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COMMON FIXED POINT THEOREMS OF COMPATIBLE MAPPING OF TYPE (P) IN INTUITIONISTIC FUZZY METRIC SPACES

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The aim of this paper is to point out results of M. Koireng and Yumnam Rahen [10] on compatible mappings of type (P) in fuzzy metric spaces into intuitionistic fuzzy metric spaces with same terminology and notations.

1. Introduction

Fuzzy set theory was introduced by Zadeh in 1965 [23]. Many authors have introduced and discussed several notions of fuzzy metric space in different ways [11], [5], [6] and also proved fixed point theorems with interesting consequent results in the fuzzy metric spaces [7]. Recently the concept of intuitionistic fuzzy metric space was given by Park [13] and the subsequent fixed point results in the intuitionistic fuzzy metric spaces are investigated by Alaca et al. [1] and Mohamad [12] (see, also [2], [3], [18] and [22]).

2. Preliminaries

The study of fixed points of various classes of mappings have been the focus of vigorous research for many Mathematicians. Among them one of the impor-

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tant result in theory of fixed points of compatible mappings was obtained by G. Jungck [8] in 1986. Since then there have been a flood of research papers involving various types of compatibility such as Compatible mappings of type (A) [9], Semi-compatibility [4], compatible mappings of type (P) [14], compatible mappings of type (B) [16] and compatible mappings of type (C) [17] etc.

The following definitions, lemma and examples are useful for our presentations.

Definition 2.1 (See [19]). A binary operation $*: [0,1] \times [0,1] \rightarrow [0,1]$ is continuous *t*-norm if the binary operation * satisfying the following conditions:

(i) * is commutative and associative,

- (ii) * is continuous,
- (iii) a * 1 = a for all $a \in [0, 1]$,

(iv) $a * b \le c * d$ whenever $a \le c$ and $b \le d$ for all $a, b, c, d \in [0, 1]$.

Definition 2.2 (See [19]). A binary operation \diamond : $[0,1] \times [0,1] \rightarrow [0,1]$ is continuous *t*-conorm if the binary operation \diamond satisfying the following conditions:

(i) \diamond is commutative and associative,

- (ii) ◊ is continuous,
- (iii) $a \diamond 0 = a$ for all $a \in [0, 1]$,
- (iv) $a \diamond b \leq c \diamond d$ whenever $a \leq c$ and $b \leq d$ for all $a, b, c, d \in [0, 1]$.

Definition 2.3 (See [1]). A 5- tuple $(X, M, N, *, \diamond)$ is called a intuitionistic fuzzy metric space if *X* is an arbitrary set, * is a continuous *t*-norm, \diamond is a continuous *t*-conorm and *M*, *N* are fuzzy sets on $X^2 \times (0, \infty)$ satisfying the following conditions: for all *x*, *y*, *z* $\in X$ and *s*, *t* > 0

$$\begin{split} (IFM-1) \ & M(x,y,t) + N(x,y,t) \leq 1, \\ (IFM-2) \ & M(x,y,0) = 0, \\ (IFM-3) \ & M(x,y,t) = 1 \ \text{if and only if } x = y, \\ (IFM-4) \ & M(x,y,t) = M(y,x,t), \\ (IFM-5) \ & M(x,y,t) * M(y,z,s) \leq M(x,z,t+s), \\ (IFM-6) \ & M(x,y,.) : (0,\infty) \to (0,1] \ \text{is left continuous,} \\ (IFM-7) \ & \lim_{t \to \infty} M(x,y,t) = 1, \\ (IFM-8) \ & N(x,y,0) = 1, \\ (IFM-9) \ & N(x,y,t) = 0 \ \text{if and only if } x = y, \\ (IFM-10) \ & N(x,y,t) = N(y,x,t), \\ (IFM-11) \ & N(x,y,t) \geq N(y,z,s) \leq N(x,z,t+s), \\ (IFM-12) \ & N(x,y,t) = 0. \\ \end{split}$$

Then (M, N) is called an intuitionistic fuzzy metric on X. The functions M(x, y, t) and N(x, y, t) denote the degree of nearness and the degree of nonnearness between x and y with respect to t, respectively. **Remark 2.4.** Every fuzzy metric space (X, M, *) is an intuitionistic fuzzy metric space of the form $(X, M, 1 - M, *, \diamond)$ such that *t*-norm * and *t*-conorm \diamond are associated, that is, $x \diamond y = 1 - ((1 - x) * (1 - y))$ for all $x, y \in X$.

Example 2.5. (Induced intuitionistic fuzzy metric space) Let (X, d) be a metric space. Define a * b = ab and $a \diamond b = \min\{1, a+b\}$ for all $a, b \in [0, 1]$ and let M_d and N_d be fuzzy sets on $X^2 \times (0, \infty)$ defined as follows:

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

Then $(X, M_d, N_d, *, \diamond)$ is an intuitionistic fuzzy metric induced by metric *d* the standard intuitionistic fuzzy metric space.

Definition 2.6 (See [1]). Let $(X, M, N, *, \diamond)$ be an intuitionistic fuzzy metric space. Then

(a) A sequence $\{x_n\}$ in X is said to be convergent to a point x in X if and only if $\lim_{n\to\infty} M(x_n, x, t) = 1$ and $\lim_{n\to\infty} N(x_n, x, t) = 0$ for each t > 0.

(b) A sequence $\{x_n\}$ in X is called Cauchy sequence if

 $\lim_{n\to\infty} M(x_{n+p}, x, t) = 1 \text{ and } \lim_{n\to\infty} N(x_{n+p}, x, t) = 0 \text{ for each } p > 0 \text{ and } t > 0.$

(c) An intuitionistic fuzzy metric space $(X, M, N, *, \diamond)$ is said to be complete if and only if every Cauchy sequence in X is convergent in X.

Lemma 2.7 (See [20]). Let $\{x_n\}$ be a sequence in an intuitionistic fuzzy metric space $(X, M, N, *, \diamond)$ with $t * t \ge t$ and $(1-t)\diamond(1-t) \le (1-t)$ for all $t \in [0,1]$. If there exists a number $q \in (0,1)$ such that $M(x_{n+2}, x_{n+1}, qt) \ge M(x_{n+1}, x_n, t)$ and $N(x_{n+2}, x_{n+1}, qt) \le N(x_{n+1}, x_n, t)$ for all t > 0 and $n \in \mathbb{N}$, then $\{x_n\}$ is a Cauchy sequence in X.

Proof. For t > 0 and $q \in (0, 1)$ we have,

$$M(x_2, x_3, qt) \ge M(x_1, x_2, t) \ge M(x_0, x_1, \frac{t}{q}),$$

or

$$M(x_2, x_3, t) \ge M(x_0, x_1, \frac{t}{q^2}).$$

By simple induction, we have for all t > 0 and $n \in \mathbb{N}$,

$$M(x_{n+1}, x_{n+2}, t) \ge M(x_1, x_2, \frac{t}{q^n}).$$

Thus for any positive number p and real number t > 0, we have

$$M(x_n, x_{n+p}, t) \ge M(x_n, x_{n+1}, \frac{t}{p}) * \dots * M(x_{n+p-1}, x_{n+p}, \frac{t}{p}), \text{ by } (IFM - 5),$$
$$\ge M(x_1, x_2, \frac{t}{pq^{n-1}}) * \dots * M(x_1, x_2, \frac{t}{pq^{n+p-2}}).$$

Therefore by (IFM - 7), we have

$$M(x_n, x_{n+p}, t) \ge 1 * \dots * 1 \ge 1.$$

Similarly, for t > 0 and $q \in (0, 1)$, we have

$$N(x_2, x_3, qt) \le N(x_1, x_2, t) \le N(x_0, x_1, \frac{t}{q}),$$

or

$$N(x_2, x_3, t) \leq N(x_0, x_1, \frac{t}{q^2}).$$

By simple induction, we have for all t > 0 and $n \in \mathbb{N}$,

$$N(x_{n+1}, x_{n+2}, t) \le N(x_1, x_2, \frac{t}{q^n}).$$

Thus for any positive number p and real number t > 0, we have

$$N(x_n, x_{n+p}, t) \le N(x_n, x_{n+1}, \frac{t}{p}) \diamond \dots \diamond N(x_{n+p-1}, x_{n+p}, \frac{t}{p}), \text{ by } (IFM-11),$$

$$\le N(x_1, x_2, \frac{t}{pq^{n-1}}) \diamond \dots \diamond N(x_1, x_2, \frac{t}{pq^{n+p-2}}).$$

Therefore by (IFM - 13), we have

$$N(x_n, x_{n+p}, t) \leq 0 \diamond \dots \diamond 0 \leq 0.$$

This implies that $\{x_n\}$ is a Cauchy sequence in X. This completes the proof. \Box

Lemma 2.8 (See [20]). Let $(X, M, N, *, \diamond)$ be an intuitionistic fuzzy metric space. If $\forall x, y \in X$ and t > 0 with positive number $q \in (0,1)$ and $M(x,y,qt) \ge M(x,y,t)$ and $N(x,y,qt) \le N(x,y,t)$, then x = y.

Proof. If for all t > 0 and some constant $q \in (0, 1)$, then we have

$$M(x,y,t) \ge M(x,y,\frac{t}{q}) \ge M(x,y,\frac{t}{q^2}) \ge \cdots \ge M(x,y,\frac{t}{q^n}) \ge \dots,$$

and

$$N(x,y,t) \le N(x,y,\frac{t}{q}) \le N(x,y,\frac{t}{q^2}) \le \dots \le N(x,y,\frac{t}{q^n}) \le \dots,$$

 $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and for all t > 0 and $x, y \in X$. When $n \to \infty$, we have M(x, y, t) = 1 and N(x, y, t) = 0 and thus x = y. This completes the proof.

Definition 2.9 (See [21]). Two self mappings *A* and *S* of an intuitionistic fuzzy metric space $(X, M, N, *, \diamond)$ are called compatible if

$$\lim_{n\to\infty} M(ASx_n, SAx_n, t) = 1 \text{ and } \lim_{n\to\infty} N(ASx_n, SAx_n, t) = 0$$

whenever $\{x_n\}$ is a sequence in X such that $\lim_{n\to\infty} Ax_n = \lim_{n\to\infty} Sx_n = x$ for some $x \in X$.

Definition 2.10. Two self mappings *A* and *S* of an intuitionistic fuzzy metric space $(X, M, N, *, \diamond)$ are called compatible of type (P) if

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} M(AAx_n, SSx_n, t) = 1 \text{ and } \lim_{n \to \infty} N(AAx_n, SSx_n, t) = 0$$

whenever $\{x_n\}$ is a sequence in X such that $\lim_{n\to\infty} Ax_n = \lim_{n\to\infty} Sx_n = x$ for some $x \in X$.

Theorem 2.11. Let (X, M, *) be a complete fuzzy metric space and let A, B, S and T be self mappings of X satisfying the following conditions:

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

(ii) S and T are continuous,

- (iii) the pairs $\{A, S\}$ and $\{B, T\}$ are compatible mappings of type (P) on X, (iv) there exists $q \in (0, 1)$ such that for all $x, y \in X$ and t > 0,
- $M(Ax, By, qt) \ge M(Sx, Ty, t) * M(Ax, Sx, t) * M(Bx, Ty, t) * M(Ax, Ty, t).$

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

The aim of this paper is to extends Theorem 2.11 in the framework of intuitionistic fuzzy metric space.

3. Main Results

Theorem 3.1. Let $(X, M, N, *, \diamond)$ be a complete intuitionistic fuzzy metric space and let A, B, S and T be self mappings of X satisfying the following conditions: (i) $A(X) \subseteq T(X)$, $B(X) \subseteq S(X)$,

(ii) S and T are continuous,

(iii) the pairs $\{A, S\}$ and $\{B, T\}$ are compatible mappings of type (P) on X, (iv) there exists $q \in (0, 1)$ such that for all $x, y \in X$ and t > 0,

$$M(Ax, By, qt) \ge M(Sx, Ty, t) * M(Ax, Sx, t) * M(Bx, Ty, t) * M(Ax, Ty, t)$$

and

$$N(Ax, By, qt) \le N(Sx, Ty, t) \diamond N(Ax, Sx, t) \diamond N(Bx, Ty, t) \diamond N(Ax, Ty, t).$$

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

Proof. Since $A(X) \subseteq T(X)$ and $B(X) \subseteq S(X)$. We define a sequence $\{y_n\}$ such that

$$y_{2n-1} = Tx_{2n-1} = Ax_{2n-2}$$
 and $y_{2n} = Sx_{2n} = Bx_{2n-1}, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}.$

We shall prove that $\{y_n\}$ is a Cauchy sequence. From (iv), we have

$$M(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n+2}, qt) = M(Ax_{2n}, Bx_{2n+1}, qt)$$

$$\geq M(Sx_{2n}, Tx_{2n+1}, t) * M(Ax_{2n}, Sx_{2n}, t)$$

$$* M(Bx_{2n+1}, Tx_{2n+1}, t) * M(Ax_{2n}, Tx_{2n+1}, t)$$

$$= M(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}, t) * M(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n}, t)$$

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

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

which implies

$$M(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n+2}, qt) \ge M(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}, t).$$

Similarly, we have

$$M(y_{2n+2}, y_{2n+3}, qt) \ge M(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n+2}, t).$$

Hence, we have

$$M(y_{n+1}, y_{n+2}, qt) \ge M(y_n, y_{n+1}, t).$$
(1)

Now

$$\begin{split} N(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n+2}, qt) &= N(Ax_{2n}, Bx_{2n+1}, qt) \\ &\leq N(Sx_{2n}, Tx_{2n+1}, t) \diamond N(Ax_{2n}, Sx_{2n}, t) \\ &\diamond N(Bx_{2n+1}, Tx_{2n+1}, t) \diamond N(Ax_{2n}, Tx_{2n+1}, t) \\ &= N(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}, t) \diamond N(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n}, t) \\ &\diamond N(y_{2n+2}, y_{2n+1}, t) \diamond N(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n+1}, t) \\ &\leq N(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}, t) \diamond N(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n+2}, t), \end{split}$$

which implies

$$N(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n+2}, qt) \leq N(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}, t).$$

Similarly, we have

$$N(y_{2n+2}, y_{2n+3}, qt) \le N(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n+2}, t).$$

Hence, we have

$$N(y_{n+1}, y_{n+2}, qt) \le N(y_n, y_{n+1}, t).$$
(2)

Equations (1) and (2) show that $\{y_n\}$ is a Cauchy sequence.

Since X is complete, $\{y_n\}$ converges to some point $z \in X$ and so sequences $\{Ax_{2n-2}\}, \{Sx_{2n}\}, \{Bx_{2n-1}\}$ and $\{Tx_{2n-1}\}$ also converge to z.

Then, we have

$$AAx_{2n-2} \to Sz \quad \text{and} \quad SSx_{2n} \to Az,$$
 (3)

and

$$BBx_{2n-1} \to Tz$$
 and $TTx_{2n-1} \to Bz$. (4)

From (iv), we get

$$M(AAx_{2n-2}, BBx_{2n-1}, qt) \ge M(SAx_{2n-2}, TBx_{2n-1}, t) * M(AAx_{2n-2}, SAx_{2n-1}, t) * M(BBx_{2n-1}, TBx_{2n-1}, t) * M(AAx_{2n-2}, TBx_{2n-1}, t).$$

Using (3) and (4) and taking the limit as $n \to \infty$, we have

$$M(Sz, Tz, qt) \ge M(Sz, Tz, t) * M(Sz, Sz, t)$$

* $M(Tz, Tz, t) * M(Sz, Tz, t)$
 $\ge M(Sz, Tz, t) * 1 * 1 * M(Sz, Tz, t)$
 $\ge M(Sz, Tz, t)$

implies

$$M(Sz,Tz,qt) \ge M(Sz,Tz,t).$$

Similarly,

$$N(AAx_{2n-2}, BBx_{2n-1}, qt) \le N(SAx_{2n-2}, TBx_{2n-1}, t) \diamond N(AAx_{2n-2}, SAx_{2n-1}, t) \\ \diamond N(BBx_{2n-1}, TBx_{2n-1}, t) \diamond N(AAx_{2n-2}, TBx_{2n-1}, t).$$

Using (3) and (4) and taking the limit as $n \to \infty$, we have

$$\begin{split} N(Sz,Tz,qt) &\leq N(Sz,Tz,t) \diamond N(Sz,Sz,t) \\ &\diamond N(Tz,Tz,t) \diamond N(Sz,Tz,t) \\ &\leq N(Sz,Tz,t) \diamond 0 \diamond 0 \diamond N(Sz,Tz,t) \\ &\leq N(Sz,Tz,t) \end{split}$$

implies

$$N(Sz,Tz,qt) \leq N(Sz,Tz,t).$$

It follows that

$$Sz = Tz.$$
 (5)

Now, again from (iv), we have

$$M(Az, BTx_{2n-1}, qt) \ge M(Sz, TTx_{2n-1}, t) * M(Az, Sz, t)$$

* $M(BTx_{2n-1}, TTx_{2n-1}, t) * M(Az, TTx_{2n-1}, t)$

Using (3) and (4) and taking the limit as $n \to \infty$, we have

$$M(Az, Tz, qt) \ge M(Sz, Sz, t) * M(Az, Tz, t)$$

$$*M(Tz, Tz, t) * M(Az, Tz, t)$$

$$\ge 1 * M(Az, Tz, t) * 1 * M(Az, Tz, t)$$

$$\ge M(Az, Tz, t)$$

implies

$$M(Az, Tz, qt) \ge M(Az, Tz, t).$$

Similarly,

$$N(Az, BTx_{2n-1}, qt) \le N(Sz, TTx_{2n-1}, t) \diamond N(AAx_{2n-2}, SAx_{2n-1}, t) \\ \diamond N(BTx_{2n-1}, TTx_{2n-1}, t) \diamond N(Az, TTx_{2n-1}, t).$$

Using (3) and (4) and taking the limit as $n \to \infty$, we have

$$N(Az, Tz, qt) \leq N(Sz, Sz, t) \diamond N(Az, Tz, t)$$

$$\diamond N(Tz, Tz, t) \diamond N(Az, Tz, t)$$

$$\leq 0 \diamond N(Az, Tz, t) \diamond 0 \diamond N(Az, Tz, t)$$

$$\leq N(Az, Tz, t)$$

implies

 $N(Az, Tz, qt) \leq N(Az, Tz, t).$

It follows that

$$Az = Tz.$$
 (6)

Now from (iv) and using (5) and (6), we have

$$M(Az, Bz, qt) \ge M(Sz, Tz, t) * M(Az, Sz, t)$$

$$*M(Bz, Tz, t) * M(Az, Tz, t)$$

$$= M(Az, Az, t) * M(Az, Az, t)$$

$$*M(Bz, Az, t) * M(Az, Az, t)$$

$$\ge 1 * 1 * M(Bz, Az, t) * 1$$

$$\ge M(Az, Bz, t)$$

implies

$$M(Az, Bz, qt) \ge M(Az, Bz, t).$$

Similarly,

$$\begin{split} N(Az, Bz, qt) &\leq N(Sz, Tz, t) \diamond N(Az, Sz, t) \\ &\diamond N(Bz, Tz, t) \diamond N(Az, Tz, t) \\ &= N(Az, Az, t) \diamond N(Az, Az, t) \\ &\diamond N(Bz, Az, t) \diamond N(Az, Az, t) \\ &\leq 0 \diamond 0 \diamond N(Bz, Az, t) \diamond 0 \\ &\leq N(Az, Bz, t) \end{split}$$

implies

$$N(Az, Bz, qt) \leq N(Az, Bz, t).$$

It follows that

$$Az = Bz. (7)$$

$$Az = Bz = Tz = Sz.$$

Now, we shall show that Bz = z. Again from (iv), we have

$$M(Ax_{2n}, BTz, qt) \ge M(Sx_{2n}, Tz, t) * M(Ax_{2n}, Sx_{2n}, t)$$
$$* M(BTz, Tz, t) * M(z, Tz, t).$$

Using (5) and (6) and taking the limit as $n \to \infty$, we have

$$M(z, Bz, qt) \ge M(z, Tz, t) * M(z, z, t)$$

$$*M(Bz, Tz, t) * M(z, Tz, t)$$

$$= M(z, Bz, t) * 1 * M(Az, Az, t) * M(z, Bz, t)$$

$$\ge M(z, Bz, t)$$

implies

$$M(z, Bz, qt) \ge M(z, Bz, t).$$

Similarly,

$$N(Ax_{2n}, Bz, qt) \leq N(Sx_{2n}, Tz, t) \diamond N(Ax_{2n}, Sx_{2n}, t) \diamond N(Bz, Tz, t) \diamond N(z, Tz, t).$$

Using (5) and (6) and taking the limit as $n \to \infty$, we have

$$N(z, Bz, qt) \le N(z, Tz, t) \diamond N(z, z, t) \diamond N(Bz, Tz, t) \diamond N(z, Tz, t)$$

= $N(z, Bz, t) \diamond 0 \diamond N(Az, Az, t) \diamond N(z, Bz, t)$
 $\le N(z, Bz, t)$

implies

$$N(z, Bz, qt) \leq N(z, Bz, t).$$

It follows that

$$Bz = z. (8)$$

Thus from (8), z = Az = Bz = Tz = Sz and hence z is a common fixed point of the mappings A, B, S and T.

Uniqueness

Let w be another common fixed point of A, B, S and T. Then

$$M(z, w, qt) = M(Az, Bw, qt)$$

$$\geq M(Sz, Tw, t) * M(Az, Sz, t)$$

$$* M(Bw, Tw, t) * M(Az, Tw, t)$$

$$\geq M(z, w, t)$$

implies

$$M(z,w,qt) \ge M(z,w,t).$$

And

$$N(z, w, qt) = N(Az, Bw, qt)$$

$$\leq N(Sz, Tw, t) \diamond N(Az, Sz, t)$$

$$\diamond N(Bw, Tw, t) \diamond N(Az, Tw, t)$$

$$\leq N(z, w, t)$$

implies

$$N(z, w, qt) \le N(z, w, t).$$

Hence z = w. This completes the proof.

Corollary 3.2. Let $(X, M, N, *, \diamond)$ be a complete intuitionistic fuzzy metric space and let A, B, S and T be self mappings of X satisfying the conditions

(i)-(iii) of Theorem 3.1 and there exists $q \in (0,1)$ such that for all $x, y \in X$ and t > 0,

$$M(Ax, By, qt)$$

$$\geq M(Sx, Ty, t) * M(Ax, Sx, t) * M(By, Ty, t) * M(By, Sx, 2t) * M(Ax, Ty, t)$$

and

$$N(Ax, By, qt) \leq N(Sx, Ty, t) \diamond N(Ax, Sx, t) \diamond N(By, Ty, t) \diamond N(By, Sx, 2t) \diamond N(Ax, Ty, t).$$

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

Corollary 3.3. Let $(X, M, N, *, \diamond)$ be a complete intuitionistic fuzzy metric space and let A, B, S and T be self mappings of X satisfying the conditions (*i*)-(*iii*) of Theorem 3.1 and there exists $q \in (0, 1)$ such that for all $x, y \in X$ and t > 0,

$$M(Ax, By, qt) \ge M(Sx, Ty, t)$$

and

$$N(Ax, By, qt) \leq N(Sx, Ty, t).$$

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

Corollary 3.4. Let $(X, M, N, *, \diamond)$ be a complete intuitionistic fuzzy metric space and let A, B, S and T be self mappings of X satisfying the conditions (*i*)-(*iii*) of Theorem 3.1 and there exists $q \in (0, 1)$ such that for all $x, y \in X$ and t > 0,

$$M(Ax, By, qt) \ge M(Sx, Ty, t) * M(Sx, Ax, t) * M(Ax, Ty, t)$$

and

$$N(Ax, By, qt) \le N(Sx, Ty, t) \diamond N(Sx, Ax, t) \diamond N(Ax, Ty, t).$$

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

Theorem 3.5. Let $(X, M, N, *, \diamond)$ be a complete intuitionistic fuzzy metric space. If S and T are continuous self mappings of X, then mappings S and T have a common fixed point in X if and only if there exists a self mapping A of X satisfying the following conditions:

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

(ii) the pairs $\{A, S\}$ and $\{A, T\}$ are compatible mappings of type (P) on X, (iii) there exists $q \in (0, 1)$ such that for all $x, y \in X$ and t > 0,

$$M(Ax, Ay, qt) \ge M(Sx, Ty, t) * M(Ax, Sx, t) * M(Ay, Ty, t) * M(Ax, Ty, t)$$

and

$$N(Ax, Ay, qt) \le N(Sx, Ty, t) \diamond N(Ax, Sx, t) \diamond N(Ay, Ty, t) \diamond N(Ax, Ty, t).$$

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

Proof. Necessary part. Let *S* and *T* have a common fixed point in *X*, say *z*, then Sz = z = Tz. Let Ax = z for all $x \in X$, then $A(X) \subseteq T(X) \cap S(X)$ and we know that $\{A, S\}$ and $\{A, T\}$ are compatible mappings of type (*P*), in fact $A \circ S = S \circ A$ and $A \circ T = T \circ A$ and hence the conditions (i) and (ii) are satisfied. For some $q \in (0, 1)$, we have

$$M(Ax,Ay,qt) = 1 \ge M(Sx,Ty,t) * M(Ax,Sx,t) * M(Ay,Ty,t) * M(Ax,Ty,t)$$

and

$$N(Ax, Ay, qt) = 0 \le N(Sx, Ty, t) \diamond N(Ax, Sx, t) \diamond N(Ay, Ty, t) \diamond N(Ax, Ty, t)$$

for all $x, y \in X$ and t > 0. Hence the condition (iii) is satisfied.

Sufficient part. Let A = B in Theorem 3.1. Then A, S and T have a unique common fixed point in X. This completes the proof.

Corollary 3.6. Let $(X, M, N, *, \diamond)$ be a complete intuitionistic fuzzy metric space. If *S* and *T* are continuous self mappings of *X*, then mappings *S* and *T* have a common fixed point in *X* if and only if there exists a self mapping *A* of *X* satisfying the conditions (*i*)-(*ii*) of Theorem 3.5 and there exists $q \in (0, 1)$ such that for all $x, y \in X$ and t > 0,

$$M(Ax, Ay, qt) \geq M(Sx, Ty, t) * M(Ax, Sx, t) * M(Ay, Ty, t) * M(Ax, Sx, 2t) * M(Ax, Ty, t)$$

and

$$N(Ax, Ay, qt) \leq N(Sx, Ty, t) \diamond N(Ax, Sx, t) \diamond N(Ay, Ty, t) \diamond N(Ax, Sx, 2t) \diamond N(Ax, Ty, t).$$

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

Corollary 3.7. Let $(X, M, N, *, \diamond)$ be a complete intuitionistic fuzzy metric space. If *S* and *T* are continuous self mappings of *X*, then mappings *S* and *T* have a common fixed point in *X* if and only if there exists a self mapping *A* of *X* satisfying the conditions (*i*)-(*ii*) of Theorem 3.5 and there exists $q \in (0, 1)$ such that for all $x, y \in X$ and t > 0,

$$M(Ax, Ay, qt) \ge M(Sx, Ty, t)$$

and

$$N(Ax, Ay, qt) \le N(Sx, Ty, t)$$

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

Corollary 3.8. Let $(X, M, N, *, \diamond)$ be a complete intuitionistic fuzzy metric space. If *S* and *T* are continuous self mappings of *X*, then mappings *S* and *T* have a common fixed point in *X* if and only if there exists a self mapping *A* of *X* satisfying the conditions (*i*)-(*ii*) of Theorem 3.5 and there exists $q \in (0, 1)$ such that for all $x, y \in X$ and t > 0,

$$M(Ax, Ay, qt) \ge M(Sx, Ty, t) * M(Sx, Ax, t) * M(Ax, Ty, t)$$

and

$$N(Ax, Ay, qt) \le N(Sx, Ty, t) \diamond N(Ax, Sx, t) \diamond N(Ax, Ty, t).$$

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

Example 3.9. Let $X = \{\frac{1}{n} : n \in \mathbb{N}\} \cup \{0\}$ with * continuous *t*-norm and \diamond continuous *t*-conorm defined by a * b = ab and $a \diamond b = \min\{1, a + b\}$ respectively, for $a, b \in [0, 1]$. For each $t \in [0, \infty)$ and $x, y \in X$, define (M, N) by

$$M(x, y, t) = \begin{cases} \frac{t}{t+|x-y|}, & \text{if } t > 0, \\ 0, & \text{if } t = 0, \end{cases}$$

and

$$N(x, y, t) = \begin{cases} \frac{|x-y|}{t+|x-y|}, & \text{if } t > 0, \\ 1, & \text{if } t = 0. \end{cases}$$

Clearly $(X, M, N, *, \diamond)$ is an intuitionistic fuzzy metric space.

Define $A(x) = B(x) = \frac{x}{6}$ and $S(x) = T(x) = \frac{x}{2}$ on X. It is clear that $A(X) \subseteq T(X)$ and $B(X) \subseteq S(X)$.

Now

$$M(Ax, By, \frac{t}{3}) = \frac{\frac{t}{3}}{\frac{t}{3} + \frac{|x-y|}{6}} = \frac{2t}{2t + |x-y|}$$
$$\geq \frac{t}{t + \frac{|x-y|}{2}} = \frac{2t}{2t + |x-y|}$$
$$= M(Tx, Sy, t),$$

and

$$N(Ax, By, \frac{t}{3}) = \frac{\frac{|x-y|}{6}}{\frac{t}{3} + \frac{|x-y|}{6}} = \frac{|x-y|}{2t + |x-y|}$$
$$\leq \frac{\frac{|x-y|}{2}}{t + \frac{|x-y|}{2}} = \frac{|x-y|}{2t + |x-y|}$$
$$= N(Tx, Sy, t).$$

Thus all the conditions of Theorem 3.1 are satisfied and so A, B, S and T have a unique common fixed point 0.

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