

COMMON FIXED POINT THEOREM FOR WEAKLY COMPATIBLE MAPPINGS IN FUZZY METRIC SPACES

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Abstract : We prove common fixed point theorem for weakly compatible mappings in fuzzy metric space. We extend results of Pathak, Khan and Tiwari to fuzzy metric space.

Introduction: In 1965 the concept of fuzzy sets was introduced by Zadeh [14]. It was developed extensively by many authors and used in various fields. Especially, Deng [3], Erceg [4], and Kramosil and Michalek [10] have introduced the concepts of fuzzy metric spaces in different ways.

Recently, George and Veeramani [7],[8] modified the concept of fuzzy metric spaces introduced by kramosil and Michalek [10] and defined the Hausdoff topology of fuzzy metric spaces. They showed also that every metric induces a fuzzy metric.

Grabiec [6] extended the well known fixed point theorem of Banach [1] and Edelstein [5] to fuzzy metric spaces in the sense of Kramosil and Michalek [10].

Here we extend results of Pathak, Khan and Tiwari [12] to fuzzy metric space.

Preliminaries

Definition 1 : [13] A binary operation $*$: $[0,1] \times [0,1] \rightarrow [0,1]$ is called a continuous t-norm if $([0,1], *)$ is an Abelian topological monoid with the unit 1 such that $a * b \leq c * d$ whenever $a \leq c$ and $b \leq d$ for all a, b, c, d are in $[0,1]$.

Examples of t-norm are $a * b = ab$ and $a * b = \min \{a,b\}$.

Definition 2 : [10] The 3-tuple $(X, M, *)$ is called a fuzzy metric space (shortly FM-space) if X is an arbitrary set, $*$ is a continuous t-norm and M is a fuzzy set in $X^2 \times [0, \infty)$ satisfying the following conditions for all x, y, z in X and $t, s > 0$,

$$(FM-1) \quad M(x, y, 0) = 0,$$

$$(FM-2) \quad M(x, y, t) = 1 \text{ for all } t > 0 \text{ if and only if } x = y,$$

$$(FM-3) \quad M(x, y, t) = M(y, x, t),$$

$$(FM-4) \quad M(x, y, t) * M(y, z, s) \leq M(x, z, t+s),$$

$$(FM-5) \quad M(x, y, \cdot) : [0,1] \rightarrow [0,1] \text{ is left continuous.}$$

In what follows, $(X, M, *)$ will denote a fuzzy metric space. Note that

$M(x, y, t)$ can be thought as the degree of nearness between x and y with

respect to t . We identify $x = y$ with $M(x, y, t) = 1$ for all $t > 0$ and $M(x, y, t) = 0$ with ∞ and we can find some topological properties and examples of fuzzy metric spaces in (George and Veeramani [7]).

Example 1 : [7] Let (X, d) be a metric space. Define $a * b = ab$ or $a * b = \min \{a, b\}$ and for all x, y in X and $t > 0$,

$$M(x,y,t) = \frac{t}{t + d(x,y)}$$

Then $(X, M, *)$ is a fuzzy metric space. We call this fuzzy metric M induced by the metric d the standard fuzzy metric.

For workers of this line we are giving Lemmas.

Lemma 1 : [6] For all $x,y \in X$, $M(x,y,\cdot)$ is non-decreasing.

Definition 3 : [6] Let $(X, M, *)$ be a fuzzy metric space :

(1) A sequence $\{x_n\}$ in X is said to be convergent to a point $x \in X$ (denoted by $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x$), if

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} M(x_n, x, t) = 1,$$

for all $t > 0$.

(2) A sequence $\{x_n\}$ in X called a Cauchy sequence if

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} M(x_{n+p}, x_n, t) = 1,$$

for all $t > 0$ and $p > 0$.

(3) A fuzzy metric space in which every Cauchy sequence is convergent is said to be complete.

Remark 1 : Since $*$ is continuous, it follows from (FM-4) that the limit of the sequence in FM-space is uniquely determined.

Let $(X,M,*)$ be a fuzzy metric space with the following condition:

$$(FM-6) \quad \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} M(x,y,t) = 1 \text{ for all } x,y \in X .$$

Lemma 2 : [11] If for all $x,y \in X$, $t > 0$ and for a number $k \in (0,1)$,

$$M(x,y,kt) \geq M(x,y,t)$$

then $x = y$.

Lemma 3 : [2,11] Let $\{y_n\}$ be a sequence in a fuzzy metric space $(X, M, *)$ with the condition (FM-6). If there exists a number $k \in (0,1)$ such that

$$M(y_{n+2}, y_{n+1}, kt) \geq M(y_{n+1}, y_n, t)$$

for all $t > 0$ and $n = 1, 2, \dots$ then $\{y_n\}$ is a Cauchy sequence in X .

Definition 4 : [9] A pair of mappings S and T is called weakly compatible pair in fuzzy metric space if they commute at coincidence points; i.e. , if $Tu = Su$ for some $u \in X$, then $TSu = STu$.

It is easy to see that if S and T are compatible , then they are weakly compatible and the converse is not true in general.

Example 2 : Let $X = \mathbb{R}_+$. Define S and T by :

$$Sx = x \text{ and } Tx = 2x-1 ; \quad Sx = Tx \text{ iff } x = 1,$$

$$\text{As } ST(1) = S(1) = 1, \quad TS(1) = T(1) = 1$$

Therefore $\{S,T\}$ are weakly compatible.

Let Φ be the set of all continuous and increasing functions $\phi_i : [0,1] \rightarrow [0,1]$ in any coordinate and $\phi_i(t) > t$ for all $t \in [0,1)$ and $i = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5$.

Main Results

We extend results of Pathak, Khan and Tiwari [12] to fuzzy metric spaces.

Theorem 1 : Let $(X, M, *)$ be a complete fuzzy metric space with $t*t \geq t$ for all $t \in [0,1]$. Let

A, B, S and T be mappings of X into itself such that

$$(1.1) \quad A(X) \subset T(X) \text{ and } B(X) \subset S(X),$$

(1.2) there exists a constant $k \in (0,1)$ such that

$$M^{2p}(Ax, By, kt) \geq \min\{ \phi_1(M^{2p}(Sx, Ty, t)), \phi_2(M^q(Sx, Ax, t).M^r(Ty, By, t)) ,$$

$$\phi_3 (M^r(Sx, By, (2-\alpha) t).M^r(Ty, Ax, t)),$$

$$\phi_4(M^s(Sx, Ax, t).M^{s'}(Ty, Ax, t)),$$

$$\phi_5(M^l(Sx, By, (2-\alpha) t). M^{l'}(Ty, By, t)) \},$$

for all $x, y \in X$, $\alpha \geq 0$, $\alpha \in (0,2)$, $t > 0$, $\phi_i \in \Phi$, $i = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5$, $0 < p, q, q', r, r', s, s', l, l' \leq$

1, such that $2p = q + q' = r + r' = s + s' = l + l'$.

(1.3) If the pairs $\{A, S\}$ and $\{B, T\}$ are weakly compatible, then

A, B, S and T have a unique common fixed point in X .

Proof : Since $A(X) \subset T(X)$, for arbitrary point x_0 in X , there exists a point

$x_1 \in X$ such that $T x_1 = Ax_0$. Since $B(X) \subset S(X)$, for this point x_1 we can choose a point $x_2 \in X$ such that $Sx_2 = Bx_1$ and so on. Continuing in this manner, we can define a sequence $\{y_n\}$ in X such that

$$(1.4) \quad y_{2n} = T x_{2n+1} = Ax_{2n} \text{ and } y_{2n+1} = Sx_{2n+2} = Bx_{2n+1} \text{ for } n = 1, 2, 3, \dots,$$

We need following Lemma for the proof of our main Theorem.

Lemma 4 : Let A, B, S and T be self-mappings of a fuzzy metric space

$(X, M, *)$ satisfying the conditions (1.1) and (1.2). Then the sequence $\{y_n\}$ denoted by (1.4) is a Cauchy sequence in X .

Proof. For $t > 0$, By putting $x = x_{2n}$ and $y = x_{2n+1}$ in (1.2), $\alpha = 1 - q$, with $q \in (0, 1)$ we have

$$M^{2p}(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}, kt) = M^{2p}(Ax_{2n}, Bx_{2n+1}, kt)$$

$$M^{2p}(Ax_{2n}, Bx_{2n+1}, kt) \geq \min\{\phi_1(M^{2p}(Sx_{2n}, Tx_{2n+1}, t)),$$

$$\phi_2(M^q(Sx_{2n}, Ax_{2n}, t).M^q(Tx_{2n+1}, Bx_{2n+1}, t)),$$

$$\phi_3(M^r(Sx_{2n}, Bx_{2n+1}, (2-\alpha)t).M^r(Tx_{2n+1}, Ax_{2n}, t))$$

$$\phi_4(M^s(Sx_{2n}, Ax_{2n}, t).M^s(Tx_{2n+1}, Ax_{2n}, t)),$$

$$\phi_5(M^l(Sx_{2n}, Bx_{2n+1}, (2-\alpha)t).M^l(Tx_{2n+1}, Bx_{2n+1}, t))\},$$

$$M^{2p}(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}, kt) \geq \min\{\phi_1(M^{2p}(y_{2n-1}, y_{2n}, t)), \phi_2(M^q(y_{2n-1}, y_{2n}, t).M^q(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}, t)),$$

$$\phi_3(M^r(y_{2n-1}, y_{2n+1}, (1+q)t).M^r(y_{2n}, y_{2n}, t)),$$

$$\phi_4(M^s(y_{2n-1}, y_{2n}, t).M^s(y_{2n}, y_{2n}, t)),$$

$$\phi_5(M^l(y_{2n-1}, y_{2n+1}, (1+q)t).M^l(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}, t))\},$$

$$M^{2p}(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}, kt) \geq \min\{\phi_1(M^{2p}(y_{2n-1}, y_{2n}, t)),$$

$$\phi_2(M^q(y_{2n-1}, y_{2n}, t).M^q(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}, t)),$$

$$\phi_3(M^r(y_{2n-1}, y_{2n}, t) * M^r(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}, qt))1$$

$$\phi_4(M^s(y_{2n-1}, y_{2n}, t)1),$$

$$\phi_5(M^l(y_{2n-1}, y_{2n}, t) * M^l(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}, qt).M^l(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}, t))\},$$

Since the t-norm $*$ is continuous and $M(x, y, \cdot)$ is continuous, letting $q \rightarrow 1$, we have

$$M^{2p}(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}, kt) \geq \min\{\phi_1(M^{2p}(y_{2n-1}, y_{2n}, t)),$$

$$\phi_2(M^q(y_{2n-1}, y_{2n}, t).M^q(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}, t)), \phi_3(M^r(y_{2n-1}, y_{2n}, t) * M^r(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}, t))$$

$$\phi_4(M^s(y_{2n-1}, y_{2n}, t)), \phi_5(M^l(y_{2n-1}, y_{2n}, t) * M^l(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}, t).M^l(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}, t))\},$$

$$M(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}, kt)$$

$$(1.5) > \begin{cases} M(y_{2n-1}, y_{2n}, t), & \text{if } M(y_{2n-1}, y_{2n}, t) < M(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}, t) \\ M(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}, t), & \text{if } M(y_{2n-1}, y_{2n}, t) \geq M(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}, t), \end{cases}$$

as $\phi_i(t) > t$ for $0 < t < 1$. Thus $\{M(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}, t), n \geq 0\}$ is an increasing sequence of positive real numbers in $[0,1]$ and therefore tends to a limit $l \leq 1$. We assert that $l = 1$. If not, $l < 1$ which on letting $n \rightarrow \infty$ in (1.5) one gets $l \geq \phi(l) > l$ a contradiction yielding thereby $l = 1$. Therefore for every $n \in \mathbb{N}$, using analogous arguments one can show that $\{M(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n+2}, t), n \geq 0\}$ is a sequence of positive real numbers in $[0, 1]$ which tends to a limit $l = 1$. Therefore for every $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $M(y_n, y_{n+1}, t) > M(y_{n-1}, y_n, t)$ and

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} M(y_n, y_{n+1}, t) = 1.$$

Now for any positive integer p

$$M(y_n, y_{n+p}, t) \geq M(y_n, y_{n+1}, t/p)^* \text{ p-times} \dots * M(y_{n+p-1}, y_{n+p}, t/p).$$

Since $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} M(y_n, y_{n+1}, t) = 1$ for $t > 0$, it follows that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} M(y_n, y_{n+p}, t) \geq 1 * 1 \dots * 1 = 1$$

which shows that $\{y_n\}$ is a Cauchy sequence in X .

Now we prove our main result as follows:

Since X is complete, it follows by Lemma 4, that the sequence $\{y_n\}$ converges to a point z in X . On the other hand, the sub sequences $\{Ax_{2n}\}$, $\{Bx_{2n+1}\}$, $\{Sx_{2n}\}$ and $\{Tx_{2n+1}\}$ of $\{y_n\}$ also converges to the point z .

Now suppose that the subsequence $\{y_{2n}\}$ is contained in $S(X)$ and has a limit in $S(X)$ call it z .

Let $u \in S^{-1}(z)$. Then $Su = z$.

By (1.2) with $\alpha = 1$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} M^{2p}(Au, y_{2n+1}, kt) &= M^{2p}(Au, Bx_{2n+1}, kt) \\ &\geq \min \{ \phi_1(M^{2p}(Su, Tx_{2n+1}, t)), \phi_2(M^q(Su, Au, t).M^q(Tx_{2n+1}, Bx_{2n+1}, t)), \\ &\phi_3(M^r(Su, Bx_{2n+1}, t).M^r(Tx_{2n+1}, Au, t)), \phi_4(M^s(Su, Au, t).M^s(Tx_{2n+1}, Au, t)), \\ &\phi_5(M^1(Su, Bx_{2n+1}, t).M^1(Tx_{2n+1}, Bx_{2n+1}, t)) \}, \end{aligned}$$

which implies that as $n \rightarrow \infty$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} M^{2p}(Au, z, kt) &\geq \min \{ \phi_2(M^q(z, Au, t)), \phi_3(M^r(z, Au, t)), \\ &\phi_4(M^{s+s'}(z, Au, t)) \} \end{aligned}$$

$$M^{2p}(Au, z, kt) \geq \phi_4(M^{2p}(z, Au, t)) > M^{2p}(z, Au, t)$$

a contradiction. Therefore $Au = z = Su$, i. e. u is a coincidence point of A and S .

Now suppose that the subsequence $\{y_{2n}\}$ is contained in $T(X)$ and has a limit in $T(X)$ call it z .

Let $v \in T^{-1}(z)$. Then $Tv = z$.

Again by (1.2) with $\alpha = 1$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} M^{2p}(y_{2n}, Bv, kt) &= M^{2p}(Ax_{2n}, Bv, kt) \\ &\geq \min \{ \phi_1(M^{2p}(Sx_{2n}, Tv, t)), \phi_2(M^q(Sx_{2n}, Ax_{2n}, t).M^q(Tv, Bv, t)), \\ &\quad \phi_3(M^r(Sx_{2n}, Bv, t).M^r(Tv, Ax_{2n}, t)), \phi_4(M^s(Sx_{2n}, Ax_{2n}, t).M^s(Tv, Ax_{2n}, t)), \\ &\quad \phi_5(M^l(Sx_{2n}, Bv, t).M^l(Tv, Bv, t)) \}, \end{aligned}$$

which implies that as $n \rightarrow \infty$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} M^{2p}(z, Bv, kt) &\geq \min \{ \phi_1(M^{2p}(z, z, t)), \phi_2(M^q(z, z, t).M^q(z, Bv, t)), \\ &\quad \phi_3(M^r(z, Bv, t).M^r(z, z, t)), \phi_4(M^s(z, z, t).M^s(z, z, t)), \\ &\quad \phi_5(M^l(z, Bv, t).M^l(z, Bv, t)) \}, \end{aligned}$$

or

$$\begin{aligned} M^{2p}(z, Bv, kt) &\geq \min \{ \phi_1(1), \phi_2(M^q(z, Bv, t)), \phi_3(M^r(z, Bv, t)), \\ &\quad \phi_4(1), \phi_5(M^{l+r}(z, Bv, t)) \}, \end{aligned}$$

or

$$M^{2p}(z, Bv, kt) \geq \phi_5(M^{l+r}(z, Bv, t)) > M^{2p}(z, Bv, t)$$

a contradiction Therefore $Bv = z$. Since $Tv = z$ thus $Tv = Bv = z$

i.e. v is a coincidence point of B and T .

Since the pair $\{A, S\}$ is weakly compatible therefore, A and S commute at their coincidence point, i.e. if $ASw = SAw$ or $Az = Sz$.

Similarly, since the pair $\{B, T\}$ is weakly compatible therefore, B and T commute at their coincidence point, i.e. if $BTw = TBw$ or $Bz = Tz$.

Now, we prove $Az = z$. By (1.2) with $\alpha = 1$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} M^{2p}(Az, y_{2n+1}, kt) &= M^{2p}(Az, Bx_{2n+1}, kt) \\ &\geq \min \{ \phi_1(M^{2p}(Sz, Tx_{2n+1}, t)), \phi_2(M^q(Sz, Az, t).M^q(Tx_{2n+1}, Bx_{2n+1}, t)), \\ &\quad \phi_3(M^r(Sz, Bx_{2n+1}, t).M^r(Tx_{2n+1}, Az, t)), \phi_4(M^s(Sz, Az, t).M^s(Tx_{2n+1}, Az, t)), \\ &\quad \phi_5(M^l(Sz, Bx_{2n+1}, t).M^l(Tx_{2n+1}, Bx_{2n+1}, t)) \}, \end{aligned}$$

which implies that as $n \rightarrow \infty$, we have

$$M^{2p}(Az, z, kt) \geq \min \{ \phi_1(M^{2p}(Az, z, t)), \phi_2(1), \phi_3(M^r(Az, z, t).M^r(z, Az, t)), \\ \phi_4(M^{s'}(z, Az, t)), \phi_5(M^l(Az, z, t)) \},$$

$$M^{2p}(Az, z, kt) \geq \phi_1(M^{2p}(Az, z, t) > M^{2p}(Az, z, t)$$

a contradiction. Therefore $Az = z$. Thus $Az = Sz = z$.

Now, we prove $Bz = z$. By (1.2) with $\alpha = 1$, we have

$$M^{2p}(Ax_{2n}, Bz, kt) \geq \min \{ \phi_1(M^{2p}(Sx_{2n}, Tz, t)), \phi_2(M^q(Sx_{2n}, Ax_{2n}, t).M^q(Tz, Bz, t)), \\ \phi_3(M^r(Sx_{2n}, Bz, t).M^r(Tz, Ax_{2n}, t)), \phi_4(M^s(Sx_{2n}, Ax_{2n}, t).M^s(Tz, Ax_{2n}, t)), \\ \phi_5(M^l(Sx_{2n}, Bz, t).M^l(Tz, Bz, t)) \},$$

which implies that as $n \rightarrow \infty$, we have

$$M^{2p}(Ax_{2n}, Bz, kt) \geq \min \{ \phi_1(M^{2p}(z, Bz, t)), \phi_2(1), \phi_3(M^{r+r'}(z, Bz, t)), \\ \phi_4(M^{s'}(Bz, z, t)), \phi_5(M^l(z, Bz, t)) \},$$

or

$$M^{2p}(z, Bz, kt) \geq \phi_1(M^{2p}(z, Bz, t) > M^{2p}(z, Bz, t) .$$

a contradiction. Therefore $Bz = z$. Since $Tz = z$ thus $Tz = Bz = z$.

Combining the above results, we have

$$Az = Bz = Sz = Tz = z, z \text{ is a common fixed point of } A, B, S \text{ and } T.$$

For the uniqueness of common fixed point let $w (z \neq w)$ be another common fixed point of $A, B,$

S and T . Then by (1.2) with $\alpha = 1$, we have

$$M^{2p}(z, w, kt) = M^{2p}(Az, Bw, kt) \\ \geq \min \{ \phi_1(M^{2p}(Sz, Tw, t)), \phi_2(M^q(Sz, Az, t).M^q(Tw, Bw, t)), \\ \phi_3(M^r(Sz, Bw, t).M^r(Tw, Az, t)), \phi_4(M^s(Sz, Az, t).M^s(Tw, Az, t)), \\ \phi_5(M^l(Sz, Bw, t).M^l(Tw, Bw, t)) \},$$

or

$$M^{2p}(z, w, kt) \geq \min \{ \phi_1(M^{2p}(z, w, t)), \phi_2(M^q(z, z, t).M^q(w, w, t)), \\ \phi_3(M^r(z, w, t).M^r(w, z, t)), \phi_4(M^s(z, z, t).M^s(w, z, t)), \\ \phi_5(M^l(z, w, t).M^l(w, w, t)) \},$$

$$M^{2p}(z, w, kt) \geq \phi_1(M^{2p}(z, w, t) > M^{2p}(z, w, t) .$$

a contradiction. Therefore $z = w$.

This completes the proof of the Theorem.

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