Common Fixed Point Theorems for a Class Maps in *L*-Fuzzy Metric Spaces

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Abstract. In this paper we first prove a common fixed point theorem in \mathcal{L} -fuzzy metric space. Then we prove fixed point theorems for various compatible maps in \mathcal{L} -fuzzy metric spaces.

1. INTRODUCTION AND PRELIMINARIES

The notion of fuzzy sets was introduced by Zadeh [23]. Various concepts of fuzzy metric spaces were considered in [7, 8, 13, 14]. Many authors have studied fixed theory in fuzzy metric spaces; see for example [3, 4, 11, 12, 16, 17]. In the sequel, we shall adopt the usual terminology, notation and conventions of \mathcal{L} -fuzzy metric spaces introduced by Saadati et al. [19] which are a generalization of fuzzy metric spaces [10] and intuitionistic fuzzy metric spaces [18, 20].

Definition 1.1. ([11]) Let $\mathcal{L} = (L, \leq_L)$ be a complete lattice, and U a nonempty set called a universe. An \mathcal{L} -fuzzy set \mathcal{A} on U is defined as a mapping $\mathcal{A} : U \longrightarrow L$. For each u in U, $\mathcal{A}(u)$ represents the degree (in L) to which usatisfies \mathcal{A} .

Lemma 1.2. ([5, 6]) Consider the set L^* and the operation \leq_{L^*} defined by: $L^* = \{(x_1, x_2) : (x_1, x_2) \in [0, 1]^2 \text{ and } x_1 + x_2 \leq 1\},$

 $(x_1, x_2) \leq_{L^*} (y_1, y_2) \iff x_1 \leq y_1 \text{ and } x_2 \geq y_2, \text{ for every } (x_1, x_2), (y_1, y_2) \in L^*.$ Then (L^*, \leq_{L^*}) is a complete lattice.

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Classically, a triangular norm T on $([0,1], \leq)$ is defined as an increasing, commutative, associative mapping $T : [0,1]^2 \to [0,1]$ satisfying T(1,x) = x, for all $x \in [0,1]$. These definitions can be straightforwardly extended to any lattice $\mathcal{L} = (L, \leq_L)$. Define first $0_{\mathcal{L}} = \inf L$ and $1_{\mathcal{L}} = \sup L$.

Definition 1.3. A triangular norm (t-norm) on \mathcal{L} is a mapping $\mathcal{T} : L^2 \to L$ satisfying the following conditions:

- (i) $(\forall x \in L)(\mathcal{T}(x, 1_{\mathcal{L}}) = x);$ (boundary condition)
- (ii) $(\forall (x, y) \in L^2)(\mathcal{T}(x, y) = \mathcal{T}(y, x));$ (commutativity)
- (iii) $(\forall (x, y, z) \in L^3)(\mathcal{T}(x, \mathcal{T}(y, z)) = \mathcal{T}(\mathcal{T}(x, y), z));$ (associativity)
- (iv) $(\forall (x, x', y, y') \in L^4)(x \leq_L x' \text{ and } y \leq_L y' \Rightarrow \mathcal{T}(x, y) \leq_L \mathcal{T}(x', y')).$ (monotonicity)

A *t*-norm \mathcal{T} on \mathcal{L} is said to be continuous if for any $x, y \in \mathcal{L}$ and any sequences $\{x_n\}$ and $\{y_n\}$ which converge to x and y we have

$$\lim_{n} \mathcal{T}(x_n, y_n) = \mathcal{T}(x, y)$$

For example, $\mathcal{T}(x, y) = \min(x, y)$ and $\mathcal{T}(x, y) = xy$ are two continuous *t*-norms on [0, 1]. A t-norm can also be defined recursively as an (n + 1)-ary operation $(n \in \mathbb{N})$ by $\mathcal{T}^1 = \mathcal{T}$ and

$$\mathcal{T}^n(x_1,\cdots,x_{n+1})=\mathcal{T}(\mathcal{T}^{n-1}(x_1,\cdots,x_n),x_{n+1})$$

for $n \geq 2$ and $x_i \in L$.

Definition 1.4. A negation on \mathcal{L} is any decreasing mapping $\mathcal{N} : L \to L$ satisfying $\mathcal{N}(0_{\mathcal{L}}) = 1_{\mathcal{L}}$ and $\mathcal{N}(1_{\mathcal{L}}) = 0_{\mathcal{L}}$. If $\mathcal{N}(\mathcal{N}(x)) = x$, for all $x \in L$, then \mathcal{N} is called an involutive negation.

Definition 1.5. The 3-tuple $(X, \mathcal{M}, \mathcal{T})$ is said to be an \mathcal{L} -fuzzy metric space if X is an arbitrary (non-empty) set, \mathcal{T} is a continuous t-norm on \mathcal{L} and \mathcal{M} is an \mathcal{L} -fuzzy set on $X^2 \times]0, +\infty[$ satisfying the following conditions for every x, y, z in X and t, s in $]0, +\infty[$:

- (a) $\mathcal{M}(x, y, t) >_L 0_{\mathcal{L}};$
- (b) $\mathcal{M}(x, y, t) = 1_{\mathcal{L}}$ for all t > 0 if and only if x = y;
- (c) $\mathcal{M}(x, y, t) = \mathcal{M}(y, x, t);$
- (d) $\mathcal{T}(\mathcal{M}(x, y, t), \mathcal{M}(y, z, s)) \leq_L \mathcal{M}(x, z, t+s);$
- (e) $\mathcal{M}(x, y, \cdot) :]0, \infty[\to L \text{ is continuous.}$

Let $(X, \mathcal{M}, \mathcal{T})$ be an \mathcal{L} -fuzzy metric space. For $t \in [0, +\infty[$, we define the open ball B(x, r, t) with center $x \in X$ and radius $r \in L \setminus \{0_{\mathcal{L}}, 1_{\mathcal{L}}\}$, as

$$B(x, r, t) = \{ y \in X : \mathcal{M}(x, y, t) >_L \mathcal{N}(r) \}.$$

A subset $A \subseteq X$ is called *open* if for each $x \in A$, there exist t > 0 and $r \in L \setminus \{0_{\mathcal{L}}, 1_{\mathcal{L}}\}$ such that $B(x, r, t) \subseteq A$. Let $\tau_{\mathcal{M}}$ denote the family of all open subsets of X. Then $\tau_{\mathcal{M}}$ is called the *topology induced by the* \mathcal{L} -fuzzy metric \mathcal{M} .

Example 1.6. ([21]) Let (X, d) be a metric space. Denote $\mathcal{T}(a, b) = (a_1b_1, \min(a_2 + b_2, 1))$ for all $a = (a_1, a_2)$ and $b = (b_1, b_2)$ in L^* and let M and N be fuzzy sets on $X^2 \times (0, \infty)$ be defined as follows:

$$\mathcal{M}_{M,N}(x,y,t) = (M(x,y,t), N(x,y,t)) = (\frac{t}{t+d(x,y)}, \frac{d(x,y)}{t+d(x,y)}).$$

Then $(X, \mathcal{M}_{M,N}, \mathcal{T})$ is an intuitionistic fuzzy metric space.

Example 1.7. Let $X = \mathbb{N}$. Define $\mathcal{T}(a, b) = (\max(0, a_1+b_1-1), a_2+b_2-a_2b_2)$ for all $a = (a_1, a_2)$ and $b = (b_1, b_2)$ in L^* , and let $\mathcal{M}(x, y, t)$ on $X^2 \times (0, \infty)$ be defined as follows:

$$\mathcal{M}(x, y, t) = \begin{cases} \left(\frac{x}{y}, \frac{y-x}{y}\right) & if \quad x \le y\\ \left(\frac{y}{x}, \frac{x-y}{x}\right) & if \quad y \le x. \end{cases}$$

for all $x, y \in X$ and t > 0. Then $(X, \mathcal{M}, \mathcal{T})$ is an \mathcal{L} -fuzzy metric space.

Lemma 1.8. ([10]) Let $(X, \mathcal{M}, \mathcal{T})$ be an \mathcal{L} -fuzzy metric space. Then, $\mathcal{M}(x, y, t)$ is nondecreasing with respect to t, for all x, y in X.

Definition 1.9. A sequence $\{x_n\}_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$ in an \mathcal{L} -fuzzy metric space $(X, \mathcal{M}, \mathcal{T})$ is called a *Cauchy sequence*, if for each $\varepsilon \in L \setminus \{0_{\mathcal{L}}\}$ and t > 0, there exists $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ such that for all $m \ge n \ge n_0$ $(n \ge m \ge n_0)$,

$$\mathcal{M}(x_m, x_n, t) >_L \mathcal{N}(\varepsilon).$$

The sequence $\{x_n\}_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$ is said to be *convergent* to $x \in X$ in the \mathcal{L} -fuzzy metric space $(X, \mathcal{M}, \mathcal{T})$ (denoted by $x_n \xrightarrow{\mathcal{M}} x$) if $\mathcal{M}(x_n, x, t) = \mathcal{M}(x, x_n, t) \to 1_{\mathcal{L}}$ whenever $n \to +\infty$ for every t > 0. A \mathcal{L} -fuzzy metric space is said to be *complete* if and only if every Cauchy sequence is convergent.

Henceforth, we assume that \mathcal{T} is a continuous *t*-norm on the lattice \mathcal{L} such that for every $\mu \in L \setminus \{0_{\mathcal{L}}, 1_{\mathcal{L}}\}$, there is a $\lambda \in L \setminus \{0_{\mathcal{L}}, 1_{\mathcal{L}}\}$ such that

$$\mathcal{T}^{n-1}(\mathcal{N}(\lambda),...,\mathcal{N}(\lambda)) >_L \mathcal{N}(\mu).$$

For more information see [19].

Definition 1.10. Let $(X, \mathcal{M}, \mathcal{T})$ be an \mathcal{L} -fuzzy metric space. \mathcal{M} is said to be continuous on $X \times X \times]0, \infty[$ if

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \mathcal{M}(x_n, y_n, t_n) = \mathcal{M}(x, y, t)$$

whenever a sequence $\{(x_n, y_n, t_n)\}$ in $X \times X \times]0, \infty[$ converges to a point $(x, y, t) \in X \times X \times]0, \infty[$ i.e., $\lim_n \mathcal{M}(x_n, x, t) = \lim_n \mathcal{M}(y_n, y, t) = 1_{\mathcal{L}}$ and $\lim_n \mathcal{M}(x, y, t_n) = \mathcal{M}(x, y, t).$

Lemma 1.11. Let $(X, \mathcal{M}, \mathcal{T})$ be an \mathcal{L} -fuzzy metric space. Then \mathcal{M} is continuous function on $X \times X \times]0, \infty[$.

Proof. The proof is the same as that for fuzzy spaces (see Proposition 1 of [15]).

Definition 1.12. Let A and S be mappings from an \mathcal{L} -fuzzy metric space $(X, \mathcal{M}, \mathcal{T})$ into itself. Then the mappings are said to be weak compatible if they commute at their coincidence point, that is, Ax = Sx implies that ASx = SAx.

Definition 1.13. Let A and S be mappings from an \mathcal{L} -fuzzy metric space $(X, \mathcal{M}, \mathcal{T})$ into itself. Then the mappings are said to be compatible if

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \mathcal{M}(ASx_n, SAx_n, t) = 1_{\mathcal{L}}, \forall t > 0$$

whenever $\{x_n\}$ is a sequence in X such that

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} Ax_n = \lim_{n \to \infty} Sx_n = x \in X.$$

Proposition 1.14. ([22]) If self-mappings A and S of an \mathcal{L} -fuzzy metric space $(X, \mathcal{M}, \mathcal{T})$ are compatible, then they are weak compatible.

Lemma 1.15. ([1, 19]) Let $(X, \mathcal{M}, \mathcal{T})$ be an \mathcal{L} -fuzzy metric space. Define $E_{\lambda,\mathcal{M}}: X^2 \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^+ \cup \{0\}$ by

$$E_{\lambda,\mathcal{M}}(x,y) = \inf\{t > 0 : \mathcal{M}(x,y,t) >_L \mathcal{N}(\lambda)\}$$

for each $\lambda \in L \setminus \{0_{\mathcal{L}}, 1_{\mathcal{L}}\}$ and $x, y \in X$. Then we have

(i) For any $\mu \in L \setminus \{0_{\mathcal{L}}, 1_{\mathcal{L}}\}\$ there exists $\lambda \in L \setminus \{0_{\mathcal{L}}, 1_{\mathcal{L}}\}\$ such that

$$E_{\mu,\mathcal{M}}(x_1,x_n) \le E_{\lambda,\mathcal{M}}(x_1,x_2) + E_{\lambda,\mathcal{M}}(x_2,x_3) + \dots + E_{\lambda,\mathcal{M}}(x_{n-1},x_n)$$

for any $x_1, ..., x_n \in X$;

(ii) The sequence $\{x_n\}_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$ is convergent w.r.t. \mathcal{L} -fuzzy metric \mathcal{M} if and only if $E_{\lambda,\mathcal{M}}(x_n,x) \to 0$. Also the sequence $\{x_n\}_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$ is Cauchy w.r.t. \mathcal{L} -fuzzy metric \mathcal{M} if and only if it is Cauchy with $E_{\lambda,\mathcal{M}}$.

Lemma 1.16. Let $(X, \mathcal{M}, \mathcal{T})$ be an \mathcal{L} -fuzzy metric space. If

$$\mathcal{M}(x_n, x_{n+1}, t) \ge_L \mathcal{M}(x_0, x_1, k^n t)$$

for some k > 1 and $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Then $\{x_n\}$ is a Cauchy sequence.

Proof. For every $\lambda \in L \setminus \{0_{\mathcal{L}}, 1_{\mathcal{L}}\}$ and $x_n \in X$, we have

$$E_{\lambda,\mathcal{M}}(x_{n+1},x_n) = \inf\{t > 0 : \mathcal{M}(x_{n+1},x_n,t) >_L \mathcal{N}(\lambda)\}$$

$$\leq \inf\{t > 0 : \mathcal{M}(x_0,x_1,k^nt) >_L \mathcal{N}(\lambda)\}$$

$$= \inf\{\frac{t}{k^n} : \mathcal{M}(x_0,x_1,t) >_L \mathcal{N}(\lambda)\}$$

$$= \frac{1}{k^n}\inf\{t > 0 : \mathcal{M}(x_0,x_1,t) >_L \mathcal{N}(\lambda)\}$$

$$= \frac{1}{k^n}E_{\lambda,\mathcal{M}}(x_0,x_1).$$

From Lemma 1.15, for every $\mu \in L \setminus \{0_{\mathcal{L}}, 1_{\mathcal{L}}\}$ there exists $\lambda \in L \setminus \{0_{\mathcal{L}}, 1_{\mathcal{L}}\}$, such that

$$E_{\mu,\mathcal{M}}(x_n, x_m) \leq E_{\lambda,\mathcal{M}}(x_n, x_{n+1}) + E_{\lambda,\mathcal{M}}(x_{n+1}, x_{n+2}) + \dots + E_{\lambda,\mathcal{M}}(x_{m-1}, x_m)$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{k^n} E_{\lambda,\mathcal{M}}(x_0, x_1) + \frac{1}{k^{n+1}} E_{\lambda,\mathcal{M}}(x_0, x_1) + \dots + \frac{1}{k^{m-1}} E_{\lambda,\mathcal{M}}(x_0, x_1)$$

$$= E_{\lambda,\mathcal{M}}(x_0, x_1) \sum_{j=n}^{m-1} \frac{1}{k^j} \longrightarrow 0.$$

Hence sequence $\{x_n\}$ is a Cauchy sequence.

2. THE MAIN RESULTS

A class of implicit relation. Let Φ be the set of all continuous functions $\phi: L \longrightarrow L$, such that $\phi(t) > t$ for every $t \in L \setminus \{1_L\}$.

Theorem 2.1. Let $(X, \mathcal{M}, \mathcal{T})$ be a complete \mathcal{L} -fuzzy metric space and assume $S, T, I, J : X \longrightarrow X$ be four mappings, such that $TX \subseteq JX, SX \subseteq IX$, (*) and

$$\mathcal{M}(Tx, Sy, t)) \geq_L \phi(\min\{\mathcal{M}(Ix, Tx, kt), \mathcal{M}(Jy, Sy, kt), \mathcal{M}(Ix, Jy, kt)\} \\ \max\{\mathcal{M}(Ix, Sy, kt), \mathcal{M}(Jy, Tx, kt)\}$$

for every $x, y \in X$, some k > 1 and T(X) or S(X) is a closed subset of X. Suppose in addition that either

(i)T, I are compatible, I is continuous and S, J are weak compatible, or

(ii) S, J are compatible, J is continuous and T, I are weak compatible. Then I, J, T and S have a unique common fixed point.

Proof. Let $x_0 \in X$ be given . By (*) one can choose a point $x_1 \in X$ such that $Tx_0 = Jx_1 = y_1$, and a point $x_2 \in X$ such that $Sx_1 = Tx_2 = y_2$. Continuing this way, we define by induction a sequence $\{x_n\}$ in X such that

$$Ix_{2n+2} = Sx_{2n+1} = y_{2n+2} \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \cdots$$

$$Jx_{2n+1} = Tx_{2n} = y_{2n+1} \quad n = 0, 1, \cdots$$

For simplicity, we set

$$d_n(t) = \mathcal{M}(y_n, y_{n+1}, t), \ n = 0, 1, 2, \cdots$$

It follows from assume that for $n = 0, 1, 2, \cdots$.

$$d_{2n+1}(t)) = \mathcal{M}(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n+2}, t) = \mathcal{M}(Tx_{2n}, Sx_{2n+1}, t)$$

$$\geq_L \quad \phi(\min\{\mathcal{M}(Ix_{2n}, Tx_{2n}, kt), \mathcal{M}(Jx_{2n+1}, Sx_{2n+1}, kt), \mathcal{M}(Ix_{2n}, Jx_{2n+1}, kt)\})$$

$$\geq_L \quad \phi(\min\{\mathcal{M}(Ix_{2n}, Sx_{2n+1}, kt), \mathcal{M}(Jx_{2n+1}, Tx_{2n}, kt)\}$$

$$\geq_L \quad \phi(\min\{\mathcal{M}(\mathcal{M}(\mathcal{M}), \mathcal{M}_{2n+1}(kt), \mathcal{M}_{2n}(kt)\}, \max\{\mathcal{M}_L, \mathcal{M}_L\})$$

Now, if $d_{2n+1}(kt) <_L d_{2n}(kt)$, then

$$d_{2n+1}(t) \ge_L \phi(d_{2n+1}(kt)) >_L d_{2n+1}(kt).$$

Hence $d_{2n+1}(t) >_L d_{2n+1}(kt)$, is a contradiction. Therefore $d_{2n+1}(t) \ge_L d_{2n}(kt)$. That is $\mathcal{M}(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n+2}, t) \ge_L \mathcal{M}(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}, kt)$. So

$$\mathcal{M}(y_n, y_{n+1}, t) \ge_L \mathcal{M}(y_{n-1}, y_n, kt) \ge_L \dots \ge_L \mathcal{M}(y_0, y_1, k^n t).$$

By Lemma 1.15 sequence $\{y_n\}$ is Cauchy sequence, then it is converges to $a \in X$. That is

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} y_n = a = \lim_{n \to \infty} J x_{2n+1} = \lim_{n \to \infty} S x_{2n+1} = \lim_{n \to \infty} I x_{2n+2} = \lim_{n \to \infty} T x_{2n}$$

Now suppose that (i) is satisfied. Then $I^2x_{2n} \longrightarrow Ia$ and $ITx_{2n} \longrightarrow Ia$, since T and I are compatible, implies that $TIx_{2n} \longrightarrow Ia$. Now we wish to show that a is common fixed point of I, J, T and S.

(i) a is fixed point of I. Indeed, if $Ia \neq a$ we have $\mathcal{M}(TIx_{2n}, Sx_{2n+1}, t) \geq_L$

$$\phi(\min\{\mathcal{M}(I^{2}x_{2n}, TIx_{2n}, kt), \mathcal{M}(Jx_{2n+1}, Sx_{2n+1}, kt), \mathcal{M}(I^{2}x_{2n}, Jx_{2n+1}, kt)\} \\ \max\{\mathcal{M}(I^{2}x_{2n}, Sx_{2n+1}, kt), \mathcal{M}(Jx_{2n+1}, TIx_{2n}, kt)\}$$

Letting $n \to \infty$, (since $Ia \neq a$) yields

$$\mathcal{M}(Ia, a, t)) \geq_L \phi(\min\{\mathcal{M}(Ia, Ia, kt), \mathcal{M}(a, a, kt), \mathcal{M}(Ia, a, kt)\})$$
$$= \phi(\mathcal{M}(Ia, a, kt)) >_L \mathcal{M}(Ia, a, kt),$$

is a contradiction, hence Ia = a.

(*ii*) a is fixed point of T. Indeed,

$$\mathcal{M}(Ta, Sx_{2n+1}, t) \geq_L \phi(\min\{\mathcal{M}(Ia, Ta, kt), \mathcal{M}(Jx_{2n+1}, Sx_{2n+1}, kt), \mathcal{M}(Ia, Jx_{2n+1}, kt)\} \\ \max\{\mathcal{M}(Ia, Sx_{2n+1}, kt), \mathcal{M}(Jx_{2n+1}, Ta, kt)\}$$

and letting $n \to \infty$, if $Ta \neq a$ gives

$$\mathcal{M}(Ta, a, t)) \geq_L \phi(\min\{\mathcal{M}(Ia, Ta, kt), \mathcal{M}(a, a, kt), \mathcal{M}(Ia, a, kt)\} \\ = \phi(\mathcal{M}(Ta, a, kt)) >_L \mathcal{M}(Ta, a, kt)$$

is a contradiction. Hence, Ta = a.

(iii) Since $TX \subseteq JX$ for all $x \in X$, there is a point $b \in X$ such that

$$Ta = a = Jb.$$

We show that b is coincidence point for J and S. Indeed, if $Jb \neq Sb$ we have $\mathcal{M}(Jb, Sb, t) = \mathcal{M}(a, Sb, t) = \mathcal{M}(Ta, Sb, t)$

$$\geq \phi(\min\{\mathcal{M}(Ia, Ta, kt), \mathcal{M}(Jb, Sb, kt), \mathcal{M}(Ia, Jb, kt)\}) >_L \mathcal{M}(Jb, Sb, kt), \\ \max\{\mathcal{M}(Ia, Sb, kt), \mathcal{M}(Jb, Ta, kt)\}$$

is a contradiction. Thus Ta = Sb = Jb = a. Since J and S are weak compatible, we deduce that

$$SJb = JSb \Longrightarrow Sa = Ja.$$

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We show that Ta = Sa. Indeed, if $Ta \neq Sa$ we have

$$\mathcal{M}(Ta, Sa, t) \geq_L \phi(\min\{\mathcal{M}(Ia, Ta, kt), \mathcal{M}(Ja, Sa, kt), \mathcal{M}(Ia, Ja, kt)\}) >_L \mathcal{M}(Ta, Sa, kt), \\ \max\{\mathcal{M}(Ia, Sa, kt), \mathcal{M}(Ja, Ta, kt)\}) >_L \mathcal{M}(Ta, Sa, kt),$$

is a contradiction, that is, Ta = Sa. Therefore

$$Sa = Ta = Ia = Ja = a.$$

Uniqueness, if $b \neq a$ be another fixed point of I, J, T and S, then

$$\mathcal{M}(Ta, Sb, t)) \geq_{L} \phi(\min\{\mathcal{M}(Ia, Ia, kt), \mathcal{M}(a, a, kt), \mathcal{M}(Ia, a, kt)\}) \\ \geq_{L} \mathcal{M}(a, b, kt) = \mathcal{M}(Ta, Sb, t).$$

is a contradiction. That is, a is unique common fixed point, and proof of the theorem is complete. $\hfill \Box$

A class of implicit relation. Let $\{S_{\alpha}\}_{\alpha \in A}$ and $\{T_{\beta}\}_{\beta \in B}$ be the set of all self-mappings of a complete \mathcal{L} -fuzzy metric space $(X, \mathcal{M}, \mathcal{T})$.

Theorem 2.2. Let I, J and $\{T_{\alpha}\}_{\alpha \in A}, \{S_{\beta}\}_{\beta \in B}$ be self-mappings of a complete \mathcal{L} -fuzzy metric space $(X, \mathcal{M}, \mathcal{T})$ satisfying :

(i) there exist $\alpha_0 \in A$ and $\beta_0 \in B$ such that $T_{\alpha_0}(X) \subseteq J(X)$, $S_{\beta_0}(X) \subseteq I(X)$ and $T_{\alpha_0}(X)$ or $S_{\beta_0}(X)$ is a closed subset of X, (ii)

$$\mathcal{M}(T_{\alpha_0}x, S_{\beta_0}y, t)) \geq_L \phi(\min\{\mathcal{M}(Ix, T_{\alpha_0}x, kt), \mathcal{M}(Jy, S_{\beta_0}y, kt), \mathcal{M}(Ix, Jy, kt)\} \\ \max\{\mathcal{M}(Ix, S_{\beta_0}y, kt), \mathcal{M}(Jy, T_{\alpha_0}x, kt)\})$$

for every $x, y \in X$, some k > 1 and $\phi \in \Phi$. Suppose in addition that either

(a) T_{α_0} , I are compatible, I is continuous and S_{β_0} , J are weak compatible, or

(b) S_{β_0} , J are compatible, J is continuous and T_{α_0} , I are weak compatible. Then I, J, T_{α} and S_{β} have a unique common fixed point.

Proof. By Theorem 2.1 I, J, S_{α_0} and T_{β_0} for some $\alpha_0 \in A, \beta_0 \in B$ have a unique common fixed point in X. That is there exist a unique $a \in X$ such that $I(a) = J(a) = S_{\alpha_0}(a) = T_{\beta_0}(a) = a$. Let there exist $\lambda \in B$ such that $\lambda \neq \beta_0$ and $\mathcal{M}(T_{\lambda}a, a, t) < 1_L$ then we have

$$\mathcal{M}(a, S_{\lambda}a, t) = \mathcal{M}(T_{\alpha_{0}}a, S_{\lambda}a, t)$$

$$\geq_{L} \phi(\min\{\mathcal{M}(Ia, T_{\alpha_{0}}a, kt), \mathcal{M}(Ja, S_{\lambda}a, kt), \mathcal{M}(Ia, Ja, kt)\})$$

$$= \phi(\mathcal{M}(a, S_{\lambda}a, kt)) >_{L} \mathcal{M}(a, S_{\lambda}a, kt),$$

is a contradiction. Hence for every $\lambda \in B$ we have $S_{\lambda}(a) = a = I(a) = J(a)$. Similarly for every $\gamma \in A$ we get $T_{\gamma}(a) = a$. Therefore for every $\gamma \in A, \lambda \in B$ we have

$$T_{\gamma}(a) = S_{\lambda}(a) = I(a) = J(a) = a.$$

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