



Fixed Point Theorems in M-Fuzzy metric space

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ABSTRACT

In this paper, we mainly prove a coincidence theorem and common fixed point theorem in M-fuzzy metric spaces which improve the results of Som [11] who proved his results on Metric and Banach spaces. Also we improve and extend some known results of Veerapandi et al. [12] by extending three mappings to four weak compatible mappings. Mathematics Subject Classification: 47H10, 54H25.

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INTRODUCTION

After introduction of fuzzy sets by Zadeh [5], Kramosil and Michalek [4] introduced the concept of fuzzy metric space in 1975. Consequently in due course of time many researchers have defined a fuzzy metric space in different ways. Researchers like George and Veeramani [1], Grabiec [6], Subrahmanyam [7], Vasuki [9] used this concept to generalize some metric fixed point results. Recently, Sedghi and Shobe [10] introduced M-fuzzy

metric space which is based on D*-metric concept.

In this paper, we prove a common fixed point theorem for four weakly compatible mappings in M-fuzzy metric space. First we give some known definitions and results in M-fuzzy metric space given by Sedghi and Shobe [10] and then prove our main result.

Definition 1.1 ([2]) A binary operation $*$: $[0, 1] \times [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, 1]$ is a continuous t-norm if it satisfies the following conditions.

- (1) $*$ is associative and commutative,
- (2) $*$ is continuous,
- (3) $a * 1 = a$ for all $a \in [0, 1]$,
- (4) $a * b \leq c * d$ whenever $a \leq c$ and $b \leq d$, for each $a, b, c, d \in [0, 1]$.

Two typical examples of continuous t-norm are $a * b = a b$ and $a * b = \min \{a, b\}$.

Definition 1.2 ([10]) A 3-tuple $(X, M, *)$ is called a M-fuzzy metric space if X is an arbitrary (non-empty) set, $*$ is a continuous t-norm, and M is a fuzzy set on $X^3 \times (0, \infty)$, satisfying the following conditions for each $x, y, z, a \in X$ and $t, s > 0$,

- (1) $M(x, y, z, t) > 0$,
- (2) $M(x, y, z, t) = 1$ if and only if $x = y = z$,
- (3) $M(x, y, z, t) = M(p\{x, y, z\}, t)$, (symmetry) where p is a permutation function,
- (4) $M(x, y, a, t) * M(a, z, z, s) \leq M(x, y, z, t + s)$,
- (5) $M(x, y, z, \cdot): (0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, 1]$ is continuous.

Remark 1.3 ([10]) Let $(X, M, *)$ be a M-fuzzy metric space. Then for every $t > 0$ and for every $x, y \in X$ we have $M(x, x, y, t) = M(x, y, y, t)$.

Definition 1.4 ([10]) Let $(X, M, *)$ be a M-fuzzy metric space. For $t > 0$, the open ball $BM(x, r, t)$ with center $x \in X$ and radius $0 < r < 1$ is defined by

$$BM(x, r, t) = \{y \in X: M(x, y, y, t) > 1 - r\}.$$

A subset A of X is called open set if for each $x \in A$ there exist $t > 0$ and $0 < r < 1$ such that $BM(x, r, t) \subseteq A$.

Definition 1.5 ([10]) A sequence $\{x_n\}$ in X converges to x if and only if $M(x, x, x_n, t) \rightarrow 1$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$, for each $t > 0$. It is called a Cauchy sequence if for each $0 < \varepsilon < 1$ and $t > 0$, there exists $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $M(x_n, x_n, x_m, t) > 1 - \varepsilon$ for each $n, m \geq n_0$. The M-fuzzy metric space $(X, M, *)$ is said to be complete if every Cauchy sequence is convergent.

Lemma 1.6 ([10]). Let $(X, M, *)$ be a M-fuzzy metric space. Then $M(x, y, z, t)$ is nondecreasing with respect to t , for all x, y, z in X .

Lemma 1.7 ([10]). Let $(X, M, *)$ be a M-fuzzy metric space. Then M is continuous function on $X^3 \times (0, \infty)$.

In 1998, Jungck and Rhoades [3] introduced the concept of weakly compatibility of pair of self mappings in a metric space.

Definition 1.9 ([10]) Let f and g be two self maps of $(X, M, *)$. Then f and g are said to be weakly compatible if there exists u in X with $fu = gu$ implies $fgu = gfu$.

RESULTS

Theorem 2.1 Let S and T be two continuous self mappings of a complete M-fuzzy metric space $(X, M, *)$. Let A and B be two self mappings of X satisfying

- (i) $A(X) \cup B(X) \subseteq S(X) \cap T(X)$,
- (ii) $\{A, T\}$ and $\{B, S\}$ are weakly compatible pairs, and
- (iii) $aM(Tx, Sy, Bz, t) + bM(Tx, Ax, Sy, t) + cM(Sy, Bz, Ax, t) + \max\{M(Ax, Sy, Bz, t), M(Bz, Tx, Sy, t)\} \leq qM(Ax, Sy, Bz, t)$

for all $x, y, z \in X$ and $t > 0$, where $a, b, c \geq 0$ with $0 < q < a + b + c < 1$. Then A, B, S and T have a coincidence point.

Proof. Let $x_0 \in X$ be any arbitrary point. Since $A(X) \subseteq S(X)$, there must exist a point

$x_1 \in X$ such that $Ax_0 = Sx_1$. Also since $B(X) \subseteq T(X)$, then there exists another point

$x_2 \in X$ such that $Bx_1 = Tx_2$ and so on. In general, we get a sequence $\{y_n\}$ recursively as

$$y_{2n} = Sx_{2n+1} = Ax_{2n} \text{ and } y_{2n+1} = Tx_{2n+2} = Ax_{2n+1}, n = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

Let $M_n = M(y_n, y_{n+1}, y_{n+2}, t) < 1$ for all n . Putting $x = x_{2n}, y = x_{2n+1}$ and $z = x_{2n+2}$ in (iii) we get

$$aM(Tx_{2n}, Sx_{2n+1}, Bx_{2n+2}, t) + bM(Tx_{2n}, Ax_{2n}, Sx_{2n+1}, t) + cM(Sx_{2n+1}, Bx_{2n+2}, Ax_{2n}, t) + \max\{M(Ax_{2n}, Sx_{2n+1}, Bx_{2n+2}, t), M(Bx_{2n+2}, Tx_{2n}, Sx_{2n+1}, t)\}$$

$$\leq qM(Ax_{2n}, Sx_{2n+1}, Bx_{2n+2}, t),$$

$$\text{i.e., } aM(y_{2n-1}, y_{2n}, y_{2n+2}, t) + bM(y_{2n-1}, y_{2n}, y_{2n}, t) + cM(y_{2n}, y_{2n+2}, y_{2n}, t) + \max\{M(y_{2n}, y_{2n}, y_{2n+2}, t), M(y_{2n+2}, y_{2n-1}, y_{2n}, t)\} \leq qM(y_{2n}, y_{2n}, y_{2n+2}, t),$$

$$\text{i.e., } (a + b)M_{2n-1} + (c + 1)M_{2n} \leq qM_{2n},$$

$$\text{i.e., } (q - c - 1)M_{2n} \geq (a + b)M_{2n-1}, (a + b)M_{2n-1} \leq (q - c - 1)M_{2n} < (q - c)M_{2n},$$

$$(q - c)M_{2n} > (a + b)M_{2n-1}, M_{2n} > \{(a + b) / (q - c)\}M_{2n-1}$$

Let $(a + b) / (q - c) = r$ then $r > 1$ which implies

$$M_{2n} > rM_{2n-1} > M_{2n-1}. \dots \dots \dots (1)$$

Thus $\{M_{2n}, n \geq 0\}$ is an increasing sequence of positive real numbers in $[0, 1]$ and therefore tends to a limit $m \leq 1$.

We claim $m = 1$, for $m < 1$, taking limit in (1) we get $m < m$, which is a contradiction. Therefore $m = 1$.

For any positive integer r ,

$$M(y_n, y_n, y_{n+r}, t) \geq M(y_n, y_n, y_{n+1}, t/r) * \cdots * M(y_{n+1}, y_{n+1}, y_{n+2}, t/r) * \dots$$

$$* M(y_{n+r-1}, y_{n+r-1}, y_{n+r}, t/r) > (1-\epsilon)$$

$$* (1-\epsilon) * (1-\epsilon) * \dots r \text{ times} = (1-\epsilon).$$

Thus $M(y_n, y_n, y_{n+r}, t) > (1-\epsilon)$ which implies $M(y_n, y_n, y_{n+s}, t) > (1-\epsilon)$ for all $n, s \geq n_0$ where $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$.

Thus $\{y_n\}$ is a Cauchy sequence in X . Since X is complete, there is a point $p \in X$ such that $y_n \rightarrow p$, implying the sequences $\{Ax_{2n}\}$ and $\{Bx_{2n+1}\}$ converge to p , as such the subsequences $\{Sx_{2n+1}\}$ and $\{Tx_{2n+2}\}$ also converge to p .

Hence the sequences $\{Ax_{2n}\}$, $\{Bx_{2n+1}\}$, $\{Sx_{2n+1}\}$ and $\{Tx_{2n+2}\}$ are Cauchy and converge to same limit, say p .

Now we prove that p is coincidence point of A, B, S and T under the given condition of weak compatibility.

Since $A(X) \subseteq S(X)$ and $A(X) \subseteq T(X)$ so there must exist points $u, v \in X$ such that $p = Su$ and $p = Tv$.

Put $x = x_{2n}, y = u$ and $z = u$ in (iii)

$$aM(Tx_{2n}, Su, Bu, t) + bM(Tx_{2n}, Ax_{2n}, Su, t) + cM(Su, Bu, Ax_{2n}, t)$$

$$+ \max\{M(Ax_{2n}, Su, Bu, t), M(Bx_{2n}, Tx_{2n}, Su, t)\} \leq qM(Ax_{2n}, Su, Bu, t),$$

$$aM(p, p, Bu, t) + bM(p, p, p, t) + cM(p, Bu, p, t) + \max\{M(p, p, Bu, t), M(p, p, p, t)\} \leq qM(p, p, Bu, t),$$

$$\text{implies } aM(p, p, Bu, t) + b + cM(p, Bu, p, t) + 1 \leq qM(p, p, Bu, t), \text{implies}$$

$$M(p, p, Bu, t) \geq (b+1)/(q-a-c) > 1, \text{ therefore } Bu = p = Su.$$

Put $x = v, y = x_{2n+1}, z = u$ in (iii)

$$aM(Tv, Sx_{2n+1}, Bu, t) + bM(Tv, Av, Sx_{2n+1}, t) + cM(Sx_{2n+1}, Bu, Av, t)$$

$$+ \max\{M(Av, Sx_{2n+1}, Bu, t), M(Bu, Tv, Sx_{2n+1}, t)\} \leq qM(Av, Sx_{2n+1}, Bu, t), \text{implies}$$

$$aM(p, p, p, t) + bM(p, Av, p, t) + cM(p, p, Av, t) + \max\{M(Av, p, p, t), M(p, p, p, t)\} \leq qM(Av, p, p, t),$$

$$\text{implies } a + 1 + (b+c)M(p, Av, p, t) \leq qM(p, Av, p, t), \text{implies}$$

$$M(p, Av, p, t) \geq \{(a+1)/(q-b-c)\} > 1, \text{implies } Av = p.$$

Therefore $Av = Tv = p$.

Since $\{A, T\}$ and $\{B, S\}$ are weakly compatible therefore $ATv = TAv$ which gives $Ap = Tp$ and $BSu = SBu$ which gives $Bp = Sp$, which proves that p is the coincidence point of A, B, S and T .

Theorem 2.2 Let S and T be two continuous self mappings of a complete M -fuzzy metric space $(X, M, *)$. Let A and B be two self mappings of X satisfying

(i) $A(X) \cup B(X) \subseteq S(X) \cap T(X)$,

(ii) $\{A, T\}$ and $\{B, S\}$ are weakly compatible pairs, and

(iii) $aM(Tx, Sy, Bz, t) + bM(Tx, Ax, Sy, t) + cM(Sy, Bz, Ax, t) + \max\{M(Ax, Sy, Bz, t), M(Bz, Tx, Sy, t)\} \leq qM(Ax, Sy, Bz, t)$

for all $x, y, z \in X$ and $t > 0$, where $a, b, c \geq 0$ with $0 < q < a + b + c < 1$. Then A, B, S and T have a unique common fixed point.

Proof. As proved in Theorem 2.1, p is a coincidence point of A, B, S and T . Now, we will show that p is common unique fixed point of A, B, S and T . For this, first we prove that p is a fixed point of B .

Suppose $Bp \neq p$ then by putting $x = v, y = u, z = p$ in (iii), we get
 $aM(Tv, Su, Bp, t) + bM(Tv, Av, Su, t) + cM(Su, Bp, Av, t) + \max \{M(Av, Su, Bp, t), M(Bp, Tv, Su, t)\} \leq$
 $qM(Av, Su, Bp, t)$, implies
 $aM(p, p, Bp, t) + bM(p, p, p, t) + cM(p, Bp, p, t) + \max \{M(p, p, Bp, t), M(Bp, p, p, t)\} \leq qM(p, p, Bp, t)$, implies
 $b + (a + c + 1) M(p, p, Bp, t) \leq qM(p, p, Bp, t)$, implies $q M(p, p, Bp, t) \geq \{b / (q - a - c - 1)\} > 1$.
Therefore $Bp = p$ and consequently $Sp = p$. Thus p is a common fixed point of B and S .
Similarly p is a common fixed point of A and T . Hence p is a common fixed point of A, B, S and T .

Now for the uniqueness of p , suppose $p, p = w$, is another common fixed point of A, B, S and T ; i.e. $Ap = Bp = p = Sp = Tp$ and $Aw = Bw = w = Sw = Tw$. Then put $x = p, y = p, z = w$ in (iii) we have

$aM(Tp, Sp, Bw, t) + bM(Tp, Ap, Sp, t) + cM(Sp, Bw, Ap, t) + \max \{M(Ap, Sp, Bw, t), M(Bw, Tp, Sp, t)\} \leq qM(Ap, Sp, Bw, t)$, which implies

$aM(p, p, w, t) + bM(p, p, p, t) + cM(p, w, p, t) + \max \{M(p, p, w, t), M(w, p, p, t)\} \leq qM(p, p, w, t)$ which implies $(a + c + 1) M(p, w, p, t) + b \leq qM(p, p, w, t)$ implies $b \leq (q - a - c - 1) M(p, p, w, t)$, implies $M(p, p, w, t) \geq (b / q - a - c - 1) > 1$.

Therefore $p = w$.

Hence p is unique common fixed point of A, B, S and T .

Corollary 2.1 Let S and T be two continuous self mappings of a complete M -fuzzy metric space $(X, M, *)$. Let A be a self mapping of X satisfying

- (a) $A(X) \subseteq S(X) \cap T(X)$,
- (b) $\{A, T\}$ and $\{A, S\}$ are weakly compatible pairs, and
- (c) $aM(Tx, Sy, Az, t) + bM(Tx, Ax, Sy, t) + cM(Sy, Az, Ax, t) + \max \{M(Ax, Sy, Az, t), M(Az, Tx, Sy, t)\} \leq qM(Ax, Sy, Az, t)$

for all $x, y, z \in X$ and $t > 0$, where $a, b, c \geq 0$ with $0 < q < a + b + c < 1$. Then A, S and T have a unique common fixed point.

Proof. Taking $B = A$ in theorem 2.2, we get the required result.

Corollary 2.2 Let T be a continuous self mapping of a complete M -fuzzy metric space $(X, M, *)$. Let A and B be two self mappings of X satisfying

- (d) $A(X) \cup B(X) \subseteq T(X)$,
- (e) $\{A, T\}$ and $\{B, T\}$ are weakly compatible pairs and
- (f) $aM(Tx, Ty, Bz, t) + bM(Tx, Ax, Ty, t) + cM(Ty, Bz, Ax, t) + \max \{M(Ax, Ty, Bz, t), M(Bz, Tx, Ty, t)\} \leq qM(Ax, Ty, Bz, t)$

for all $x, y, z \in X$ and $t > 0$, where $a, b, c \geq 0$ with $0 < q < a + b + c < 1$. Then A, B and T have a unique common fixed point.

Proof. Taking $S = T$ in theorem 2.2, we get the required result.

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