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ABSTRACT. We give a method to establish a fixed point via partial b -metric for multivalued mappings. Since the geometry of multivalued fixed points perform a significant role in numerous real-world problems and is fascinating and innovative, we introduce the notions of fixed circle and fixed disc to frame hypotheses to establish fixed circle/ disc theorems in a space that permits non-zero self-distance with a coefficient more significant than one. Stimulated by the reality that the fixed point theorem is the frequently used technique for solving boundary value problems, we solve a pair of elliptic boundary value problems. Our developments cannot be concluded from the current outcomes in related metric spaces. Examples are worked out to substantiate the validity of the hypothesis of our results.

1. INTRODUCTION

Recently fixed point theory has gained remarkable significance in pure and applied mathematics, engineering, computer science, and physical sciences. In 1922, Stefan Banach [3] established a fixed point in a complete metric space of contractive mapping and this conclusion is famous as a Banach contraction principle. Later, this principle has been generalized by many researchers in one way or another in various directions (see, for instance, [1, 9, 11, 21, 23, 40, 42, 45] and references therein). A few of them are Nadler [24], who generalized it considering multivalued contraction; Matthews [22], who introduced with the partial metric; Bhaktin [4] (Czerwick [8]), who introduced with the b -metric, Shukla

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[32], who introduced with the partial b -metric as an enhancement of both b -metric as well as partial metric (see also [35–41]) and Özgür and Taş [25, 26], who initiated the study of the geometry of fixed points. In a metric space (Q, d) , if $C(s_0, r) = \{s \in Q : d(s, s_0) = r\}$ is a circle centred at s_0 and radius r and if $\mathcal{T}s = s$ for every $s \in C(s_0, r)$ then the circle $C(s_0, r)$ is called the fixed circle [25] of a single-valued self mapping \mathcal{T} . However, if $D(s_0, r) = \{s \in Q : d(s, s_0) \leq r\}$ is a disc centred at s_0 and radius r and if $\mathcal{T}s = s$ for every $s \in D(s_0, r)$, then the disc $D(s_0, r)$ is the fixed disc [28] of \mathcal{T} .

The property of non-zero self-distance of any point with a coefficient greater than one in a partial b -metric makes it significant, different, and more generalized than usual metric space. Consequently, we determine the fixed point in a complete partial b -metric space, which can not be concluded from the outcomes in related metric spaces. Also, we demonstrate in this work that our discontinuous multivalued mappings not only fix one element of the space under consideration but also fix a set of fixed points under appropriate conditions which may include some geometrical shape. Further, encouraged by the reality that the theory of fixed point is frequently used for solving boundary value problems, we solve a pair of elliptic boundary value problems.

2. PRELIMINARIES

Definition 2.1 ([32]). A partial b -metric on a non-empty set Q is a mapping $p : Q \times Q \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ satisfying:

- (i) $s = r$ iff $p(s, s) = p(s, r) = p(r, r)$;
- (ii) $p(s, s) \leq p(s, r)$;
- (iii) $p(s, r) = p(r, s)$;
- (iv) \exists a real number $\alpha \geq 1$ satisfying $p(s, w) \leq \alpha(p(s, r) + p(r, w)) - p(r, r)$, $s, r, w \in Q$.

Here, (Q, p) is a partial b -metric space for constant $\alpha \geq 1$.

Remark 2.2 ([32]). If p is a partial b -metric $p(s, r) = 0 \Rightarrow s = r$, $s, r \in Q$, however reverse implication need not be valid.

Remark 2.3 ([32]). It is fascinating to notice that each partial metric is also a partial b -metric for $\alpha = 1$ and each b -metric is also a partial b -metric wherein the distance between any point is zero and the same coefficient but the reverse may not be valid.

Example 2.4 ([32]). Let $Q = \mathbb{R}^+$ and $p : Q \times Q \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ be defined as

$$p(s, r) = [\max\{s, r\}]^k + |s - r|^k, \quad k > 1 \text{ and } s, r \in Q.$$

Then, p is a partial b -metric for $\alpha = 2^k > 1$, however, it is none of a partial metric or a b -metric.

Definition 2.5 ([32]). Let $\{s_n\}$ be a sequence in a partial *b*-metric space (Q, p) for any constant $\alpha \geq 1$. Then

- (i) $\{s_n\}$ converges to s if $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} p(s_n, s) = p(s, s)$.
- (ii) $\{s_n\}$ is a Cauchy sequence if $\lim_{n, m \rightarrow \infty} p(s_n, s_m)$ exists and is finite.
- (iii) (Q, p) is a complete partial *b*-metric if, for every Cauchy sequence $\{s_n\}$ in Q , there exists $s \in Q$ satisfying $\lim_{n, m \rightarrow \infty} p(s_n, s_m) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} p(s_n, s) = p(s, s)$.

It is fascinating to notice that via partial *b*-metric, the limit of a convergent sequence need not be unique.

If map $T : Q \rightarrow Q$ of a non-empty set Q is a multivalued map, (Q, ρ) is a partial metric space [22] and $CB(Q)$ denotes the set of all -empty, bounded, and closed subsets of (Q, ρ) , then an element $s \in Q$ is called a fixed point of T if $s \in Ts$ [24].

Definition 2.6 ([2]). Let $P, R, S \in CB(Q)$ and $H(P, R) = \max\{\delta_\rho(P, R), \delta_\rho(R, P)\}$, where, $\delta_\rho(P, R) = \sup\{\rho(p, R) : p \in P\}$ and $\delta_\rho(R, P) = \sup\{\rho(r, P) : r \in R\}$. We have

- (i) $H(P, R) = 0$ implies that $P = R$;
- (ii) $H(P, P) \leq H(P, R)$;
- (iii) $H(P, R) = H(R, P)$;
- (iv) $H(P, R) \leq H(P, S) + H(S, R) - \inf_{s \in S} \rho(s, s)$.

$H : CB(Q) \times CB(Q) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ is known as partial Pompeiu-Hausdorff metric induced by ρ .

Lemma 2.7 ([2]). Let P and R be non-empty bounded and closed subsets of a partial metric space (Q, ρ) and $\xi > 1$. Then for any $p \in P$ there exists $r = r(p) \in R$ such that $\rho(p, r) \leq \xi H(P, R)$.

Lemma 2.8 ([2]). Let P and R be non-empty, closed, and bounded subsets of a partial metric space (Q, ρ) and $\alpha \in P$, then for $\epsilon > 0, \exists \beta \in R$ satisfying $\rho(\alpha, \beta) \leq H(P, R) + \epsilon$.

3. MAIN RESULTS

First, we establish the fixed point of a discontinuous multivalued mapping making use of iterations via the Hausdorff metric.

Theorem 3.1. Suppose $\mathcal{T} : Q \rightarrow CB(Q)$ be multivalued mapping in a complete partial *b*-metric (Q, p) for $\alpha > 1$, satisfying the conditions

$$(3.1) \quad H(\mathcal{T}s, \mathcal{T}r) \leq \alpha_1 p(s, \mathcal{T}s) + \alpha_2 p(r, \mathcal{T}r) + \alpha_3 p(s, \mathcal{T}r) + \alpha_4 p(r, \mathcal{T}s) \\ + \alpha_5 p(s, r) + \alpha_6 \frac{p(s, \mathcal{T}s)(1 + p(s, \mathcal{T}s))}{1 + p(s, r)};$$

$s, r \in Q$ and $\alpha_i \geq 0$, $1 \leq i \leq 6$, with $\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + 2\alpha\alpha_3 + \alpha_4 + \alpha_5 + \alpha_6 < 1$ and $\alpha_3 \geq \alpha_4$. Then, \mathcal{T} has a fixed point.

Proof. Choose any $s_0 \in Q$. Suppose $s_1 \in \mathcal{T}s_0$. By Lemma 2.8, we may select $s_2 \in \mathcal{T}s_1$, satisfying

$$(3.2) \quad p(s_1, s_2) \leq H(\mathcal{T}s_0, \mathcal{T}s_1) + (\alpha_1 + \alpha\alpha_3 + \alpha_5 + \alpha_6).$$

Using equation (3.1) in equation (3.2), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} p(s_1, s_2) &\leq \alpha_1 p(s_0, \mathcal{T}s_0) + \alpha_2 p(s_1, \mathcal{T}s_1) + \alpha_3 p(s_0, \mathcal{T}s_1) + \alpha_4 p(s_1, \mathcal{T}s_0) \\ &\quad + \alpha_5 p(s_0, s_1) + \alpha_6 \frac{p(s_0, \mathcal{T}s_0)(1 + p(s_0, \mathcal{T}s_0))}{1 + p(s_0, s_1)} \\ &\quad + (\alpha_1 + \alpha\alpha_3 + \alpha_5 + \alpha_6) \\ &\leq \alpha_1 p(s_0, s_1) + \alpha_2 p(s_1, s_2) + \alpha_3 p(s_0, s_2) + \alpha_4 p(s_1, s_1) \\ &\quad + \alpha_5 p(s_0, s_1) + \alpha_6 \frac{p(s_0, s_1)(1 + p(s_0, s_1))}{1 + p(s_0, s_1)} \\ &\quad + (\alpha_1 + \alpha\alpha_3 + \alpha_5 + \alpha_6) \\ &= (\alpha_1 + \alpha_5 + \alpha_6)p(s_0, s_1) + \alpha_2 p(s_1, s_2) + \alpha_3 p(s_0, s_2) \\ &\quad + \alpha_4 p(s_1, s_1) + (\alpha_1 + \alpha\alpha_3 + \alpha_5 + \alpha_6) \\ &\leq (\alpha_1 + \alpha_5 + \alpha_6)p(s_0, s_1) + \alpha_2 p(s_1, s_2) \\ &\quad + \alpha_3(\alpha(p(s_0, s_1) + p(s_1, s_2)) - p(s_1, s_1)) + \alpha_4 p(s_1, s_1) \\ &\quad + (\alpha_1 + \alpha\alpha_3 + \alpha_5 + \alpha_6) \\ &= (\alpha_1 + \alpha\alpha_3 + \alpha_5 + \alpha_6)p(s_0, s_1) + (\alpha_2 + \alpha\alpha_3)p(s_1, s_2) \\ &\quad - (\alpha_3 - \alpha_4)p(s_1, s_1) + (\alpha_1 + \alpha\alpha_3 + \alpha_5 + \alpha_6), \end{aligned}$$

that is,

$$\begin{aligned} p(s_1, s_2) &\leq \left(\frac{\alpha_1 + \alpha\alpha_3 + \alpha_5 + \alpha_6}{1 - (\alpha_2 + \alpha\alpha_3)} \right) p(s_0, s_1) - \left(\frac{\alpha_3 - \alpha_4}{1 - (\alpha_2 + \alpha\alpha_3)} \right) p(s_1, s_1) \\ &\quad + \frac{(\alpha_1 + \alpha\alpha_3 + \alpha_5 + \alpha_6)}{1 - (\alpha_2 + \alpha\alpha_3)} \\ &\leq \left(\frac{\alpha_1 + \alpha\alpha_3 + \alpha_5 + \alpha_6}{1 - (\alpha_2 + \alpha\alpha_3)} \right) p(s_0, s_1) + \left(\frac{\alpha_1 + \alpha\alpha_3 + \alpha_5 + \alpha_6}{1 - (\alpha_2 + \alpha\alpha_3)} \right). \end{aligned}$$

Using Lemma 2.8, there exists $s_3 \in \mathcal{T}s_2$ such that

$$(3.3) \quad p(s_2, s_3) \leq H(\mathcal{T}s_1, \mathcal{T}s_2) + \frac{(\alpha_1 + \alpha\alpha_3 + \alpha_5 + \alpha_6)^2}{1 - (\alpha_2 + \alpha\alpha_3)}.$$

Using equation (3.1) in equation (3.3), we get

$$p(s_2, s_3) \leq \alpha_1 p(s_1, \mathcal{T}s_1) + \alpha_2 p(s_2, \mathcal{T}s_2) + \alpha_3 p(s_1, \mathcal{T}s_2) + \alpha_4 p(s_2, \mathcal{T}s_1)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + \alpha_5 p(s_1, s_2) + \alpha_6 \frac{p(s_1, \mathcal{T}s_1)(1 + p(s_1, \mathcal{T}s_1))}{1 + p(s_1, s_2)} \\
& + \frac{(\alpha_1 + \alpha\alpha_3 + \alpha_5 + \alpha_6)^2}{1 - (\alpha_2 + \alpha\alpha_3)} \\
\leq & \alpha_1 p(s_1, s_2) + \alpha_2 p(s_2, s_3) + \alpha_3 p(s_1, s_3) + \alpha_4 p(s_2, s_2) \\
& + \alpha_5 p(s_1, s_2) + \alpha_6 \frac{p(s_1, s_2)(1 + p(s_1, s_2))}{1 + p(s_1, s_2)} \\
& + \frac{(\alpha_1 + \alpha\alpha_3 + \alpha_5 + \alpha_6)^2}{1 - (\alpha_2 + \alpha\alpha_3)} \\
\leq & \alpha_1 p(s_1, s_2) + \alpha_2 p(s_2, s_3) + \alpha_3 (\alpha(p(s_1, s_2) + p(s_2, s_3)) \\
& - p(s_2, s_2)) + \alpha_4 p(s_2, s_2) + \alpha_5 p(s_1, s_2) \\
& + \alpha_6 \frac{p(s_1, s_2)(1 + p(s_1, s_2))}{1 + p(s_1, s_2)} + \frac{(\alpha_1 + \alpha\alpha_3 + \alpha_5 + \alpha_6)^2}{1 - (\alpha_2 + \alpha\alpha_3)} \\
= & (\alpha_1 + \alpha\alpha_3 + \alpha_5 + \alpha_6)p(s_1, s_2) + (\alpha_2 + \alpha\alpha_3)p(s_2, s_3) \\
& - (\alpha_3 - \alpha_4)p(s_2, s_2) + \frac{(\alpha_1 + \alpha\alpha_3 + \alpha_5 + \alpha_6)^2}{1 - (\alpha_2 + \alpha\alpha_3)} \\
\leq & (\alpha_1 + \alpha\alpha_3 + \alpha_5 + \alpha_6)p(s_1, s_2) + (\alpha_2 + \alpha\alpha_3)p(s_2, s_3) \\
& + \frac{(\alpha_1 + \alpha\alpha_3 + \alpha_5 + \alpha_6)^2}{1 - (\alpha_2 + \alpha\alpha_3)}.
\end{aligned}$$

Which implies

$$p(s_2, s_3) \leq \left(\frac{\alpha_1 + \alpha\alpha_3 + \alpha_5 + \alpha_6}{1 - (\alpha_2 + \alpha\alpha_3)} \right) p(s_1, s_2) + \left(\frac{\alpha_1 + \alpha\alpha_3 + \alpha_5 + \alpha_6}{1 - (\alpha_2 + \alpha\alpha_3)} \right)^2.$$

Continuing this procedure and using the principle of mathematical induction, we acquire a sequence $\{s_n\}$, where $s_n \in \mathcal{T}s_{n-1}$ and $s_{n+1} \in \mathcal{T}s_n$, such that

$$\begin{aligned}
p(s_n, s_{n+1}) & \leq \left(\frac{\alpha_1 + \alpha\alpha_3 + \alpha_5 + \alpha_6}{1 - (\alpha_2 + \alpha\alpha_3)} \right) p(s_{n-1}, s_n) \\
& + \left(\frac{\alpha_1 + \alpha\alpha_3 + \alpha_5 + \alpha_6}{1 - (\alpha_2 + \alpha\alpha_3)} \right)^n, \quad n \in N.
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned}
p(s_n, s_{n+1}) & \leq kp(s_{n-1}, s_n) + k^n \\
& \leq k(kp(s_{n-2}, s_{n-1}) + k^{n-1}) + k^n \\
& \leq k^2 p(s_{n-2}, s_{n-1}) + 2k^n \\
& \vdots
\end{aligned}$$

$$p(s_n, s_{n+1}) \leq k^n p(s_0, s_1) + nk^n,$$

where

$$k = \left(\frac{\alpha_1 + \alpha\alpha_3 + \alpha_5 + \alpha_6}{1 - (\alpha_2 + \alpha\alpha_3)} \right).$$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned} p(s_n, s_{n+p}) &\leq \alpha p(s_n, s_{n+1}) + \alpha^2 p(s_{n+1}, s_{n+2}) + \cdots + \alpha^p p(s_{n+p-1}, s_{n+p}) \\ &\quad - (p(s_{n+1}, s_{n+1}) + p(s_{n+2}, s_{n+2}) + \cdots + p(s_{n+p-1}, s_{n+p-1})) \\ &\leq \alpha[k^n p(s_0, s_1) + nk^n] + \alpha^2[k^{n+1} p(s_0, s_1) + (n+1)k^{n+1}] + \cdots \\ &\quad + \alpha^p[k^{n+p-1} p(s_0, s_1) + (n+p-1)k^{n+p-1}] \\ &\leq [\alpha k^n + \alpha^2 k^{n+1} + \cdots + \alpha^p k^{n+p-1}] p(s_0, s_1) + [\alpha n k^n \\ &\quad + \alpha^2(n+1)k^{n+1} + \cdots + \alpha^p(n+p-1)k^{n+p-1}] \\ &\leq \left[\sum \alpha k^n \right] p(s_0, s_1) + \left[\sum \alpha n k^n \right]. \end{aligned}$$

Since, $0 < k < 1$, $\sum \alpha k^n$ and $\sum \alpha n k^n$ have the same radius of convergence and $\{s_n\}$ is a Cauchy sequence. Completeness of Q implies that there exist $\nu \in Q$ satisfying

$$(3.4) \quad \begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} p(s_n, \nu) &= \lim_{m, n \rightarrow \infty} p(s_n, s_m) \\ &= p(\nu, \nu). \end{aligned}$$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned} p(\nu, \mathcal{T}\nu) &\leq \alpha(p(\nu, s_{n+1}) + p(s_{n+1}, \mathcal{T}\nu)) - p(s_{n+1}, s_{n+1}) \\ &= \alpha(p(\nu, s_{n+1}) + p(\mathcal{T}s_n, \mathcal{T}\nu)) - p(s_{n+1}, s_{n+1}) \\ &\leq \alpha p(\nu, s_{n+1}) + \alpha H(\mathcal{T}s_n, \mathcal{T}\nu) - p(s_{n+1}, s_{n+1}) \\ &\leq \alpha p(\nu, s_{n+1}) + \alpha \left(\alpha_1 p(s_n, \mathcal{T}s_n) + \alpha_2 p(\nu, \mathcal{T}\nu) + \alpha_3 p(s_n, \mathcal{T}\nu) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \alpha_4 p(\nu, \mathcal{T}s_n) + \alpha_5 p(s_n, \nu) + \alpha_6 \frac{p(s_n, \mathcal{T}s_n)(1 + p(s_n, \mathcal{T}s_n))}{1 + p(s_n, \nu)} \right) \\ &\quad - p(s_{n+1}, s_{n+1}) \\ &\leq \alpha p(\nu, s_{n+1}) + \alpha \left(\alpha_1 p(s_n, s_{n+1}) + \alpha_2 p(\nu, \mathcal{T}\nu) + \alpha_3 p(s_n, \mathcal{T}\nu) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \alpha_4 p(\nu, s_{n+1}) + \alpha_5 p(s_n, \nu) \alpha_6 \frac{p(s_n, s_{n+1})(1 + p(s_n, s_{n+1}))}{1 + p(s_n, \nu)} \right) \\ &\quad - p(s_{n+1}, s_{n+1}). \end{aligned}$$

Taking the limit as $n \rightarrow \infty$, we get

$$(1 - \alpha(\alpha_2 + \alpha_3))p(\nu, \mathcal{T}\nu) \leq 0.$$

This implies $p(\nu, \mathcal{T}\nu) = 0$, i.e., $\nu \in \mathcal{T}\nu$. \square

Example 3.2. Let (Q, p) be the complete partial *b*-metric space, where $Q = [0, 3]$ and $p(s, r) = [\max\{s, r\}]^2 + |s - r|^2$. Suppose the mapping $T : Q \rightarrow CB(Q)$ is defined as

$$\mathcal{T}s = \begin{cases} [0, 1], & 0 \leq s \leq 2 \\ \{2\}, & 2 \leq s \leq 3. \end{cases}$$

Taking $\alpha_1 = 0$, $\alpha_2 = \frac{1}{4}$, $\alpha_3 = \frac{1}{20}$, $\alpha_4 = 0$, $\alpha_5 = \frac{3}{10}$, $\alpha_6 = \frac{7}{20}$, $s = 2^2 > 1$, $\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + 2\alpha_3 + \alpha_4 + \alpha_5 = \frac{19}{20} < 1$ and $\alpha_3 \geq \alpha_4$. Now, we have the following cases:

Case I: when $s, r \in [0, 2)$,

$$H(\mathcal{T}s, \mathcal{T}r) = 0 \leq 0 + 8\alpha_2 + 8\alpha_3 + 0 + 8\alpha_5 + 8\alpha_6 \leq \frac{48}{5}.$$

Case II: when $s \in [0, 2)$ and $r \in [2, 3]$,

$$H(\mathcal{T}s, \mathcal{T}r) = 2 \leq 0 + 8\alpha_2 + 18\alpha_3 + 0 + 18\alpha_5 + \frac{6}{19}\alpha_6 \leq \frac{1598}{190}.$$

Case III: when $s \in [2, 3]$ and $r \in [0, 2)$,

$$H(\mathcal{T}s, \mathcal{T}r) = 2 \leq 0 + 2\alpha_2 + 8\alpha_3 + 0 + 18\alpha_5 + \frac{72}{19}\alpha_6 \leq \frac{1449}{190}.$$

Case IV: when $s, r \in [2, 3]$,

$$H(\mathcal{T}s, \mathcal{T}r) = 0 \leq 0 + 2\alpha_2 + 2\alpha_3 + 0 + 18\alpha_5 + \frac{6}{19}\alpha_6 \leq \frac{1161}{190}.$$

Thus, all the hypotheses of the Theorem 3.1 are validated and $\mathbf{F} = [0, 1] \cup \{2\}$ are the fixed points of a discontinuous multivalued mapping \mathcal{T} . Further, one may verify that $p(s, s), s \in \mathbf{F}$ is not equal to zero.

Next, we determine the common fixed point of discontinuous multivalued mappings using of the iterations via the Hausdorff metric. Notably, the containment of range space of the underlying pair of mappings is not exploited, which is frequently used to establish a common fixed point in numerous settings.

Theorem 3.3. Suppose $\mathcal{T}, \mathcal{S} : Q \rightarrow CB(Q)$ be multivalued mappings of a complete partial *b*-metric (Q, p) for $\alpha > 1$, satisfying the conditions:

(3.5)

$$H(\mathcal{T}s, \mathcal{S}r) \leq \alpha_1 p(s, \mathcal{T}s) + \alpha_2 p(r, \mathcal{S}r) + \alpha_3 p(s, \mathcal{S}r) + \alpha_4 p(r, \mathcal{T}s) + \alpha_5 p(s, r),$$

$s, r \in Q$ and $\alpha_i \geq 0, 1 \leq i \leq 5$, with $(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2) + (\alpha_3 + \alpha_4)(\alpha^2 + \alpha) + 2\alpha\alpha_5 < 2$, $\sum_{i=1}^5 \alpha_i = 1$ and $\alpha_3 \geq \alpha_4$, Then, \mathcal{T} and \mathcal{S} have a common fixed point.

Proof. Choose $s_0 \in Q$ and let $s_1 \in \mathcal{T}s_0$ and By Lemma 2.8, we select $s_2 \in \mathcal{S}s_1$ such that

$$\begin{aligned} p(s_1, s_2) &\leq H(\mathcal{T}s_0, \mathcal{S}s_1) + (\alpha_1 + \alpha_5 + \alpha\alpha_3) \\ &\leq \alpha_1 p(s_0, \mathcal{T}s_0) + \alpha_2 p(s_1, \mathcal{S}s_1) + \alpha_3 p(s_0, \mathcal{S}s_1) + \alpha_4 p(s_1, \mathcal{T}s_0) \\ &\quad + \alpha_5 p(s_0, s_1) + (\alpha_1 + \alpha_5 + \alpha\alpha_3) \\ &\leq \alpha_1 p(s_0, s_1) + \alpha_2 p(s_1, s_2) + \alpha_3 p(s_0, s_2) + \alpha_4 p(s_1, s_1) \\ &\quad + \alpha_5 p(s_0, s_1) + (\alpha_1 + \alpha_5 + \alpha\alpha_3) \\ &\leq \alpha_1 p(s_0, s_1) + \alpha_2 p(s_1, s_2) + \alpha_3 (\alpha(p(s_0, s_1) + p(s_1, s_2)) \\ &\quad - \alpha_3 p(s_1, s_1) + \alpha_4 p(s_1, s_1) + \alpha_5 p(s_0, s_1) + (\alpha_1 + \alpha_5 + \alpha\alpha_3)). \end{aligned}$$

On solving, we get

$$(3.6) \quad \begin{aligned} (1 - (\alpha_2 + \alpha\alpha_3))p(s_1, s_2) &\leq (\alpha_1 + \alpha\alpha_3 + \alpha_5)p(s_0, s_1) - \alpha_3 p(s_1, s_1) \\ &\quad + \alpha_4 p(s_1, s_1) + (\alpha_1 + \alpha_5 + \alpha\alpha_3). \end{aligned}$$

By symmetry, we have

$$\begin{aligned} p(s_1, s_2) &= p(s_2, s_1) \\ &= p(\mathcal{S}s_1, \mathcal{T}s_0) \\ &\leq H(\mathcal{S}s_1, \mathcal{T}s_0) + (\alpha_2 + \alpha\alpha_4 + \alpha_5) \\ &\leq \alpha_1 p(s_1, \mathcal{T}s_1) + \alpha_2 p(s_0, \mathcal{S}s_0) + \alpha_3 p(s_1, \mathcal{S}s_0) + \alpha_4 p(s_0, \mathcal{T}s_1) \\ &\quad + \alpha_5 p(s_1, s_0) + (\alpha_2 + \alpha\alpha_4 + \alpha_5) \\ &\leq \alpha_1 p(s_1, s_2) + \alpha_2 p(s_0, s_1) + \alpha_3 p(s_1, s_1) + \alpha_4 p(s_0, s_2) \\ &\quad + \alpha_5 p(s_1, s_0) + (\alpha_2 + \alpha\alpha_4 + \alpha_5) \\ &\leq \alpha_1 p(s_1, s_2) + \alpha_2 p(s_0, s_1) + \alpha_3 p(s_1, s_1) + \alpha_4 (\alpha(p(s_0, s_1) \\ &\quad + p(s_1, s_2)) - \alpha_4 p(s_1, s_1) + \alpha_5 p(s_1, s_0)(\alpha_2 + \alpha\alpha_4 + \alpha_5)). \end{aligned}$$

On solving, we get

$$(3.7) \quad \begin{aligned} (1 - (\alpha_1 + \alpha\alpha_4))p(s_1, s_2) &\leq (\alpha_2 + \alpha\alpha_4 + \alpha_5)p(s_0, s_1) + \alpha_3 p(s_1, s_1) \\ &\quad - \alpha_4 p(s_1, s_1) + \alpha_2 + \alpha\alpha_4 + \alpha_5. \end{aligned}$$

By adding and solving equations (3.6) and (3.7), we get

$$(3.8) \quad \begin{aligned} p(s_1, s_2) &\leq \left(\frac{\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha\alpha_3 + \alpha\alpha_4 + 2\alpha_5}{2 - (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha\alpha_3 + \alpha\alpha_4)} \right) p(s_0, s_1) \\ &\quad + \left(\frac{\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha\alpha_3 + \alpha\alpha_4 + 2\alpha_5}{2 - (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha\alpha_3 + \alpha\alpha_4)} \right). \end{aligned}$$

Now consider $s_3 \in \mathcal{T}s_2$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
p(s_2, s_3) &\leq H(\mathcal{T}s_1, \mathcal{S}s_2) + \frac{(\alpha_1 + \alpha_5 + \alpha\alpha_3)^2}{(2 - (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha\alpha_3 + \alpha\alpha_4))} \\
&\leq \alpha_1 p(s_1, \mathcal{T}s_1) + \alpha_2 p(s_2, \mathcal{S}s_2) + \alpha_3 p(s_1, \mathcal{S}s_2) + \alpha_4 p(s_2, \mathcal{T}s_1) \\
&\quad + \alpha_5 p(s_1, s_2) + \frac{(\alpha_1 + \alpha_5 + \alpha\alpha_3)^2}{(2 - (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha\alpha_3 + \alpha\alpha_4))} \\
&= \alpha_1 p(s_1, s_2) + \alpha_2 p(s_2, s_3) + \alpha_3 p(s_1, s_3) + \alpha_4 p(s_2, s_2) \\
&\quad + \alpha_5 p(s_1, s_2) + \frac{(\alpha_1 + \alpha_5 + \alpha\alpha_3)^2}{(2 - (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha\alpha_3 + \alpha\alpha_4))} \\
&\leq \alpha_1 p(s_1, s_2) + \alpha_2 p(s_2, s_3) + \alpha_3 \alpha(p(s_1, s_2) + p(s_2, s_3)) \\
&\quad - \alpha_3 p(s_2, s_2) + \alpha_4 p(s_2, s_2) \\
&\quad + \alpha_5 p(s_1, s_2) + \frac{(\alpha_1 + \alpha_5 + \alpha\alpha_3)^2}{(2 - (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha\alpha_3 + \alpha\alpha_4))}.
\end{aligned}$$

On solving, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
(3.9) \quad (1 - (\alpha_2 + \alpha\alpha_3))p(s_2, s_3) &\leq (\alpha_1 + \alpha\alpha_3 + \alpha_5)p(s_1, s_2) - \alpha_3 p(s_2, s_2) \\
&\quad + \alpha_4 p(s_2, s_2) + \frac{(\alpha_1 + \alpha_5 + \alpha\alpha_3)^2}{(2 - (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha\alpha_3 + \alpha\alpha_4))}.
\end{aligned}$$

By symmetry, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
p(s_2, s_3) &= p(s_3, s_2) \\
&= p(\mathcal{S}s_2, \mathcal{T}s_1) \\
&\leq H(\mathcal{S}s_2, \mathcal{T}s_1) + (\alpha_1 + \alpha_5 + \alpha\alpha_3)^2 \\
&\leq \alpha_1 p(s_2, \mathcal{S}s_2) + \alpha_2 p(s_1, \mathcal{T}s_1) + \alpha_3 p(s_2, \mathcal{T}s_1) + \alpha_4 p(s_1, \mathcal{S}s_2) \\
&\quad + \alpha_5 p(s_2, s_1) + \frac{(\alpha_2 + \alpha_5 + \alpha\alpha_4)^2}{(2 - (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha\alpha_3 + \alpha\alpha_4))} \\
&\leq \alpha_1 p(s_2, s_3) + \alpha_2 p(s_1, s_2) + \alpha_3 p(s_2, s_2) + \alpha_4 p(s_1, s_3) \\
&\quad + \alpha_5 p(s_2, s_1) + \frac{(\alpha_2 + \alpha_5 + \alpha\alpha_4)^2}{(2 - (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha\alpha_3 + \alpha\alpha_4))} \\
&\leq \alpha_1 p(s_2, s_3) + \alpha_2 p(s_1, s_2) + \alpha_3 p(s_2, s_2) + \alpha_4 \alpha(p(s_1, s_2) \\
&\quad + p(s_2, s_3)) - \alpha_4 p(s_2, s_2) + \alpha_5 p(s_2, s_1) \\
&\quad + \frac{(\alpha_2 + \alpha_5 + \alpha\alpha_4)^2}{(2 - (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha\alpha_3 + \alpha\alpha_4))}.
\end{aligned}$$

On solving, we get

(3.10)

$$(1 - (\alpha_1 + \alpha\alpha_4))p(s_2, s_3) \leq (\alpha_2 + \alpha\alpha_4 + \alpha_5)p(s_1, s_2) + \alpha_3p(s_2, s_2) \\ - \alpha_4p(s_2, s_2) + \frac{(\alpha_2 + \alpha\alpha_4 + \alpha_5)^2}{2 - (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha\alpha_3 + \alpha\alpha_4)}.$$

On adding and solving equations (3.9) and (3.10), we get

$$(3.11) \quad p(s_2, s_3) \leq \left(\frac{\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha\alpha_3 + \alpha\alpha_4 + 2\alpha_5}{2 - (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha\alpha_3 + \alpha\alpha_4)} \right) p(s_1, s_2) \\ + \left(\frac{\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha\alpha_3 + \alpha\alpha_4 + 2\alpha_5}{2 - (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha\alpha_3 + \alpha\alpha_4)} \right)^2.$$

Continuing like this and using the principle of mathematical induction, we get a sequence $\{s_n\}$, where $s_{2n+1} \in \mathcal{T}s_{2n}$, $s_{2n+2} \in \mathcal{S}s_{2n+1}$, satisfying.

$$p(s_{2n+1}, s_{2n+2}) \leq H(\mathcal{T}s_{2n}, \mathcal{S}s_{2n+1}) + \frac{(\alpha_1 + \alpha_5 + \alpha\alpha_3)^{2n+1}}{(2 - (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha\alpha_3 + \alpha\alpha_4))^{2n}} \\ \leq \alpha_1p(s_{2n}, \mathcal{T}s_{2n}) + \alpha_2p(s_{2n+1}, \mathcal{S}s_{2n+1}) + \alpha_3p(s_{2n}, \mathcal{S}s_{2n+1}) \\ + \alpha_4p(s_{2n+1}, \mathcal{T}s_{2n}) + \alpha_5p(s_{2n}, s_{2n+1}) \\ + \frac{(\alpha_1 + \alpha_5 + \alpha\alpha_3)^{2n+1}}{(2 - (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha\alpha_3 + \alpha\alpha_4))^{2n}} \\ \leq \alpha_1p(s_{2n}, s_{2n+1}) + \alpha_2p(s_{2n+1}, s_{2n+2}) + \alpha_3p(s_{2n}, s_{2n+2}) \\ + \alpha_4p(s_{2n+1}, s_{2n+1}) + \alpha_5p(s_{2n}, s_{2n+1}) \\ + \frac{(\alpha_1 + \alpha_5 + \alpha\alpha_3)^{2n+1}}{(2 - (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha\alpha_3 + \alpha\alpha_4))^{2n}} \\ \leq \alpha_1p(s_{2n}, s_{2n+1}) + \alpha_2p(s_{2n+1}, s_{2n+2}) + \alpha_3(p(s_{2n}, s_{2n+1}) \\ + p(s_{2n+1}, s_{2n+2})) - \alpha_3p(s_{2n+1}, s_{2n+1}) + \alpha_4p(s_{2n+1}, s_{2n+1}) \\ + \alpha_5p(s_{2n}, s_{2n+1}) + \frac{(\alpha_1 + \alpha_5 + \alpha\alpha_3)^{2n+1}}{(2 - (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha\alpha_3 + \alpha\alpha_4))^{2n}}.$$

On solving, we get

$$(3.12) \quad (1 - (\alpha_2 + \alpha\alpha_3))p(s_{2n+1}, s_{2n+2}) \\ \leq (\alpha_1 + \alpha\alpha_3 + \alpha_5)p(s_{2n}, s_{2n+1}) - \alpha_3p(s_{2n+1}, s_{2n+1}) \\ + \alpha_4p(s_{2n+1}, s_{2n+1}) + \frac{(\alpha_1 + \alpha_5 + \alpha\alpha_3)^{2n+1}}{(2 - (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha\alpha_3 + \alpha\alpha_4))^{2n}}.$$

By Symmetry, we have

$$p(s_{2n+1}, s_{2n+2}) = p(s_{2n+2}, s_{2n+1}) \\ \leq H(\mathcal{S}s_{2n+1}, \mathcal{T}s_{2n}) + \frac{(\alpha_2 + \alpha\alpha_4 + \alpha_5)^{2n+1}}{(2 - (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha\alpha_3 + \alpha\alpha_4))^{2n}}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\leq \alpha_1 p(s_{2n+1}, \mathcal{S}s_{2n+1}) + \alpha_2 p(s_{2n}, \mathcal{T}s_{2n}) + \alpha_3 p(s_{2n+1}, \mathcal{T}s_{2n}) \\
&\quad + \alpha_4 p(s_{2n}, \mathcal{S}s_{2n+1}) + \alpha_5 p(s_{2n+1}, s_{2n}) \\
&\quad + \frac{(\alpha_2 + \alpha\alpha_4 + \alpha_5)^{2n+1}}{(2 - (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha\alpha_3 + \alpha\alpha_4))^{2n}} \\
&\leq \alpha_1 p(s_{2n+1}, s_{2n+2}) + \alpha_2 p(s_{2n}, s_{2n+1}) + \alpha_3 p(s_{2n+1}, s_{2n+1}) \\
&\quad + \alpha_4 p(s_{2n}, s_{2n+2}) + \alpha_5 p(s_{2n+1}, s_{2n}) \\
&\quad + \frac{(\alpha_2 + \alpha\alpha_4 + \alpha_5)^{2n+1}}{(2 - (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha\alpha_3 + \alpha\alpha_4))^{2n}} \\
&\leq \alpha_1 p(s_{2n+1}, s_{2n+2}) + \alpha_2 p(s_{2n}, s_{2n+1}) + \alpha_3 p(s_{2n+1}, s_{2n+1}) \\
&\quad + \alpha_4 \alpha(p(s_{2n}, s_{2n+1}) + p(s_{2n+1}, s_{2n+2})) - \alpha_4 p(s_{2n+1}, s_{2n+1}) \\
&\quad + \alpha_5 p(s_{2n+1}, s_{2n}) + \frac{(\alpha_2 + \alpha\alpha_4 + \alpha_5)^{2n+1}}{(2 - (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha\alpha_3 + \alpha\alpha_4))^{2n}}.
\end{aligned}$$

On solving, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
(1 - (\alpha_1 + \alpha\alpha_4))p(s_{2n+1}, s_{2n+2}) &\leq (\alpha_2 + \alpha\alpha_4 + \alpha_5)p(s_{2n+1}, s_{2n}) \\
&\quad + \alpha_3 p(s_{2n+2}, s_{2n+2}) - \alpha_4 p(s_{2n+1}, s_{2n+1}) \\
&\quad + \frac{(\alpha_2 + \alpha\alpha_4 + \alpha_5)^{2n+1}}{(2 - (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha\alpha_3 + \alpha\alpha_4))^{2n}}.
\end{aligned}$$

By adding and solving equations (3.12) and (3.13), we get

$$\begin{aligned}
(3.14) \quad p(s_{2n+1}, s_{2n+2}) &\leq \left(\frac{\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha\alpha_3 + \alpha\alpha_4 + 2\alpha_5}{2 - (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha\alpha_3 + \alpha\alpha_4)} \right) p(s_{2n+1}, s_{2n}) \\
&\quad + \left(\frac{\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha\alpha_3 + \alpha\alpha_4 + 2\alpha_5}{2 - (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha\alpha_3 + \alpha\alpha_4)} \right)^{2n+1}.
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}
p(s_n, s_{n+1}) &\leq kp(s_{n-1}, s_n) + k^n \\
&\leq k^2 p(s_{n-2}, s_{n-1}) + k^{n-1} + 2k^n \\
&\quad \vdots \\
p(s_n, s_{n+1}) &\leq k^n p(s_0, s_1) + nk^n,
\end{aligned}$$

where

$$k = \left(\frac{\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha\alpha_3 + \alpha\alpha_4 + 2\alpha_5}{2 - (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha\alpha_3 + \alpha\alpha_4)} \right).$$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned}
p(s_n, s_{n+p}) &\leq \alpha p(s_n, s_{n+1}) + \alpha^2 p(s_{n+1}, s_{n+2}) + \cdots + \alpha^p p(s_{n+p-1}, s_{n+p}) \\
&\quad - (p(s_{n+1}, s_{n+1}) + p(s_{n+2}, s_{n+2}) + \cdots + p(s_{n+p-1}, s_{n+p-1}))
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\leq \alpha[k^n p(s_0, s_1) + nk^n] + \alpha^2[k^{n+1} p(s_0, s_1) + (n+1)k^{n+1}] \\
&\quad + \cdots + \alpha^p[k^{n+p-1} p(s_0, s_1) + (n+p-1)k^{n+p-1}] \\
&= [\alpha k^n + \alpha^2 k^{n+1} + \cdots + \alpha^p k^{n+p-1}] p(s_0, s_1) + [\alpha n k^n \\
&\quad + \alpha^2(n+1)k^{n+1} + \cdots + \alpha^p(n+p-1)k^{n+p-1}] \\
&= \left[\sum \alpha k^n \right] p(s_0, s_1) + \left[\sum \alpha n k^n \right].
\end{aligned}$$

Since, $0 < k < 1$, $\sum \alpha k^n$ and $\sum \alpha n k^n$ have the same radius of convergence. So, $\{s_n\}$ is a Cauchy sequence. Completeness of Q implies that $\exists \nu \in Q$ satisfying

$$\begin{aligned}
(3.15) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} p(s_n, \nu) &= \lim_{m, n \rightarrow \infty} p(s_n, s_m) \\
&= p(\nu, \nu).
\end{aligned}$$

We shall demonstrate that the common fixed point of \mathcal{T} and \mathcal{S} is ν .

$$\begin{aligned}
p(\nu, \mathcal{S}\nu) &\leq \alpha(p(\nu, s_{2n+2}) + p(s_{2n+2}, \mathcal{S}\nu)) - p(s_{2n+2}, s_{2n+2}) \\
&\leq \alpha(p(\nu, s_{2n+2}) + H(s_{2n+2}, \mathcal{S}\nu)) - p(s_{2n+2}, s_{2n+2}) \\
&\leq \alpha(p(\nu, s_{2n+2}) + H(\mathcal{T}s_{2n+1}, \mathcal{S}\nu)) - p(s_{2n+2}, s_{2n+2}) \\
&\leq \alpha(p(\nu, s_{2n+2}) + \alpha_1 p(s_{2n+1}, \mathcal{T}s_{2n+1}) + \alpha_2 p(\nu, \mathcal{S}\nu) \\
&\quad + \alpha_3 p(s_{2n+1}, \mathcal{S}\nu) + \alpha_4 p(\nu, \mathcal{T}s_{2n+1}) + \alpha_5 p(s_{2n+1}, \nu)) \\
&\quad - p(s_{2n+2}, s_{2n+2}) \\
&\leq \alpha(p(\nu, s_{2n+2}) + \alpha_1 p(s_{2n+1}, s_{2n+2}) + \alpha_2 p(\nu, \mathcal{S}\nu) \\
&\quad + \alpha_3 p(s_{2n+1}, \mathcal{S}\nu) + \alpha_4 p(\nu, s_{2n+2}) + \alpha_5 p(s_{2n+1}, \nu)) \\
&\quad - p(s_{2n+2}, s_{2n+2}).
\end{aligned}$$

Letting $n \rightarrow \infty$, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
(3.16) \quad p(\nu, \mathcal{S}\nu) &\leq \alpha(p(\nu, \nu) + \alpha_1 p(\nu, \nu) + \alpha_2 p(\nu, \mathcal{S}\nu) + \alpha_3 p(\nu, \mathcal{S}\nu) + \alpha_4 p(\nu, \nu) \\
&\quad + \alpha_5 p(\nu, \nu)) - p(\nu, \nu)
\end{aligned}$$

or

$$\begin{aligned}
(3.17) \quad p(\nu, \mathcal{S}\nu) - \alpha \alpha_2 p(\nu, \mathcal{S}\nu) - \alpha \alpha_3 p(\nu, \mathcal{S}\nu) &\leq \alpha(p(\nu, \nu) + \alpha_1 p(\nu, \nu) + \alpha_4 p(\nu, \nu) \\
&\quad + \alpha_5 p(\nu, \nu)) - p(\nu, \nu)
\end{aligned}$$

or

$$(1 - \alpha(\alpha_2 + \alpha_3))p(\nu, \mathcal{S}\nu) \leq 0.$$

As $(1 - \alpha(\alpha_2 + \alpha_3)) < 0$, we have $\nu \in \mathcal{S}\nu$.

Similarly, we get $\nu \in \mathcal{T}\nu$. Hence, \mathcal{T} and \mathcal{S} have a common fixed point. \square

Example 3.4. Let (Q, p) be the complete partial *b*-metric space, where $Q = [0, 4]$ and $p(s, r) = [\max\{s, r\}]^2 + |s - r|^2$. Suppose the mappings $\mathcal{T}, \mathcal{S} : Q \rightarrow CB(Q)$ be defined as

$$\mathcal{T}(s) = \begin{cases} [0, 1], & 0 \leq s \leq 2, \\ \{2\}, & 2 \leq s \leq 3 \end{cases}$$

and

$$\mathcal{S}(s) = \begin{cases} [1, 4], & 0 \leq s \leq 2, \\ \{2\}, & 2 \leq s \leq 3. \end{cases}$$

Taking $\alpha_1 = 0$, $\alpha_2 = \frac{26}{28}$, $\alpha_3 = \frac{1}{28}$, $\alpha_4 = 0$, $\alpha_5 = \frac{1}{28}$, $\alpha = 2^2 > 1$, $\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha_3 + \alpha_4 + \alpha_5 = 1$, $\alpha_3 \geq \alpha_4$ and $(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2) + (\alpha_3 + \alpha_4)(\alpha^2 + \alpha) + 2\alpha\alpha_5 = \frac{54}{28} < 2$. Now, we have the following cases:

Case I: when $s, r \in [0, 2]$,

$$H(\mathcal{T}s, \mathcal{S}r) = 4 \leq 0 + 8\alpha_2 + 8\alpha_3 + 0 + 8\alpha_5 \leq 8.$$

Case II: when $s \in [0, 2]$ and $r \in [2, 4]$,

$$H(\mathcal{T}s, \mathcal{S}r) = 2 \leq 0 + 8\alpha_2 + 8\alpha_3 + 0 + 32\alpha_5 \leq \frac{248}{28}.$$

Case III: when $s \in [2, 4]$ and $r \in [0, 2]$,

$$H(\mathcal{T}s, \mathcal{S}r) = 2 \leq 0 + 32\alpha_2 + 8\alpha_3 + 0 + 32\alpha_5 \leq \frac{872}{28}.$$

Case IV: when $s, r \in [2, 3]$,

$$H(\mathcal{T}s, \mathcal{S}r) = 0 \leq 0 + 8\alpha_2 + 8\alpha_3 + 0 + 32\alpha_5 \leq \frac{248}{28}.$$

Thus, all the hypotheses of the Theorem 3.3 are validated and 1 and 2 are common fixed points of multivalued mappings \mathcal{T} and \mathcal{S} . Further, one may verify that $p(1, 1)$ and $p(2, 2)$ are not equal to zero.

Remark 3.5. The uniqueness of fixed points has been a significant area of research for more than a century. However, in the real world, there may arise situations when the fixed point is not necessarily unique. Mappings having non-unique fixed points may fix some geometric figures and find applications in numerous real-life problems. We call such a figure, a fixed figure and it arises naturally. For more work in this direction, we refer to [5, 10–17, 23, 25–30, 33–44], and so on.

Remark 3.6. Noticeably, Theorem 3.1 and Theorem 3.3 are appropriate generalizations of Nadler [24] and many others. Also, it is a generalization, improvement, and extension of some celebrated and recent conclusions in the literature. For instance, Banach [3], Chatterjea [6], Ćirić [7], Kannan [18, 19], Kirk [20], Reich [31], and many others to the set-valued case. Further, on taking distinct values of α_i , $i = 1, 2, \dots, 5$,

we achieve some conclusions which are generalizations of some celebrated and recent contractions existing in the literature.

Following, Joshi et al. [13] and Tomar et al. [42] (see also, [25] and [28] for the standard metric version), we define a circle as well as a disc in partial b -metric space as:

Definition 3.7. A circle with a centre at the point $s_0 \in Q$ and radius r in a partial b -metric space (Q, p) is described as

$$(3.18) \quad C(s_0, r) = \{s \in Q : p(s_0, s) = r + \rho(s_0, s_0)\}, \quad s_0 \in Q, r \in (0, \infty).$$

If the sign of 'equality' is replaced by 'less than or equal to sign' in (3.18) then the above definition reduces to that of the disc and we write

$$(3.19) \quad D(s_0, r) = \{s \in Q : p(s_0, s) \leq r + \rho(s_0, s_0)\}, \quad s_0 \in Q, r \in (0, \infty).$$

Geometrically, a circle or a disc in any partial b -metric space may not be similar to the circle or a disc described in a Euclidean space.

Theorem 3.8. Let $C(s_0, r)/D(s_0, r)$ be a circle/ disc in a partial b -metric space (Q, p) . Suppose there exists a multivalued mapping $\mathcal{T} : Q \rightarrow CB(Q)$ satisfying the subsequent hypotheses:

(i)

$$\begin{aligned} p(s, \mathcal{T}s) &\leq \alpha_1 p(s, \mathcal{T}s) + \alpha_2 p(s_0, \mathcal{T}s_0) + \alpha_3 p(s, \mathcal{T}s_0) + \alpha_4 p(s_0, \mathcal{T}s) \\ &\quad + \alpha_5 p(s, s_0) + \alpha_6 \frac{p(s, \mathcal{T}s)(1 + p(s, s))}{1 + p(s, s_0)}, \quad s \in C(s_0, r)/D(s_0, r); \end{aligned}$$

$$(ii) \quad r + p(s_0, s_0) \leq p(s, \mathcal{T}s) \text{ for } s \neq \mathcal{T}s,$$

where, $s_0, s \in Q$ and $\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha_3 + 2\alpha_4 + \alpha_5 + \alpha_6 < 1$. Then, $C(s_0, r)/D(s_0, r)$ is a fixed circle/ fixed disc of \mathcal{T} .

Proof. Suppose $\mathcal{T}s_0 \neq s_0$. Now

$$\begin{aligned} p(s_0, \mathcal{T}s_0) &\leq \alpha_1 p(s_0, \mathcal{T}s_0) + \alpha_2 p(s_0, \mathcal{T}s_0) + \alpha_3 p(s_0, \mathcal{T}s_0) + \alpha_4 p(s_0, \mathcal{T}s_0) \\ &\quad + \alpha_5 p(s_0, s_0) + \alpha_6 \frac{p(s_0, \mathcal{T}s_0)(1 + p(s_0, s_0))}{1 + p(s_0, s_0)} \\ &\leq (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha_3 + \alpha_4 + \alpha_5 + \alpha_6)p(s_0, \mathcal{T}s_0) \\ &< p(s_0, \mathcal{T}s_0), \end{aligned}$$

a contradiction. Hence, $\mathcal{T}s_0 = s_0$.

Again suppose $s \in C(s_0, \mathfrak{r})/D(s_0, \mathfrak{r})$ such that $\mathcal{T}s \neq s$. Now, using (i)

$$\begin{aligned} p(s, \mathcal{T}s) &\leq \alpha_1 p(s, \mathcal{T}s) + \alpha_2 p(s_0, \mathcal{T}s_0) + \alpha_3 p(s, \mathcal{T}s_0) + \alpha_4 p(s_0, \mathcal{T}s) \\ &\quad + \alpha_5 p(s, s_0) + \alpha_6 \frac{p(s, \mathcal{T}s)(1 + p(s, s))}{1 + p(s, s_0)} \\ &= \alpha_1 p(s, \mathcal{T}s) + \alpha_2 p(s_0, s_0) + \alpha_3 p(s, s_0) \\ &\quad + \alpha_4 p(s_0, \mathcal{T}s) + \alpha_5 p(s, s_0) + \alpha_6 \frac{p(s, \mathcal{T}s)(1 + p(s, s))}{1 + p(s, s_0)} \\ &\leq \alpha_1 p(s, \mathcal{T}s) + \alpha_2 p(s_0, s_0) + \alpha_3 (\mathfrak{r} + p(s_0, s_0)) \\ &\quad + \alpha_4 [\alpha(p(s_0, s) + p(s, \mathcal{T}s)) - p(s, s)] \\ &\quad + \alpha_5 (\mathfrak{r} + p(s_0, s_0)) + \alpha_6 p(s, \mathcal{T}s) \\ &\leq (\alpha_2 + \alpha_3 + \alpha\alpha_4 + \alpha_5)(\mathfrak{r} + p(s_0, s_0)) + (\alpha_1 + \alpha\alpha_4 + \alpha_6)p(s, \mathcal{T}s) \end{aligned}$$

or

$$(1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha\alpha_4 - \alpha_6)p(s, \mathcal{T}s) \leq (\alpha_2 + \alpha_3 + \alpha\alpha_4 + \alpha_5)(\mathfrak{r} + p(s_0, s_0))$$

or

$$p(s, \mathcal{T}s) \leq \frac{\alpha_2 + \alpha_3 + \alpha\alpha_4 + \alpha_5}{1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha\alpha_4 - \alpha_6} (\mathfrak{r} + p(s_0, s_0)) < \mathfrak{r} + p(s_0, s_0),$$

that is, $p(s, \mathcal{T}s) < \mathfrak{r} + p(s_0, s_0)$, a contradiction. Hence, $\mathcal{T}s = s$, $s \in C(s_0, \mathfrak{r})/D(s_0, \mathfrak{r})$. \square

Example 3.9. Let (Q, p) be the partial *b*-metric space, where $Q = [0, 10]$ and $p(s, r) = [\max\{s, r\}]^2 + |s - r|^2$. Suppose the mapping $T : Q \rightarrow CB(Q)$ is defined as

$$\mathcal{T}(s) = \begin{cases} [0, 6], & 0 \leq s < 7 \\ \{0\}, & 7 \leq s \leq 10. \end{cases}$$

Define a circle $C(2, 2)$ having a centre at 2 with a radius of 2 units as

$$\begin{aligned} C(2, 2) &= \{s \in Q : p(2, s) = 2 + p(2, 2)\} \\ &= \{s \in Q : [\max\{2, s\}]^2 + |2 - s|^2 = 6\}. \end{aligned}$$

Now, we have the following cases:

Case I: when $s \leq 2$, $4 + (2 - s)^2 = 6$, then $-2 + \sqrt{6} \in C(2, 2)$.

Case II: when $s > 2$, $s^2 + (2 - s)^2 = 6$, then $2 + \sqrt{14} \in Q$,
that is, $C(2, 2) = \{-2 + \sqrt{6}, 2 + \sqrt{14}\}$.

Here, $p(s, \mathcal{T}s) = 7 \leq 2 + p(2, 2) = 6$. For $\alpha_1 = \frac{1}{10}$, $\alpha_2 = \frac{1}{4}$, $\alpha_3 = \frac{1}{20}$, $\alpha_4 = 0$, $\alpha_5 = \frac{3}{10}$, $\alpha_6 = \frac{1}{20}$, $\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha\alpha_3 + 2\alpha\alpha_4 + \alpha_5 + \alpha_6 = \frac{7}{10} < 1$.

Thus, all the hypotheses of the Theorem 3.8 are validated and $C(2, 2)$ is a fixed circle of a discontinuous multivalued mapping \mathcal{T} . Further, one may verify that $D(2, 2) = [-2 + \sqrt{6}, 2 + \sqrt{14}]$ is a fixed disc of \mathcal{T} .

Remark 3.10. It is significant to notice that (see, Theorem 3.8 and Example 3.9) if a multivalued mapping fixes a disc, it also fixes a circle. But its reverse implication may only sometimes be accurate. Also, a fixed circle of a multivalued mapping is only sometimes unique (see, Example 3.9) and the discs lying in the interior of a fixed disc are also fixed discs.

4. APPLICATION TO ELLIPTIC BOUNDARY VALUE PROBLEM

Now, we exploit Theorem 3.3 to solve the following pair of elliptic boundary value problems:

$$\begin{aligned} -\frac{d^2\tilde{p}}{d\tilde{z}^2} &= \mathcal{F}(\tilde{z}, \tilde{p}(\tilde{z})), \quad \tilde{z} \in [0, 1] \\ \tilde{p}(0) &= \tilde{p}(1) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

and

$$-\frac{d^2\tilde{q}}{d\tilde{z}^2} = \mathcal{K}(\tilde{z}, \tilde{q}(\tilde{z})), \quad \tilde{z} \in [0, 1]$$

$$(4.1) \quad \tilde{q}(0) = \tilde{q}(1) = 0,$$

where, $C(I)$ is the space of continuous functions on $I = [0, 1]$ and functions $\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{K} : C(I) \times C(I) \rightarrow R$ are continuous. Then, the corresponding Green function linked to the underlying pair of elliptic boundary value problems (4.1) is:

$$(4.2) \quad G(\tilde{z}, \tilde{\nu}) = \begin{cases} \tilde{\nu}(1 - \tilde{z}), & 0 \leq \tilde{\nu} \leq \tilde{z} \leq 1, \\ \tilde{z}(1 - \tilde{\nu}), & 0 \leq \tilde{z} \leq \tilde{\nu} \leq 1. \end{cases}$$

Define $p : C(I) \times C(I) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ as $p(\tilde{p}, \tilde{q}) = \sup_{\tilde{z} \in I} |\tilde{p}(\tilde{z}) - \tilde{q}(\tilde{z})|^2 + k$, $\tilde{p}, \tilde{q} \in C(I)$ and $k > 0$. Here, $(C(I), p)$ is a partial b -metric space for $s = 4$, which is complete.

Theorem 4.1. Suppose $\mathcal{S}, \mathcal{T} : C(I) \rightarrow C(I)$ are operators which are described as:

$$\mathcal{T}\tilde{p}(\tilde{z}) = \int_0^1 G(\tilde{z}, \tilde{\nu})\mathcal{F}(\tilde{\nu}, \tilde{p}(\tilde{\nu}))d\tilde{\nu}$$

and

$$(4.3) \quad \mathcal{S}\tilde{p}(\tilde{z}) = \int_0^1 G(\tilde{z}, \tilde{\nu})\mathcal{K}(\tilde{\nu}, \tilde{q}(\tilde{\nu}))d\tilde{\nu},$$

for all $\tilde{z} \in I$. Suppose $\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{K} : C(I) \times C(I) \rightarrow R$ are continuous functions satisfying

$$(4.4) \quad |\mathcal{F}(\tilde{z}, \tilde{p}) - \mathcal{K}(\tilde{z}, \tilde{q})|^2 \leq 64.\Theta(\tilde{p}, \tilde{q}),$$

$\tilde{p}, \tilde{q} \in C(I)$, $\tilde{z} \in I$, where $\Theta(\tilde{p}, \tilde{q})$ is right-hand side of (3.5). Then, a pair of elliptic boundary value problem (4.1) has at least one solution $\tilde{p}^* \in C(I)$.

Proof. Noticeably, $\tilde{p}^* \in C(I)$ is a solution of (4.1) iff $\tilde{p}^* \in C(I)$ is a common fixed point of operators \mathcal{S} and \mathcal{T} given by (4.3).

Suppose $\tilde{p}, \tilde{q} \in C(I)$. Using (4.3), we get

$$\begin{aligned} |\mathcal{T}\tilde{p}(\tilde{z}) - \mathcal{S}\tilde{q}(\tilde{z})|^2 &= \left| \int_0^1 G(\tilde{z}, \tilde{\nu}) [\mathcal{F}(\tilde{\nu}, \tilde{p}(\tilde{\nu})) - \mathcal{K}(\tilde{\nu}, \tilde{q}(\tilde{\nu}))] d\tilde{\nu} \right|^2 \\ &\leq \left[\int_0^1 G(\tilde{z}, \tilde{\nu}) |\mathcal{F}(\tilde{\nu}, \tilde{p}(\tilde{\nu})) - \mathcal{K}(\tilde{\nu}, \tilde{q}(\tilde{\nu}))| d\tilde{\nu} \right]^2 \\ &= 64 \cdot \Theta(\tilde{p}, \tilde{q}) \left(\sup_{\tilde{z} \in I} \left[\int_0^1 G(\tilde{z}, \tilde{\nu}) d\tilde{\nu} \right]^2 \right). \end{aligned}$$

Since $\int_0^1 G(\tilde{z}, \tilde{\nu}) d\tilde{\nu} = \frac{-\tilde{z}^2}{2} + \frac{\tilde{z}}{2}$ for all $\tilde{z} \in I$, then we have

$$\sup_{\tilde{z} \in I} \left(\int_0^1 G(\tilde{z}, \tilde{\nu}) d\tilde{\nu} \right)^2 = \frac{1}{64},$$

which implies that

$$p(\mathcal{T}s, \mathcal{S}\tilde{z}) \leq \Theta(\tilde{p}, \tilde{q}).$$

Therefore, all the hypotheses of Theorem 3.3 are verified. Thus \mathcal{S} and \mathcal{T} have a common fixed point $\tilde{p}^* \in C(I)$, which is a solution of equation (4.1). \square

5. CONCLUSION

We have given a method to establish a fixed and common fixed points utilizing a partial b-metric for discontinuous multivalued mappings. Also, we have explored the geometry of the multivalued fixed points in a partial b-metric space, utilized novel contractions to establish a multivalued fixed circle and disc, and furnished elucidatory examples to establish the validity of the hypotheses. Further, we have exploited our result to solve a pair of elliptic boundary value problems. Our investigation of multivalued fixed points (or common fixed) and their geometry will be a fascinating area for future study and contributes to the expansion of fixed point theory.

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