and f have a coincidence point. Further, if T and f are weakly compatible, then T and f have a common fixed point. Moreover, the set of common fixed points of T and f is well-ordered if and only if T and f have one and only one common fixed point.

Proof. Let  $x_0 \in X$  such that  $f(x_0) \leq T(x_0)$ . Since  $T(X) \subseteq f(X)$  we can choose  $x_1 \in X$  so that  $fx_1 = Tx_0$ . Since  $Tx_1 \in f(X)$ , there exists  $x_2 \in X$  such that  $fx_2 = Tx_1$ . By induction, we can construct a sequence  $\{x_n\} \in X$  such that  $fx_{n+1} = Tx_n$ , for every  $n \geq 0$ . Since  $f(x_0) \leq T(x_0)$ ,  $Tx_0 = fx_1$ ,  $f(x_0) \leq f(x_1)$ , T is monotone f-nondecreasing mapping,  $T(x_0) \leq T(x_1)$ . Similarly,  $f(x_1) \leq f(x_2)$ ,  $T(x_1) \leq T(x_2)$ ,  $f(x_2) \leq f(x_3)$ . Continuing, we obtain

$$T(x_0) \le T(x_1) \le T(x_2) \le \cdots \le T(x_n) \le T(x_{n+1}) \le \cdots$$

We suppose that  $d(Tx_n, Tx_{n+1}) > 0$  for all n. If not, then  $Tx_{n+1} = Tx_n$  for spme  $n, Tx_{n+1} = fx_{n+1}$ , that is, T and f have a coincidence point  $x_{n+1}$ , and so we have the result. Now we have

$$\mu(d(Tx_{n+1}, Tx_n)) \leq \mu \left( \frac{1}{3} [d(fx_{n+1}, Tx_{n+1}) + d(fx_n, Tx_n) + d(fx_{n+1}, fx_n)] \right)$$

$$- \psi(d(fx_{n+1}, Tx_{n+1}), d(fx_n, Tx_n), d(fx_{n+1}, fx_n))$$

$$\leq \mu \left( \frac{1}{3} [d(Tx_n, Tx_{n+1}) + d(Tx_{n-1}, Tx_n) + d(Tx_n, Tx_{n-1})) \right)$$

$$- \psi(d(Tx_n, Tx_{n+1}), d(Tx_{n-1}, Tx_n), d(Tx_n, Tx_{n-1}))$$

$$\leq \mu \left( \frac{1}{3} [d(Tx_n, Tx_{n+1}) + d(Tx_{n-1}, Tx_n) + d(Tx_n, Tx_{n-1})) \right)$$

$$\leq \mu \left( \frac{1}{3} [3d(Tx_n, Tx_{n-1})] \right)$$

$$= \mu(d(Tx_n, Tx_{n-1})).$$

Since  $\mu$  is a non-decreasing function for all  $n = 1, 2, \cdots$ , we have  $d(Tx_{n+1}, Tx_n) \leq d(Tx_n, Tx_{n-1})$ . Thus,  $\{d(Tx_{n+1}, Tx_n)\}$  is a monotone decreasing sequence of non-negative real numbers and hence is convergent. Hence there exists  $r \geq 0$  such

that  $d(Tx_{n+1}, Tx_n) \to r$ . Now, since

$$\mu(d(Tx_{n+1}, Tx_n)) \le \mu\left(\frac{1}{3}[d(Tx_n, Tx_{n+1}) + d(Tx_{n-1}, Tx_n) + d(Tx_n, Tx_{n-1})\right) - \psi(d(Tx_n, Tx_{n+1}), d(Tx_{n-1}, Tx_n), d(Tx_n, Tx_{n-1})).$$

If we take limits in the above inequality as  $n \to \infty$  we get that

$$\mu(r) \le \mu\left(\frac{1}{3}(r+r+r)\right) - \psi(r,r,r)$$
$$= \mu(r) - \psi(r,r,r)$$

which implies that  $\psi(r, r, r) \leq 0$ . Thus r = 0, and hence  $\lim_{n\to\infty} d(Tx_{n+1}, Tx_n) = 0$ . Now we show that  $\{Tx_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence. If otherwise, then there exist  $\epsilon > 0$  for which we can find subsequences  $\{Tx_{m(k)}\}$  and  $\{Tx_{n(k)}\}$  of  $\{Tx_n\}$  with n(k) > m(k) > k such that for every k,  $d(Tx_{m(k)}, Tx_{n(k)}) \geq \epsilon, d(Tx_{m(k)}, Tx_{n(k)-1}) < \epsilon$ . So we have,

$$\begin{aligned} \epsilon &\leq d(Tx_{m(k)}, Tx_{n(k)}) \\ &\leq d(Tx_{m(k)}, Tx_{n(k)-1}) + d(Tx_{n(k)-1}, Tx_{n(k)}) \\ &\leq \epsilon + d(Tx_{n(k)-1}, Tx_{n(k)}). \end{aligned}$$

Letting  $n \to \infty$  and using  $d(Tx_{n-1}, Tx_n) \to 0$ , we have,  $\lim d(Tx_{m(k)}, Tx_{n(k)}) = \epsilon = \lim d(Tx_{m(k)}, Tx_{n(k)-1})$ . Now we have

$$\begin{split} \mu(\epsilon) &\leq \mu(d(Tx_{m(k)}, Tx_{n(k)})) \\ &\leq \mu \bigg( \frac{1}{3} [d(fx_{m(k)}, Tx_{m(k)}) + d(fx_{n(k)}, Tx_{n(k)}) + d(fx_{m(k)}, fx_{n(k)}) \bigg) \\ &\quad - \psi(d(fx_{m(k)}, Tx_{m(k)}), d(fx_{n(k)}, Tx_{n(k)}), d(fx_{m(k)}, fx_{n(k)})) \end{split}$$

which implies that

$$\begin{aligned} \mu(\epsilon) &\leq \mu(d(Tx_{m(k)}, Tx_{n(k)})) \\ &\leq \mu\bigg(\frac{1}{3}[d(Tx_{m(k)-1}, Tx_{m(k)}) + d(Tx_{n(k)-1}, Tx_{n(k)}) + d(Tx_{m(k)-1}, Tx_{n(k)-1})\bigg) \\ &\quad - \psi(d(Tx_{m(k)-1}, Tx_{m(k)}), d(Tx_{n(k)-1}, Tx_{n(k)}), d(Tx_{m(k)-1}, Tx_{n(k)-1})). \end{aligned}$$

If we take limits in the above inequality and using the fact that  $\lim_{n\to\infty} d(Tx_{n+1}, Tx_n) = 0$  we deduce the following

$$\mu(\epsilon) \le \mu\left(\frac{1}{3}[0+0+\epsilon]\right) - \psi(0,0,\epsilon)$$
$$= \mu\left(\frac{1}{3}\epsilon\right) - \psi(0,0,\epsilon)$$
$$\le \mu(\epsilon) - \psi(0,0,\epsilon)$$

which implies that  $\psi(0,0,\epsilon) \leq 0$ , which is a contradiction since  $\epsilon > 0$ . Hence  $\{Tx_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence and therefore is convergent in the complete metric space (X,d). As f(X) is closed and  $fx_n = Tx_{n-1}$ ,  $\{fx_n\}$  is also a Cauchy sequence, there is some  $z \in X$  such that  $\lim fx_{n+1} = \lim Tx_n = fz$ . Since  $\{fx_n\}$  is a non-decreasing sequence and  $\lim fx_{n+1} = fz$ ,  $f(x_n) \leq f(z)$  and  $f(z) \leq f(f(z))$  for every n. Now we have

$$\begin{split} \mu(d(Tz, fx_{n+1})) &= \mu(d(Tz, Tx_n)) \\ &\leq \mu \left( \frac{1}{3} [d(fz, Tz) + d(fx_n, Tx_n) + d(fz, fx_n)] \right) \\ &\quad - \psi(d(fz, Tz), d(fx_n, Tx_n), d(fz, fx_n)) \\ &= \mu \left( \frac{1}{3} [d(fz, Tz) + d(fx_n, fx_{n+1}) + d(fz, fx_n)] \right) \\ &\quad - \psi(d(fz, Tz), d(fx_n, fx_{n+1}), d(fz, fx_n)). \end{split}$$

Now taking limits as  $n \to \infty$  we deduce the following

$$\mu(d(Tz, fz)) \le \mu\left(\frac{1}{3}d(fz, Tz)\right) - \psi(d(fz, Tz), 0, 0)$$
$$\le \mu\left(d(fz, Tz)\right) - \psi(d(fz, Tz), 0, 0)$$

which implies  $\psi(d(fz, Tz), 0, 0) \leq 0$ . Hence, d(fz, Tz) = 0, thus, fz = Tz, and hence z is a coincidence point of T and f. Now suppose that T and f are weakly compatible. Let w = T(z) = f(z), then T(w) = T(f(z)) = f(T(z)) = f(w) and  $f(z) \leq f(f(z)) = f(w)$ . Now we have,

$$\begin{split} \mu(d(Tz,Tw)) &\leq \mu \bigg( \frac{1}{3} [d(fz,Tz) + d(fw,Tw) + d(fz,fw)] \bigg) \\ &- \psi(d(fz,Tz), d(fw,Tw), d(fz,fw)) \\ &= \mu \bigg( \frac{1}{3} [d(Tz,Tz) + d(Tw,Tw) + d(Tz,Tw)] \bigg) \\ &- \psi(d(Tz,Tz), d(Tw,Tw), d(Tz,Tw)) \\ &= \mu \bigg( \frac{1}{3} d(Tz,Tw) \bigg) - \psi(0,0, d(Tz,Tw)) \\ &\leq \mu \bigg( d(Tz,Tw) \bigg) - \psi(0,0, d(Tz,Tw)) \end{split}$$

which implies that  $\psi(0, 0, d(Tz, Tw)) \leq 0$ . Hence, d(Tz, Tw) = 0. Therefore, Tw = fw = w. Now suppose that the set of common fixed points of T and fis well-ordered. We claim that the common fixed points of T and f is unique. Assume on contrary that, Tu = fu = u and Tv = fv = v but  $u \neq v$ . Now observe we have the following

$$\begin{split} \mu(d(u,v)) &= \mu(d(Tu,Tv)) \\ &\leq \mu \bigg( \frac{1}{3} [d(fu,Tu) + d(fv,Tv) + d(fu,fv)] \bigg) \\ &- \psi(d(fu,Tu), d(fv,Tv), d(fu,fv)) \\ &\leq \mu \bigg( \frac{1}{3} [d(u,u) + d(v,v) + d(u,v)] \bigg) \\ &- \psi(d(u,u), d(v,v), d(u,v)) \\ &= \mu \bigg( \frac{1}{3} [0 + 0 + d(u,v)] \bigg) - \psi(0,0,d(u,v)) \\ &\leq \mu(d(u,v)) - \psi(0,0,d(u,v)) \end{split}$$

which implies that  $\psi(0, 0, d(u, v)) \leq 0$ . Therefore d(u, v) = 0, and hence u = v. Conversely, if T and f have only one common fixed point, then the set of common fixed point of T and f being a singleton is well-ordered, and the proof is finished.

**Corollary 2.3.** Let  $(X, \leq)$  be a partially ordered set and suppose that there exists a metric d on X such that (X, d) is a complete metric space. Suppose that T is a self-mappings on X, T is a monotone nondecreasing mapping and

$$\mu(d(Tx,Ty)) \le \mu\left(\frac{1}{3}[d(x,Tx) + d(y,Ty) + d(x,y)]\right) - \psi(d(x,Tx),d(y,Ty),d(x,y))$$

for all  $x, y \in X$  for which  $x \ge y$  where

- (a)  $\mu: [0,\infty) \mapsto [0,\infty)$  is an altering distance function;
- (b)  $\psi : [0, \infty)^3 \mapsto [0, \infty)$  is a lower semi-continuous function with  $\psi(x, y, z) = 0$  if and only if x = y = z = 0.

#### If either

- (i)  $\{x_n\} \subset X$  is a nondecreasing sequence with  $x_n \to z$  in X, then  $x_n \leq z$  for every n or
- (*ii*) T is continuous.

If there exists an  $x_0 \in X$  with  $x_0 \leq T(x_0)$ , then T has a fixed point. Moreover, for arbitrary two points  $x, y \in X$ , there exists  $w \in X$  such that w is comparable with both x and y, then the fixed point of T is unique.

*Proof.* If (i) holds, then taking f to be the identity mapping in the above theorem, we get the result. If (ii) holds, then proceeding as in the above theorem we can prove that  $\{Tx_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence,  $z = \lim x_{n+1} = \lim T(x_n) = T(\lim x_n) = Tz$ , and hence T has a fixed point. Let u and v be two fixed points of T such that  $u \neq v$ . We consider two cases

(a) If u and v are comparable. We have

$$\begin{split} \mu(d(u,v)) &= \mu(d(Tu,Tv)) \\ &\leq \mu \bigg( \frac{1}{3} [d(u,Tu) + d(v,Tv) + d(u,v)] \bigg) \\ &- \psi(d(u,Tu), d(v,Tv), d(u,fv)) \\ &\leq \mu \bigg( \frac{1}{3} [d(u,u) + d(v,v) + d(u,v)] \bigg) \\ &- \psi(d(u,u), d(v,v), d(u,v)) \\ &= \mu \bigg( \frac{1}{3} [0 + 0 + d(u,v)] \bigg) - \psi(0,0, d(u,v)) \\ &\leq \mu(d(u,v)) - \psi(0,0, d(u,v)) \end{split}$$

which implies that  $\psi(0, 0, d(u, v)) \leq 0$ . Thus, d(u, v) = 0, hence u = v.

(b) If u and v are not comparable. Choose an element  $w \in X$  comparable with both of them. Then also  $u = T^n u$  is comparable to  $T^n w$  for each n. Now we have

$$\begin{split} \mu(d(u,T^nw)) &= \mu(d(T^nu,T^nw)) \\ &= \mu(d(TT^{n-1}u,TT^{n-1}w)) \\ &\leq \mu \Big( \frac{1}{3} [d(T^{n-1}u,T^nu) + d(T^{n-1}w,T^nw) + d(T^{n-1}u,T^{n-1}w)] \Big) \\ &\quad - \psi(d(T^{n-1}u,T^nu),d(T^{n-1}w,T^nw),d(T^{n-1}u,T^{n-1}w)) \\ &\leq \mu \Big( \frac{1}{3} [d(u,u) + d(T^{n-1}w,T^nw) + d(u,T^{n-1}w)] \Big) \\ &\quad - \psi(d(u,u),d(T^{n-1}w,T^nw),d(u,T^{n-1}w)) \end{split}$$

$$\leq \mu \left( \frac{1}{3} [0 + d(T^{n-1}w, T^n w) + d(u, T^{n-1}w)] \right)$$
  
-  $\psi(0, d(T^{n-1}w, T^n w), d(u, T^{n-1}w))$   
$$\leq \mu \left( \frac{1}{3} [d(T^{n-1}w, u) + d(u, T^n w) + d(u, T^{n-1}w)] \right)$$
  
$$\leq \mu \left( \frac{1}{3} [3d(u, T^{n-1}w)] \right)$$
  
=  $\mu(d(u, T^{n-1}w))$ 

and hence we get  $d(u, T^n w) \leq d(u, T^{n-1}w)$ . This proves that the nonnegative decreasing sequence  $\{d(u, T^n w)\}$  is convergent. Let  $d(u, T^n w) \to r$ . Since,

$$\mu(d(u, T^{n}w)) = \mu(d(T^{n}u, T^{n}w))$$
  

$$\leq \mu\left(\frac{1}{3}[0 + d(T^{n-1}w, T^{n}w) + d(u, T^{n-1}w)]\right)$$
  

$$-\psi(0, d(T^{n-1}w, T^{n}w), d(u, T^{n-1}w)).$$

If we take limits in the above inequality as  $n \to \infty$  we get that

$$\mu(r) \le \mu\left(\frac{1}{3}(0+2r+r)\right) - \psi(0,2r,r) \\ = \mu(r) - \psi(0,2r,r)$$

which implies that  $\psi(0, 2r, r) \leq 0$ . Thus r = 0, and hence  $d(u, T^n w) \to 0$ . Analogously, it can be proved that  $d(v, T^n w) \to 0$ . Since the limit is unique we get that u = v.

If  $\mu(t) = t$ , then we have the following result

**Corollary 2.4.** Let  $(X, \leq)$  be a partially ordered set and suppose that there exists a metric d on X such that (X, d) is a complete metric space. Suppose that T is a self-mappings on X, T is a monotone nondecreasing mapping and

$$d(Tx,Ty) \le \frac{1}{3} [d(x,Tx) + d(y,Ty) + d(x,y)] - \psi(d(x,Tx),d(y,Ty),d(x,y))$$

for all  $x, y \in X$  for which  $x \ge y$  where

- (a)  $\mu: [0,\infty) \mapsto [0,\infty)$  is an altering distance function;
- (b)  $\psi : [0, \infty)^3 \mapsto [0, \infty)$  is a lower semi-continuous function with  $\psi(x, y, z) = 0$ if and only if x = y = z = 0.

### If either

- (i)  $\{x_n\} \subset X$  is a nondecreasing sequence with  $x_n \to z$  in X, then  $x_n \leq z$  for every n or
- (*ii*) T is continuous.

If there exists an  $x_0 \in X$  with  $x_0 \leq T(x_0)$ , then T has a fixed point. Moreover, for arbitrary two points  $x, y \in X$ , there exists  $w \in X$  such that w is comparable with both x and y, then the fixed point of T is unique.

If 
$$\psi(x, y, z) = \left(\frac{1}{3} - k\right)(x + y + z)$$
, then we have the following result

**Corollary 2.5.** Let  $(X, \leq)$  be a partially ordered set and suppose that there exists a metric d on X such that (X, d) is a complete metric space. Suppose that T is a non-decreasing self-mapping of X, and T satisfies

$$d(Tx,Ty) \le k[d(x,Tx) + d(y,Ty) + d(x,y)]$$

for all  $x, y \in X$  for which  $x \ge y$  where  $0 < k < \frac{1}{3}$ . If either

- (i)  $\{x_n\} \subset X$  is a nondecreasing sequence with  $x_n \to z$  in X, then  $x_n \leq z$  for every n or
- (ii) T is continuous.

If there exists an  $x_0 \in X$  with  $x_0 \leq T(x_0)$ , then T has a fixed point.

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