



# Generalization of Common Fixed Points Theorems for $C$ - $T$ -Contraction Mappings with Application to Partial Differential Equations and Modified Meir-Keeler's Theorems

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**ABSTRACT:** In this paper, we prove two common fixed point theorems for pairs of self-mappings satisfying  $L$ -weak commuting condition. Then we prove some fixed point theorems for more general self-mappings which do not depend on  $L$ -weakly commuting condition called  $T$ -contractions, which include a class that satisfies a generalized Meir-Keeler type contractive condition using  $C$ -Functions. We also present examples that support and strengthen our results. Finally, we consider an application in partial differential equations, ensuring the existence of a common fixed point that provides an exact solution of a nonlinear equation.

**Key Words:**  $L$ -Weakly commuting mappings,  $C$ -class functions,  $C$ -Meir-Keeler-type contraction.

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## 1. Introduction

Common fixed points of self-mappings satisfying certain contractive types of conditions have been the focus of many researchers. Some of these works dealt with commuting or  $L$ -weak commuting mappings, which were first introduced by Sessa [1]. In 1986, Jungck [2] proposed the definition of compatible mappings. Also in the same year, Tivari and Singh [3] introduced asymptotic commutativity.

In the present paper, using  $C$ -functions introduced by Ansari [4], we suggest the notion of  $C$ - $T$ -contraction mappings. We prove theorems of existence and uniqueness of common fixed points under the assumption of  $C$ - $T$ -contraction and  $L$ -weak commuting mappings. Additionally, we establish common fixed point theorems for  $L$ -weak commuting pairs satisfying a modification of Meir and Keeler's condition using  $C$ -functions.

We then suggest some common fixed point theorems for self-mappings called  $T$ -contractions satisfying a modified Meir-Keeler type contraction. Several examples are proposed to strengthen our theorems. Finally, we consider an application in partial differential equations, ensuring the existence of a common fixed point that provides an exact solution of a nonlinear equation.

## 2. Backgrounds and Notations

**Definition 2.1** Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space and let  $S$  and  $T$  be two self-mappings of  $X$ . The mappings  $S$  and  $T$  are called  $L$ -weakly commuting if there exists a positive number  $L$  such that

$$d(ST(x), TS(x)) \leq L d(S(x), T(x)), \quad \text{for all } x \in X.$$

Ansari introduced the following definition:

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**Definition 2.2** [4] A continuous function  $J : [0, \infty)^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is considered a  $C$ -class function if it satisfies:

1.  $J(a, b) \leq a$ ;
2.  $J(a, b) = a$  implies that either  $a = 0$  or  $b = 0$ , for all  $a, b \in [0, \infty)$ .

$C$ -class functions are denoted by  $\mathcal{C}$ .

**Example 2.1** [4] The following functions  $J : [0, \infty)^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  belong to  $\mathcal{C}$  for all  $a, b \in [0, \infty)$ :

1.  $J(a, b) = a - b$ ;
2.  $J(a, b) = ma$  with  $0 < m < 1$ ;
3.  $J(a, b) = \frac{a}{(1+b)^r}$  with  $r \in (0, \infty)$ ;
4.  $J(a, b) = \frac{\log(b+s^a)}{1+b}$  with  $s > 1$ ;
5.  $J(a, b) = \frac{\ln(1+s^a)}{2}$  with  $s > e$ ;
6.  $J(a, b) = (a + l)^{(1/(1+b)^s)} - t$  with  $t > 1$  and  $s \in (0, \infty)$ ;
7.  $J(a, b) = a \log_{b+r} r$  with  $r > 1$ ;
8.  $J(a, b) = a - \left( \frac{1+a}{2+a} \right) \left( \frac{b}{1+b} \right)$ ;
9.  $J(a, b) = a\beta(a)$  where  $\beta : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, 1)$  is continuous;
10.  $J(a, b) = s - \frac{b}{k+b}$ ;
11.  $J(a, b) = a - \Lambda(b)$  where  $\Lambda : \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$  is continuous and  $\Lambda(b) = 0 \Leftrightarrow b = 0$ ;
12.  $J(a, b) = a\zeta(a, b)$  where  $\zeta : \mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$  is continuous and  $\zeta(b, a) < 1$  for all  $a, b > 0$ ;
13.  $J(a, b) = a - \left( \frac{2+b}{1+b} \right) b$ ;
14.  $J(a, b) = \sqrt[n]{\ln(1+a^n)}$ ;
15.  $J(a, b) = \phi(a)$  where  $\phi : \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$  is upper semi-continuous,  $\phi(0) = 0$ , and  $\phi(b) < b$  for all  $b > 0$ ;
16.  $J(a, b) = \frac{a}{(1+a)^r}$  with  $r \in (0, \infty)$ .

### 3. Main Results

We begin by introducing the following concept:

**Definition 3.1** Let  $T$  and  $S$  be two self-mappings on a metric space  $(X, d)$ .  $S$  is said to be a  $C$ - $T$ -contraction if there exists  $J \in \mathcal{C}$  such that

$$d(Sx, Sy) < J(d(Tx, Ty), d(Tx, Ty)) \quad \text{for all } x, y \in X.$$

**Theorem 3.1** Let  $(X, d)$  be a complete metric space and let  $S$  and  $T$  be  $L$ -weakly commuting self-mappings of  $X$  satisfying:

- (i) There exists  $J \in \mathcal{C}$  such that  $S$  is a  $C$ - $T$ -contraction;
- (ii)  $S(X) \subset T(X)$ ;
- (iii) Either  $S$  or  $T$  is continuous.

Then  $S$  and  $T$  have a unique common fixed point.

**Proof:** Let  $\xi_0$  be an arbitrary point in  $X$ . Since  $S(X) \subset T(X)$ , there exists  $\xi_1 \in X$  such that  $S\xi_0 = T\xi_1$ . Inductively, we construct a sequence  $\{\xi_n\}$  in  $X$  such that  $S\xi_n = T\xi_{n+1}$  for  $n \geq 0$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} d(S\xi_n, S\xi_{n+1}) &< J(d(T\xi_n, T\xi_{n+1}), d(T\xi_n, T\xi_{n+1})) \\ &= J(d(S\xi_{n-1}, S\xi_n), d(S\xi_{n-1}, S\xi_n)) \\ &\leq d(S\xi_{n-1}, S\xi_n). \end{aligned}$$

Thus,  $\{d(S\xi_n, S\xi_{n+1})\}_{n=0}^\infty$  is a decreasing sequence of positive real numbers and converges to a limit  $l \geq 0$ . Suppose  $l > 0$ . Then,

$$d(S\xi_n, S\xi_{n+1}) < J(d(S\xi_{n-1}, S\xi_n), d(S\xi_{n-1}, S\xi_n)) \leq d(S\xi_{n-1}, S\xi_n).$$

Taking  $n \rightarrow \infty$  and using the continuity of  $J$ , we obtain  $l \leq J(l, l) \leq l$ , a contradiction. Hence,  $l = 0$ .

Now, we show that  $\{S\xi_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence. Suppose not. Then there exists  $\beta > 0$  and subsequences  $\{S\xi_{m_p}\}$  and  $\{S\xi_{n_p}\}$  such that for all  $p \in \mathbb{N}$  with  $m_p > n_p > p$ , we have  $d(S\xi_{m_p}, S\xi_{n_p}) \geq \beta$  and  $d(S\xi_{m_p}, S\xi_{m_p-1}) < \beta$ . By the triangle inequality,

$$\beta \leq d(S\xi_{m_p}, S\xi_{n_p}) \leq d(S\xi_{m_p}, S\xi_{m_p-1}) + d(S\xi_{m_p-1}, S\xi_{n_p}) < \beta + d(S\xi_{m_p}, S\xi_{m_p-1}).$$

As  $p \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $d(S\xi_{m_p}, S\xi_{n_p}) \rightarrow \beta$ . Also,

$$d(S\xi_{m_p}, S\xi_{n_p}) \leq J(d(S\xi_{m_p-1}, S\xi_{n_p-1}), d(S\xi_{m_p-1}, S\xi_{n_p-1})) \leq d(S\xi_{m_p-1}, S\xi_{n_p-1}).$$

Letting  $p \rightarrow \infty$ , we get  $\beta \leq J(\beta, \beta) \leq \beta$ , implying  $\beta = 0$ , a contradiction. Thus,  $\{S\xi_n\}$  is Cauchy and converges to some  $\xi \in X$ . Similarly,  $\{T\xi_n\}$  converges to  $\xi$ .

Assume  $S$  is continuous. Then  $S(S\xi_n) \rightarrow S\xi$  and  $S(T\xi_n) \rightarrow S\xi$ . Since  $S$  and  $T$  are  $L$ -weakly commuting,

$$d(S(T\xi_n), T(S\xi_n)) \leq L d(S\xi_n, T\xi_n).$$

Thus,  $T(S\xi_n) \rightarrow S\xi$ . Now, suppose  $\xi \neq S\xi$ . Then

$$d(S\xi_n, S(S\xi_n)) < J(d(T\xi_n, T(S\xi_n)), d(T\xi_n, T(S\xi_n))) \leq d(T\xi_n, T(S\xi_n)).$$

Letting  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , we get  $d(\xi, S\xi) \leq J(d(\xi, S\xi), d(\xi, S\xi)) \leq d(\xi, S\xi)$ , a contradiction. Hence,  $\xi = S\xi$ .

Since  $S(X) \subset T(X)$ , there exists  $\psi \in X$  such that  $\xi = S\xi = T\psi$ . Now,

$$d(S(S\xi_n), S\psi) < J(d(T(S\xi_n), T\psi), d(T(S\xi_n), T\psi)) \leq d(T(S\xi_n), T\psi).$$

Letting  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , we get  $S\xi = T\psi$ , so  $\xi = S\xi = T\psi$ . Thus,

$$d(S\xi, T\xi) = d(S(T\psi), T(S\psi)) \leq L d(S\psi, T\psi) = 0,$$

implying  $\xi = S\xi = T\xi$ . Therefore,  $\xi$  is a common fixed point.

For uniqueness, suppose  $\xi'$  is another common fixed point. Then

$$d(S\xi, S\xi') < J(d(T\xi, T\xi'), d(T\xi, T\xi')) \leq d(T\xi, T\xi') = d(S\xi, S\xi'),$$

a contradiction. Hence, the common fixed point is unique.  $\square$

**Corollary 3.1** [5] *Let  $(X, d)$  be a complete metric space and let  $S$  and  $T$  be  $L$ -weakly commuting self-mappings of  $X$  satisfying:*

$$d(Sx, Sy) \leq r(d(Tx, Ty)),$$

*where  $r : \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$  is upper semi-continuous,  $r(0) = 0$ , and  $r(t) < t$  for all  $t > 0$ . If  $S(X) \subset T(X)$  and either  $S$  or  $T$  is continuous, then  $S$  and  $T$  have a unique common fixed point.*

**Proof:** Set  $J(a, b) = r(a)$ , which belongs to  $\mathcal{C}$  by Example ??(15). The result follows from Theorem 3.1.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.2** *Let  $(X, d)$  be a complete metric space and let  $S$  and  $T$  be  $L$ -weakly commuting self-mappings of  $X$  satisfying:*

(i) *For every  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exist  $h(\varepsilon) > 0$  and  $J(\varepsilon) \in \mathcal{C}$  such that*

$$\varepsilon \leq J(d(Tx, Ty), d(Tx, Ty)) < \varepsilon + h \implies d(Sx, Sy) < \varepsilon;$$

(ii)  $Tx = Ty \implies Sx = Sy$ ;

(iii)  $S(X) \subset T(X)$ ;

(iv) *Either  $S$  or  $T$  is continuous.*

*Then  $S$  and  $T$  have a unique common fixed point.*

**Proof:** Construct a sequence  $\{\xi_n\}$  such that  $S\xi_n = T\xi_{n+1}$ . From (i), for  $Tx \neq Ty$ ,

$$d(Sx, Sy) < J(d(Tx, Ty), d(Tx, Ty)).$$

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} d(S\xi_n, S\xi_{n+1}) &< J(d(T\xi_n, T\xi_{n+1}), d(T\xi_n, T\xi_{n+1})) \\ &= J(d(S\xi_{n-1}, S\xi_n), d(S\xi_{n-1}, S\xi_n)) \\ &\leq d(S\xi_{n-1}, S\xi_n). \end{aligned}$$

So  $\{d(S\xi_n, S\xi_{n+1})\}$  decreases to some  $l \geq 0$ . Suppose  $l > 0$ . Then for  $h > 0$ , there exists  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  such that for  $m \geq N$ ,

$$l \leq d(S\xi_m, S\xi_{m+1}) < J(d(T\xi_m, T\xi_{m+1}), d(T\xi_m, T\xi_{m+1})) < l + h.$$

But  $l \leq J(d(S\xi_{m-1}, S\xi_m), d(S\xi_{m-1}, S\xi_m)) \leq d(S\xi_{m-1}, S\xi_m) < l$ , a contradiction. Hence,  $l = 0$ .

The sequence  $\{S\xi_n\}$  is Cauchy (proof similar to Theorem 3.1) and converges to  $\xi \in X$ . Similarly,  $\{T\xi_n\} \rightarrow \xi$ . Assume  $S$  is continuous. Then  $S(S\xi_n) \rightarrow S\xi$  and  $S(T\xi_n) \rightarrow S\xi$ . By  $L$ -weak commutativity,

$$d(S(T\xi_n), T(S\xi_n)) \leq L d(S\xi_n, T\xi_n),$$

so  $T(S\xi_n) \rightarrow S\xi$ . Suppose  $\xi \neq S\xi$ . Then no subsequence of  $\{S(S\xi_n)\}$  or  $\{T(S\xi_n)\}$  converges to  $\xi$ . Thus, there exists  $a > 0$  and integers  $s, t$  such that for  $n \geq s, m \geq t$ ,  $\inf d(S\xi_n, S(S\xi_m)) = a$ . But from (i),  $\inf d(S\xi_n, S(S\xi_m)) < a$ , a contradiction. Hence,  $\xi = S\xi$ . The rest follows as in Theorem 3.1.  $\square$

**Definition 3.2** Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space. A mapping  $T : X \rightarrow X$  is sequentially convergent if for every sequence  $\{y_n\}$ , convergence of  $\{Ty_n\}$  implies convergence of  $\{y_n\}$ .

**Theorem 3.3** *Let  $(X, d)$  be a complete metric space and  $S, T : X \rightarrow X$  be continuous mappings satisfying:*

(i) *There exists  $J \in \mathcal{C}$  such that  $S$  is a  $C$ - $T$ -contraction;*

(ii)  *$T$  is injective and sequentially convergent.*

*Then  $S$  has a unique fixed point in  $X$ .*

**Proof:** Let  $\xi_0 \in X$ . Define  $\xi_{n+1} = S\xi_n = S^{n+1}\xi_0$  and  $\psi_n = T\xi_n$ . If  $\psi_{n_0+1} = \psi_{n_0}$  for some  $n_0$ , then  $T\xi_{n_0+1} = T\xi_{n_0}$ , so  $\xi_{n_0+1} = \xi_{n_0}$  by injectivity, and  $S\xi_{n_0} = \xi_{n_0}$ . Assume  $d(\psi_n, \psi_{n+1}) > 0$  for all  $n$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} d(TS\xi_n, TS\xi_{n+1}) &< J(d(T\xi_n, T\xi_{n+1}), d(T\xi_n, T\xi_{n+1})) \\ &= J(d(\psi_n, \psi_{n+1}), d(\psi_n, \psi_{n+1})) \\ &\leq d(\psi_n, \psi_{n+1}). \end{aligned}$$

Thus  $d(\psi_{n+1}, \psi_{n+2}) \leq d(\psi_n, \psi_{n+1})$ , so  $\{d(\psi_n, \psi_{n+1})\}$  decreases to  $\varepsilon \geq 0$ . If  $\varepsilon > 0$ , then

$$d(\psi_n, \psi_{n+1}) < J(d(\psi_{n-1}, \psi_n), d(\psi_{n-1}, \psi_n)) \leq d(\psi_{n-1}, \psi_n).$$

Letting  $n \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $\varepsilon \leq J(\varepsilon, \varepsilon) \leq \varepsilon$ , contradiction. Hence  $\varepsilon = 0$ .

Now  $\{\psi_n\}$  is Cauchy (proof similar to Theorem 3.1) and converges to  $\psi \in X$ . Since  $T$  is sequentially convergent,  $\{\xi_n\}$  converges to  $\xi \in X$ . By continuity of  $T$ ,  $T\xi = \psi$ . By continuity of  $TS$ ,

$$\psi = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} TS\xi_n = TS\xi.$$

Thus  $TS\xi = T\xi$ , so  $S\xi = \xi$  by injectivity. Uniqueness follows as before.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.4** *Let  $(X, d)$  be a complete metric space and  $S, T : X \rightarrow X$  be continuous mappings satisfying:*

(i) *For every  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exist  $k(\varepsilon) > 0$  and  $J(\varepsilon) \in \mathcal{C}$  such that*

$$\varepsilon \leq J(d(Tx, Ty), d(Tx, Ty)) < \varepsilon + k \implies d(TSx, TSy) < \varepsilon;$$

(ii)  *$T$  is injective and sequentially convergent.*

*Then  $S$  has a unique fixed point in  $X$ .*

**Proof:** Similar to Theorem 3.3, define  $\xi_n$  and  $\psi_n$ . The sequence  $\{d(\psi_n, \psi_{n+1})\}$  decreases to  $l \geq 0$ . If  $l > 0$ , then for  $k > 0$ , there exists  $R \in \mathbb{N}$  such that for  $m \geq R$ ,

$$l \leq d(TS\xi_m, TS\xi_{m+1}) < J(d(T\xi_m, T\xi_{m+1}), d(T\xi_m, T\xi_{m+1})) < l + k.$$

Then  $l \leq J(d(\psi_m, \psi_{m+1}), d(\psi_m, \psi_{m+1})) \leq d(\psi_m, \psi_{m+1}) < l$ , contradiction. Hence  $l = 0$ . The rest follows as in Theorems 3.2 and 3.3.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.5** *Let  $(X, d)$  be a complete metric space,  $G : X \rightarrow X$  continuous, and  $T : X \rightarrow X$  injective, continuous, and sequentially convergent. Suppose for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exist  $\mu > 0$  and  $J \in \mathcal{C}$  such that for all  $x, y \in X$ ,*

$$\varepsilon \leq J(K_T(x, y), K_T(x, y)) < \varepsilon + \mu \implies d(TGx, TGy) < \varepsilon, \quad (3.1)$$

*where*

$$K_T(x, y) = \max \left\{ d(Tx, Ty), d(Tx, TGx), d(Ty, TGy), \frac{1}{2} [d(Tx, TGy) + d(Ty, TGx)] \right\}.$$

*Then  $G$  has a unique fixed point in  $X$ .*

**Proof:** Let  $\xi_0 \in X$ . Define  $\xi_{n+1} = G\xi_n$  and  $\psi_n = T\xi_n$ . If  $\mu_n = d(\psi_n, \psi_{n+1}) = 0$  for some  $n$ , then  $\xi_n$  is fixed point. Assume  $\mu_n > 0$  for all  $n$ . Suppose  $\mu_{n-1} < \mu_n$  for some  $n$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} K_T(\xi_{n-1}, \xi_n) &= \max \left\{ d(\psi_{n-1}, \psi_n), d(\psi_{n-1}, \psi_n), d(\psi_n, \psi_{n+1}), \frac{1}{2} [d(\psi_{n-1}, \psi_{n+1}) + d(\psi_n, \psi_n)] \right\} \\ &\leq \max \left\{ \mu_{n-1}, \mu_n, \frac{1}{2} d(\psi_{n-1}, \psi_{n+1}) \right\} \\ &< \mu_n + \mu_{n-1}. \end{aligned}$$

But  $K_T(\xi_{n-1}, \xi_n) \geq d(\psi_{n-1}, \psi_n) = \mu_{n-1}$ . Thus  $K_T(\xi_{n-1}, \xi_n) = \mu_n$ , and by (3.1),

$$\mu_n = d(TG\xi_{n-1}, TG\xi_n) < J(K_T(\xi_{n-1}, \xi_n), K_T(\xi_{n-1}, \xi_n)) \leq K_T(\xi_{n-1}, \xi_n) < \mu_n + \mu_{n-1},$$

contradiction. Hence  $\mu_n \leq \mu_{n-1}$  for all  $n$ , so  $\{\mu_n\}$  decreases to  $l \geq 0$ . If  $l > 0$ , then for  $\delta > 0$ , there exists  $R \in \mathbb{N}$  such that for  $n \geq R$ ,  $l < \mu_n < l + \delta$ . Then for  $n \geq R + 1$ ,

$$l \leq K_T(\xi_{n-1}, \xi_n) < l + \delta,$$

so  $d(TG\xi_{n-1}, TG\xi_n) < l$ , contradiction. Thus  $l = 0$ .

Now  $\{\psi_n\}$  is Cauchy (proof similar to Theorem 3.2) and converges to  $\psi \in X$ . By sequential convergence of  $T$ ,  $\{\xi_n\}$  converges to  $\xi \in X$ . By continuity of  $T$ ,  $T\xi = \psi$ . By continuity of  $G$ ,  $G\xi = \xi$ . Uniqueness follows as before.  $\square$

#### 4. Illustrating Examples

**Example 4.1** Let  $X = \mathbb{R}$  with  $d(x, y) = 2|x - y|$ . Define  $Sx = 1$ ,  $Tx = 2x - 1$ . Then  $S(X) = \{1\} \subset T(X) = \mathbb{R}$ . For  $x \neq y$ ,

$$d(Sx, Sy) = 0 < J(d(Tx, Ty), d(Tx, Ty)) = |x - y| \quad \text{with} \quad J(a, b) = \frac{1}{2}a.$$

Also,  $d(STx, TSx) = 0 \leq Ld(Sx, Tx) = L|1 - (2x - 1)| = 2L|1 - x|$  for any  $L \geq 0$ . Conditions of Theorem 3.1 hold, and 1 is the unique common fixed point.

**Example 4.2** Let  $X = [0, 1]$ ,  $d(x, y) = |x - y|$ ,  $Sx = \frac{x}{x+3}$ ,  $Tx = x$ . Then  $d(Sx, Sy) \leq \frac{1}{3}|x - y| < \frac{1}{2}|x - y| = J(d(Tx, Ty), d(Tx, Ty))$  with  $J(a, b) = \frac{1}{2}a$ .  $S$  and  $T$  commute, so  $L$ -weakly commuting. By Theorem 3.1, 0 is the unique common fixed point.

**Example 4.3** Let  $X = [0, 1]$ ,  $d(x, y) = |x - y|$ ,  $Sx = \frac{1}{2}x$ ,  $Tx = x$ ,  $J(x, y) = \ln(1 + 2x)$ . For  $\varepsilon > \frac{3}{4}$ , choose  $\lambda = 2 \ln 2 - \varepsilon$ . Then

$$\varepsilon \leq J(d(Tx, Ty), d(Tx, Ty)) = \ln(1 + 2|x - y|) < \varepsilon + \lambda \implies |x - y| < \frac{3}{2} \implies d(Sx, Sy) = \frac{1}{2}|x - y| < \frac{3}{4} < \varepsilon.$$

$S$  and  $T$  commute. By Theorem 3.2, 0 is the unique common fixed point.

**Example 4.4** Let  $X = [0, 1]$ ,  $Sx = \frac{1}{4}x^2$ ,  $Tx = x^2$ ,  $J(x, y) = \ln(1 + x)$ . For  $\varepsilon > \frac{3}{4}$ , choose  $\rho = 2 \ln 2 - \varepsilon$ . Then

$$\varepsilon \leq J(d(Tx, Ty), d(Tx, Ty)) < \varepsilon + \rho \implies |x^2 - y^2| < 3 \implies d(Sx, Sy) = \frac{1}{4}|x^2 - y^2| < \frac{3}{4} < \varepsilon.$$

$d(STx, TSx) = \frac{3}{4}x^4 \leq L \cdot \frac{3}{4}x^2$  for  $L \geq x^2 \leq 1$ . By Theorem 3.2, 0 is the unique common fixed point.

**Example 4.5** Let  $X = [0, 1]$ ,  $d(x, y) = |x - y|$ ,  $Sx = \frac{x+1}{3}$ ,  $Tx = x$ . Then  $d(Sx, Sy) = \frac{1}{3}|x - y| < \frac{1}{2}|x - y| = J(d(Tx, Ty), d(Tx, Ty))$  with  $J(a, b) = \frac{1}{2}a$ .  $T$  is injective and sequentially convergent. By Theorem 3.3,  $\frac{1}{2}$  is the unique fixed point of  $S$ .

**Example 4.6** Let  $X = [1, 20]$ ,  $d(x, y) = |x - y|$ ,

$$Sx = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x \in [1, 5) \\ \frac{1}{2}(x - 3) & \text{if } x \in [5, 20] \end{cases}, \quad Tx = x.$$

For various cases of  $x, y$ , choose  $J(a, b) = \frac{1}{2}a$  and appropriate  $\rho(\varepsilon)$  to satisfy condition (i) of Theorem 3.4.  $T$  is injective and sequentially convergent. By Theorem 3.4, 1 is the unique fixed point.

**Example 4.7** With  $X$ ,  $d$ ,  $T$  as above, and

$$Gx = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x \in [1, 5) \\ \frac{1}{2}(x - 3) & \text{if } x \in [5, 20] \end{cases}.$$

Define  $K_T(x, y)$  as in Theorem 3.5. For various cases, choose  $J(a, b) = \frac{1}{2}a$  and appropriate  $\mu(\varepsilon)$  to satisfy (3.1). By Theorem 3.5, 1 is the unique fixed point.

### 5. An Application to Partial Differential Equations

We apply common fixed point theory to the nonlinear reaction-diffusion equation:

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \alpha \nabla^2 u + f(u),$$

where  $u(x, t)$  is the spatial distribution at position  $x$  and time  $t$ ,  $\alpha$  is the diffusion coefficient,  $\nabla^2$  is the Laplacian, and  $f(u)$  is a nonlinear reaction term. Define operators:

- $S(u) = \alpha \nabla^2 u$  (linear diffusion),
- $T(u) = f(u)$  (nonlinear reaction).

The PDE becomes  $\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = S(u) + T(u)$ . We seek  $u$  such that  $S(u) = u$  and  $T(u) = u$ , a common fixed point in an appropriate function space  $X$  with Dirichlet boundary conditions.

Consider  $f(u) = ru(1 - \frac{u}{K})$  (logistic growth). Define  $X$  as continuous functions satisfying boundary conditions. If  $S$  and  $T$  are  $L$ -weakly commuting, continuous,  $S(X) \subset T(X)$ , and satisfy Theorem 3.1 conditions, then a unique common fixed point exists, solving the PDE.

#### Iterative Solution:

1. Initialize  $u^{(0)}$ .
2. Iterate:  $u^{(k+1)} = S(u^{(k)}) + T(u^{(k)})$ .
3. Terminate when  $\|u^{(k+1)} - u^{(k)}\| < \varepsilon$ .

The limit is the solution. For example, with  $S(u)(x) = \int_0^x u(t)dt$ ,  $T(u)(x) = cu(x)$ , the equation  $u = S(u) + T(u)$  has a unique solution found iteratively.

Consider subspaces:

$$\begin{aligned} E &= \{x : [-\alpha, \alpha] \rightarrow [-\lambda, \lambda] \mid x(0) = 0, \text{ continuous}\}, \\ F &= \{u : [-\alpha, \alpha] \rightarrow [-\lambda + 1, \lambda + 1] \mid u(0) = 1, \text{ continuous}\}. \end{aligned}$$

Define  $S : E \times F \rightarrow E + F$  by  $S(x, u) = \alpha \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}$ ,  $T(x, u) = ru(1 - \frac{u}{K})$ . Under appropriate conditions,  $S$  and  $T$  are  $L$ -weakly commuting, continuous, and  $S(X) \subset T(X)$ . By Theorem 3.1, a unique common fixed point exists, solving the PDE.

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