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## COMMON FIXED POINT IN $D^*$ METRIC SPACES

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**Abstract.** In this paper we shall obtain a new results concerning fixed point in  $D^*$  Metric Spaces, besides we correct the proves of some results obtained by, T. Veerapandi and AJI. M Pillai in [35].

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### 1. INTRODUCTION

The most important principle as a source of existence and uniqueness theorem in different branches of Sciences is Banach contraction principle, since it gives the existence, uniqueness and the sequence of the successive approximation converges to solution.

The study of metric fixed point theory plays an important role in many important areas as differential equation, operation research, mathematical economies and other branches, see [1], [4], [5], [7], [9] – [11], [13] – [17], [19] – [22], [25] – [28], [36] and [37].

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Several generalization of metric spaces were proposed by several mathematicians such as 2-metric spaces, Gahler[8]. D-metric spaces, B. C. Dhage [6], G- metric space [18], L. -G. Huaug at X. Zhang, b- metric spaces, [12] .

Recently A.Tallafha and R. Khalil [29] , defined a space which is a mixture of analysis and topology, namely semi-linear uniform space. Semi-linear uniform space is weaker than metric space and stronger than topological space since. Several authors studied the properties of semi-linear uniform spaces and fixed point in such spaces, see [2], [3] , [23], [24], and [30]– [34].

In 2011, T. Veerapandi and AJI. M Pillai in [35] , established some common fixed point theorems for contraction and generalized contraction mapping in  $D^*$ -metric spaces. In the proves of the main results, T. Veerapandi and AJI. M Pillai found a sequence named  $d_n^*$  that satisfies  $d_{n+1}^* - d_n^* \leq \alpha^n d_0$ , since  $\alpha \in [0, 1)$ , then  $\alpha^n d_0 \rightarrow 0$ . From this they conclude that  $d_{n+1}^* \leq d_n^*$ . This conclusion not correct by the following example.

**Example 1.** Let  $x_n = 1 - \frac{1}{2^n}$ , then  $x_{n+1} = 1 - \frac{1}{2^{n+1}}$ , therefor  $x_{n+1} - x_n = \frac{1}{2^{n+1}} - \frac{1}{2^n} = \frac{1}{2^{n+1}} = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n$   $\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)$ , so  $\alpha = d_0 = \frac{1}{2}$ , clearly  $x_{n+1} \geq x_n$ .

In this article, we define an orbit of two and three mapping on a  $D^*$ -metric space  $X$ , also we correct the proves given in [35] ,under additional condition. Finally we obtained anew results of common fixed point for contraction mapping in  $D^*$ -metric spaces.

## 2. $D^*$ METRIC SPACES

**Definition 1.** Let  $X$  be a non-empty set. A generalized metric space or ( $D^*$ -metric space) on  $X$  is a function  $D^* : X^3 \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  that satisfies the following conditions, for each  $x, y, z, a \in X$ .

- i)  $D^*(x, y, z) \geq 0$ .
- ii)  $D^*(x, y, z) = 0$  if and only if  $x = y = z$ .
- iii)  $D^*(x, y, z) = D^*(P\{x, y, z\})$ .where  $P$  is permutation.
- iv)  $D^*(x, y, z) \leq D^*(x, y, a) + D^*(a, z, z)$ .

The pair  $(X, D^*)$  is called generalized metric space or(  $D^*$ -metric space).

**Definition 2.** An open ball in  $D^*$ -metric space  $X$  with center  $x$  and radius  $r$  is denoted by  $B_{D^*}(x, r)$ , and is defined by  $B_{D^*}(x, r) = \{y \in X : D^*(x, y, y) < r\}$

**Definition 3.** Let  $(X, D^*)$  be a  $D^*$ -metric space and  $A \subset X$ ,

i) A subset  $A$  of  $X$  is said to be  $D^*$  – bounded if there exists  $r > 0$ , such that  $D^*(x, y, y) < r$ , for all  $x, y \in A$ .

ii) A sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $X$  converges to  $x$  if and only if

$D^*(x_n, x_n, x) = D^*(x, x, x_n) \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . That is, for each  $\varepsilon > 0$  there exists  $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $D^*(x, x, x_n) < \varepsilon$  for all  $n \geq n_0$ .

iii) A sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $X$  is called a Cauchy sequence iff for each  $\varepsilon > 0$  there exists  $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $D^*(x_n, x_n, x_m) < \varepsilon$  for all  $n, m \geq n_0$ .

iv) the  $D^*$ -metric space  $(X, D^*)$  is said to be complete if every Cauchy sequence is convergent.

**Definition 4.** (i) Let  $x \in X$  and  $f$  is a self mapping then the set

$O(f, x) = \{f^n(x) : n = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots\}$  is called the orbit of  $x$  and  $f$ .

(ii) Let  $x \in X$  and  $f_1, f_2$  are self mapping then the set  $O(f_1, f_2, x) = \{x, f_1^i(f_2^j(x)) : j, i = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots\}$  is called the orbit of  $x, f_1$  and  $f_2$

(iii) Let  $x \in X$  and  $f_1, f_2, f_3$  are self mapping then the set  $O(f_1, f_2, f_3, x) = \{x, f_1^j(f_2^i(f_3^k(x))) : j, i, k = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots\}$  is called the orbit of  $x, f_1, f_2$  and  $f_3$

Now we want to present a new definition.

**Definition 5.** A three self mapping  $f_1, f_2$  and  $f_3$  on a  $D^*$ -metric space  $(X, D^*)$ , are said to be orbitally bounded if there exists  $x_0 \in X$ , and a three positive real numbers  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2$  and  $\lambda_3$  such that  $D^*(a, b, f_i(x)) \leq \lambda_i D^*(a, b, x)$ , for all  $x \in O(f_1, f_2, f_3, x_0)$  and  $\{a, b\} \neq \{x_0\}$ .

If  $\max\{\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3\} < 1$ , then  $f_1, f_2$  and  $f_3$  are called orbitally contractive.

In the above definition we assume  $a, b$  not booth equal  $x_0$ , since if  $a = b = x_0$ , the above condition implies that  $x_0$  is the common fixed point.

One of the interesting properties of  $D^*$ -metric space, are the following lemmas.

**Lemma 1.** In  $D^*$ -metric space  $D^*(x, y, y) = D^*(x, x, y)$ .

**Lemma 2.** Let  $(X, D^*)$  be a  $D^*$  – metric space then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} D^*(x_n, y_n, z_n) = D^*(x, y, z)$  whenever a sequence  $\{(x_n, y_n, z_n)\}$  in  $X^3$  converges to a point  $(x, y, z)$  in  $X^3$ . That is  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x, \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n = y, \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} z_n = z$ .

*Proof.* Let  $\{(x_n, y_n, z_n)\} \in X^3$ , be such that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x, \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n = y,$

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} z_n = z$ . Then for each  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists  $n_1, n_2$  and  $n_3 \in \mathbb{N}$ , such that

$D^*(x, x, x_n) < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$ , for all  $n \geq n_1$ ,  $D^*(y, y, y_n) < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$ , for all  $n \geq n_2$  and  $D^*(z, z, z_n) < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$ , for all  $n \geq n_3$ . Let  $n_0 = \max\{n_1, n_2, n_3\}$ , then for every  $n \geq n_0$  by triangle inequality we obtain,

$$\begin{aligned} D^*(x_n, y_n, z_n) &\leq D^*(x_n, y_n, z) + D^*(z, z_n, z_n) \\ &\leq D^*(x, y, z) + D^*(x, x_n, x_n) + D^*(y, y_n, y_n) + D^*(z, z_n, z_n) \\ &< D^*(x, y, z) + \frac{\varepsilon}{3} + \frac{\varepsilon}{3} + \frac{\varepsilon}{3} = D^*(x, y, z) + \varepsilon. \end{aligned}$$

Then  $D^*(x_n, y_n, z_n) - D^*(x, y, z) < \varepsilon$ . Moreover,

$$\begin{aligned} D^*(x, y, z) &\leq D^*(x, y, z_n) + D^*(z_n, z, z) \\ &\leq D^*(z_n, y_n, z_n) + D^*(x_n, x, x) + D^*(y_n, y, y) + D^*(z_n, z, z) \\ &< D^*(x_n, y_n, z_n) + \frac{\varepsilon}{3} + \frac{\varepsilon}{3} + \frac{\varepsilon}{3} = D^*(x_n, y_n, z_n) + \varepsilon. \end{aligned}$$

therefore,  $D^*(x, y, z) - D^*(x_n, y_n, z_n) < \varepsilon$ , which implies,

$|D^*(x_n, y_n, z_n) - D^*(x, y, z)| < \varepsilon$ , therefore

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} D^*(x_n, y_n, z_n) = D^*(x, y, z)$$

□

One can easily obtained the following Lemmas.

**Lemma 3.** *Let  $(X, D^*)$  be a  $D^*$ -metric space, then a convergent sequence has a unique limit.*

**Lemma 4.** *Let  $(X, D^*)$  be a  $D^*$ -metric space. Then any convergent sequence in  $(X, D^*)$  is a Cauchy sequence .*

### 3. MAIN RESULTS

In this section, we will present several fixed point results on a complete  $D^*$  – metric space.

**Theorem 1.** *Let  $X$  be a complete  $D^*$ -metric space and  $f_1, f_2 : X \rightarrow X$  be any two maps such that,*

$D^*(f_1(x), f_2(y), z) \leq \alpha D^*(x, y, z)$  for all  $x, y \in O(f_1, f_2, x_0), z \in X$  and some  $x_0 \in X$ , and  $0 \leq \alpha < \frac{1}{2}$ , then  $f_1, f_2$  have a unique common fixed point.

*Proof.* Let  $x_0 \in X$  be any arbitrary element defined a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $X$  by,

$x_n = \begin{cases} f_1(x_{n-1}), & \text{if } n \text{ is odd} \\ f_2(x_{n-1}), & \text{if } n \text{ is even} \end{cases}$ . Now we want to prove that  $\{x_n\}$  Cauchy sequence, then we have the following cases.

**Case 1.** If  $n$  is odd, set  $d_n = D^*(x_n, x_{n+1}, x_{n+1})$ , so

$$\begin{aligned} d_n &= D^*(x_n, x_{n+1}, x_{n+1}) = D^*(f_1(x_{n-1}), f_2(x_n), x_{n+1}) \\ &\leq \alpha D^*(x_{n-1}, x_n, x_{n+1}) \leq \alpha D^*(x_{n-1}, x_n, x_n) + \alpha D^*(x_{n+1}, x_{n+1}, x_n). \end{aligned}$$

Hence,  $d_n \leq \alpha d_{n-1} + \alpha d_n$ , which implies  $d_n \leq \frac{\alpha}{1-\alpha} d_{n-1}$ .

let  $R = \frac{\alpha}{1-\alpha}$  so  $R < 1$  since  $\alpha < \frac{1}{2}$ , and  $d_n \leq R d_{n-1}$ . Repeating this process, we obtained,  $d_n \leq R^n d_0$ , i.e.  $d_n \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

To prove that  $\{x_n\}$  Cauchy sequence, let  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}$  be such that  $n \leq m$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} D^*(x_n, x_n, x_m) &\leq D^*(x_n, x_n, x_{n+1}) + D^*(x_m, x_m, x_{n+1}) \\ &\leq \sum_{k=n}^{m-1} D^*(x_k, x_{k+1}, x_{k+1}) \leq \sum_{k=n}^{m-1} d_k \\ &\leq \sum_{k=n}^{m-1} R^k d_0 \leq R^n d_0 \left(\frac{1}{1-R}\right) \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty. \end{aligned}$$

**Case 2:** If  $n$  is even, set  $d_n = D^*(x_n, x_{n+1}, x_{n+1})$ , so

$$\begin{aligned} d_n &= D^*(x_{n+1}, x_n, x_{n+1}) = D^*(f_1(x_n), f_2(x_{n-1}), x_{n+1}) \\ &\leq \alpha D^*(x_n, x_{n-1}, x_{n+1}) \leq \alpha D^*(x_{n-1}, x_n, x_n) + \alpha D^*(x_{n+1}, x_{n+1}, x_n), \end{aligned}$$

which implies  $d_n \leq \alpha d_{n-1} + \alpha d_n$ . As in case 1, we obtain,

$D^*(x_n, x_n, x_m) \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . So  $\{x_n\}$  is Cauchy sequence but since  $X$  is complete  $D^*$ -metric space then  $x_n$  converges to some element say  $x$ .

Now we want to prove that  $x$  is fixed point of  $f_1$ , suppose that  $x \neq f_1(x)$ , then  $D^*(f_1(x), x, x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} D^*(f_1(x), f_1(x_{2n-1}), x) \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \alpha D^*(x, x_{2n-1}, x) = 0$ , therefore  $D^*(f_1(x), x, x) = 0$ , so  $x$  is fixed point for  $f_1$ . Similarly  $x$  is fixed point for  $f_2$ . For uniqueness, suppose there exists  $y \in X$  such that,  $f_1(y) = f_2(y) = y$ . This implies  $D^*(x, y, y) = D^*(f_1(x), f_2(y), y) \leq \alpha D^*(x, y, y) < \frac{1}{2} D^*(x, y, y)$ , which implies  $x = y$ .  $\square$

The next theorems give the same result for orbitally contractive maps under some certain conditions.

**Theorem 2.** Let  $X$  be a complete  $D^*$ -metric space and  $f_1, f_2, f_3 : X \rightarrow X$  be any three orbitally contractive maps that satisfies

$D^*(f_1(x), f_1(x), f_2(y)) \leq D^*(f_1(x), f_2(y), f_3(z))$  and  $D^*(f_1(x), f_2(y), f_3(z)) \leq \alpha D^*(x, y, z)$  for all  $x, y, z \in X, \alpha \in (0, 1)$ , then  $f_1, f_2, f_3$  have a unique common fixed point.

*Proof.* Let  $X$  be a complete  $D^*$ -metric space and  $f_1, f_2, f_3 : X \rightarrow X$  be any three orbitally contractive maps that satisfies,  $D^*(f_1(x), f_1(x), f_2(y)) \leq D^*(f_1(x), f_2(y), f_3(z))$ . Since  $f_1, f_2, f_3$  are orbitally contractive maps, then there exists  $x_0 \in X$ , and a three positive numbers  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2$  and  $\lambda_3$  such that  $D^*(a, b, f_i(x)) \leq \lambda_i D^*(a, b, x)$ , for all  $x \in O(f_1, f_2, f_3, x_0)$  and  $\{a, b\} \neq \{x_0\}$ , and  $\max\{\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3\} = \alpha < 1$ .

Now we want to show

$$D^*(f_1(x), f_2(y), f_3(z)) \leq \lambda_1 \lambda_2 \lambda_3 D^*(x, y, z), \text{ for all } x, y, z \in O(f_1, f_2, f_3, x_0).$$

Let  $x, y, z \in O(f_1, f_2, f_3, x_0)$ , if  $x = y = z = x_0$ , then  $x_0 = f_1(x_0) = f_2(x_0) = f_3(x_0)$ , then the required inequality holds.

Defined a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  as follows,

$$x_n = \begin{cases} f_1(x_{n-1}), n = 1, 4, 7, \dots, 3k+1 \\ f_2(x_{n-1}), n = 2, 5, 8, \dots, 3k+2 \\ f_3(x_{n-1}), n = 3, 6, 9, \dots, 3k+3 \end{cases}.$$

Now we want to prove that  $x_n$  is Cauchy sequence, that is  $D^*(x_n, x_n, x_m) \rightarrow 0$  as  $n, m \rightarrow \infty$ , with no loss of generality assume  $m \geq n$ .

since  $D^*(x_n, x_n, x_m) = D^*(x_m, x_m, x_n)$ , then we have the following cases.

**Case 1:**  $x_n = f_1(x_{n-1}), x_m = f_2(x_{m-1})$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} D^*(x_n, x_n, x_m) &= D^*(f_1(x_{n-1}), f_1(x_{n-1}), f_2(x_{m-1})) \\ &\leq D^*(f_1(x_{n-1}), f_2(x_{m-1}), f_3(x_{n-1})) \leq \alpha^n D^*(x_0, x_0, f_2(x_{m-n})) \\ &\leq \alpha^n \lambda_2 D^*(x_0, x_0, x_{m-n}) \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } m, n \rightarrow \infty. \end{aligned}$$

**Case 2:**  $x_n = f_1(x_{n-1}), x_m = f_3(x_{m-1})$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} D^*(x_n, x_n, x_m) &= D^*(f_1(x_{n-1}), f_1(x_{n-1}), f_3(x_{m-1})) \\ &\leq D^*(f_1(x_{n-1}), f_2(x_{m-1}), f_3(x_{n-1})) \leq \alpha^n D^*(x_0, x_0, f_2(x_{m-n})) \\ &\leq \alpha^n \lambda_2 D^*(x_0, x_0, x_{m-n}) \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } m, n \rightarrow \infty. \end{aligned}$$

**Case 3:**  $x_n = f_2(x_{n-1}), x_m = f_3(x_{m-1})$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} D^*(x_n, x_n, x_m) &= D^*(f_2(x_{n-1}), f_2(x_{n-1}), f_3(x_{m-1})) \\ &\leq D^*(f_1(x_{n-1}), f_2(x_{n-1}), f_3(x_{m-1})) \leq \alpha^n D^*(x_0, x_0, f_3(x_{m-n})) \\ &\leq \alpha^n \lambda_3 D^*(x_0, x_0, x_{m-n}) \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } m, n \rightarrow \infty. \end{aligned}$$

So  $\{x_n\}$  is Cauchy sequence in the complete  $D^*$ -metric space  $X$ , then there exist  $x \in X$ , such that  $x_n$  is converges to  $x$ .

Now we want to prove that  $x$  is fixed point of  $f_1$  and by a similar idea we can show that  $x$  is fixed point of  $f_2$  and  $f_3$ .

$x$  is a fixed point for  $f_1$ .

$$\begin{aligned} D^*(f_1(x), x, x) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} D^*(f_1(x), x_{3n+2}, x_{3n+3}) \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} D^*(f_1(x), f_2(x_{3n+1}), f_3(x_{3n+2})) \\ &\leq \alpha \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} D^*(x, x_{3n+1}, x_{3n+2}) \\ &= \alpha D^*(x, x, x). \text{ so } f_1(x) = x. \end{aligned}$$

Now we want to prove uniqueness of the fixed point  $x$ . Assume there exist another common fixed point  $y$ , that is  $f_1(y) = f_2(y) = f_3(y) = y$ . Now  $D^*(x, y, y) = D^*(f_1(x), f_2(y), f_3(y)) \leq \alpha D^*(x, y, y)$

Since  $\alpha \in (0, 1)$ , then  $D^*(x, y, y) = 0$ , hence  $y = x$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 3.** Let  $X$  be a complete  $D^*$ -metric space and  $g, f : X \rightarrow X$  be any two maps such that

$D^*(gf(x), f(x), y) \leq \alpha D^*(f(x), x, y)$ , for all  $x, y \in O(f, g, x_0)$ ,  $x_0 \in X$  and  $0 \leq \alpha < \frac{1}{2}$ , then  $g, f$  have a unique common fixed point.

*Proof.* Defined a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $X$  as follow,

$$x_n = \begin{cases} f(x_{n-1}), & \text{if } n \text{ is odd} \\ g(x_{n-1}), & \text{if } n \text{ is even} \end{cases}$$

Set  $d_n = D^*(x_n, x_{n+1}, x_{n+2})$  for all  $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{now } d_1 &= D^*(x_1, x_2, x_3) = D^*(f(x_0), gf(x_0), x_2) \\ &\leq \alpha D^*(x_0, f(x_0), x_2) = \alpha D^*(x_0, x_1, x_2) \\ &\leq \alpha D^*(x_0, x_1, x_1) + \alpha D^*(x_1, x_2, x_2) = \alpha d_0 + \alpha d_1, \text{ therefor} \end{aligned}$$

$$d_1 \leq \beta d_0, \text{ where } \beta = \frac{\alpha}{1-\alpha} < 1. \text{ Also,}$$

$$\begin{aligned} d_2 &= D^*(x_2, x_3, x_4) = D^*(gf(x_0), f(x_2), x_4) \\ &\leq \alpha D^*(f(x_0), x_2, x_4) = \alpha D^*(x_1, x_2, x_4) \\ &\leq \alpha D^*(x_1, x_2, x_2) + \alpha D^*(x_2, x_3, x_4) \\ &= \alpha d_1 + \alpha d_2, \text{ therefor } d_2 \leq \beta d_1. \text{ By a similar arguments we have,} \end{aligned}$$

$$d_n \leq \beta d_{n-1} \leq \beta^n d_0 \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

Now we shall prove that  $\{x_n\}$  is Cauchy sequence in  $X$ .

Let  $n, m > n_0$ , for some  $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ , then

$$D^*(x_n, x_n, x_m) \leq \sum_{k=n}^{m-1} D^*(x_k, x_{k+1}, x_{k+1})$$

$= \sum_{k=n}^{m-1} \beta^n \frac{1}{1-\beta} d_0 \rightarrow 0$  as  $n, m \rightarrow \infty$ , therefore  $\{x_n\}$  is a  $D^*$ -Cauchy sequence in a complete  $D^*$ -metric space  $X$ , hence converges to some  $x \in X$ . Since,

$$\begin{aligned} D^*(f(x), x, x) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} D^*(f(x), x_{2n}, x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} D^*(f(x), g(x_{2n-1}), x) \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} D^*(f(x), gf(x_{2n-2}), x) \leq \alpha \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} D^*(f(x), x_{2n-2}, x) \\ &= \alpha \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} D^*(f(x), x_{2n-2}, x) = \alpha \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} D^*(f(x), x, x) \end{aligned}$$

therefore  $D^*(gf(x), f(x), x) = D^*(f(x), x, x) = 0$ , which implies  $g(x) = f(x) = x$ .

To prove uniqueness, if possible suppose there exist  $x \neq y$ , such that  $g(x) = f(x) = x$  and  $g(y) = f(y) = y$ ,

$$\text{then } D^*(x, x, y) = D^*(gf(x), f(x), y) \leq \alpha D^*(f(x), x, y) = \alpha D^*(x, x, y).$$

This implies  $\alpha \geq 1$ .  $x = y$ . □

**Theorem 4.** Let  $X$  be a complete  $D^*$ -metric space and  $f, g, h : X \rightarrow X$  be any three maps satisfy the following conditions

1) There exists,  $x_0 \in X$ , and  $0 < \lambda < 1$ , such that  $D^*(a, b, f(x)) \leq \lambda D^*(a, b, x)$ , for all  $a, b, x \in O(f_1, f_2, f_3, x_0)$  and  $\{a, b, x\} \neq \{x_0\}$

2)  $D^*(hg(x), gf(x), f(x)) \leq \alpha D^*(gf(x), f(x), x)$  for all  $x \in X$  and  $0 < \alpha < 1, \lambda < 1$ .

3) For all  $x, y, z \in O(f, g, h, x_0)$ , we have

$$D^*(f(x), f(x), g(y)) \leq D^*(f(x), g(y), h(z)),$$

$$D^*(f(x), f(x), h(z)) \leq D^*(f(x), g(y), h(z))$$

$$\text{and } D^*(g(y), g(y), h(z)) \leq D^*(f(x), g(y), h(z)).$$

Then  $f, g, h$  have a unique common fixed point.

*Proof.* Let  $X$  be a complete  $D^*$ -metric space and  $f, g, h : X \rightarrow X$  be three maps satisfy the above conditions. By (2), there exists,  $x_0 \in X$ , and a positive real number  $\lambda$ , such that  $D^*(a, b, f_1(x)) \leq \lambda D^*(a, b, x)$ , for all  $x \in O(f, g, h, x_0)$  and  $\{a, b, x\} \neq \{x_0\}$ . Define a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $X$  as follow

$$x_n = \begin{cases} f(x_{n-1}), & n = 1, 4, 7, \dots, 3k+1 \\ g(x_{n-1}), & n = 2, 5, 8, \dots, 3k+2 \\ h(x_{n-1}), & n = 3, 6, 9, \dots, 3k+3 \end{cases}$$

To prove  $\{x_n\}$  is Cauchy sequence, with no loss of generality assume  $m \geq n$

**Case 1:**  $x_n = f(x_{n-1}), x_m = g(x_{m-1})$

$$\begin{aligned}
D^*(x_n, x_n, x_m) &= D^*((f(x_{n-1}), f(x_{n-1}), g(x_{m-1})) \\
&\leq D^*(h(x_{n-1}), g(x_{m-1}), f(x_{n-1})) \\
&= D^*(hg(x_{n-3}), gf(x_{m-2}), f(x_{n-1})) \\
&\leq \alpha D^*(gf(x_{n-3}), f(x_{m-2}), (x_{n-1})) \\
&= \alpha D^*(x_{n-1}, x_{m-1}, x_{n-1}) \leq \dots \\
&\leq \alpha^n D^*(x_0, x_0, f(x_{m-n-1})) \\
&\leq \alpha^n (\lambda)^{m-n} D^*(x_0, x_0, f(x_0)) \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n, m \rightarrow \infty
\end{aligned}$$

**Case 2:**  $x_n = g(x_{n-1}), x_m = h(x_{m-1})$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
D^*(x_n, x_n, x_m) &= D^*(g(x_{n-1}), g(x_{n-1}), h(x_{m-1})) \\
&\leq D^*(h(x_{m-1}), g(x_{n-1}), f(x_{n-1})) \\
&= D^*(hg(x_{m-3}), gf(x_{n-2}), f(x_{n-1})) \\
&\leq \alpha D^*(gf(x_{m-3}), f(x_{n-2}), (x_{n-1})) \\
&= \alpha D^*(x_{n-1}, x_{m-1}, x_{n-1}) \leq \dots \\
&\leq \alpha^n D^*(x_0, f(x_{m-n-1}), x_0) \\
&\leq \alpha^n (\lambda)^{m-n} D^*(x_0, x_0, f(x_0)) \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n, m \rightarrow \infty
\end{aligned}$$

**Cas 3:**  $x_n = f(x_{n-1}), x_m = h(x_{m-1})$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
D^*(x_n, x_n, x_m) &= D^*((f(x_{n-1}), f(x_{n-1}), h(x_{m-1})) \\
&\leq D^*(h(x_{m-1}), g(x_{n-1}), f(x_{n-1})) \\
&= D^*(hg(x_{m-3}), gf(x_{n-2}), f(x_{n-1})) \\
&\leq \alpha D^*(gf(x_{m-3}), f(x_{n-2}), (x_{n-1})) \\
&= \alpha D^*(x_{n-1}, x_{m-1}, x_{n-1}) \leq \dots \\
&\leq \alpha^n D^*(x_0, f(x_{m-n-1}), x_0) \\
&\leq \alpha^n (\lambda)^{m-n} D^*(x_0, x_0, f(x_0)) \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n, m \rightarrow \infty.
\end{aligned}$$

So  $\{x_n\}$  converges to some element say  $x \in X$ .

Now we want to prove that  $x$  is fixed point of  $f, g, h$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
(i) D^*(f(x), x, x) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} D^*(f(x), x_{3n-3}, x_{3n-1}) \\
&= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} D^*(hg(x_{3n-5}), gf(x_{3n-2}), f(x)) \\
&\leq \alpha \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} D^*(x_{3n-3}, x_{3n-1}, x) = \alpha D^*(x, x, x) \\
(ii) D^*(x, g(x), x) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} D^*(f(x), g(x), x_{3n-3})
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} D^*(hgf(x_{3n-5}), gf(x), f(x)) \\
&\leq \alpha \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} D^*(gf(x_{3n-5}), f(x), x) \\
&= \alpha \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} D^*(x_{3n-5}, x, x) D^*(x, x, x) \\
(iii) \quad &D^*(x, x, h(x)) = D^*(f(x), gf(x), hg(x)) \\
&\leq \alpha D^*(x, f(x), fg(x)) \\
&= \alpha D^*(x, x, x)
\end{aligned}$$

If possible suppose there exist  $x, y \in X$ ,  $x \neq y$  and  $f(x) = g(x) = h(x) = x$  and  $f(y) = g(y) = h(y) = y$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{then } &D^*(x, y, y) = D^*(f(x), gf(y), hg(y)) \\
&\leq \alpha D^*(x, y, y)
\end{aligned}$$

This implies  $\alpha \geq 1$ , which is contradiction, hence  $h, g$  and  $f$  have a unique fixed point.  $\square$

Now we will prove the next theorem

**Theorem 5.** Let  $X$  be a complete metric space  $D^*$ -metric space  $f_1, f_2, f_3 : X \rightarrow X$  be any three maps satisfy the following conditions

1)  $D^*(f_1(x), f_2(y), f_3(z)) \leq \alpha \{D^*(x, y, z) + D^*(x, f_1(x), f_2(y)) + D^*(y, f_2(y), f_3(z))\}$  For all  $x, y, z \in X$  and  $0 \leq \alpha < 1/3$

2)  $f_1, f_2, f_3$  are orbitally contractive.

3)  $D^*(f_1(x), f_1(x), f_2(y)) \leq D^*(f_1(x), f_2(y), f_3(z))$ ,

$$D^*(f_1(x), f_1(x), f_3(z)) \leq D^*(f_1(x), f_2(y), f_3(z))$$

and  $D^*(f_2(y), f_2(y), f_3(z)) \leq D^*(f_1(x), f_2(y), f_3(z))$  for all  $x, y, z \in X$

then  $f_1, f_2$  and  $f_3$  have a unique common fixed point

*Proof.* Since  $f_1, f_2, f_3$  are orbitally contractive, there exists  $x_0 \in X$ , and a three positive real numbers  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2$  and  $\lambda_3$  such that  $D^*(a, b, f_i(x)) \leq \lambda_i D^*(a, b, x)$ , for all  $x \in O(f_1, f_2, f_3, x_0)$  and  $\{a, b, x\} \neq \{x_0\}$ . Defined a sequence  $x_n$  by,

$$x_n = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} f_1(x_{n-1}), n = 1, 4, \dots, 3k-2 \\ f_2(x_{n-1}), n = 2, 5, \dots, 3k-1 \\ f_3(x_{n-1}), n = 3, 6, \dots, 3k \end{array} \right\}$$

To prove that  $\{x_n\}$  is Cauchy sequence, assume  $m \geq n$ .

Case1:  $x_n = f_1(x_{n-1})$ ,  $x_m = f_2(x_{m-1})$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
D^*(x_n, x_n, x_m) &= D^*(f_1(x_{n-1}), f_1(x_{n-1}), f_2(x_{m-1})) \\
&\leq D^*(f_1(x_{n-1}), f_2(x_{m-1}), f_3(x_{n-1})) \\
&\leq \alpha \{ D^*(x_{n-1}, x_{n-1}, x_{m-1}) + D^*(x_{n-1}, f_1(x_{n-1}), f_2(x_{m-1})) \\
&\quad + D^*(x_{m-1}, f_2(x_{m-1}), f_3(x_{n-1})) \} \\
&\leq \alpha \{ D^*(x_{n-1}, x_{n-1}, x_{m-1}) + \lambda_1 D^*(x_{n-1}, x_{n-1}, f_2(x_{m-1})) \\
&\quad + \lambda_2 D^*(x_{m-1}, x_{m-1}, f_3(x_{n-1})) \} \\
&\leq \alpha \{ D^*(x_{n-1}, x_{n-1}, x_{m-1}) + \lambda_1 \lambda_2 D^*(x_{n-1}, x_{n-1}, x_{m-1}) \\
&\quad + \lambda_2 \lambda_3 D^*(x_{m-1}, x_{m-1}, x_{n-1}) \} \\
&= \beta D^*(x_{n-1}, x_{n-1}, x_{m-1}), \text{ were } \beta = \alpha \{ 1 + \lambda_1 \lambda_2 + \lambda_2 \lambda_3 \} < 1.
\end{aligned}$$

Continuo this way, we obtain,

$$\begin{aligned}
D^*(x_n, x_n, x_m) &\leq \beta D^*(x_{n-1}, x_{n-1}, x_{m-1}) \leq \beta^2 D^*(x_{n-2}, x_{n-2}, x_{m-2}) \\
&\leq \beta^n D^*(x_0, x_0, x_{m-n}) \leq \beta^n (\lambda_3)^{m-n} D^*(x_0, x_0, f(x_0)) \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n, m \rightarrow \infty
\end{aligned}$$

Case2:  $x_n = f_1(x_{n-1})$ ,  $x_m = f_3(x_{m-1})$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
D^*(x_n, x_n, x_m) &= D^*(f_1(x_{n-1}), f_1(x_{n-1}), f_3(x_{m-1})) \\
&\leq D^*(f_1(x_{n-1}), f_2(x_{n-1}), f_3(x_{m-1})) \\
&\leq \alpha \{ D^*(x_{n-1}, x_{n-1}, x_{m-1}) + D^*(x_{n-1}, f_1(x_{n-1}), f_2(x_{n-1})) \\
&\quad + D^*(x_{n-1}, f_2(x_{n-1}), f_3(x_{m-1})) \} \\
&\leq \alpha \{ D^*(x_{n-1}, x_{n-1}, x_{m-1}) + \lambda_1 D^*(x_{n-1}, x_{n-1}, f_2(x_{n-1})) \\
&\quad + \lambda_2 D^*(x_{m-1}, x_{n-1}, f_3(x_{m-1})) \} \\
&\leq \alpha \{ D^*(x_{n-1}, x_{n-1}, x_{m-1}) + \lambda_1 \lambda_2 D^*(x_{n-1}, x_{n-1}, x_{n-1}) \\
&\quad + \lambda_2 \lambda_3 D^*(x_{m-1}, x_{n-1}, x_{m-1}) \} \\
&= \beta D^*(x_{n-1}, x_{n-1}, x_{m-1}), \text{ were } \beta = \alpha \{ 1 + \lambda_1 \lambda_2 + \lambda_2 \lambda_3 \} < 1.
\end{aligned}$$

Continuo this way, as in case1, we obtain,

$$D^*(x_n, x_n, x_m) \leq \beta^n (\lambda_3)^{m-n} D^*(x_0, x_0, f(x_0)) \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n, m \rightarrow \infty$$

Case3:  $x_n = f_2(x_{n-1})$ ,  $x_m = f_3(x_{m-1})$  is similar to the other cases.

from the above cases,  $x$  converges to some point  $x \in X$ .

Now we want to prove that  $x$  is fixed point for  $f_1$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
D^*(f_1(x), x, x) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} D^*(f_1(x), x_{(3n-1)}, x_{3n}) \\
&= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} D^*(f_1(x), f_2(x_{3n-2}), f_3(x_{3n-1}))
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \alpha \{ D^*(x, x_{3n-2}, x_{3n-1}) + D^*(x, f_1(x), f_2(x_{3n-2})) \\
&+ D^*(x_{3n-2}, f_2(x_{3n-2}), f_3(x_{3n-1})) \} \\
&\leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \alpha \{ D^*(x, x_{3n-2}, x_{3n-1}) + D^*(x, f_1(x), x_{3n-1}) \\
&+ D^*(x_{3n-2}, x_{3n-1}, x_{3n}) \} \\
&\leq \alpha D^*(x, f_1(x), x)
\end{aligned}$$

This implies  $D^*(x, f_1(x), x) = 0$ . So  $x$  is fixed point for  $f_1$ , similarly for  $f_2, f_3$ .

Now we want to prove that  $x$  is a unique common fixed point of  $f_1, f_2, f_3$ .

Let  $y \neq x$  be such that

$$f_1(x) = f_2(x) = f_3(x) = x \text{ and } f_1(y) = f_2(y) = f_3(y) = y,$$

then  $D^*(x, y, y) = D^*(f_1(x), f_2(y), f_3(y)) \leq \alpha (D^*(x, y, y) + D^*(x, x, y) + D^*(y, y, y))$   
 $= 2\alpha \{D^*(x, y, y)\}$ , which is a contradiction, unless  $D^*(x, y, y) = 0$ , which implies that  
 $f_1, f_2, f_3$  have a unique common fixed point.  $\square$

Using the same procedures we can prove the following.

**Theorem 6.** Let  $X$  be a complete  $D^*$ -metric space and  $f_1, f_2, f_3 : X \rightarrow X$  be any three maps satisfy the following conditions

- 1)  $D^*(f_1(x), f_2(y), f_3(z)) \leq \alpha_1 D^*(x, y, z) + \alpha_2 \{D^*(x, f_1(x), f_2(y)) + D^*(y, f_2(y), f_3(z))\} + \alpha_3 \{D^*(x, y, f_2(y)) + D^*(y, z, f_3(z))\}$   
 $\text{for all } x, y, z \in X \text{ and } 0 \leq \alpha_1 + 2\alpha_2 + 2\alpha_3 < 1$
- 2)  $f_1, f_2, f_3$  are orbitally contractive .
- 3)  $D^*(f_1(x), f_1(x), f_2(y)) \leq D^*(f_1(x), f_2(y), f_3(z)),$   
 $D^*(f_1(x), f_1(x), f_3(z)) \leq D^*(f_1(x), f_2(y), f_3(z))$   
 $\text{and } D^*(f_2(y), f_2(y), f_3(z)) \leq D^*(f_1(x), f_2(y), f_3(z)) \text{ for all } x, y, z \in X$   
 $\text{then } f_1, f_2 \text{ and } f_3 \text{ have a unique common fixed point}$

*Proof.* Since  $f_1, f_2, f_3$  are orbitally contractive, there exists  $x_0 \in X$ , and a three positive real numbers  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2$  and  $\lambda_3$  such that  $D^*(a, b, f_i(x)) \leq \lambda_i D^*(a, b, x)$ , for all  $x \in O(f_1, f_2, f_3, x_0)$  and  $\{a, b, x\} \neq \{x_0\}$ . Defined a sequence  $x_n$  in  $X$  as,

$$x_n = \begin{cases} f_1(x_{n-1}), n = 1, 4, \dots, 3k-2 \\ f_2(x_{n-1}), n = 2, 5, \dots, 3k-1 \\ f_3(x_{n-1}), n = 3, 6, \dots, 3k \end{cases}$$

To prove that  $\{x_n\}$  is Cauchy sequence suppose  $m \geq n$ , as in the prove of Theorem (5), we shall prove the case,

$$\begin{aligned} x_n &= f_1(x_{n-1}), x_m = f_2(x_{m-1}). \text{ Now, } D^*(x_n, x_n, x_m) = D^*(f_1(x_{n-1}), f_1(x_{n-1}), f_2(x_{m-1})) \\ &= D^*(f_1(x_{n-1}), f_2(x_{m-1}), f_3(x_{n-1})) \\ &\leq \alpha_1 D^*(x_{n-1}, x_{m-1}, x_{n-1}) + \alpha_2 [D^*(x_{n-1}, f_1(x_{n-1}), f_2(x_{m-1})) + D^*(x_{m-1}, f_2(x_{m-1}), f_3(x_{n-1}))] \\ &\quad + \alpha_3 [D^*(x_{n-1}, x_{m-1}, f_2(x_{m-1})) + D^*(x_{m-1}, x_{n-1}, f_3(x_{n-1}))] \\ &\leq \alpha_1 D^*(x_{n-1}, x_{m-1}, x_{n-1}) + \alpha_2 [\lambda_1 D^*(x_{n-1}, x_{n-1}, f_2(x_{m-1})) + \lambda_2 D^*(x_{m-1}, x_{m-1}, f_3(x_{n-1}))] \\ &\quad + \alpha_3 [\lambda_2 D^*(x_{n-1}, x_{m-1}, x_{m-1}) + \lambda_3 D^*(x_{m-1}, x_{n-1}, x_{n-1})] \\ &\leq \alpha_1 D^*(x_{n-1}, x_{m-1}, x_{n-1}) \\ &\quad + \alpha_2 [\lambda_1 \lambda_2 D^*(x_{n-1}, x_{n-1}, x_{m-1}) + \lambda_2 \lambda_3 D^*(x_{m-1}, x_{m-1}, x_{n-1})] \\ &\quad + \alpha_3 [\lambda_2 D^*(x_{n-1}, x_{m-1}, x_{m-1}) + \lambda_3 D^*(x_{m-1}, x_{n-1}, x_{n-1})] \\ &\leq (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2(\lambda_1 \lambda_2 + \lambda_2 \lambda_3) + \alpha_3(\lambda_2 + \lambda_3)) D^*(x_{n-1}, x_{m-1}, x_{n-1}) \\ &\leq \beta D^*(x_{n-1}, x_{m-1}, x_{n-1}) \text{ where } \beta = \alpha_1 + 2\alpha_2 + 2\alpha_3 \text{ and } 0 \leq \beta < 1. \end{aligned}$$

Continuo this way we obtained,

$$\begin{aligned} D^*(x_n, x_n, x_m) &\leq \beta D^*(x_{n-2}, x_{m-2}, x_{n-2}) \leq \dots \\ &\leq \beta^n D^*(x_0, x_{m-n}, x_0) = \beta^n (\max \{\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3\})^{m-n-1} D^*(x_0, x_1, x_0) \rightarrow 0 \text{ as} \end{aligned}$$

$n, m \rightarrow \infty$ .

So  $\{x_n\}$  is Cauchy hence, converges to some point say  $x \in X$ .

Now we want to prove that  $x$  is fixed point for  $f_1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} D^*(f_1(x), x, x) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} D^*(f_1(x), x_{3n-1}, x_{3n}) \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} D^*(f_1(x), f_2(x_{3n-2}), f_3(x_{3n-1})) \\ &\leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \alpha_1 D^*(x, x_{3n-2}, x_{3n-1}) \\ &\quad + \alpha_2 [D^*(x, f_1(x), f_2(x_{3n-2})) + D^*(x_{3n-2}, f_2(x_{3n-2}), f_3(x_{3n-1}))] \\ &\quad + \alpha_3 [D^*(x, x_{3n-2}, f_2(x_{3n-2})) + D^*(x_{3n-2}, x_{3n-1}, f_3(x_{3n-1}))] \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\alpha_1 D^*(x, x_{3n-2}, x_{3n-1})) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + \alpha_2 [D^*(x, f_1(x), x_{3n-1})] + D^*(x_{3n-2}, x_{3n-1}, x_{3n}) \\
& + \alpha_3 [D^*(x, x_{3n-2}, x_{3n-1}) + D^*(x_{3n-2}, x_{3n-1}, x_{3n})] \\
& = \alpha_2 D^*(x, f_1(x), x).
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $D^*(x, f_1(x), x) = 0$ , So  $x$  fixed point for  $f_1$ .

Similarly for  $f_2, f_3$

For the uniqueness, suppose there exist  $y \neq x$ , such that  $x, y$  are common fixed points for  $f_1, f_2, f_3$ , then

$$\begin{aligned}
D^*(x, y, y) &= D^*(f_1(x), f_2(y), f_3(y)) \\
&\leq \alpha_1 D^*(x, y, y) + \alpha_2 \{D^*(x, f_1(x), f_2(y)) \\
&\quad + D^*(y, f_2(y), f_3(y))\} + \alpha_3 \{D^*(x, y, f_2(y)) + D^*(y, y, f_3(y))\} \\
&= (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha_3) D^*(x, y, y) < D^*(x, y, y)
\end{aligned}$$

□

**Theorem 7.** let  $X$  be a complete  $D^*$ -metric space and  $f_1, f_2, f_3 : X \rightarrow X$  be any three maps satisfies the followings

1)  $D^*(f_1(x), f_2(y), f_3(z))$

$\leq \alpha \max \{D^*(x, y, z), D^*(x, f_1(x), f_2(y)), D^*(y, f_2(y), f_3(z)), D^*(x, y, f_2(y)), D^*(y, z, f_3(z))\}$

for all  $x, y, z \in X$ ,  $0 \leq \alpha < 1$

2)  $f_1, f_2, f_3$  are orbitally contractive orbitally.

3)  $D^*(f_1(x), f_1(x), f_2(y)) \leq D^*(f_1(x), f_2(y), f_3(z))$ ,

$D^*(f_1(x), f_1(x), f_3(z)) \leq D^*(f_1(x), f_2(y), f_3(z))$

and  $D^*(f_2(y), f_2(y), f_3(z)) \leq D^*(f_1(x), f_2(y), f_3(z))$  for all  $x, y, z \in X$

then  $f_1, f_2$  and  $f_3$  have a unique common fixed point

*Proof.* Since  $f_1, f_2, f_3$  are orbitally contractive, there exists  $x_0 \in X$ , and a three positive real numbers  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2$  and  $\lambda_3$  such that  $D^*(a, b, f_i(x)) \leq \lambda_i D^*(a, b, x)$ , for all  $x \in O(f_1, f_2, f_3, x_0)$  and  $\{a, b, x\} \neq \{x_0\}$ . Defined a sequence  $x_n$  in  $X$  as,

$$x_n = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} f_1(x_{n-1}), n = 1, 4, \dots, 3k-2 \\ f_2(x_{n-1}), n = 2, 5, \dots, 3k-1 \\ f_3(x_{n-1}), n = 3, 6, \dots, 3k \end{array} \right\}$$

To prove that  $\{x_n\}$  is Cauchy sequence suppose  $m \geq n$ , as in the prove of Theorem (5), we shall prove the case,

$x_n = f_1(x_{n-1})$ ,  $x_m = f_2(x_{m-1})$ . Now,

with no loss of generality suppose  $m \geq n$

$$\begin{aligned}
D^*(x_n, x_n, x_m) &= D^*(f_1(x_{n-1}), f_1(x_{n-1}), f_2(x_{m-1})) \\
&\leq D^*(f_1(x_{n-1}), f_2(x_{m-1}), f_3(x_{n-1})) \\
&\leq \alpha \max\{D^*(x_{n-1}, x_{m-1}, x_{n-1}), D^*(x_{n-1}, f_1(x_{n-1}), f_2(x_{m-1})), \\
&\quad D^*(x_{m-1}, f_2(x_{m-1}), f_3(x_{n-1})), D^*(x_{n-1}, x_{m-1}, f_2(x_{m-1})), D^*(x_{m-1}, x_{n-1}, f_3(x_{n-1}))\} \\
&\leq \alpha \max\{D^*(x_{n-1}, x_{m-1}, x_{n-1}), \lambda_1 D^*(x_{n-1}, x_{n-1}, f_2(x_{m-1})), \lambda_2 D^*(x_{m-1}, x_{m-1}, f_3(x_{n-1})), \\
&\quad D^*(x_{n-1}, x_{m-1}, f_2(x_{m-1})), D^*(x_{m-1}, x_{n-1}, f_3(x_{n-1}))\} \\
&\leq \alpha \max\{D^*(x_{n-1}, x_{m-1}, x_{n-1}), \lambda_1 \lambda_2 D^*(x_{n-1}, x_{n-1}, x_{m-1}), \lambda_2 \lambda_3 D^*(x_{m-1}, x_{m-1}, x_{n-1}), \\
&\quad \lambda_2 D^*(x_{n-1}, x_{m-1}, x_{m-1}), \lambda_3 D^*(x_{m-1}, x_{n-1}, x_{n-1})\} \\
&\leq \alpha D^*(x_{n-1}, x_{m-1}, x_{n-1})
\end{aligned}$$

continuo this way we obtained,

$$\begin{aligned}
D^*(x_n, x_n, x_m) &\leq \alpha^2 D^*(x_{n-2}, x_{m-2}, x_{n-2}) \leq \dots \\
&\leq \alpha^n D^*(x_0, x_{m-n}, x_0) \\
&= \alpha^n (\max\{\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3\})^{m-n-1} D^*(x_0, x_1, x_0) \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n, m \rightarrow \infty.
\end{aligned}$$

So  $\{x_n\}$  is Cauchy hence, converges to some point say  $x \in X$ .

Now we want to prove that  $x$  is fixed point for  $f_1$ ,

Suppose that  $f_1(x) \neq x$

$$\begin{aligned}
D^*(f_1(x), x, x) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} D^*(f_1(x), x_{3n-1}, x_{3n}) \\
&= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} D^*(f_1(x), f_2(x_{3n-2}), f_3(x_{3n-1})) \\
&\leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \alpha \max\{D^*(x, x_{3n-2}, x_{3n-1}), D^*(x, f_1(x), f_2(x_{3n-2})), D^*(x_{3n-2}, f_2(x_{3n-2}), f_3(x_{3n-1}))\}, \\
&\quad D^*(x_{n-1}, x_{m-1}, f_2(x_{3n-2})), D^*(x_{3n-1}, x_{3n-1}, f_3(x_{3n-1}))\} \\
&\leq \max \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \alpha \{D^*(x, x_{3n-2}, x_{3n-1}), D^*(x, f_1(x), f_2(x_{3n-2})), \\
&\quad D^*(x_{3n-2}, f_2(x_{3n-2}), f_3(x_{3n-1})), D^*(x_{n-1}, x_{m-1}, f_2(x_{3n-2})), D^*(x_{3n-1}, x_{3n-1}, f_3(x_{3n-1}))\} \\
&= \max \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \alpha \{D^*(x, x_{3n-2}, x_{3n-1}), D^*(x, f_1(x), x_{3n-1}), D^*(x_{3n-2}, x_{3n-1}, x_{3n}), \\
&\quad D^*(x_{n-1}, x_{3n-2}, x_{3n-1}), D^*(x_{3n-1}, x_{3n-1}, x_{3n-1})\} \\
&= \max \alpha \{D^*(x, x, x), D^*(x, f_1(x), x), D^*(x, x, x), D^*(x, x, x), D^*(x, x, x)\} \\
&= \alpha \max \{D^*(x, f_1(x), x), 0\}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \alpha D^*(x, f_1(x), x) \\
&< D^*(x, f_1(x), x)
\end{aligned}$$

Contradiction

Therefore  $D^*(x, f_1(x), x) = 0$ , So  $x$  fixed point for  $f_1$ .

Similarly for  $f_2, f_3$

For the uniqueness, suppose there exist  $y \neq x$ , such that  $x, y$  are common fixed points for  $f_1, f_2, f_3$ , then

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{then } D^*(x, y, y) &= D^*(f_1(x), f_2(y), f_3(y)) \\
&\leq \alpha \max\{D^*(x, y, y), D^*(x, f_1(x), f_2(y)), D^*(y, f_2(y), f_3(y)), D^*(x, y, f_2(y)), D^*(y, y, f_3(y))\} \\
&\leq \alpha \max\{D^*(x, y, y), D^*(x, x, y), D^*(y, y, y), D^*(x, y, y), D^*(y, y, y)\} \\
&= \alpha D^*(x, y, y) < D^*(x, y, y)
\end{aligned}$$

This is a contradiction

Hence  $f_1, f_2$  and  $f_3$  have a unique common fixed point.  $\square$

**Theorem 8.** let  $X$  be a complete  $D^*$ -metric space and  $f_1, f_2, f_3 : X \rightarrow X$  be any three maps satisfies the followings

$$1) D^*(f_1(x), f_2(y), f_3(z)) \leq \alpha_1 D^*(x, y, z) + \alpha_2 \max\{D^*(x, f_1(x), f_2(y)), D^*(y, f_2(y), f_3(z))\}$$

for all  $x, y, z \in X$ ,  $0 \leq \alpha_1 + 2\alpha_2 < 1$

2)  $f_1, f_2, f_3$  are orbitally contractive.

$$3) D^*(f_1(x), f_1(x), f_2(y)) \leq D^*(f_1(x), f_2(y), f_3(z)),$$

$$D^*(f_1(x), f_1(x), f_3(z)) \leq D^*(f_1(x), f_2(y), f_3(z))$$

and  $D^*(f_2(y), f_2(y), f_3(z)) \leq D^*(f_1(x), f_2(y), f_3(z))$  for all  $x, y, z \in X$ .

then  $f_1, f_2, f_3$  have a unique common fixed point.

*Proof.* Since  $f_1, f_2, f_3$  are orbitally contractive, there exists  $x_0 \in X$ , and a three positive real numbers  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2$  and  $\lambda_3$  such that  $D^*(a, b, f_i(x)) \leq \lambda_i D^*(a, b, x)$ , for all  $x \in O(f_1, f_2, f_3, x_0)$  and  $\{a, b, x\} \neq \{x_0\}$ . Defined a sequence  $x_n$  in  $X$  as,

$$x_n = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} f_1(x_{n-1}), n = 1, 4, \dots, 3k-2 \\ f_2(x_{n-1}), n = 2, 5, \dots, 3k-1 \\ f_3(x_{n-1}), n = 3, 6, \dots, 3k \end{array} \right\}$$

To prove that  $\{x_n\}$  is Cauchy sequence suppose  $m \geq n$ , as in the prove of Theorem (5), we shall prove the case,

with no loss of generality suppose  $m \geq n$

$$\begin{aligned}
 D^*(x_n, x_m, x_m) &= D^*(f_1(x_{n-1}), f_1(x_{n-1}), f_2(x_{m-1})) \\
 &\leq D^*(f_1(x_{n-1}), f_2(x_{m-1}), f_3(x_{n-1})) \\
 &\leq \alpha_1 D^*(x_{n-1}, x_{m-1}, x_{n-1}) \\
 &\quad + \alpha_2 \max\{D^*(x_{n-1}, f_1(x_{n-1}), f_2(x_{m-1})), D^*(x_{m-1}, f_2(x_{m-1}), f_3(x_{n-1}))\} \\
 &\leq \alpha_1 D^*(x_{n-1}, x_{m-1}, x_{n-1}) \\
 &\quad + \alpha_2 \max\{\lambda_1 D^*(x_{n-1}, x_{n-1}, f_2(x_{m-1})), \lambda_2 D^*(x_{m-1}, x_{m-1}, f_3(x_{n-1}))\} \\
 &\leq \alpha_1 D^*(x_{n-1}, x_{m-1}, x_{n-1}) \\
 &\quad + \alpha_2 \max\{\lambda_1 \lambda_2 D^*(x_{n-1}, x_{n-1}, x_{m-1}), \lambda_2 \lambda_3 D^*(x_{m-1}, x_{m-1}, x_{n-1})\} \\
 &\leq \alpha_1 D^*(x_{n-1}, x_{m-1}, x_{n-1}) \\
 &\quad + \alpha_2 \{\lambda_1 \lambda_2 D^*(x_{n-1}, x_{n-1}, x_{m-1}) + \lambda_2 \lambda_3 D^*(x_{m-1}, x_{m-1}, x_{n-1})\} \\
 &\leq \alpha_1 D^*(x_{n-1}, x_{m-1}, x_{n-1}) + 2\alpha_2 D^*(x_{n-1}, x_{n-1}, x_{m-1}) \\
 &= (\alpha_1 + 2\alpha_2) D^*(x_{n-1}, x_{m-1}, x_{n-1})
 \end{aligned}$$

Let  $\beta = (\alpha_1 + 2\alpha_2)$  then  $\beta \leq 1$

$$D^*(x_n, x_m, x_n) \leq \beta D^*(x_{n-1}, x_{m-1}, x_{n-1})$$

continuo this way we obtained

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\leq \beta^2 D^*(x_{n-2}, x_{m-2}, x_{n-2}) \\
 &\quad \cdot \\
 &\quad \cdot \\
 &\leq \beta^n ((\max\{\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3\})^{m-n-1} D^*(x_0, x_1, x_0)) \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n, m \rightarrow \infty.
 \end{aligned}$$

Now we want to prove that  $x$  is fixed point for  $f_1$

Suppose that  $f_1(x) \neq x$

$$\begin{aligned}
 D^*(f_1(x), x, x) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} D^*(f_1(x), x_{3n-1}, x_{3n}) \\
 &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} D^*(f_1(x), f_2(x_{3n-2}), f_3(x_{3n-1})) \\
 &\leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \{\alpha_1 D^*(x, x_{3n-2}, x_{3n-1}) \\
 &\quad + \alpha_2 \max\{D^*(x, f_1(x), f_2(x_{3n-2})), D^*(x_{3n-2}, f_2(x_{3n-2}), f_3(x_{3n-1}))\}\} \\
 &\leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \{\alpha_1 D^*(x, x_{3n-2}, x_{3n-1})
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + \alpha_2 \max\{D^*(x, f_1(x), x_{3n-1}), D^*(x_{3n-2}, x_{3n-1}, x_{3n})\} \\
& \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \alpha_1 D^*(x, x_{3n-2}, x_{3n-1}) \\
& \quad + \alpha_2 \max\{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} D^*(x, f_1(x), x_{3n-1}), \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} D^*(x_{3n-2}, x_{3n-1}, x_{3n})\} \\
& = \alpha_2 D^*(x, f_1(x), x) \\
& < D^*(x, f_1(x), x)
\end{aligned}$$

Contradiction

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For the uniqueness, suppose there exist  $y \neq x$ , such that  $x, y$  are common fixed points for  $f_1, f_2, f_3$ , then

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{then } D^*(x, y, y) &= D^*(f_1(x), f_2(y), f_3(y)) \\
&\leq \alpha_1 D^*(x, y, y) + \alpha_2 \max\{D^*(x, f_1(x), f_2(y)), D^*(y, f_2(y), f_3(y))\} \\
&= \alpha_1 D^*(x, y, y) + \alpha_2 D^*(x, y, y), \\
&= (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2) D^*(x, y, y) \\
&< D^*(x, y, y).
\end{aligned}$$

This is a contradiction

Hence  $f_1, f_2$  and  $f_3$  have a unique common fixed point.  $\square$

## Conflict of Interests

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