

## Stability and data dependence results for the Jungck–Khan iterative scheme

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**Abstract:** The Jungck–Khan iterative scheme for a pair of nonself operators contains as a special case Jungck–Ishikawa and Jungck–Mann iterative schemes. In this paper, we establish improved results about convergence, stability, and data dependence for the Jungck–Khan iterative scheme.

**Key words:** Jungck–Khan iterative scheme, convergence, stability, weak  $w^2$ –stability, data dependency

### 1. Introduction

The case of nonself mappings is much more complicated than that of self ones and therefore it is not considered in many situations. Inspired by the work of Khan [7], here we tackle this problem in the context of two nonself operators.

**Definition 1** [5] *Let  $X$  be a set and  $S, T : X \rightarrow X$  be mappings.*

1. A point  $x$  in  $X$  is called:

(i) coincidence point of  $S$  and  $T$  if  $Sx = Tx$ ,

(ii) common fixed point of  $S$  and  $T$  if  $x = Sx = Tx$ .

2. If  $w = Sx = Tx$  for some  $x$  in  $X$ , then  $w$  is called a point of coincidence of  $S$  and  $T$ .

3. A pair  $(S, T)$  is said to be:

(i) commuting if  $TSx = STx$  for all  $x \in X$ ,

(ii) weakly compatible if they commute at their coincidence points, i.e.  $STx = TSx$  whenever  $Sx = Tx$ .

Let  $X$  be a Banach space,  $Y$  be an arbitrary set, and  $S, T : Y \rightarrow X$  be two nonself operators such that  $T(Y) \subseteq S(Y)$ .

**Definition 2** ([15]) *We say that the sequences  $\{Sx_n\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$  and  $\{Sy_n\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$  in  $X$  are  $S$ –equivalent if*

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|Sx_n - Sy_n\| = 0.$$

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**Definition 3** Let  $S, T : Y \rightarrow X$  be two nonself operators on an arbitrary set  $Y$  such that  $T(Y) \subseteq S(Y)$ ,  $p$  be a coincidence point of  $S$  and  $T$ , and  $\{Sx_n\}_{n=0}^\infty \subset X$  be an iterative sequence generated by the general algorithm of form

$$\begin{cases} x_0 \in Y, \\ Sx_{n+1} = f(T, x_n), n \in \mathbb{N}, \end{cases}$$

where  $x_0$  is an initial approximation and  $f$  is a function. Suppose that  $\{Sx_n\}_{n=0}^\infty$  converges to  $p$ .

1. ([11]) Let  $\{Sy_n\}_{n=0}^\infty \subset X$  be an arbitrary sequence. Then  $\{Sx_n\}_{n=0}^\infty$  is said to be stable with respect to  $(S, T)$  if and only if  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|Sy_{n+1} - f(T, y_n)\| = 0$  implies that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Sy_n = p$ .
2. ([15], [16]) Let  $\{Sy_n\}_{n=0}^\infty \subset X$  be an  $S$ -equivalent sequence of  $\{Sx_n\}_{n=0}^\infty \subset X$ . Then  $\{Sx_n\}_{n=0}^\infty$  is said to be weak  $w^2$ -stable with respect to  $(S, T)$  if and only if  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|Sy_{n+1} - f(T, y_n)\| = 0$  implies that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Sy_n = p$ .

Recently, Khan et al. [8] defined the Jungck-Khan iterative scheme as

$$\begin{cases} x_0 \in Y, \\ Sx_{n+1} = (1 - \alpha_n - \beta_n) Sx_n + \alpha_n Ty_n + \beta_n Tx_n, \\ Sy_n = (1 - b_n - c_n) Sx_n + b_n Tz_n + c_n Tx_n, \\ Sz_n = (1 - a_n) Sx_n + a_n Tx_n, n \in \mathbb{N}, \end{cases} \tag{1}$$

where  $\{\alpha_n\}_{n=0}^\infty, \{\beta_n\}_{n=0}^\infty, \{a_n\}_{n=0}^\infty, \{b_n\}_{n=0}^\infty$ , and  $\{c_n\}_{n=0}^\infty \subset [0, 1]$  are real sequences satisfying  $\alpha_n + \beta_n, b_n + c_n \in [0, 1]$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

The following definitions and lemmas will be needed in proving our main results.

**Definition 4** ([9]) The pair of operators  $S, T : Y \rightarrow X$  is contractive if there exist a real number  $\delta \in [0, 1)$  and a monotone increasing function  $\varphi : \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$  such that  $\varphi(0) = 0$  and for all  $x, y \in Y$ , we have

$$\|Tx - Ty\| \leq \delta \|Sx - Sy\| + \varphi(\|Sx - Tx\|). \tag{2}$$

**Definition 5** ([1]) Let  $T, \tilde{T} : X \rightarrow X$  be two operators. We say that  $\tilde{T}$  is an approximate operator of  $T$  if for all  $x \in X$  and for a fixed  $\varepsilon > 0$ , we have

$$\|Tx - \tilde{T}x\| \leq \varepsilon.$$

**Lemma 1** ([17]) Let  $\{\sigma_n\}_{n=0}^\infty$  and  $\{\rho_n\}_{n=0}^\infty$  be nonnegative real sequences satisfying the following inequality:

$$\sigma_{n+1} \leq (1 - \lambda_n) \sigma_n + \rho_n,$$

where  $\lambda_n \in (0, 1)$ , for all  $n \geq n_0$ ,  $\sum_{n=1}^\infty \lambda_n = \infty$ , and  $\frac{\rho_n}{\lambda_n} \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . Then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sigma_n = 0$ .

**Lemma 2** ([14]) Let  $\{\sigma_n\}_{n=0}^\infty$  be a nonnegative sequence of real numbers. Assume there exists  $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ , such that for all  $n \geq n_0$  one has the inequality

$$\sigma_{n+1} \leq (1 - \mu_n) \sigma_n + \mu_n \gamma_n,$$

where  $\mu_n \in (0, 1)$ , for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mu_n = \infty$  and  $\gamma_n \geq 0, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then the following inequality holds:

$$0 \leq \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sigma_n \leq \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \gamma_n.$$

## 2. Convergence and stability results

For the sake of simplicity, we make the following assumptions in the rest of the paper:  $S, T : Y \rightarrow X$  satisfies contractive condition (2), where  $T(Y) \subseteq S(Y)$ ,  $S(Y)$  is a complete subspace of  $X$  and  $C(S, T)$  denotes the set of coincidence points of  $S$  and  $T$ .

**Theorem 1** Let  $\{Sx_n\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$  be the Jungck-Khan iterative scheme (1) with  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \alpha_n = \infty$ . Suppose that there exists a  $z \in C(S, T)$  such that  $Sz = Tz = p$  (say). Then  $\{Sx_n\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$  converges strongly to  $p$ . Moreover,  $p$  is the unique common fixed point of the pair  $(S, T)$  provided  $Y = X$ , and  $S$  and  $T$  are weakly compatible.

**Proof.** It follows from (1) and (2) that

$$\|Sx_{n+1} - p\| \leq (1 - \alpha_n - \beta_n) \|Sx_n - p\| + \alpha_n \|Ty_n - p\| + \beta_n \|Tx_n - p\|, \tag{3}$$

$$\|Tx_n - p\| \leq \delta \|Sx_n - p\|, \tag{4}$$

$$\|Sz_n - p\| \leq [1 - a_n(1 - \delta)] \|Sx_n - p\|, \tag{5}$$

$$\|Tz_n - p\| \leq \delta [1 - a_n(1 - \delta)] \|Sx_n - p\|, \tag{6}$$

and

$$\|Ty_n - p\| \leq \delta \{(1 - b_n - c_n) + b_n\delta [1 - a_n(1 - \delta)] + c_n\delta\} \|Sx_n - p\|. \tag{7}$$

Combining (3)–(7), we get

$$\|Sx_{n+1} - p\| \leq \{1 - \alpha_n - \beta_n + \alpha_n\delta [1 - b_n - c_n + b_n\delta [1 - a_n(1 - \delta)] + c_n\delta] + \beta_n\delta\} \|Sx_n - p\|, \tag{8}$$

Since  $1 - a_n(1 - \delta) \leq 1$  and  $1 - (b_n + c_n)(1 - \delta) \leq 1$ , (8) becomes

$$\begin{aligned} \|Sx_{n+1} - p\| &\leq \{1 - \alpha_n - \beta_n + \alpha_n\delta [1 - (b_n + c_n)(1 - \delta)] + \beta_n\delta\} \|Sx_n - p\| \\ &\leq [1 - (\alpha_n + \beta_n)(1 - \delta)] \|Sx_n - p\|. \end{aligned} \tag{9}$$

Since  $\alpha_k \leq \alpha_k + \beta_k$  for all  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ , therefore we get

$$\sum_{n=0}^k \alpha_n \leq \sum_{n=0}^k (\alpha_n + \beta_n),$$

which implies when  $k \rightarrow \infty$ ,

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \alpha_n \leq \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (\alpha_n + \beta_n).$$

Thus assumption  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \alpha_n = \infty$  implies  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (\alpha_n + \beta_n) = \infty$ . Now it can be seen easily that inequality (9) fulfills all the conditions of Lemma 1. An application of Lemma 1 to (9) gives  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|Sx_n - p\| = 0$ .

Now we prove  $p$  is a unique common fixed point of  $S$  and  $T$ , when  $Y = X$ .

Assume there exists another coincidence point  $q$  of the pair  $(S, T)$ . Then there exists  $z^* \in X$  such that  $Sz^* = Tz^* = q$ . However,

$$0 \leq \|p - q\| \leq \|Tz - Tz^*\| \leq \delta \|Sz - Sz^*\| + \varphi(\|Sz - Tz\|) = \delta \|p - q\|,$$

which implies  $p = q$  as  $\delta \in [0, 1)$ . Since  $S$  and  $T$  are weakly compatible and  $Sz = Tz = p$ , so  $Tp = TTz = TSz = STz$  and hence  $Tp = Sp$ . Therefore,  $Tp$  is a point of coincidence of  $S, T$  and as the point of coincidence is unique so  $Tp = p$ . Thus  $Tp = Sp = p$  and therefore  $p$  is unique common fixed point of  $S$  and  $T$ .

We now prove that Jungk–Khan iterative scheme (1) is weak  $w^2$ –stable with respect to  $(S, T)$ .

**Theorem 2** Let  $\{Sx_n\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$  be the Jungck–Khan iterative scheme (1) with  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \alpha_n = \infty$ . Suppose that there exists a  $z \in C(S, T)$  such that  $Sz = Tz = p$  (say) and  $\{Sx_n\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$  converges strongly to  $p$ . Let  $\{Su_n\}_{n=0}^{\infty} \subset X$  be an  $S$ –equivalent sequence of  $\{Sx_n\}_{n=0}^{\infty} \subset X$ . Set

$$\begin{cases} \varepsilon_n = \|Su_{n+1} - (1 - \alpha_n - \beta_n)Su_n - \alpha_nTv_n - \beta_nTu_n\|, \\ Sv_n = (1 - b_n - c_n)Su_n + b_nTw_n + c_nTu_n, \\ Sw_n = (1 - a_n)Su_n + a_nTu_n, \text{ for all } n \in \mathbb{N}, \end{cases} \tag{10}$$

Then  $\{Sx_n\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$  is weak  $w^2$ –stable with respect to  $(S, T)$ .

**Proof.** The sequence  $\{Sx_n\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$  will be weak  $w^2$ –stable with respect to  $(S, T)$  if  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Su_n = p$ . Let  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \varepsilon_n = 0$ .

It follows from (1), (2), and (10) that

$$\begin{aligned} \|Su_{n+1} - p\| &\leq \|Su_{n+1} - Sx_{n+1}\| + \|Sx_{n+1} - p\| \\ &\leq \|Su_{n+1} - (1 - \alpha_n - \beta_n)Su_n - \alpha_nTv_n - \beta_nTu_n\| \\ &\quad + (1 - \alpha_n - \beta_n)\|Sx_n - Su_n\| + \alpha_n\|Ty_n - Tv_n\| \\ &\quad + \beta_n\|Tx_n - Tu_n\| + \|Sx_{n+1} - p\|, \end{aligned} \tag{11}$$

$$\|Tx_n - Tu_n\| \leq \delta \|Sx_n - Su_n\| + \varphi(\|Sx_n - Tx_n\|), \tag{12}$$

$$\|Ty_n - Tv_n\| \leq \delta \|Sy_n - Sv_n\| + \varphi(\|Sy_n - Ty_n\|), \tag{13}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \|Sy_n - Sv_n\| &\leq (1 - b_n - c_n)\|Sx_n - Su_n\| \\ &\quad + b_n\|Tz_n - Tw_n\| + c_n\|Tx_n - Tu_n\|, \end{aligned} \tag{14}$$

$$\|Tz_n - Tw_n\| \leq \delta \|Sz_n - Sw_n\| + \varphi(\|Sz_n - Tz_n\|), \tag{15}$$

$$\|Sz_n - Sw_n\| \leq (1 - a_n) \|Sx_n - Su_n\| + a_n \|Tx_n - Tu_n\|, \tag{16}$$

Combining (11)–(16), we get

$$\begin{aligned} \|Su_{n+1} - p\| &\leq \varepsilon_n + \{1 - \alpha_n - \beta_n + \alpha_n\delta(1 - b_n - c_n) \\ &\quad + \alpha_nb_n\delta^2[1 - a_n(1 - \delta)] + \alpha_nc_n\delta^2 + \beta_n\delta\} \|Sx_n - Su_n\| \\ &\quad + \{\beta_n + \alpha_na_nb_n\delta^2 + \alpha_n\delta c_n\} \varphi(\|Sx_n - Tx_n\|) \\ &\quad + \alpha_n\varphi(\|Sy_n - Ty_n\|) + \alpha_n\delta b_n\varphi(\|Sz_n - Tz_n\|) + \|Sx_{n+1} - p\|. \end{aligned} \tag{17}$$

Since  $1 - a_n(1 - \delta) \leq 1$  and  $1 - (b_n + c_n)(1 - \delta) \leq 1$ , (17) becomes

$$\begin{aligned} \|Su_{n+1} - p\| &\leq \varepsilon_n + [1 - (\alpha_n + \beta_n)(1 - \delta)] \|Sx_n - Su_n\| \\ &\quad + [\beta_n + \alpha_n\delta(a_nb_n\delta + c_n)] \varphi(\|Sx_n - Tx_n\|) \\ &\quad + \alpha_n\varphi(\|Sy_n - Ty_n\|) + \alpha_nb_n\delta\varphi(\|Sz_n - Tz_n\|) + \|Sx_{n+1} - p\|. \end{aligned} \tag{18}$$

Now we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|Sx_n - Tx_n\| &\leq (1 + \delta) \|Sx_n - p\|, \\ \|Sy_n - Ty_n\| &\leq (1 + \delta) [1 - (b_n + c_n)(1 - \delta)] \|Sx_n - p\|, \\ \|Sz_n - Tz_n\| &\leq (1 + \delta) [1 - a_n(1 - \delta)] \|Sx_n - p\|. \end{aligned}$$

It follows from the assumption  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|Sx_n - p\| = 0$  that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|Sx_n - Tx_n\| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|Sy_n - Ty_n\| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|Sz_n - Tz_n\| = 0.$$

As  $\varphi$  is continuous, so we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \varphi(\|Sx_n - Tx_n\|) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \varphi(\|Sy_n - Ty_n\|) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \varphi(\|Sz_n - Tz_n\|) = 0. \tag{19}$$

Since  $\{Su_n\}_{n=0}^\infty, \{Sx_n\}_{n=0}^\infty \subset X$  are  $S$ -equivalent sequences, therefore we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|Sx_n - Su_n\| = 0. \tag{20}$$

Now taking the limit on both sides of (18) and then using  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|Sx_n - p\| = 0$ , (19), and (20) lead to  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|Su_{n+1} - p\| = 0$ . Thus  $\{Sx_n\}_{n=0}^\infty$  is weak  $w^2$ -stable with respect to  $(S, T)$ .

**Example 1** Let  $X = [0, 1]$  be endowed with the usual metric. Define two operators  $T, S : [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, 1]$  by  $Tx = \frac{x}{4}$  and  $Sx = x$  with a coincide point  $p = 0$ . It is clear that  $T([0, 1]) \subseteq S([0, 1])$ , and  $S([0, 1]) = [0, 1]$  is a complete subspace of  $[0, 1]$ . Now we show that the pair  $(S, T)$  satisfies condition (2) with  $\delta = \frac{1}{4}$ . To do this, define  $\varphi$  by  $\varphi(t) = \frac{t}{4}$ . Now  $\varphi$  is increasing, continuous, and  $\varphi(0) = 0$ . Therefore, for all  $x, y \in [0, 1]$ , we have

$$|Tx - Ty| = \left| \frac{x}{4} - \frac{y}{4} \right| \leq \frac{1}{4} \left| x - \frac{x}{4} \right| + \frac{1}{4} |x - y|,$$

or equivalently

$$0 \leq \left| x - \frac{x}{4} \right|,$$

which holds for all  $x \in [0, 1]$ . Thus the pair  $(S, T)$  satisfies condition (2).

Let  $\{Sx_n\}_{n=0}^\infty$  be the sequence defined by Jungck-Khan iterative scheme (1) with  $\alpha_n = \beta_n = a_n = b_n = c_n = \frac{1}{n+2}$  and  $x_0 \in [0, 1]$ . Then we have

$$z_n = Sz_n = \left(1 - \frac{1}{n+2}\right)x_n + \frac{1}{n+2} \frac{x_n}{4} = \left(1 - \frac{3}{4(n+2)}\right)x_n, \tag{21}$$

$$y_n = Sy_n = \left(1 - \frac{2}{n+2}\right)x_n + \frac{1}{n+2} \frac{z_n}{4} + \frac{1}{n+2} \frac{x_n}{4}, \tag{22}$$

$$x_{n+1} = Sx_{n+1} = \left(1 - \frac{2}{n+2}\right)x_n + \frac{1}{n+2} \frac{y_n}{4} + \frac{1}{n+2} \frac{x_n}{4}, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}. \tag{23}$$

Combining (21)–(23), we get that

$$x_{n+1} = Sx_{n+1} = \left(1 - \frac{3}{2} \left(\frac{1}{n+2} + \frac{1}{4(n+2)^2} + \frac{1}{32(n+2)^3}\right)\right)x_n, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}. \tag{24}$$

Let  $t_n = \frac{3}{2} \left(\frac{1}{n+2} + \frac{1}{4(n+2)^2} + \frac{1}{32(n+2)^3}\right)$ . It is easy to see that  $t_n \in (0, 1)$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $\sum_{n=0}^\infty t_n = \infty$ . Hence an application of Lemma 1 to (24) leads to  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = 0 = S(0) = T(0)$ .

To show that Jungck-Khan iterative scheme (1) is weak  $w^2$ -stable with respect to  $(S, T)$ , we use the sequence  $\{Sy_n\}$  defined by  $Sy_n = \frac{1}{n+3}$ . It is clear that the sequence  $\{Sy_n\}$  is an approximate of  $\{Sx_n\}$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} \varepsilon_n &= |Sy_{n+1} - f(T, y_n)| \\ &= \left| y_{n+1} - \left(1 - \frac{3}{2} \left(\frac{1}{n+2} + \frac{1}{4(n+2)^2} + \frac{1}{32(n+2)^3}\right)\right) y_n \right| \\ &= \left| \frac{1}{n+4} - \left(1 - \frac{3}{2} \left(\frac{1}{n+2} + \frac{1}{4(n+2)^2} + \frac{1}{32(n+2)^3}\right)\right) \frac{1}{n+3} \right| \\ &= \frac{32n^3 + 408n^2 + 1299n + 1228}{64(n+3)(n+4)(n+2)^3}. \end{aligned}$$

Clearly,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \varepsilon_n = 0$ . Therefore, Jungck-Khan iterative scheme (1) is weak  $w^2$ -stable with respect to  $(S, T)$ .

### 3. Data dependency

The study of data dependence of fixed points in a normed space setting has become a new trend (see [2–4,6,8,10,12–14] and references therein). For data dependency of fixed points, the reader is referred to the book by Berinde [1].

**Definition 6** Let  $(S, T), (\tilde{S}, \tilde{T}) : Y \rightarrow X$  be nonself operator pairs on an arbitrary set  $Y$  such that  $T(Y) \subseteq S(Y)$  and  $\tilde{T}(Y) \subseteq \tilde{S}(Y)$ . We say that the pair  $(\tilde{S}, \tilde{T})$  is an approximate operator pair of  $(S, T)$  if for all  $x \in X$  and for fixed  $\varepsilon_1 > 0$  and  $\varepsilon_2 > 0$ , we have

$$\|Tx - \tilde{T}x\| \leq \varepsilon_1, \quad \|Sx - \tilde{S}x\| \leq \varepsilon_2.$$

**Theorem 3** Let  $(\tilde{S}, \tilde{T}) : Y \rightarrow X$  be an approximate operator pair of the pair  $(S, T) : Y \rightarrow X$  satisfying contractive condition (2). Suppose that  $\tilde{S}(Y)$  is a complete subspace of  $X$ . Let  $z \in C(S, T)$  and  $\tilde{z} \in C(\tilde{S}, \tilde{T})$  be the coincidence points of  $S, T$  and  $\tilde{S}, \tilde{T}$  respectively, that is,  $Sz = Tz = p$  and  $\tilde{S}z = \tilde{T}z = \tilde{p}$ . Let  $\{Sx_n\}_{n=0}^\infty$  be the Jungck-Khan iterative scheme (1) with  $\sum_{n=0}^\infty \alpha_n = \infty$  and  $\{\tilde{S}\tilde{x}_n\}_{n=0}^\infty$  a sequence defined by

$$\begin{cases} \tilde{x}_0 \in X, \\ \tilde{S}\tilde{x}_{n+1} = (1 - \alpha_n - \beta_n)\tilde{S}\tilde{x}_n + \alpha_n\tilde{T}\tilde{y}_n + \beta_n\tilde{T}\tilde{x}_n, \\ \tilde{S}\tilde{y}_n = (1 - b_n - c_n)\tilde{S}\tilde{x}_n + b_n\tilde{T}\tilde{z}_n + c_n\tilde{T}\tilde{x}_n, \\ \tilde{S}\tilde{z}_n = (1 - a_n)\tilde{S}\tilde{x}_n + a_n\tilde{T}\tilde{x}_n, \quad n \in \mathbb{N}. \end{cases} \quad (25)$$

Assume that  $\{Sx_n\}_{n=0}^\infty$  and  $\{\tilde{S}\tilde{x}_n\}_{n=0}^\infty$  converge to  $p$  and  $\tilde{p}$ , respectively. Then we have

$$\|p - \tilde{p}\| \leq \frac{8\varepsilon}{1 - \delta},$$

where  $\varepsilon = \max\{\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2\}$ .

**Proof.** Using the same arguments as in the proof of ([8], Theorem 4.1), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|Sx_{n+1} - \tilde{S}\tilde{x}_{n+1}\| &\leq (1 - \alpha_n - \beta_n)\|Sx_n - \tilde{S}\tilde{x}_n\| \\ &\quad + \alpha_n\|Ty_n - \tilde{T}\tilde{y}_n\| + \beta_n\|Tx_n - \tilde{T}\tilde{x}_n\|, \end{aligned} \quad (26)$$

$$\|Ty_n - \tilde{T}\tilde{y}_n\| \leq \delta\|Sy_n - S\tilde{y}_n\| + \varphi(\|Sy_n - Ty_n\|) + \varepsilon_1, \quad (27)$$

$$\|Tx_n - \tilde{T}\tilde{x}_n\| \leq \delta\|Sx_n - \tilde{S}\tilde{x}_n\| + \varphi(\|Sx_n - Tx_n\|) + \delta\varepsilon_2 + \varepsilon_1, \quad (28)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \|Sy_n - S\tilde{y}_n\| &\leq (1 - b_n - c_n)\|Sx_n - \tilde{S}\tilde{x}_n\| \\ &\quad + b_n\|Tz_n - \tilde{T}\tilde{z}_n\| + c_n\|Tx_n - \tilde{T}\tilde{x}_n\| + \varepsilon_2, \end{aligned} \quad (29)$$

$$\|Tz_n - \tilde{T}\tilde{z}_n\| \leq \delta\|Sz_n - S\tilde{z}_n\| + \varphi(\|Sz_n - Tz_n\|) + \varepsilon_1, \quad (30)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \|Sz_n - S\tilde{z}_n\| &\leq [1 - a_n(1 - \delta)] \|Sx_n - \tilde{S}\tilde{x}_n\| \\ &\quad + a_n\varphi(\|Sx_n - Tx_n\|) + a_n(\delta\varepsilon_2 + \varepsilon_1) + \varepsilon_2. \end{aligned} \tag{31}$$

Combining (26)–(31), we get

$$\begin{aligned} \|Sx_{n+1} - \tilde{S}\tilde{x}_{n+1}\| &\leq \{1 - \alpha_n - \beta_n + \beta_n\delta + \alpha_n\delta(1 - b_n - c_n) \\ &\quad + \alpha_n\delta^2(c_n + b_n[1 - a_n(1 - \delta)])\} \|Sx_n - \tilde{S}\tilde{x}_n\| \\ &\quad + \alpha_n\delta b_n\varphi(\|Sz_n - Tz_n\|) + \alpha_n\varphi(\|Sy_n - Ty_n\|) \\ &\quad + [\alpha_n\delta^2 b_n a_n + \alpha_n\delta c_n + \beta_n] \varphi(\|Sx_n - Tx_n\|) \\ &\quad + [\alpha_n\delta^2 b_n a_n + \alpha_n\delta b_n + \alpha_n\delta c_n + \alpha_n + \beta_n] (\delta\varepsilon_2 + \varepsilon_1). \end{aligned} \tag{32}$$

As  $\alpha_n, \beta_n, a_n, b_n, c_n, \alpha_n + \beta_n, b_n + c_n \in [0, 1]$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , and  $\delta \in [0, 1)$ , so we have

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} 1 - a_n(1 - \delta) < 1, \\ 1 - (b_n + c_n)(1 - \delta) < 1, \\ \alpha_n \leq \alpha_n + \beta_n, \\ \beta_n \leq \alpha_n + \beta_n, \\ [\delta^2 b_n a_n + \delta b_n + \delta c_n + 1] (\delta\varepsilon_2 + \varepsilon_1) < 4(\varepsilon_2 + \varepsilon_1). \end{array} \right. \tag{33}$$

An application of inequalities in (33) to (32) gives

$$\begin{aligned} \|Sx_{n+1} - \tilde{S}\tilde{x}_{n+1}\| &\leq [1 - (\alpha_n + \beta_n)(1 - \delta)] \|Sx_n - \tilde{S}\tilde{x}_n\| \\ &\quad + (\alpha_n + \beta_n) \{ \delta b_n\varphi(\|Sz_n - Tz_n\|) + \varphi(\|Sy_n - Ty_n\|) \\ &\quad + [\delta^2 b_n a_n + \delta c_n + 1] \varphi(\|Sx_n - Tx_n\|) + 4(\varepsilon_2 + \varepsilon_1) \}. \end{aligned} \tag{34}$$

Define

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_n &= \|Sx_n - \tilde{S}\tilde{x}_n\|, \\ \mu_n &= (\alpha_n + \beta_n)(1 - \delta) \in (0, 1), \\ \gamma_n &= \frac{\left[ \delta b_n\varphi(\|Sz_n - Tz_n\|) + \varphi(\|Sy_n - Ty_n\|) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + [\delta^2 b_n a_n + \delta c_n + 1] \varphi(\|Sx_n - Tx_n\|) + 4(\varepsilon_2 + \varepsilon_1) \right]}{1 - \delta} \end{aligned}$$

Thus, (34) becomes

$$\sigma_{n+1} \leq (1 - \mu_n)\sigma_n + \mu_n\gamma_n. \tag{35}$$

As in the proof of Theorem 1, the assumption  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \alpha_n = \infty$  implies  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (\alpha_n + \beta_n) = \infty$ . It is easy to check that  $\sigma_n, \mu_n$ , and  $\gamma_n$  satisfy all the conditions of Lemma 2. Also as in the proof of Theorem 2, we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \varphi(\|Sx_n - Tx_n\|) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \varphi(\|Sy_n - Ty_n\|) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \varphi(\|Sz_n - Tz_n\|) = 0.$$



Hence an application of Lemma 2 to (35) leads to

$$\|p - \tilde{p}\| \leq \frac{8\varepsilon}{1 - \delta},$$

where  $\varepsilon = \max\{\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2\}$ .

**Remark 1** *In this revisit of [8], we have:*

1. *Proved Theorem 1 in a slightly different way than Theorem 2.1;*
2. *Established ([8], Theorem 4.1) without the condition  $\beta_n \leq \alpha_n$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  in Theorem 3.*

**Remark 2** *In the definition of stability, the sequence  $\{Sy_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  is taken as an arbitrary sequence, say  $Sy_n = \frac{n}{n+1}$ . Now using  $Sy_n = \frac{n}{n+1}$  in place of  $Sy_n = \frac{1}{n+3}$  in Example 1, we obtain*

$$\begin{aligned} \varepsilon_n &= |Sy_{n+1} - f(T, y_n)| \\ &= \left| y_{n+1} - \left( 1 - \frac{3}{2} \left( \frac{1}{n+2} + \frac{1}{4(n+2)^2} + \frac{1}{32(n+2)^3} \right) \right) y_n \right| \\ &= \left| \frac{n+1}{n+2} - \left( 1 - \frac{3}{2} \left( \frac{1}{n+2} + \frac{1}{4(n+2)^2} + \frac{1}{32(n+2)^3} \right) \right) \frac{n}{n+1} \right|, \end{aligned}$$

which implies  $\varepsilon_n \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . However,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Sy_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n}{n+1} = 1$ . Therefore,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \varepsilon_n = 0$  does not imply  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Sy_n = 0$  for an arbitrary sequence  $\{Sy_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ . Thus the Jungck-Khan iterative scheme (1) is not stable.

Here we have improved the stability result in [8] for weakly  $w^2$ -stability. The new result is supported by a numerical example.

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