Chapter 3

Non-linear Čirič Contractions via C_F -Simulation Functions

3.1 Introduction

Various generalizations of contraction mappings have been proposed in the literature, each introducing a broader class of mappings with contraction-like properties. The importance of these generalizations lies in their ability to extend the applicability of fixed point theorems and provide tools for studying fixed points in a wider range of spaces and under more relaxed conditions than traditional contractions. They find applications in diverse areas, including functional analysis, dynamic systems, optimization, and solving equations.

A quasi-contraction map by Ćirić [14] is a type of mapping that exhibits a contraction-like property, although it may not strictly satisfy the conditions of a contraction mapping. Specifically, a self mapping f on a metric space (X, d), is said to be a quasi-contraction if there exists a nonnegative number q < 1 such that

$$d(fx, fy) \le q \max\{d(x, y), d(x, fx), d(y, fy), d(x, fy), d(y, fx)\}, \text{ for all } x, y \in X.$$

The Ćirić fixed point theorem is given by the following.

Theorem B. [14] Let (X,d) be a metric space and $f: X \to X$ be a quasicontraction mapping with the contractive constant q < 1. Then f has a unique fixed point. Moreover, the sequence $\{x_n\}$ in X, which is defined by $x_n = fx_{n-1}$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $x_0 \in X$ is an initial point, converges to a fixed point of f. Afterwards, the Banach contraction principle and many available results in the literature were extended by replacing the contractive conditions, using some control functions. In this direction, Khojasteh et al. [38] introduced the notion of simulation functions, \mathcal{Z} -contractions and presented fixed point theorems for such contractions in complete metric spaces. Later, Roldan et al. [18] modified the notion of simulation functions [38] by removing the symmetry of variables and proved coincidence and common fixed point results.

Further, Roldan et al. [17] investigated the existence and uniqueness of coincidence points via simulation functions in the setting of quasi-metric spaces and deduced corresponding results in the framework of G-metric spaces. Liu et al. [41] extended the class of simulation functions by using C-class functions of Ansari [6] and introduced C_F -simulation functions which reasonably enlarge the collection obtained by Khojasteh et al. [38]. Further, they proved existence and uniqueness of coincidence and common fixed point for two operators.

Definition 3.1.1. [41, p.1104] A function $F : [0, \infty)^2 \to \mathbb{R}$ has the property \mathcal{C}_F , if there exists $C_F \geq 0$ such that

- (\tilde{F}_1) $F(s,t) > C_F$ implies s > t, for all $s, t \ge 0$;
- (\tilde{F}_2) $F(t,t) \leq C_F$, for all $t \geq 0$.

Definition 3.1.2. [41, p.1105] A C_F -simulation function is a function $\zeta : [0, \infty)^2 \to \mathbb{R}$ satisfying the following conditions:

- (i) $\zeta(t,s) < F(s,t)$ for all t,s > 0, where $F \in \mathcal{C}$ with property \mathcal{C}_F ;
- (ii) if $\{t_n\}$ and $\{s_n\}$ are sequences in $(0, \infty)$ such that $\lim_{n \to \infty} t_n = \lim_{n \to \infty} s_n > 0$ and $t_n < s_n$, then $\limsup_{n \to \infty} \zeta(t_n, s_n) < C_F$.

The family of all C_F -simulation functions is denoted by \mathcal{Z}_F .

On the other hand, Samet et al. [55] introduced the notion of admissible mappings, $\alpha - \psi$ contractive type mappings and extended existing fixed point results in the literature. Shahi et al. [56] generalized this concept for pair of mappings and proved coincidence and common fixed point result in metric spaces.

Definition 3.1.3. [56, p.302] Let $T, g: X \to X$ and $\alpha: X \times X \to [0, \infty)$ be mappings. We say that T is α -admissible for g if

$$\alpha(gx, gy) \ge 1 \implies \alpha(Tx, Ty) \ge 1$$
, for all $x, y \in X$.

For $g = i_X$ (identity mapping on X), T is an α -admissible mapping.

Definition 3.1.4. [49, p.75] Let $T, g: X \to X$ and $\alpha: X \times X \to [0, \infty)$ be mappings. We say that T is triangular α -admissible for g if T is α -admissible for g and

$$\alpha(gx, gy) \ge 1$$
 and $\alpha(gy, gz) \ge 1 \implies \alpha(gx, gz) \ge 1$, for all $x, y, z \in X$.

This Chapter consists of 3 sections. First section contains preliminaries. In the second section, Ćirić type contraction via simulation functions and α -admissible mappings is introduced. Further, we investigate sufficient conditions for the existence and uniqueness of coincidence point and common fixed point for such contraction in quasi-metric spaces. The obtained results give solution to the open problem posed by Radenovic and Chandok [50]. In the third section, Ćirić type \mathcal{Z}_F -contraction using C_F -simulation functions is introduced and proved coincidence and common fixed point results for such contractions in quasi-metric spaces. Finally, its consequences to G-metric spaces are discussed.

3.2 Preliminaries

Here, we take account of some basic definitions and results that are prerequisites for this chapter.

Definition 3.2.1. [29, p.2] Let (X, d) be a quasi-metric space, $\{x_n\}$ be a sequence in X and $x \in X$. The sequence $\{x_n\}$ converges to x if and only if

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} d(x_n, x) = \lim_{n \to \infty} d(x, x_n) = 0.$$

The limit of a sequence in quasi-metric space is unique.

As d is not necessarily symmetric, authors defined left convergent, right convergent, left Cauchy, right Cauchy sequences and completeness as follows.

Definition 3.2.2. [29, p.2] Let (X, d) be a quasi-metric space and $\{x_n\}$ be a sequence in X. We say that $\{x_n\}$ is

• left-Cauchy if and only if for every $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists a positive integer $N = N(\varepsilon)$ such that $d(x_n, x_m) < \varepsilon$, for all $n \ge m > N$.

• right-Cauchy if and only if for every $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists a positive integer $N = N(\varepsilon)$ such that $d(x_n, x_m) < \varepsilon$, for all $m \ge n > N$.

A sequence $\{x_n\}$ in a quasi-metric space is Cauchy if and only if it is left-Cauchy and right-Cauchy.

The following lemma is sufficient condition to prove Cauchyness of the given sequence.

Lemma 3.2.3. [30, p.3] Let $\{x_n\}$ be a sequence in a quasi-metric space (X, d) such that

(i)
$$d(x_{n+1}, x_{n+2}) \le \lambda d(x_n, x_{n+1}), n \ge 0$$
,

(ii)
$$d(x_{n+2}, x_{n+1}) \le \lambda d(x_{n+1}, x_n), n \ge 0$$
,

for some $\lambda \in (0,1)$. Then $\{x_n\}$ is a Cauchy sequence in X.

Definition 3.2.4. [29, p.2] Let (X, d) be a quasi-metric space. We say that (X, d) is complete if and only if each Cauchy sequence in X is convergent.

Roldan et al. [20] introduced precompleteness for metric spaces which is weaker than completeness of the space.

Definition 3.2.5. [20, p.7] A subset E of a metric space (X, d) is said to be precomplete if every Cauchy sequence in E converges to a point of X.

Remark 1. (1) The empty subset is precomplete.

- (2) Every complete subset of X is precomplete.
- (3) Every subset of a complete metric space is also precomplete.

Example 3.2.1. Although X = (0,3), endowed with the Euclidean metric, is not complete, and A = (1,2) is not complete, the set A is precomplete.

Proposition 3.2.6. [20, Prop.23, p.7] If $A \subseteq B \subseteq X$ and B is precomplete, then A is also precomplete.

Remark 2. If $T(X) \subseteq g(X)$ and one of X or T(X) or g(X) is complete, then T(X) is precomplete.

Definition 3.2.7. [17, p.3] Let (X, d) be a quasi-metric space and $T: X \to X$ be a given mapping. Suppose that T is continuous at $u \in X$. Then for each sequence $\{x_n\}$ in X such that $x_n \to u$, we have $Tx_n \to Tu$, that is,

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} d(Tx_n, Tu) = \lim_{n \to \infty} d(Tu, Tx_n) = 0.$$

Now, T is continuous if it is continuous at every point of X.

Roldan et al. [17] defined compatible mappings for quasi-metric spaces as follows.

Definition 3.2.8. [17, p.4] Let $T, g: X \to X$ be mappings on a quasi-metric space (X, d). We say that T and g are compatible if and only if

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} d(Tgx_n, gTx_n) = 0 \text{ or } \lim_{n \to \infty} d(gTx_n, Tgx_n) = 0,$$

for all sequences $\{x_n\} \subseteq X$ such that the sequences $\{gx_n\}$ and $\{Tx_n\}$ are convergent and have the same limit.

Every quasi-metric induces a metric, that is, if (X, d) is a quasi-metric space, then the function $\delta: X \times X \to [0, \infty)$, defined by

$$\delta(x, y) = \max\{d(x, y), d(y, x)\}\$$

is a metric on X (see [29]).

The following result follows from the above definition.

Theorem C. [29, Theorem 2.3, p.3] Let (X, d) be a quasi-metric space. Let $\delta: X^2 \to [0, \infty)$ be the function defined by $\delta(x, y) = \max\{d(x, y), d(y, x)\}$. Then

- (1) (X, δ) is a metric space;
- (2) $\{x_n\} \subset X$ is convergent to x in (X,d) if and only if $\{x_n\}$ is convergent to x in (X,δ) ;
- (3) $\{x_n\} \subset X$ is Cauchy in (X, d) if and only if $\{x_n\}$ is Cauchy in (X, δ) ;
- (4) (X, d) is complete if and only if (X, δ) is complete.

The following theorem shows the relationship between G-metrics and quasimetrics.

Theorem D. [29, Theorem 2.2, p.3] Let (X,G) be a G-metric space and $d_G: X^2 \to [0,\infty)$ be the function defined by $d_G(x,y) = G(x,y,y)$. Then,

- (1) (X, d_G) is a quasi-metric space;
- (2) $\{x_n\} \subset X$ is G-convergent to $x \in X$ if and only if $\{x_n\}$ is convergent to x in (X, d_G) ;
- (3) $\{x_n\} \subset X$ is G-Cauchy if and only if $\{x_n\}$ is Cauchy in (X, d_G) ;
- (4) (X,G) is G-complete if and only if (X,d_G) is complete.

3.3 Results for Ćirić type simulation functions using α -admissible mappings in quasi-metric spaces

This section deals with the common fixed point results related to α -admissible self mappings involving a Ćirić type contraction using C_F -simulation functions. We need the following result as a prerequisite.

Lemma 3.3.1. Let (X, d) be a quasi-metric space and S, T are self mappings on X. Let $\{x_n\}$ be a Picard-Jungck sequence of (S, T). If S is triangular α -admissible for T with $\alpha(Tx_0, Sx_0) \geq 1$ and $\alpha(Sx_0, Tx_0) \geq 1$, then $\alpha(Tx_n, Tx_m) \geq 1$, $n \neq m$.

Proof. Let $\{x_n\}$ be a Picard sequence of (S,T) based at x_0 , that is,

$$Sx_n = Tx_{n+1}$$
, for all $n > 0$.

Since S is α -admissible for T, we have

$$\alpha(Tx_0, Sx_0) = \alpha(Tx_0, Tx_1) \ge 1 \implies \alpha(Sx_0, Sx_1) = \alpha(Tx_1, Tx_2) \ge 1.$$

By induction, we get

$$\alpha(Tx_n, Tx_{n+1}) \ge 1$$
, for all $n \ge 0$.

Since S is triangular α -admissible for T, we have

$$\alpha(Tx_0, Tx_1) \ge 1$$
 and $\alpha(Tx_1, Tx_2) \ge 1 \implies \alpha(Tx_0, Tx_2) \ge 1$.

Continuing this way, we get

$$\alpha(Tx_n, Tx_m) \ge 1$$
, for all $m > n$.

Analogously, for $\alpha(Sx_0, Tx_0) \geq 1$, we get

$$\alpha(Tx_n, Tx_m) \ge 1$$
, for all $m < n$.

Hence
$$\alpha(Tx_n, Tx_m) \geq 1$$
, for $n \neq m$.

Now, by using α -admissible mappings of Shahi et al. [56], $(\mathcal{Z}_{(\alpha,F)}, T)$ -quasicontraction of Ćirić type is introduced as follows.

Definition 3.3.2. Let (X, d) be a metric space, $\alpha : X \times X \to [0, \infty)$ and S, T be self mappings on X. A mapping S is called a $(\mathcal{Z}_{(\alpha,F)}, T)$ -quasi-contraction of Ćirić type if there exist $\zeta \in \mathcal{Z}_F, C_F \geq 0$ and $\lambda \in (0,1)$ such that

$$\zeta(\alpha(Tx, Ty)d(Sx, Sy), \lambda M(Tx, Ty)) \ge C_F$$
 (3.1)

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

$$M(Tx, Ty) = \max \left\{ d(Tx, Ty), d(Tx, Sx), d(Ty, Sy), d(Tx, Sy), d(Ty, Sx) \right\}.$$

Remark 3. (i) For $\alpha(x,y) = 1$, inequality (3.1) becomes a (\mathcal{Z}_F,T) -quasi-contraction of Ćirić-Das-Naik type contraction [50].

- (ii) For $\alpha(x,y) = 1$, $T = i_X$ and $C_F = 0$, we get a \mathbb{Z} -quasi-contraction of Ćirić type.
- (iii) For $\alpha(x,y) = 1$ and $\zeta(t,s) < F(s,t) = s t$, inequality (3.1) becomes a Das-Naik type quasi-contraction [16].

The following is the main result of this section.

Theorem 3.3.3. Let (X, d) be a quasi-metric space, $S, T : X \to X$ be mappings with $S(X) \subset T(X)$. If S is a $(\mathcal{Z}_{(\alpha,F)}, T)$ -quasi-contraction of Ćirić type satisfying the following conditions:

- (i) S is triangular α -admissible for T;
- (ii) there exists $x_0 \in X$ such that $\alpha(Tx_0, Sx_0) \ge 1$ and $\alpha(Sx_0, Tx_0) \ge 1$;

- (iii) at least, one of the following conditions hold:
 - (a) S(X) is precomplete in T(X).
 - (b) (X, d) is a complete quasi-metric space, S and T are continuous and compatible.

Then, S and T have a point of coincidence.

Proof. For any $x_0 \in X$, since $S(X) \subset T(X)$, we get a sequence $\{x_n\}$ in X with $Sx_n = Tx_{n+1}$ for all $n \geq 0$. If $Tx_n = Tx_{n+1}$ for some n, then $Sx_n = Tx_n$, that is, x_n is a coincidence point of S and T. Thus, we assume that $d(Tx_{n+1}, Tx_n) > 0$ and $d(Tx_n, Tx_{n+1}) > 0$, for all $n \geq 0$.

In view of condition (i), by Lemma 3.3.1, we get

$$\alpha(Tx_n, Tx_m) \ge 1$$
, for all $n \ne m$.

Now,

$$d(Tx_n, Tx_{n+1}) = d(Sx_{n-1}, Sx_n)$$

$$\leq \alpha(Tx_{n-1}, Tx_n)d(Sx_{n-1}, Sx_n). \tag{3.2}$$

Since S is a $(\mathcal{Z}_{(\alpha,F)},T)$ -quasi-contraction of Ćirić type,

$$C_F \le \zeta(\alpha(Tx_{n-1}, Tx_n)d(Sx_{n-1}, Sx_n), \lambda M(Tx_{n-1}, Tx_n))$$

 $< F(\lambda M(Tx_{n-1}, Tx_n), \alpha(Tx_{n-1}, Tx_n)d(Sx_{n-1}, Sx_n)).$

Since $F \in \mathcal{C}$, by (F_1) , we get

$$\alpha(Tx_{n-1}, Tx_n)d(Sx_{n-1}, Sx_n) \le \lambda M(Tx_{n-1}, Tx_n), \text{ for all } n \in \mathbb{N}.$$
 (3.3)

From (3.2) and (3.3), we have

$$d(Tx_n, Tx_{n+1}) \le \lambda M(Tx_{n-1}, Tx_n),$$

where

$$M(Tx_{n-1}, Tx_n) = \max\{d(Tx_{n-1}, Tx_n), d(Tx_{n-1}, Sx_{n-1}), d(Tx_n, Sx_n), d(Tx_{n-1}, Sx_n), d(Tx_n, Sx_$$

$$d(Tx_n, Sx_{n-1})\}$$

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

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

Hence,

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

$$d(Tx_n, Tx_{n+1}) \le \frac{\lambda}{1 - \lambda} d(Tx_{n-1}, Tx_n),$$

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

where $k = \frac{\lambda}{1-\lambda} < 1$. Similarly, we get

$$d(Tx_{n+1}, Tx_n) \le kd(Tx_n, Tx_{n-1}), \text{ for } k < 1.$$

By Lemma 3.2.3, the sequence $\{Tx_n\}$ is a Cauchy sequence.

Now, consider independently cases (a)-(b) and prove that S and T have a coincidence point.

Case (a): Assume S(X) is precomplete in T(X). The precompleteness of S(X) in T(X) ensures the existence of some $v \in X$ with

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} Tx_n = Tv = \lim_{n \to \infty} Sx_{n-1}.$$
 (3.4)

We claim that v is a coincidence point of S and T. On contrary, assume that d(Tv, Sv) > 0 and d(Sv, Tv) > 0.

We have

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} M(Tx_n, Tv)$$

$$= \lim_{n \to \infty} \max\{d(Tx_n, Tv), d(Tx_n, Sx_n), d(Tv, Sv), d(Tx_n, Sv), d(Tv, Sx_n)\}$$

$$= d(Tv, Sv) > 0. \tag{3.5}$$

Using (3.1), we get

$$C_F \leq \zeta(\alpha(Tx_n, Tv)d(Sx_n, Sv), \lambda M(Tx_n, Tv))$$

$$< F(\lambda M(Tx_n, Tv), \alpha(Tx_n, Tv)d(Sx_n, Sv)).$$

By (\tilde{F}_1) , we have

$$\alpha(Tx_n, Tv)d(Sx_n, Sv) < \lambda M(Tx_n, Tv), \text{ for all } n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

Letting $n \to \infty$ in above inequality and using (3.5), we get

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \alpha(Tx_n, Tv) d(Tx_n, Sv) < \lambda d(Tv, Sv).$$

Hence, $d(Tv, Sv) < \lambda d(Tv, Sv)$, a contradiction. Therefore, d(Tv, Sv) = 0. So, v is a coincidence point of S and T.

Case (b): Assume that (X, d) is complete, S and T are continuous and compatible. In this case, the sequence $\{Tx_n\}$ is a Cauchy sequence in the complete quasimetric space (X, d), hence there exists $u \in X$ such that $\lim_{n \to \infty} Tx_n = u$. That is,

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} d(Tx_n, u) = \lim_{n \to \infty} d(u, Tx_n) = 0.$$

Since $Sx_n = Tx_{n+1}$, for all $n \ge 0$, we have

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} d(Sx_n, u) = \lim_{n \to \infty} d(u, Sx_n) = 0.$$

The continuity of S yields that

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} d(STx_n, Su) = \lim_{n \to \infty} d(Su, STx_n) = 0.$$

The continuity of T yields that

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} d(TSx_n, Tu) = \lim_{n \to \infty} d(Tu, TSx_n) = 0.$$

Moreover, as S and T are compatible and the sequences $\{Sx_n\}$ and $\{Tx_n\}$ have the same limit, we deduce that

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} d(STx_n, TSx_n) = 0 \text{ or } \lim_{n \to \infty} d(TSx_n, STx_n) = 0.$$

Now,

$$d(Su, Tu) \le d(Su, STx_n) + d(STx_n, TSx_n) + d(TSx_n, Tu).$$

By taking limit $n \to \infty$ in above inequality, we get d(Su, Tu) = 0. Similarly, we can show that d(Tu, Su) = 0.

In any case, Su = Tu and we conclude that u is a coincidence point of S and T.

For the uniqueness of a coincidence point and existence and uniqueness of a fixed point of a $(\mathcal{Z}_{(\alpha,F)},T)$ -quasi-contraction of Ćirić type, we propose the following hypothesis.

Theorem 3.3.4. In addition to the hypotheses of Theorem 3.3.3, suppose that for all $u, v \in C(S,T)$, there exists $w \in X$ such that $\alpha(Tu,Tw) \geq 1$, $\alpha(Tw,Tu) \geq 1$, $\alpha(Tw,Tv) \geq 1$ and $\alpha(Tv,Tw) \geq 1$. Also S,T commute at their coincidence points. Then, S and T have a unique common fixed point.

Proof. We claim that if $u, v \in C(S, T)$, then Tu = Tv. By hypotheses, there exists $w \in X$ such that

$$\alpha(Tw, Tu) \geq 1$$
 and $\alpha(Tw, Tv) \geq 1$.

Let us define the Picard sequence $\{w_n\}$ in X by $Tw_{n+1} = Sw_n$, for all $n \ge 0$ and $w_0 = w$. Reasoning as in the proof of Theorem 3.3.3, we obtain that the sequence $\{Tw_n\}$ converges to Tz.

By condition (i) in Theorem 3.3.3, we have

$$\alpha(Tw_n, Tu) \ge 1$$
 and $\alpha(Tw_n, Tv) \ge 1$, for all $n \ge 1$. (3.6)

Using (3.1), we have

$$C_{F} \leq \zeta(\alpha(Tw_{n}, Tu)d(Sw_{n}, Su), \lambda M(Tw_{n}, Tu))$$

$$< F(\lambda M(Tw_{n}, Tu), \alpha(Tw_{n}, Tu)d(Sw_{n}, Su))$$

$$= F(\lambda M(Tw_{n}, Tu), \alpha(Tw_{n}, Tu)d(Tw_{n+1}, Tu)). \tag{3.7}$$

By (F_1) and (3.6), we have

$$d(Tw_{n+1}, Tu) \le \alpha(Tw_n, Tu)d(Tw_{n+1}, Tu)$$

$$< \lambda M(Tw_n, Tu), \text{ for all } n \ge 1,$$
(3.8)

where

$$M(Tw_n, Tu) = \max\{d(Tw_n, Tu), d(Tw_n, Sw_n), d(Tu, Su), d(Tw_n, Su), d(Tu, Sw_n)\}$$

= \text{max}\{d(Tw_n, Tu), d(Tw_n, Tw_{n+1}), d(Tu, Tw_{n+1})\}.

Letting limit $n \to \infty$, we get

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} M(Tw_n, Tu) = \max\{d(Tz, Tu), d(Tu, Tz)\}.$$

Similarly, we get

$$d(Tu, Tw_{n+1}) < \lambda M(Tu, Tw_n), \text{ for all } \ge 1, \tag{3.9}$$

where

$$M(Tu, Tw_n) = \max\{d(Tu, Tw_n), d(Tw_n, Tw_{n+1}), d(Tw_n, Tu)\}.$$

Letting $n \to \infty$, we obtain

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} M(Tw_n, Tu) = \max\{d(Tu, Tz), d(Tz, Tu)\}.$$

If $Tu \neq Tz$ and we take the limit $n \to \infty$ in (3.8) and (3.9), we get

$$d(Tz, Tu) < \lambda \max\{d(Tz, Tu), d(Tu, Tz)\},$$

$$d(Tu, Tz) < \lambda \max\{d(Tz, Tu), d(Tu, Tz)\}.$$

If $d(Tz, Tu) < \lambda d(Tz, Tu)$, we get a contradiction.

If $d(Tz, Tu) < \lambda d(Tu, Tz) < \lambda^2 d(Tz, Tu)$, a contradiction.

Thus, d(Tz, Tu) = 0. Therefore, Tu = Tz.

Similarly, we can prove Tv = Tz. This implies Tu = Tv. Hence, u is a unique coincidence point of S and T.

Existence of a common fixed point: Let $u \in C(S, T)$, that is, Su = Tu. Due to commutativity of S and T at their coincidence points, we get

$$TTu = TSu = STu.$$

Let us denote $Tu = z^*$, then $Tz^* = Sz^*$. Thus z^* is a coincidence point of S and T. By uniqueness of coincidence point, we have $z^* = Tu = Tz^* = Sz^*$. Then, z^* is a common fixed point of S and T.

Uniqueness: Assume that w^* is another common fixed point of S and T. Then, $w^* \in C(S,T)$. Thus, we have $w^* = Tw^* = Tz^* = z^*$. This completes the proof.

If $S(X) \subset T(X)$, then there exists a Picard-Jungck sequence of (S, T) based on any point $x_0 \in X$. Hence, from Theorem C, the above result is also valid for metric spaces.

Corollary 3.3.5. Let (X, d) be a metric space, $S, T : X \to X$ be mappings and let $\{x_n\}$ be a Picard-Jungck sequence of (S, T). Assume that S is a $(\mathcal{Z}_{(\alpha, F)}, T)$ -quasi-contraction of Ćirić type satisfying the following conditions:

- (i) S is triangular α -admissible for T;
- (ii) there exists $x_0 \in X$ such that $\alpha(Tx_0, Sx_0) \ge 1$;
- (iii) for all $u, v \in C(S,T)$, there exists $w \in X$ such that $\alpha(Tu, Tw) \geq 1$, $\alpha(Tv, Tw) \geq 1$, S, T commute at their coincidence points.
- (iv) at least, one of the following conditions hold:
 - (a) S(X) is precomplete in T(X).
 - (b) (X, d) is a complete metric space and S and T are continuous and compatible.

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

The following result is a solution to an open problem posed by Radenovic and Chandok [50].

Corollary 3.3.6. [50, p.147] Let (X,d) be a metric space, S,T be self mappings on X and let $\{x_n\}$ be a Picard-Jungck sequence of (S,T). Let S be a

 (\mathcal{Z}_F, T) -quasi-contraction of Ćirić-Das-Naik type. Assume that, at least, one of the following conditions hold:

- (a) (T(X), d) is complete.
- (b) (X,d) is a complete metric space, S and T are continuous and compatible.

Then, S and T have a unique point of coincidence. Moreover, if S and T commute at their coincidence point, then they have a unique common fixed point in X.

Proof. The result follows from Theorem 3.3.4, for $\alpha(x,y)=1$.

Corollary 3.3.7. Let (X, d) be a metric space, $\alpha : X \times X \to [0, \infty)$ and S, T be self mappings on X. Let $\{x_n\}$ be a Picard-Jungck sequence of (S, T) and $\lambda \in (0, 1)$ such that

$$\alpha(Tx, Ty)d(Sx, Sy) \leq \lambda M(Tx, Ty), \text{ for all } x, y \in X.$$

Assume that

- (i) S is triangular α -admissible for T;
- (ii) there exists $x_0 \in X$ such that $\alpha(Tx_0, Sx_0) \geq 1$;
- (iii) for all $u, v \in C(S,T)$, there exists $w \in X$ such that $\alpha(Tu, Tw) \geq 1$, $\alpha(Tv, Tw) \geq 1$ and S, T commute at their coincidence points;
- (iv) at least, one of the following conditions hold:
 - (a) (T(X), d) is complete.
 - (b) (X,d) is a complete metric space, S and T are continuous and compatible.

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

Proof. The result follows from Corollary 3.3.6, for $\alpha(x,y) = 1$, F(s,t) = s - t, $C_F = 0$.

3.4 Results for Ćirić type contraction using C_F simulation functions in quasi-metric spaces

This section introduces the generalized Ćirić type \mathcal{Z}_F -contraction for pair of mappings. Subsequently, the results of Debnath et al. [21] are extended by proving common fixed point result in the frame work of quasi-metric spaces. Here, it is not necessary for mappings to be continuous to obtain the common fixed point result.

Definition 3.4.1. Let (X, d) be a quasi-metric space and S, T be self mappings on X. The pair (S, T) is called a generalized Ćirić type \mathcal{Z}_F -contractive pair of mappings if there exist $\zeta \in \mathcal{Z}_F, C_F \geq 0$ and $\lambda \in (0, 1)$ such that

$$\zeta(d(Sx, Ty), \lambda M(x, y)) \ge C_F,$$
 (3.10)

where
$$M(x,y) = \max \left\{ d(x,y), d(y,Sx), d(x,Ty), d(x,Sx), d(y,Ty) \right\};$$

$$\zeta(d(Ty,Sx), \lambda M(y,x)) \ge C_F, \tag{3.11}$$

where
$$M(y,x) = \max \Big\{ d(y,x), d(Sx,y), d(Ty,x), d(Sx,x), d(Ty,y) \Big\},$$
 for all $x,y \in X$.

Remark 4. (i) Due to the absence of symmetry in quasi-metric spaces, we required two inequalities in Definition 3.4.1.

(ii) By setting S = T in (3.10)-(3.11), the mapping S becomes a \mathcal{Z}_F -quasi-contraction of the Ćirić type.

Now, we furnish our main result as follows.

Theorem 3.4.2. Let (X, d) be a complete quasi-metric space and S, T be self mappings on X. Assume that (S, T) is a generalized Ćirić type \mathcal{Z}_F -contractive pair of mappings. Then, S and T have a unique common fixed point.

Proof. Let $x_0 \in X$ and define a sequence $\{x_n\}$ such that

$$x_{2n+1} = Sx_{2n}, \ x_{2n+2} = Tx_{2n+1}, \text{ for all } n \ge 0.$$

If there is $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $x_{2n_0} = x_{2n_0+1}$, then x_{2n_0} is a fixed point of S.

To show that x_{2n_0} is a common fixed point of S and T.

Since $d(x_{2n_0+1}, x_{2n_0+2}) > 0$, using (3.10), we get

$$C_F \le \zeta(d(Sx_{2n_0}, Tx_{2n_0+1}), \lambda M(x_{2n_0}, x_{2n_0+1}))$$

 $< F(\lambda M(x_{2n_0}, x_{2n_0+1}), d(Sx_{2n_0}, Tx_{2n_0+1})).$

By (F_1) , we obtain

$$d(x_{2n_0+1}, x_{2n_0+2}) = d(Sx_{2n_0}, Tx_{2n_0+1})$$

$$\leq \lambda M(x_{2n_0}, x_{2n_0+1}), \tag{3.12}$$

where

$$M(x_{2n_0}, x_{2n_0+1}) = \max\{d(x_{2n_0}, x_{2n_0+1}), d(x_{2n_0+1}, Sx_{2n_0}), d(x_{2n_0}, Tx_{2n_0+1}), d(x_{2n_0}, Sx_{2n_0}), d(x_{2n_0+1}, Tx_{2n_0+1})\}$$

$$= \max\{d(x_{2n_0}, x_{2n_0+1}), d(x_{2n_0+1}, x_{2n_0+1}), d(x_{2n_0}, x_{2n_0+2}), d(x_{2n_0}, x_{2n_0+1}), d(x_{2n_0+1}, x_{2n_0+2})\}$$

$$\leq d(x_{2n_0}, x_{2n_0+1}) + d(x_{2n_0+1}, x_{2n_0+2}).$$

From (3.12), we get

$$d(x_{2n_0+1}, x_{2n_0+2}) \le \lambda[d(x_{2n_0}, x_{2n_0+1}) + d(x_{2n_0+1}, x_{2n_0+2})]$$

 $\le \lambda d(x_{2n_0+1}, x_{2n_0+2}), \text{ a contradiction.}$

Thus, $x_{2n_0+1} = x_{2n_0+2}$. Hence, $x_{2n_0} = x_{2n_0+1} = x_{2n_0+2}$ is a common fixed point of S and T.

Now, we assume that $d(x_n, x_{n+1}) > 0$ and $d(x_{n+1}, x_n) > 0$, for all $n \ge 0$.

Claim: $\{x_n\}$ is a Cauchy sequence.

From (3.10), we have

$$C_F \le \zeta(d(Sx_{2n}, Tx_{2n+1}), \lambda M(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}))$$

 $< F(\lambda M(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}), d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2})),$

where $M(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}) \le d(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}) + d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2}).$

Now, by using (\tilde{F}_1) , we get

$$d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2}) \le \lambda [d(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}) + d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2})]$$

$$\le \frac{\lambda}{1 - \lambda} d(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1})$$

$$= k \ d(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}), \text{ for all } n \ge 0,$$
(3.13)

where $k = \frac{\lambda}{1-\lambda} < 1$.

Also, from (3.11), we have

$$C_F \le \zeta (d(Tx_{2n-1}, Sx_{2n}), \lambda M(x_{2n-1}, x_{2n}))$$

 $< F(\lambda M(x_{2n-1}, x_{2n}), d(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1})),$

where

$$M(x_{2n-1}, x_{2n}) = \max\{d(x_{2n-1}, x_{2n}), d(x_{2n-1}, Sx_{2n}), d(x_{2n}, Tx_{2n-1}), d(x_{2n}, Sx_{2n}), d(x_{2n-1}, Tx_{2n-1})\}$$

$$= \max\{d(x_{2n-1}, x_{2n}), d(x_{2n-1}, x_{2n+1}), d(x_{2n}, x_{2n}), d(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}), d(x_{2n-1}, x_{2n})\}$$

$$\leq d(x_{2n-1}, x_{2n}) + d(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}).$$

Now, by using (\tilde{F}_1) , we get

$$d(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}) \le k \ d(x_{2n-1}, x_{2n}), \text{ for all } n \in \mathbb{N},$$
 (3.14)

where $k = \frac{\lambda}{1-\lambda} < 1$.

From (3.13) and (3.14), we have

$$d(x_n, x_{n+1}) \le k \ d(x_{n-1}, x_n), \text{ for all } n \in \mathbb{N}.$$
(3.15)

Similarly, we can show that

$$d(x_{n+1}, x_n) \le k \ d(x_n, x_{n-1}), \text{ for all } n \in \mathbb{N}.$$
(3.16)

Thus, from Lemma 3.2.3, we conclude that $\{x_n\}$ is a Cauchy sequence in X.

Since (X, d) is complete, there exists $u \in X$ such that

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} d(x_n, u) = 0 = \lim_{n \to \infty} d(u, x_n).$$

To prove that Su = Tu = u.

From (3.10), we obtain

$$C_F \le \zeta (d(Su, Tx_{2n+1}), \lambda M(u, x_{2n+1})) < F(\lambda M(u, x_{2n+1}), d(Su, Tx_{2n+1})).$$

By (\tilde{F}_1) , we obtain

$$d(Su, x_{2n+2}) \le \lambda M(u, x_{2n+1}), \tag{3.17}$$

where

$$M(u, x_{2n+1}) = \max\{d(u, x_{2n+1}), d(x_{2n+1}, Su), d(u, Tx_{2n+1}), d(u, Su), d(x_{2n+1}, Tx_{2n+1})\}.$$

Also,

$$d(x_{2n+2}, Su) \le \lambda M(x_{2n+1}, u), \tag{3.18}$$

where

$$M(x_{2n+1}, u) = \max\{d(x_{2n+1}, u), d(Su, x_{2n+1}), d(Tx_{2n+1}, u), d(Su, u), d(Tx_{2n+1}, x_{2n+1})\}.$$

Taking limit as $n \to \infty$ on both sides of (3.17) and (3.18), we get

$$d(Su, u) \le \lambda \ d(u, Su) \ and \ d(u, Su) \le \lambda \ d(Su, u).$$

Hence, d(Su, u) = d(u, Su) = 0. Implies, Su = u.

Similarly, we can show that Tu = u. Thus, u is a common fixed point of S and T.

Uniqueness: Let u' is another common fixed point of S and T. Then

$$C_F \le \zeta (d(Su, Tu'), \lambda M(u, u'))$$

 $< F(\lambda M(u, u'), d(Su, Tu'))$

where

$$M(u, u') = \max\{d(u, u'), d(u', Su), d(u, Tu'), d(u, Su), d(u', Tu')\}$$

= \text{max}\{d(u, u'), d(u', u)\}.

From (\tilde{F}_1) , we get

$$d(u, u') \le \lambda \max\{d(u, u'), d(u', u)\}.$$

Similarly, we get

$$d(u', u) \le \lambda \max\{d(u, u'), d(u', u)\},\$$

a contradiction. Hence, d(u, u') = 0. Thus, u is a unique common fixed point of S and T.

Corollary 3.4.3. Let (X,d) be a complete metric space and $S,T\colon X\to X$ be self mappings. Suppose there exists $\lambda\in(0,1)$ such that

$$d(Sx, Ty) \le \lambda M(x, y), \text{ for all } x, y \in X.$$
 (3.19)

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

Proof. If we take $\zeta(t,s) = ks - t, k \in (0,1), C_F = 0$ in (3.10), we get (3.19). Due to symmetry of d the result follows from Theorem 3.4.2.

In (3.19), if we restrict the value of λ to $0 < \lambda < \frac{1}{2}$ and omit d(x, y), d(Sx, y) and d(Ty, x). This gives us the Kannan type contraction. Similarly, by omitting d(x, y), d(Sx, x) and d(Ty, y) in (3.19), we get the Chatterjea type contraction. From Theorem 3.4.2, we obtain the following result of Debnath et al. [21].

Theorem E. [21, Theorem 2.3, Theorem 2.5, p.386] Let (X,d) be a complete metric space and S,T be self mappings on X. Suppose there exists $\lambda \in (0,\frac{1}{2})$ such that

$$d(Sx,Ty) \leq \lambda [d(Sx,x) + d(Ty,y)], \quad (Kannan \ type)$$

or

$$d(Sx, Ty) \le \lambda [d(Sx, y) + d(Ty, x)], \quad (Chattarjea\ type)$$

for all $x, y \in X$. Then, S and T have a unique common fixed point.

The contractive condition in (3.19) can be modified to obtain the following, by restricting the value of λ to $0 < \lambda < \frac{1}{3}$ and omitting the terms d(y, Sx) and d(x, Ty). This result corresponds to the Reich type common fixed point result for a pair of self-mappings in metric spaces, as established by Debnath et al. [21].

Theorem F. [21, Theorem 2.6, p.389] Let (X, d) be a complete metric space and S, T be self mappings on X. Suppose there exists $\lambda \in (0, \frac{1}{3})$ such that

$$d(Sx, Ty) \le \lambda [d(x, y) + d(Sx, x) + d(Ty, y)], \quad (Reich type)$$

for all $x, y \in X$. Then, S and T have a unique common fixed point.

3.5 Consequences: Common fixed point results in G-metric spaces

In this section, Theorem 3.3.3, Theorem 3.3.4 and Theorem 3.4.2 are extended in G-metric spaces.

The following results are consequences of Theorem 3.3.3 and Theorem 3.3.4.

Corollary 3.5.1. Let (X,G) be a G-metric space, $\alpha_w : X \times X \times X \to [0,\infty)$ and $S,T : X \to X$ be mappings with $S(X) \subset T(X)$. Let $\zeta \in \mathcal{Z}_F, C_F \geq 0$ and $\lambda \in (0,1)$ such that

$$\zeta(\alpha_w(Tx, Ty, Ty)G(Sx, Sy, Sy), \lambda M(Tx, Ty, Ty)) \ge C_F, \tag{3.20}$$

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

$$M(Tx, Ty, Ty) = \max\{G(Tx, Ty, Ty), G(Tx, Sx, Sx), G(Ty, Sy, Sy), G(Tx, Sy, Sy), G(Ty, Sx, x)\}.$$

Suppose that

- (i) S is weak α_w -admissible for T;
- (ii) $\alpha_w(Tx, Ty, Ty) \ge 1$ and $\alpha_w(Ty, Tz, Tz) \ge 1 \implies \alpha_w(Tx, Tz, Tz) \ge 1$;
- (iii) there exists $x_0 \in X$ such that $\alpha_w(Tx_0, Sx_0, Sx_0) \ge 1$ and $\alpha_w(Sx_0, Tx_0, Tx_0) \ge 1$;

- (iv) for all $u, v \in C(S, T)$, there exists $w \in X$ such that $\alpha_w(Tu, Tw, Tw) \ge 1$, $\alpha_w(Tw, Tu, Tu) \ge 1$, $\alpha_w(Tv, Tw, Tw) \ge 1$, $\alpha_w(Tw, Tv, Tv) \ge 1$ and S, T commute at their coincidence points;
- (v) at least, one of the following conditions hold:
 - (a) S(X) is precomplete in T(X).
 - (b) (X,G) is a complete G-metric space, S and T are continuous and compatible.

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

Proof. It suffices to take $d_G(x,y) = G(x,y,y)$ and $\alpha(x,y) = \alpha_w(x,y,y)$. From (3.1), we get (3.20). Since (X,G) is complete, by Theorem D, (X,d_G) is a complete quasi-metric space. Hence, the result follows from Theorem 3.3.3 and Theorem 3.3.4.

If $S(X) \subset T(X)$, then there exists a Picard-Jungck sequence of (S, T) based on any point $x_0 \in X$. The following result is obtained from Corollary 3.5.1.

Corollary 3.5.2. Let (X, G) be a G-metric space, $\alpha_w : X \times X \times X \to [0, \infty)$ and $S, T : X \to X$ be mappings. Let $\{x_n\}$ be a Picard-Jungck sequence of (S, T), $\zeta \in \mathcal{Z}_F, C_F \geq 0$ and $\lambda \in (0, 1)$ such that (3.20) is satisfied. Suppose that

- (i) S is weak α_w -admissible for T;
- (ii) $\alpha_w(Tx, Ty, Ty) \ge 1$ and $\alpha_w(Ty, Tz, Tz) \ge 1 \implies \alpha_w(Tx, Tz, Tz) \ge 1$;
- (iii) there exists $x_0 \in X$ such that $\alpha_w(Tx_0, Sx_0, Sx_0) \ge 1$ and $\alpha_w(Sx_0, Tx_0, Tx_0) \ge 1$;
- (iv) for all $u, v \in C(S, T)$, there exists $w \in X$ such that $\alpha_w(Tu, Tw, Tw) \ge 1$, $\alpha_w(Tw, Tu, Tu) \ge 1$, $\alpha_w(Tv, Tw, Tw) \ge 1$, $\alpha_w(Tw, Tv, Tv) \ge 1$ and S, T commute at their coincidence points;
- (v) at least, one of the following conditions hold:
 - (a) S(X) is precomplete in T(X).
 - (b) (X,G) is a complete G-metric space, S and T are continuous and compatible.

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

Corollary 3.5.3. Let (X,G) be a G-metric space, $\alpha_w : X \times X \times X \to [0,\infty)$ and $S,T:X\to X$ be mappings. Let $\{x_n\}$ be a Picard-Jungck sequence of (S,T) and $\lambda\in(0,1)$ such that

$$\alpha_w(Tx, Ty, Ty)G(Sx, Sy, Sy) \leq \lambda M(Tx, Ty, Ty), \text{ for all } x, y \in X.$$

Suppose that

- (i) S is weak α_w -admissible for T;
- (ii) $\alpha_w(Tx, Ty, Ty) \ge 1$ and $\alpha_w(Ty, Tz, Tz) \ge 1 \implies \alpha_w(Tx, Tz, Tz) \ge 1$;
- (iii) there exists $x_0 \in X$ such that $\alpha_w(Tx_0, Sx_0, Sx_0) \ge 1$ and $\alpha_w(Sx_0, Tx_0, Tx_0) \ge 1$;
- (iv) for all $u, v \in C(S, T)$, there exists $w \in X$ such that $\alpha_w(Tu, Tw, Tw) \ge 1$, $\alpha_w(Tw, Tu, Tu) \ge 1$, $\alpha_w(Tv, Tw, Tw) \ge 1$, $\alpha_w(Tw, Tv, Tv) \ge 1$ and S, T commute at their coincidence points;
- (v) at least, one of the following conditions hold:
 - (a) S(X) is precomplete in T(X).
 - (b) (X,G) is a complete G-metric space, S and T are continuous and compatible.

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

Proof. The result follows from Corollary 3.5.2, if we consider
$$\alpha(x,y) = 1$$
, $F(s,t) = s - t$, $C_F = 0$.

Corollary 3.5.4. Let (X, G) be a G-metric space and $S, T : X \to X$ be mappings. Let $\{x_n\}$ be a Picard-Jungck sequence of (S, T), $\zeta \in \mathcal{Z}_F, C_F \geq 0$ and $\lambda \in (0, 1)$ such that

$$\zeta(G(Sx, Sy, Sy), \lambda M(Tx, Ty, Ty)) \ge C_F, \text{ for all } x, y \in X.$$
 (3.21)

Also assume that at least, one of the following conditions hold:

(a) S(X) is precomplete in T(X).

(b) (X, G) is a complete G-metric space, S and T are continuous and compatible.

Then, S and T have unique point of coincidence. Moreover, if S,T commute at their coincidence points, then S and T have a unique common fixed point in X.

Proof. In (3.20), if we take $\alpha_w(x, y, y) = 1$, we get (3.21). Then the result follows from Corollary 3.5.2.

The following results are obtained from Theorem 3.4.2.

Corollary 3.5.5. Let (X,G) be a complete G-metric space and $S,T:X\to X$ be self mappings. Suppose there exist $\zeta\in\mathcal{Z}_F,C_F\geq 0$ and $\lambda\in(0,1)$ such that

$$\zeta(G(Sx, Ty, Ty), \lambda M'(x, y)) \ge C_F;$$
 (3.22)

$$\zeta(G(Ty, Sx, Sx), \lambda M'(y, x)) \ge C_F,$$
 (3.23)

where

$$M'(x,y) = \max\{G(x,y,y), G(y,Sx,Sx), G(x,Ty,Ty), G(x,Sx,Sx), G(y,Ty,Ty)\};$$

$$M'(y,x) = \max\{G(y,x,x), G(Sx,y,y), G(Ty,x,x), G(Sx,x,x), G(Ty,y,y)\},\$$

for all $x, y \in X$. Then, S and T have a unique common fixed point.

Proof. It suffices to take $d_G(x, y) = G(x, y, y)$, from (3.10) and (3.11) we get (3.22) and (3.23) respectively. Since (X, G) is complete, then by Theorem D, (X, d_G) is a complete quasi-metric space. Then, from Theorem 3.4.2 proof follows.

Corollary 3.5.6. Let (X,G) be a complete G-metric space and $S,T:X\to X$ be self mappings. Suppose there exists $\lambda\in(0,1)$ such that

$$G(Sx, Ty, Ty) \le \lambda M'(x, y); \tag{3.24}$$

$$G(Ty, Sx, Sx), \le \lambda M'(y, x),$$
 (3.25)

for all $x, y \in X$. Then, S and T have a unique common fixed point.

Proof. If we take $\zeta(t,s) = ks - t, k \in (0,1), C_F = 0$ in (3.22) and (3.23), we get (3.24) and (3.25) respectively, then result follows from Corollary 3.5.5.

For S=T in Corollary 3.5.6, obtained result is a generalization of Theorem 4.2.1 in [2].