



## Generalize Partial Metric Spaces

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### Abstract

The purpose of this research is to introduce a concept of general partial metric spaces as a generalization of partial metric space, give some results and properties and find relations between the general partial metric space, partial metric spaces and D-metric spaces.

**Keywords:** partial metric space, D-metric space, general partial metric space.

### 1 Introduction and preliminaries

Metric spaces are very important in mathematics introduced and studied by the French mathematicians. Many researchers tried to generalized the metric space to different types for example, b-metric space defined by Stefan Czerwik [1], G-metric space defined by Mustafa and Sims [2], 2-metric space defined by Gahler [3], D\*-metric space [4], partial metric space defined by Mathews [5] and D-metric space defined by Dhage [11]

First, give some definitions and properties of the partial metric spaces that can be found in [5-10]

A non-empty set  $Y$  is said to be partial metric space if there exists a function  $p: Y^2 \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  satisfies the following condition:

$$p1 \quad \alpha = \beta \Leftrightarrow p(\alpha, \alpha) = p(\alpha, \beta) = p(\beta, \beta)$$

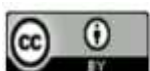
$$p2 \quad p(\alpha, \alpha) \leq p(\alpha, \beta)$$

$$p3 \quad p(\alpha, \beta) = p(\beta, \alpha)$$

$$p4 \quad p(\alpha, \beta) \leq p(\alpha, \mu) + p(\mu, \beta) - p(\mu, \mu)$$

$\forall \alpha, \beta$  and  $\mu \in Y$ , where  $p$  is a partial metric on  $Y$ .

A basic example of a partial metric space is  $(R^+, p)$ , where  $p(\alpha, \beta) = \max\{\alpha, \beta\} \quad \forall \alpha, \beta \in R^+$



Also, the partial metric space  $p$  on  $Y$  generates a  $T_0$  topology  $\tau_p$  on  $Y$ , which has as a base of family open balls  $\{B_p(\alpha, \epsilon) : \alpha \in Y, \epsilon > 0\}$ , where  $B_p(\alpha, \epsilon) = \{\beta \in Y : p(\alpha, \beta) < p(\alpha, \alpha) + \epsilon\} \forall \alpha \in Y$  and  $\epsilon > 0$ . (see [9])

The sequence  $\{\alpha_n\}$  in a partial metric space  $(Y, p)$  converge sequence if

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} p(\alpha, \alpha_n) = p(\alpha, \alpha)$$

The sequence  $\{\alpha_n\}$  in a partial metric space  $(Y, p)$  is said to be Cauchy sequences if

$$\lim_{n, m \rightarrow \infty} p(\alpha_n, \alpha_m) \text{ exists (finite).}$$

The partial metric space  $(Y, p)$  is said to be complete if every cauchy sequence  $\{\alpha_n\}$  convergent to a point  $\alpha$  in  $Y$ .

A mapping  $F: (Y, p) \rightarrow (Y', p')$  is said to be continuous at  $\alpha_0 \in Y$ , if for every  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists  $\delta > 0$  such that

$$F(B_p(\alpha_0, \delta)) \subseteq B_{p'}(F\alpha_0, \epsilon). \text{ (See [10])}$$

If  $p$  is a partial metric space, then the function  $p^s: Y^2 \rightarrow R^+$  defined by

$$p^s(\alpha, \beta) = 2p(\alpha, \beta) - p(\alpha, \alpha) - p(\beta, \beta)$$

is a metric on  $Y$  (See [6])

Not that, the sequence  $\{\alpha_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence in a partial metric space  $(Y, p)$  if and only if  $\{\alpha_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence in the metric space  $(Y, p^s)$ . (See [9], [10])

A partial metric space  $(Y, p)$  is said complete if and only if the metric space  $(Y, p^s)$  is complete. Furthermore,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} p^s(\alpha_n, \alpha) = 0$  if and only if

$$p(\alpha, \alpha) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} p(\alpha_n, \alpha) = \lim_{n, m \rightarrow \infty} p(\alpha_n, \alpha_m). \text{ (see [9], [10])}$$

Second, we recall definition of D-metric space that can be found in [11], [12], [13]

A non-empty set  $Y$  is said to be D-metric space if there exists a function  $D: Y^3 \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  satisfies the following conditions:

$$D1. D(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) = 0 \Leftrightarrow \alpha = \beta = \gamma$$

$$D2. D(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) = D(\beta, \alpha, \gamma) = D(\gamma, \alpha, \beta) = D(\beta, \gamma, \alpha) = \dots \text{ (S}\beta\text{mmetr}\beta\text{)}$$

$$D3. D(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) \leq D(\mu, \beta, \gamma) + D(\alpha, \mu, \gamma) + D(\alpha, \beta, \mu)$$

$\forall \alpha, \beta, \gamma$  and  $\mu \in Y$ , where  $D$  is D-metric on  $Y$ .

$Y$  if for given  $\epsilon > 0$ , A sequence  $\{\alpha_n\}$  in D-metric space  $(Y, D)$  is said converge to  $\alpha \in Y$  there exists a positive integer  $m_0$  such that  $D(\alpha_n, \alpha_m, \alpha) < \epsilon \forall m \geq m_0, n \geq m_0$ . [13]

A sequence  $\{\alpha_n\}$  in D-metric space  $(Y, D)$  is said Cauchy if for given  $\epsilon > 0$ ; there exists an positive integer  $m_0$  such that  $D(\alpha_n, \alpha_m, \alpha_l) < \epsilon \forall m \geq m_0, n \geq m_0, l \geq m_0$ . [13]

A sequence  $\{\alpha_n\}$  in D-metric space  $(Y, D)$  is said to be complete if every Cauchy sequence in  $Y$  converges to a point  $\alpha$  in  $Y$ .

A sequence  $\{\alpha_n\}$  in D-metric space  $(Y, D)$  converges strongly to an element  $\alpha$  in  $Y$  if (i)  $D(\alpha_n, \alpha_m, \alpha) \rightarrow 0$  as  $n, m \rightarrow \infty$ . (ii)  $\{D(\beta, \beta, \alpha_n)\}$  converges to  $D(\beta, \beta, \alpha) \forall \beta \in Y$ . [13]

A sequence  $\{\alpha_n\}$  in D-metric space  $(Y, D)$  is said to be very strongly converges to an element  $\alpha$  in  $Y$  if

(i)  $D(\alpha_n, \alpha_m, \alpha) \rightarrow 0$  as  $n, m \rightarrow \infty$ . (ii)  $\{D(\beta, z, \alpha_n)\}$  converges to  $D(\beta, z, \alpha) \forall \beta, z \in Y$ . [13]

## 2. Generalize Partial Metric Spaces

### Definition 1

A non-empty set  $Y$  is said to be a general partial metric space if there exists a function  $D_p: Y^3 \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  satisfy the following condition:

- Dp1.  $D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \alpha) = D_p(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) = D_p(\beta, \beta, \beta) = D_p(\gamma, \gamma, \gamma) \Leftrightarrow \alpha = \beta = \gamma$
- Dp2.  $D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \alpha) \leq D_p(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$
- Dp3.  $D_p(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) = D_p(\alpha, \gamma, \beta) = D_p(\beta, \alpha, \gamma) = D_p(\beta, \gamma, \alpha) = \dots$  (Symmetry)
- Dp4.  $D_p(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) \leq D_p(\mu, \beta, \gamma) + D_p(\alpha, \mu, \gamma) + D_p(\alpha, \beta, \mu) - D_p(\mu, \mu, \mu)$

$\forall \alpha, \beta, \gamma$  and  $\mu \in Y$ , where  $D_p$  is general partial metric space on  $Y$ .

So, given an example of a general partial metric space we obtain

### Example 2

Let  $Y = [0, \infty)$  and define a function  $D_p$  on  $Y^3$  by  $D_p(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) = \max\{\alpha, \beta, \gamma\}$

Then  $D_p$  is a general partial metric space on  $Y$ .

### Solution:

1) since  $\max\{\alpha, \beta, \gamma\} = \max\{\alpha, \alpha, \alpha\} = \max\{\beta, \beta, \beta\} = \max\{\gamma, \gamma, \gamma\}$  if and only if  $\alpha = \beta = \gamma$  then  $D_p(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) = D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \alpha) = D_p(\beta, \beta, \beta) = D_p(\gamma, \gamma, \gamma)$  if and only if  $\alpha = \beta = \gamma$

2)  $D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \alpha) = \max\{\alpha, \alpha, \alpha\} = \alpha \leq \max\{\alpha, \beta, \gamma\} = D_p(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$ .

3) Trivial

4) Since  $\max\{\alpha, \beta, \gamma\} \leq \max\{\mu, \beta, \gamma\} + \max\{\alpha, \mu, \gamma\} + \max\{\alpha, \beta, \mu\} - \max\{\mu, \mu, \mu\}$

Then  $D_p(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) + D_p(\mu, \mu, \mu) \leq D_p(\mu, \beta, \gamma) + D_p(\alpha, \mu, \gamma) + D_p(\alpha, \beta, \mu)$  □

### Definition 3

Let  $(Y, D_p)$  be a general partial metric space, then

(1) A sequence  $\{\alpha_n\}$  in  $(Y, D_p)$  converges to a point  $\alpha \in Y$  if

$$\lim_{n, m \rightarrow \infty} D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_m, \alpha) = D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \alpha)$$

(2) A sequence  $\{\alpha_n\}$  in  $(Y, D_p)$  is Cauchy sequence if

$$\lim_{n, m, l \rightarrow \infty} D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_m, \alpha_l) \text{ exists (finite)}$$

(3) A general partial metric space  $(Y, D_p)$  is said to be complete if every Cauchy sequence is converge to a point  $\alpha$  in  $Y$ .

(4) A sequence  $\{\alpha_n\}$  in  $(Y, D_p)$  is a strongly converge to  $\alpha$  if

- i.  $D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_m, \alpha) \rightarrow D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \alpha)$  as  $n, m \rightarrow \infty$
- ii.  $D_p(\beta, \beta, \alpha_n) \rightarrow D_p(\beta, \beta, \alpha)$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty \forall \beta \in Y$

(5) A sequence  $\{\alpha_n\}$  in  $(Y, D_p)$  is a very strongly converge to  $\alpha$  if

- i.  $D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_m, \alpha) \rightarrow D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \alpha)$  as  $n, m \rightarrow \infty$
- ii.  $D_p(\beta, \gamma, \alpha_n) \rightarrow D_p(\beta, \gamma, \alpha)$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty \forall \beta, \gamma \in Y$

(6) For  $\alpha \in Y$  and  $\epsilon > 0$ , the open ball of the general partial metric space with center  $\alpha$  and radius  $\epsilon$  is  $B_{D_p}(\alpha, \epsilon) = \{\beta \in Y : D_p(\alpha, \beta, \beta) < D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \alpha) + \epsilon\}$ .

(7) A mapping  $F: (Y, D_p) \rightarrow (Y', D_{p'})$  is said to be continuous at  $\alpha$  if for each open ball

$B_{D_{p'}}(F(\alpha), \epsilon')$  in  $(Y', D_{p'})$  there exists a ball  $B_{D_p}(\alpha, \epsilon)$  in  $(Y, D_p)$  such that

$$F(B_{D_p}(\alpha, \epsilon)) \subseteq B_{D_{p'}}(F(\alpha), \epsilon').$$

Not that, if  $\{\alpha_n\}$  is a converge sequence in  $(Y, D_p)$  then the converge point is not unique.

**Example4**

Let  $Y = [0, \infty)$  with  $D_p(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) = \max\{\alpha, \beta, \gamma\}$  then  $(Y, D_p)$  is a general partial metric observe that if the sequence  $\{1 + \frac{1}{n^2}\}, \alpha \geq 1$  then  $D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_m, \alpha) = \lim_{n,m \rightarrow \infty} \max\{1 + \frac{1}{n^2}, 1 + \frac{1}{m^2}, \alpha\} = \alpha = D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \alpha)$ .

Hence, every  $\alpha \in [1, \infty)$  is a convergent point for the sequence  $\{1 + \frac{1}{n^2}\}$ .

Thus, the converge point is not unique.

**Theorem 5**

Every converge sequence in  $(Y, D_p)$  is a Cauchy sequence.

**Proof:**

Let  $(Y, D_p)$  be a general partial metric space and  $\{\alpha_n\}$  is a converge sequence to  $\alpha$  and  $\epsilon > 0$ .

Since  $\{\alpha_n\}$  is converge to  $\alpha$  then there exists  $k \in N$  such that

$$|D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_m, \alpha) - D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \alpha)| < \epsilon \forall n, m > k$$

So that

$$\begin{aligned} D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_m, \alpha_l) &\leq D_p(\alpha, \alpha_m, \alpha_l) + D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha, \alpha_l) + D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_m, \alpha) - D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \alpha) \\ &\leq 2D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \alpha) + \epsilon \quad \forall n, m, l > K \end{aligned}$$

Hence,  $\lim_{n,m,l \rightarrow \infty} D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_m, \alpha_l)$  exists, thus  $\{\alpha_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence. □

**Remark 6**

It is clear from the definition that every strong converge sequence is a converge but the opposite is not true, as we see in example (4) that a sequence  $\{\alpha_n\} = \{1 + \frac{1}{n^2}\}$  is a converge to 2 but not strongly a converge to 2, to see this

Take  $1 < \beta < 2, \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} D_p(\beta, \beta, \alpha_n) = \beta \neq 2 = D_p(\beta, \beta, 2)$

Thus,  $\alpha_n = \{1 + \frac{1}{n^2}\}$  is not strongly converging to 2.

**Theorem 7**

If  $\{\alpha_n\}$  is a strongly converge, then the converge point is unique.

**Proof**

Let  $\{\alpha_n\}$  be a strongly converge to  $w, z$

$\{D_p(\beta, \beta, \alpha_n)\}$  is real sequence converge to  $D_p(\beta, \beta, w), D_p(\beta, \beta, z)$  since the converge point is unique

$$\therefore D_p(\beta, \beta, w) = D_p(\beta, \beta, z) \quad \forall \beta$$

Take  $\beta = z$  then  $D_p(z, z, w) = D_p(z, z, z) \dots 1$

Take  $\beta = w$  then  $D_p(w, w, w) = D_p(w, w, z) \dots 2$

by defying  $D_p(z, z, z) \leq D_p(\beta, \beta, z) \quad \forall \beta$

If  $\beta = w$  then  $D_p(z, z, z) \leq D_p(w, w, z) = D_p(w, w, w)$

$$\therefore D_p(z, z, z) \leq D_p(w, w, w) \dots 3$$

Also,  $D_p(w, w, w) \leq D_p(\beta, \beta, w) \quad \forall \beta$

If  $\beta = z$  then  $D_p(w, w, w) \leq D_p(z, z, w) = D_p(z, z, z)$

$$\therefore D_p(w, w, w) \leq D_p(z, z, z) \dots 4$$

$b\beta$  3, 4; we have  $D_p(w, w, w) = D_p(z, z, z)$

$$\therefore D_p(w, w, z) = D_p(w, w, w) = D_p(z, z, z), \text{ thus } w = z. \quad \square$$

**Example 8**

Let  $Y = [0, \infty)$  and  $D_p(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) = \max\{\alpha, \beta, \gamma\}$  then  $(Y, D_p)$  is general partial metric space as we see in example 2, if  $\alpha_n = \frac{1}{2^n}$ , then the sequence  $\{\alpha_n\}$  is a very strongly converge to 1.

Indeed  $D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_m, \alpha_l) = \max\left\{\frac{1}{2^n}, \frac{1}{2^m}, 1\right\} \rightarrow 1 = D_p(1, 1, 1)$  as  $n, m \rightarrow \infty$

Also  $D_p(\beta, \gamma, \alpha_n) = \max\{\beta, \gamma, \frac{1}{2^n}\} \rightarrow \max\{\beta, \gamma, 1\}$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty \quad \forall \beta, \gamma \in Y$

**Remark 9**

It is clear from definition that every very strong converge sequence is a strongly converge, so that If  $\{\alpha_n\}$  is very strongly converge then the converge point is unique.

**Theorem 10**

Let  $(Y, D_p)$  be general partial metric space, if  $D_p(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) = 0$  then  $\alpha = \beta = \gamma$

**Proof**

We have  $D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \alpha) \leq D_p(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) = 0$ ,  $D_p(\beta, \beta, \beta) \leq D_p(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) = 0$  and

$$D_p(\gamma, \gamma, \gamma) \leq D_p(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \alpha) = D_p(\beta, \beta, \beta) = D_p(\gamma, \gamma, \gamma) = D_p(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) = 0$$

Therefore  $\alpha = \beta = \gamma$ . □

**Remark 11**

If  $\alpha = \beta = \gamma$ , then  $D_p(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$  may not be zero.

**3. Relations between D-metric, partial metric and general partial metric spaces**

**Theorem 12**

Let  $(Y, D_p)$  be a general partial metric space, then the functions  $D^g: Y^3 \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  given by  $D^g(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) = D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \beta) + D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \gamma) + D_p(\beta, \beta, \alpha) + D_p(\beta, \beta, \gamma) + D_p(\gamma, \gamma, \alpha) + D_p(\gamma, \gamma, \beta) - 2D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \alpha) - 2D_p(\beta, \beta, \beta) - 2D_p(\gamma, \gamma, \gamma)$ . (1.1)

Is a D-metric space on  $Y$

**Proof**

1) Since  $D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \beta) - D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \alpha) \geq 0$ ,  $D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \gamma) - D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \alpha) \geq 0$ ,

$$D_p(\beta, \beta, \alpha) - D_p(\beta, \beta, \beta) \geq 0,$$

$$D_p(\beta, \beta, \gamma) - D_p(\beta, \beta, \beta) \geq 0,$$

$$D_p(\gamma, \gamma, \alpha) - D_p(\gamma, \gamma, \gamma) \geq 0 \text{ and } D_p(\gamma, \gamma, \beta) - D_p(\gamma, \gamma, \gamma) \geq 0 \text{ so } D^g(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) \geq 0.$$

2) If  $D^g(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) = 0$

$$\text{then } D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \beta) + D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \gamma) + D_p(\beta, \beta, \alpha) + D_p(\beta, \beta, \gamma) + D_p(\gamma, \gamma, \alpha) + D_p(\gamma, \gamma, \beta) - 2D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \alpha) - 2D_p(\beta, \beta, \beta) - 2D_p(\gamma, \gamma, \gamma) = 0$$

$$\text{Take } D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \beta) + D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \gamma) - 2D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \alpha) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \alpha) = D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \beta) + D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \gamma) \dots 1$$

$$D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \gamma) + D_p(\beta, \beta, \alpha) - 2D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \alpha) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \alpha) = D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \gamma) + D_p(\beta, \beta, \alpha) \dots 2$$

$$\text{From 1\&2, we get } D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \beta) + D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \gamma) = D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \gamma) + D_p(\beta, \beta, \alpha)$$

$$\text{then } D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \beta) = D_p(\beta, \beta, \alpha) \dots 3$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Since } D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \alpha) &= D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \beta) + D_p(\alpha, \beta, \beta) = D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \beta) + D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \beta) \\ &= 2D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \beta) \end{aligned}$$

$$D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \alpha) = D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \beta) \dots 4$$

$$\text{Now, take } D_p(\beta, \beta, \gamma) + D_p(\beta, \beta, \alpha) - 2D_p(\beta, \beta, \beta) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2D_p(\beta, \beta, \beta) = D_p(\beta, \beta, \gamma) + D_p(\beta, \beta, \alpha) \dots 5$$

$$D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \beta) + D_p(\beta, \beta, \gamma) - 2D_p(\beta, \beta, \beta) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2D_p(\beta, \beta, \beta) = D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \beta) + D_p(\beta, \beta, \gamma) \dots 6$$

From 5&6, we get  $D_p(\beta, \beta, \alpha) + D_p(\beta, \beta, \gamma) = D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \beta) + D_p(\beta, \beta, \gamma)$

$$\text{then } D_p(\beta, \beta, \alpha) = D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \beta) \dots 7$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Since } 2D_p(\beta, \beta, \beta) &= D_p(\beta, \beta, \alpha) + D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \beta) = D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \beta) + D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \beta) \\ &= 2D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \beta) \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow D_p(\beta, \beta, \beta) = D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \beta) \dots 8$$

From 4&8, we get  $D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \alpha) = D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \beta) = D_p(\beta, \beta, \beta)$

so by definition  $\alpha = \beta \dots 9$

$$\text{and take } D_p(\gamma, \gamma, \alpha) + D_p(\gamma, \gamma, \beta) - 2D_p(\gamma, \gamma, \gamma) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2D_p(\gamma, \gamma, \gamma) = D_p(\gamma, \gamma, \alpha) + D_p(\gamma, \gamma, \beta) \text{ if } \beta = \alpha$$

Then  $2D_p(\gamma, \gamma, \gamma) = D_p(\gamma, \gamma, \alpha) + D_p(\gamma, \gamma, \alpha) = 2D_p(\gamma, \gamma, \alpha)$

$$\Rightarrow D_p(\gamma, \gamma, \gamma) = D_p(\gamma, \gamma, \alpha) \dots 10$$

$$\text{and } D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \beta) + D_p(\alpha, \gamma, \gamma) - 2D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \alpha) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \alpha) = D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \beta) + D_p(\alpha, \gamma, \gamma) \text{ if } \beta = \alpha$$

Then,  $2D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \alpha) = D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \alpha) + D_p(\alpha, \gamma, \gamma)$

$$\Rightarrow D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \alpha) = D_p(\alpha, \gamma, \gamma) \dots 11$$

From 10&11, we get  $D_p(\gamma, \gamma, \gamma) = D_p(\gamma, \gamma, \alpha) = D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \alpha)$

so by definition  $\alpha = \gamma \dots 12$

Then by 9&12 we get  $\alpha = \beta = \gamma$ .

3) Trivial

4) by definition since  $D_p(\mu, \mu, \beta) + D_p(\mu, \mu, \gamma) - 2D_p(\mu, \mu, \mu) \geq 0$

$$D_p(\beta, \beta, \mu) + D_p(\beta, \beta, \mu) - 2D_p(\beta, \beta, \beta) \geq 0$$

$$D_p(\gamma, \gamma, \mu) + D_p(\gamma, \gamma, \mu) - 2D_p(\gamma, \gamma, \gamma) \geq 0$$

$$D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \mu) + D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \mu) - 2D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \alpha) \geq 0,$$

$$D_p(\mu, \mu, \alpha) + D_p(\mu, \mu, \gamma) - 2D_p(\mu, \mu, \mu) \geq 0$$

$$D_p(\mu, \mu, \alpha) + D_p(\mu, \mu, \beta) - 2D_p(\mu, \mu, \mu) \geq 0$$

When combined, it is more than and equal to zero and when adding these values

$$\begin{aligned}
 & D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \beta), D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \gamma), D_p(\beta, \beta, \alpha), D_p(\beta, \beta, \gamma), D_p(\gamma, \gamma, \alpha), D_p(\gamma, \gamma, \beta), -2D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \alpha), \\
 & -2D_p(\beta, \beta, \beta), -2D_p(\gamma, \gamma, \gamma) \text{ to two parties, we get} \\
 & D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \beta) + D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \gamma) + D_p(\beta, \beta, \alpha) + D_p(\beta, \beta, \gamma) + D_p(\gamma, \gamma, \alpha) \\
 & \quad + D_p(\gamma, \gamma, \beta) - 2D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \alpha) - 2D_p(\beta, \beta, \beta) - 2D_p(\gamma, \gamma, \gamma) \\
 & \leq D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \beta) + D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \gamma) + D_p(\beta, \beta, \alpha) + D_p(\beta, \beta, \gamma) \\
 & \quad + D_p(\gamma, \gamma, \alpha) \\
 & \quad + D_p(\gamma, \gamma, \beta) - 2D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \alpha) - 2D_p(\beta, \beta, \beta) - 2D_p(\gamma, \gamma, \gamma) + D_p(\mu, \mu, \beta) + D_p(\mu, \mu, \gamma) \\
 & \quad + D_p(\beta, \beta, \mu) + D_p(\beta, \beta, \mu) + D_p(\gamma, \gamma, \mu) + D_p(\gamma, \gamma, \mu) + D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \mu) + D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \mu) \\
 & \quad + D_p(\mu, \mu, \alpha) + D_p(\mu, \mu, \gamma) + D_p(\mu, \mu, \alpha) + D_p(\mu, \mu, \beta) \\
 & \quad - 2D_p(\mu, \mu, \mu) - 2D_p(\beta, \beta, \beta) - 2D_p(\gamma, \gamma, \gamma) - 2D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \alpha) - 2D_p(\mu, \mu, \mu) - 2D_p(\mu, \mu, \mu) \\
 & = [D_p(\mu, \mu, \beta) + D_p(\mu, \mu, \gamma) + D_p(\beta, \beta, \mu) + D_p(\beta, \beta, \gamma) \\
 & \quad + D_p(\gamma, \gamma, \mu) \\
 & \quad + D_p(\gamma, \gamma, \beta) - 2D_p(\mu, \mu, \mu) - 2D_p(\beta, \beta, \beta) - 2D_p(\gamma, \gamma, \gamma)] + [D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \mu) \\
 & \quad + D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \gamma) + D_p(\mu, \mu, \alpha) + D_p(\mu, \mu, \gamma) + D_p(\gamma, \gamma, \alpha) \\
 & \quad + D_p(\gamma, \gamma, \mu) - 2D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \alpha) - 2D_p(\mu, \mu, \mu) - 2D_p(\gamma, \gamma, \gamma)] \\
 & \quad + [D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \beta) + D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \mu) + D_p(\beta, \beta, \alpha) + D_p(\beta, \beta, \mu) \\
 & \quad + D_p(\mu, \mu, \alpha) + D_p(\mu, \mu, \beta) - 2D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \alpha) - 2D_p(\beta, \beta, \beta) - 2D_p(\mu, \mu, \mu)] \\
 & \Rightarrow D^g(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) \leq D^g(\mu, \beta, \gamma) + D^g(\alpha, \mu, \gamma) + D^g(\alpha, \beta, \mu) \quad \square
 \end{aligned}$$

**Corollary 13**

Let  $(Y, D_p)$  be a general partial metric space, the function  $D^g: Y^3 \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  given by

$$\begin{aligned}
 D^g(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) = & D_p(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) + D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \beta) + D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \gamma) + D_p(\beta, \beta, \alpha) + D_p(\beta, \beta, \gamma) \\
 & + D_p(\gamma, \gamma, \alpha) + D_p(\gamma, \gamma, \beta) - 2D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \alpha) - 2D_p(\beta, \beta, \beta) - 3D_p(\gamma, \gamma, \gamma)
 \end{aligned}$$

is  $D - metric$  space. (1.2)

**Proof:** the prove is similar to theorem 12

**Remark 14**

It is clear from definition that every  $D$ -metric space  $(Y, D)$  is a general partial metric space  $(Y, D_p)$ , but the converse is not true. as we saw in example 2, by definition of  $D$ -metric space if  $\alpha = \beta = \gamma$  then  $D(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) = 0$

Suppose  $\alpha = 5 = \beta = \gamma$  then  $D_p(5, 5, 5) = ma\alpha\{5, 5, 5\} = 5 \neq 0$

**Lemma 15**

Let  $(Y, D_p)$  be a general partial metric space if  $\{D_p(\alpha_m, \alpha_m, \alpha_m)\} \rightarrow \alpha$  as  $m \rightarrow \infty$  and  $\{D^g(\alpha_n, \alpha_m, \alpha_l)\}$  is a Cauchy sequence as  $n, m, l \rightarrow \infty$ , then  $D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_m, \alpha_l) \rightarrow \alpha$  as  $n, m, l \rightarrow \infty$  where  $D^g$  define in corollary 13.

**Proof**

Since  $D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_m, \alpha_l) \rightarrow \alpha$  as  $m \rightarrow \infty$ , then from every  $\epsilon > 0$  there exists  $n_0 \in N$  such that



$$|D_p(\alpha_m, \alpha_m, \alpha_m) - \alpha| < \frac{\epsilon}{2} \quad \forall m > n_0, \text{ and } D^g(\alpha_n, \alpha_m, \alpha_l) < \frac{\epsilon}{2} \quad \forall n, m, l > n_0$$

$$\frac{\epsilon}{2} > D^g(\alpha_n, \alpha_m, \alpha_l)$$

$$\begin{aligned} = & D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_m, \alpha_l) + D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_n, \alpha_m) + D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_n, \alpha_l) + D_p(\alpha_m, \alpha_m, \alpha_n) \\ & + D_p(\alpha_m, \alpha_m, \alpha_l) + D_p(\alpha_l, \alpha_l, \alpha_n) \\ & + D_p(\alpha_l, \alpha_l, \alpha_m) - 2D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_n, \alpha_n) - 2D_p(\alpha_m, \alpha_m, \alpha_m) - 3D_p(\alpha_l, \alpha_l, \alpha_l). \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_m, \alpha_l) - D_p(\alpha_m, \alpha_m, \alpha_m) < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{So that } |D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_m, \alpha_l) - \alpha| = & |D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_m, \alpha_l) - D_p(\alpha_m, \alpha_m, \alpha_m) + D_p(\alpha_m, \alpha_m, \alpha_m) - \alpha| \leq \\ & |D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_m, \alpha_l) - D_p(\alpha_m, \alpha_m, \alpha_m)| + |D_p(\alpha_m, \alpha_m, \alpha_m) - \alpha| < \frac{\epsilon}{2} + \frac{\epsilon}{2} < \epsilon \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_m, \alpha_l) \rightarrow \alpha$  as  $n, m, l \rightarrow \infty$  □

**Theorem 16**

Let  $(Y, D_p)$  be a general partial metric space, then

i) A sequence  $\{\alpha_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence in a general partial metric space  $(Y, D_p)$  if and only if  $\{\alpha_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence in  $(Y, D^g)$ .

ii) A general partial metric space  $(Y, D_p)$  is complete if  $(Y, D^g)$  is complete.

Where  $D^g$  define in corollary 13

**Proof i**

First, we must prove that each Cauchy sequence in  $(Y, D_p)$  is Cauchy in  $(Y, D^g)$ .

Then, there exists  $\alpha \in R$  such that,  $\forall \epsilon > 0$  there is  $n_0 \in N$  with

$$|D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_m, \alpha_l) - \alpha| < \frac{\epsilon}{14} \quad \forall n, m, l \geq n_0. \text{ Hence,}$$

$$\begin{aligned} |D^g(\alpha_n, \alpha_m, \alpha_l)| = & |D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_m, \alpha_l) + D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_n, \alpha_m) + D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_n, \alpha_l) + D_p(\alpha_m, \alpha_m, \alpha_n) + \\ & D_p(\alpha_m, \alpha_m, \alpha_l) + D_p(\alpha_l, \alpha_l, \alpha_n) + D_p(\alpha_l, \alpha_l, \alpha_m) - 2D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_n, \alpha_n) - 2D_p(\alpha_m, \alpha_m, \alpha_m) - \\ & 3D_p(\alpha_l, \alpha_l, \alpha_l)| \leq |D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_m, \alpha_l) - \alpha| + |D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_n, \alpha_m) - \alpha| + |D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_n, \alpha_l) - \alpha| + \\ & |D_p(\alpha_m, \alpha_m, \alpha_n) - \alpha| + |D_p(\alpha_m, \alpha_m, \alpha_l) - \alpha| + |D_p(\alpha_l, \alpha_l, \alpha_n) - \alpha| + |D_p(\alpha_l, \alpha_l, \alpha_m) - \\ & \alpha| - 2|D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_n, \alpha_n) - \alpha| - 2|D_p(\alpha_m, \alpha_m, \alpha_m) - \alpha| - 3|D_p(\alpha_l, \alpha_l, \alpha_l) - \alpha| \frac{\epsilon}{14} < \epsilon \quad \forall n, m, l \\ & \geq n_0. \end{aligned}$$

Hence,  $\{\alpha_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence in  $(Y, D^g)$ .

Conversely, now we must prove  $\{\alpha_n\}$  is Cauchy sequence in  $(Y, D_p)$

Since  $\{\alpha_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence in  $(Y, D^g)$  so  $\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists n_0 \in N$  such that

$$D^g(\alpha_n, \alpha_m, \alpha_l) < \frac{\epsilon}{2} \quad \forall n, m, l > n_0$$

$$\frac{\epsilon}{2} > D^g(\alpha_n, \alpha_m, \alpha_l)$$

$$\begin{aligned} = & D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_m, \alpha_l) + D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_n, \alpha_m) + D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_n, \alpha_l) + D_p(\alpha_m, \alpha_m, \alpha_n) \\ & + D_p(\alpha_m, \alpha_m, \alpha_l) + D_p(\alpha_l, \alpha_l, \alpha_n) \\ & + D_p(\alpha_l, \alpha_l, \alpha_m) - 2D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_n, \alpha_n) - 2D_p(\alpha_m, \alpha_m, \alpha_m) - 3D_p(\alpha_l, \alpha_l, \alpha_l) \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_m, \alpha_l) - D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_n, \alpha_n) \leq D^g(\alpha_n, \alpha_m, \alpha_l) < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$$

By compensation  $D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_n, \alpha_n)$  to two parties, we have

$$D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_m, \alpha_l) \leq D^g(\alpha_n, \alpha_m, \alpha_l) + D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_n, \alpha_n) < \frac{\epsilon}{2} + D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_n, \alpha_n)$$

And since  $D_p(\alpha_m, \alpha_m, \alpha_m) \leq D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_m, \alpha_l)$  so

$$D_p(\alpha_m, \alpha_m, \alpha_m) \leq D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_m, \alpha_l) \leq D^g(\alpha_n, \alpha_m, \alpha_l) + D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_n, \alpha_n) < \frac{\epsilon}{2} + D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_n, \alpha_n)$$

$$\Rightarrow D_p(\alpha_m, \alpha_m, \alpha_m) \leq \frac{\epsilon}{2} + D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_n, \alpha_n) \quad \forall n, m > n_0$$

Let  $\alpha_n = D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_n, \alpha_n) \in R$  such that  $|\alpha_m - \alpha_n| < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$

$\therefore \{\alpha_m\}$  is a Cauchy sequence,  $\therefore \{\alpha_n\} \rightarrow \alpha, \therefore D_p(\alpha_m, \alpha_m, \alpha_m) \rightarrow \alpha \in R$

Then by lemma 15,  $D_p(\alpha_m, \alpha_m, \alpha_m)$  is Cauchy sequence in  $(Y, D_p)$ . □

ii :

If  $\{\alpha_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence in  $(Y, D_p)$ , then it is a Cauchy sequence in  $(Y, D^g)$  and since D-metric  $(Y, D^g)$  is complete then there exists  $\alpha \in Y$  such that

$\lim_{n, m \rightarrow \infty} D^g(\alpha_n, \alpha_m, \alpha) = 0$ , hence

$$\lim_{n, m \rightarrow \infty} [D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_m, \alpha) + D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_n, \alpha_m) + D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_n, \alpha) + D_p(\alpha_m, \alpha_m, \alpha_n) + D_p(\alpha_m, \alpha_m, \alpha) + D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \alpha_n) + D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \alpha_m) - 2D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_n, \alpha_n) - 2D_p(\alpha_m, \alpha_m, \alpha_m) - 3D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \alpha)] = 0$$

There for  $\lim_{n, m \rightarrow \infty} [D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_m, \alpha) - D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \alpha)] = 0$

$\Rightarrow \lim_{n, m \rightarrow \infty} D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_m, \alpha) = D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \alpha)$  hence  $(Y, D_p)$  is converge

Thus  $(Y, D_p)$  is complete.

### Corollary 17

we can get from the proof of theorem 16, (ii),  $\lim_{n, m \rightarrow \infty} [D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_m, \alpha) - D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \alpha)] = \lim_{n, m \rightarrow \infty} [D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_m, \alpha) - D_p(\alpha_m, \alpha_m, \alpha_m)] = \lim_{n, m \rightarrow \infty} [D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_m, \alpha) - D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_n, \alpha_n)] = 0$ , such that  $\lim_{n, m \rightarrow \infty} D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_m, \alpha) = \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} D_p(\alpha_m, \alpha_m, \alpha_m) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_n, \alpha_n) = D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \alpha)$ .

### Propositions 18

If  $\{\alpha_n\}$  is Cauchy sequence in  $(Y, D^g)$ , then  $\lim_{n, m \rightarrow \infty} D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_n, \alpha_m) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_n, \alpha_n)$ .

### Proof

Since  $\{\alpha_n\}$  is Cauchy sequence in  $(Y, D^g)$  then  $\lim_{n, m, l \rightarrow \infty} D^g(\alpha_n, \alpha_m, \alpha_l) = 0$

And  $D^g(\alpha_n, \alpha_m, \alpha_l) = D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_n, \alpha_m) + D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_n, \alpha_l) + D_p(\alpha_m, \alpha_m, \alpha_n) + D_p(\alpha_m, \alpha_m, \alpha_l) + D_p(\alpha_l, \alpha_l, \alpha_n) + D_p(\alpha_l, \alpha_l, \alpha_m) - D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_n, \alpha_n) - 2D_p(\alpha_m, \alpha_m, \alpha_m) - 2D_p(\alpha_l, \alpha_l, \alpha_l)$ .

And  $D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_n, \alpha_m) - D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_n, \alpha_n) \leq D^g(\alpha_n, \alpha_m, \alpha_l)$  then

$$\lim_{n,m \rightarrow \infty} D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_n, \alpha_m) - D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_n, \alpha_n) \rightarrow 0$$

Similarly  $\lim_{n,m \rightarrow \infty} D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_n, \alpha_m) - D_p(\alpha_m, \alpha_m, \alpha_m) \rightarrow 0$

Since  $D_p(\alpha_m, \alpha_m, \alpha_m) - D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_n, \alpha_n) = D_p(\alpha_m, \alpha_m, \alpha_m) + D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_n, \alpha_m) - D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_n, \alpha_m) - D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_n, \alpha_n)$  then  $\lim_{n,m \rightarrow \infty} [D_p(\alpha_m, \alpha_m, \alpha_m) - D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_n, \alpha_n)] = \lim_{n,m \rightarrow \infty} [D_p(\alpha_m, \alpha_m, \alpha_m) - D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_n, \alpha_m)] + \lim_{n,m \rightarrow \infty} [D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_n, \alpha_m) - D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_n, \alpha_n)] \rightarrow 0$

So that  $\lim_{n,m \rightarrow \infty} [D_p(\alpha_m, \alpha_m, \alpha_m) - D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_n, \alpha_n)] \rightarrow 0$

Let  $\alpha_n = D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_n, \alpha_n)$

$$\therefore |\alpha_m - \alpha_n| \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n, m \rightarrow \infty$$

Hence  $\{\alpha_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence in R, therefor  $\{D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_n, \alpha_n)\}$  converge to  $\alpha$ .

Also,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_n, \alpha_m) =$

$$\lim_{n,m \rightarrow \infty} [D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_n, \alpha_m) + D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_n, \alpha_n) - D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_n, \alpha_n)]$$

Then  $[D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_n, \alpha_m) - D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_n, \alpha_n)] \rightarrow 0$  so  $\lim_{n,m \rightarrow \infty} D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_n, \alpha_m) = \alpha$

Thus  $\lim_{n,m \rightarrow \infty} D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_n, \alpha_m) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} D_p(\alpha_n, \alpha_n, \alpha_n)$ . □

**Theorem 19**

If  $(Y, p)$  be partial metric space then

$$D_p(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) = p(\alpha, \beta) + p(\alpha, \gamma) + p(\beta, \gamma) - p(\alpha, \alpha) - P(\beta, \beta) - p(\gamma, \gamma) \quad (1.3)$$

is general partial metric space.

1) Since  $p(\alpha, \beta) - p(\alpha, \alpha) \geq 0, p(\alpha, \gamma) - p(\gamma, \gamma) \geq 0, p(\beta, \gamma) - p(\beta, \beta) \geq 0$

then  $D_p(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) \geq 0$

2) let  $D_p(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) = D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \alpha) = D_p(\beta, \beta, \beta) = D_p(\gamma, \gamma, \gamma)$

since  $D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \alpha) = D_p(\beta, \beta, \beta) = D_p(\gamma, \gamma, \gamma) = 0$

$$\Rightarrow D_p(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow p(\alpha, \beta) + p(\beta, \gamma) + p(\alpha, \gamma) - p(\alpha, \alpha) - p(\beta, \beta) - p(\gamma, \gamma) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow p(\alpha, \beta) - p(\alpha, \alpha) = 0 \Rightarrow p(\alpha, \beta) = p(\alpha, \alpha) \dots 1,$$

$$\Rightarrow p(\alpha, \gamma) - p(\gamma, \gamma) = 0 \Rightarrow p(\alpha, \gamma) = p(\gamma, \gamma) \dots 2,$$

and  $p(\beta, \gamma) - p(\beta, \beta) = 0 \Rightarrow p(\beta, \gamma) = p(\beta, \beta) \dots 3$

From 1  $p(\alpha, \alpha) = p(\alpha, \beta)$  and by definition  $p(\alpha, \alpha) = p(\alpha, \beta) \leq p(\alpha, \gamma) + p(\gamma, \beta) - p(\gamma, \gamma)$

Since  $p(\alpha, \gamma) = p(\gamma, \gamma)$  &  $p(\beta, \gamma) = p(\beta, \beta)$  we get  $p(\alpha, \alpha) = p(\beta, \beta)$

From 2  $p(\beta, \beta) = p(\beta, \gamma)$  and by definition  $p(\beta, \beta) = p(\beta, \gamma) \leq p(\beta, \alpha) + p(\alpha, \gamma) - p(\alpha, \alpha)$

by 1&2 we get  $p(\beta, \beta) = p(\gamma, \gamma)$

From 3  $p(\gamma, \gamma) = p(\alpha, \gamma)$  and by definition  $p(\gamma, \gamma) = p(\alpha, \gamma) \leq p(\alpha, \beta) + p(\beta, \gamma) - p(\beta, \beta)$

by 1&3 we get  $p(\gamma, \gamma) = p(\alpha, \alpha)$

Hence  $p(\alpha, \alpha) = p(\beta, \beta) = p(\gamma, \gamma)$

Thus  $p(\alpha, \alpha) = p(\alpha, \beta) = p(\beta, \beta)$  by definition  $\alpha = \beta$ , and  $p(\beta, \beta) = p(\beta, \gamma) = p(\gamma, \gamma)$  by definition  $\beta = \gamma$  then we get  $\alpha = \beta = \gamma$ .

3) Trivial

4) since  $p(\mu, \gamma) - p(\gamma, \gamma) \geq 0, p(\mu, \beta) - p(\mu, \mu) \geq 0, p(\alpha, \mu) - p(\alpha, \alpha) \geq 0,$   
 $p(\mu, \gamma) - p(\mu, \mu) \geq 0, p(\beta, \mu) - p(\beta, \beta) \geq 0,$   
 $p(\alpha, \mu) - p(\mu, \mu) \geq 0$

When combined, it is more than and equal to zero and when added these values

$p(\alpha, \beta), p(\beta, \gamma), p(\alpha, \gamma), -p(\alpha, \alpha), -p(\beta, \beta), -p(\gamma, \gamma)$  to both said, we get

$$p(\alpha, \beta) + p(\beta, \gamma) + p(\alpha, \gamma) - p(\alpha, \alpha) - p(\beta, \beta) - p(\gamma, \gamma) \leq p(\alpha, \beta) + p(\beta, \gamma) + p(\alpha, \gamma) - p(\alpha, \alpha) - p(\beta, \beta) - p(\gamma, \gamma) + p(\mu, \gamma) - p(\mu, \mu) + p(\alpha, \mu) - p(\alpha, \alpha) + p(\beta, \mu) - p(\beta, \beta) + p(\mu, \beta) - p(\mu, \mu) + p(\mu, \gamma) - p(\mu, \mu) + p(\alpha, \mu) - p(\mu, \mu).$$

$$\Rightarrow D_p(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$$

$$\leq [p(\mu, \beta) + p(\mu, \gamma) + p(\gamma, \beta) - p(\mu, \mu) - p(\beta, \beta) - p(\gamma, \gamma)] + [p(\alpha, \mu) + p(\alpha, \gamma) + p(\mu, \gamma) - p(\alpha, \alpha) - p(\mu, \mu) - p(\gamma, \gamma)] + [p(\alpha, \beta) + p(\alpha, \mu) + p(\beta, \mu) - p(\alpha, \alpha) - p(\beta, \beta) - p(\mu, \mu)]$$

$$D_p(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) \leq D_p(\mu, \beta, \gamma) + D_p(\alpha, \mu, \gamma) + D_p(\alpha, \beta, \mu) - D_p(\mu, \mu, \mu) \quad \square$$

**Proposition 20**

Let  $(Y, D_p)$  be a general partial metric space and

$$D_p(\alpha, \beta, \beta) \leq D_p(\alpha, \gamma, \gamma) + D_p(\gamma, \beta, \beta) - D_p(\gamma, \gamma, \gamma) \tag{1.4}$$

holds then the function  $p: Y^2 \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  which is defined by  $p(\alpha, \beta) = D_p(\alpha, \beta, \beta)$  is a partial metric on  $Y$ .

**Proof**

1) since  $p(\alpha, \beta) = p(\alpha, \alpha) = p(\beta, \beta) \Leftrightarrow D_p(\alpha, \beta, \beta) = D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \alpha) = D_p(\beta, \beta, \beta) \Leftrightarrow \alpha = \beta$ .

2) since  $D_p(\alpha, \alpha, \alpha) \leq D_p(\alpha, \beta, \beta)$  then  $p(\alpha, \alpha) \leq p(\alpha, \beta) \quad \forall \alpha, \beta \in \alpha$

3) Trivial

4)  $p(\alpha, \beta) = D_p(\alpha, \beta, \beta) \leq D_p(\alpha, \gamma, \gamma) + D_p(\gamma, \beta, \beta) - D_p(\gamma, \gamma, \gamma)$  from (1.3)

$$= p(\alpha, \gamma) + p(\gamma, \beta) - p(\gamma, \gamma). \quad \square$$

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