

**SOME FIXED POINT THEOREMS IN TWO FUZZY METRIC SPACES**

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**ABSTRACT**

*In this paper we prove some fixed point theorems for generalized contraction mappings in two complete fuzzy metric spaces.*

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**1. INTRODUCTION.**

Fuzzy set was defined by Zadeh [9] in 1965, has lead to a rich growth of fuzzy mathematics. Kramosil and Michalek [7] introduced fuzzy metric space, George and Veeramani [5] modified the notion of fuzzy metric spaces with the help of continuous t-norms. Many authors namely Deng [2], Erceg [3] used the concept of fuzzy mathematics in different ways. Recently there are several authors proved many kinds of fixed point theorems in fuzzy metric spaces viz. [4] In this paper we prove some fixed point theorems in two complete fuzzy metric spaces for contractive type mappings and non-expansive mappings by generalizing the results of Veerapandi et al [8] on fuzzy metric space. Now we begin with some known definitions and preliminary concepts.

**Definition1.2:** A fuzzy set A in X is a function with domain X and values in [0,1].

**Definition1.3 [10]:** A binary operation  $*$  : [0, 1] × [0, 1] → [0,1] is a continuous t-norm if it satisfies the following conditions:

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

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

**Definition1.4 [7]:** A 3-tuple  $(X, M, *)$  is said to be a fuzzy metric space if X is an arbitrary set,  $*$  is a continuous t-norm and M is a fuzzy set on  $X^2 \times [0, \infty)$  satisfying the following conditions, for all  $x, y, z \in X$  and  $s, t > 0$ ,

- (f-1)  $M(x, y, t) > 0$ ,
- (f-2)  $M(x, y, t) = 1$  if and only if  $x = y$ ,
- (f-3)  $M(x, y, t) = M(y, x, t)$ ,
- (f-4)  $M(x, y, t) * M(y, z, s) \leq M(x, z, t+s)$ ,
- (f-5)  $M(x, y, .) : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0,1]$  is left continuous  $\forall x, y, z \in X$  and  $t, s > 0$ .

Then M is called a fuzzy metric on X and  $M(x, y, t)$  denotes the degree of nearness between x and y with respect to t.

**Example1.5 [5]:** (Induced fuzzy metric): Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space, define  $a * b = \min\{a,b\}$  for all  $a, b \in [0,1]$  and  $M_d$  be fuzzy set on  $X^2 \times [0, \infty)$  defined as,

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

for all  $x, y \in X$  and  $t > 0$ . Then  $(X, M_d, *)$  is a fuzzy metric space. We call this fuzzy metric  $M_d$  as the standard intuitionistic fuzzy metric.

**Definition 1.6[6]:** Let  $(X, M, *)$  be a fuzzy metric space. Then

(i) A sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $X$  is said to be convergent to a point  $x \in X$ , if

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} M(x_n, x, t) = 1 \text{ for all } t > 0.$$

(ii) A sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $X$  is said to be a Cauchy sequence if

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} M(x_{n+p}, x_n, t) = 1 \text{ for all } t > 0 \text{ and } p > 0.$$

(iii) A fuzzy metric space is said to be complete if every Cauchy sequence is convergent to a point in it.

**Remark 1.7:** Since  $*$  is continuous, it follows from (f-4), that the limit of the sequence in fuzzy metric space is uniquely determined.

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

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

**Lemma 1.8[6]:** For all  $x, y \in X$ ,  $M(x, y, \cdot)$  is non-decreasing.

**Lemma 1.9[1]:** Let  $\{x_n\}$  be a sequence in a fuzzy metric space  $(X, M, *)$  with the condition (f-6). If there exists a number  $q \in (0, 1)$  such that

$$M(x_{n+2}, x_{n+1}, qt) \geq M(x_{n+1}, x_n, t) \text{ ----- (f-7)}$$

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

**Lemma 1.10:** If for all  $x, y \in X$ ,  $t > 0$  and for a number  $q \in (0, 1)$ ,

$$M(x, y, qt) \geq M(x, y, t), \text{ then } x = y.$$

## 2. MAIN RESULTS

**Theorem 2.1.** Let  $(X, M_1, *)$  and  $(Y, M_2, *)$  be two complete fuzzy metric spaces. If  $T$  is a mapping from  $X$  into  $Y$  and  $S$  is a mapping from  $Y$  into  $X$ , satisfying the following conditions:

$$M_2(Tx, TSy, qt) \geq \min\{M_1(x, Sy, t), M_2(y, Tx, t) * M_2(y, TSy, t)\} \tag{1}$$

$$M_1(Sy, STx, qt) \geq \min\{M_1(x, Sy, t) * M_1(x, STx, t), M_2(y, Tx, t)\} \tag{2}$$

for all  $x$  in  $X$  and  $y$  in  $Y$  where  $q < 1$ , then  $ST$  has a unique fixed point  $z$  in  $X$  and  $TS$  has a unique fixed point  $w$  in  $Y$ . Further  $Tz = w$  and  $Sw = z$ .

**Proof:** Let  $x_0$  be an arbitrary point in  $X$ . Define a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $X$  and  $\{y_n\}$  in  $Y$ , as follows:

$$x_n = (ST)^n x_0, \quad y_n = T(x_{n-1}) \text{ for } n = 1, 2, \dots$$

We have

$$\begin{aligned} M_1(x_n, x_{n+1}, qt) &= M_1((ST)^n x_0, (ST)^{n+1} x_0, qt) \\ &= M_1(S(T(ST)^{n-1} x_0), ST(ST)^n x_0, qt) \\ &= M_1(ST(x_{n-1}), STx_n, qt) \\ &= M_1(Sy_n, STx_n, qt) \\ &\geq \min\{M_1(x_n, Sy_n, t) * M_1(x_n, STx_n, t), M_2(y_n, Tx_n, t)\} \text{ (since by (2))} \\ &= \min\{M_1(x_n, x_n, t) * M_1(x_n, x_{n+1}, t), M_2(y_n, y_{n+1}, t)\} \\ &= \min\{M_1(x_n, x_{n+1}, t), M_2(y_n, y_{n+1}, t)\} \\ &\geq M_2(y_n, y_{n+1}, t) \end{aligned}$$

Now

$$\begin{aligned} M_2(y_n, y_{n+1}, t) &= M_2(Tx_{n-1}, Tx_n, t) \\ &= M_2(Tx_{n-1}, TSy_n, t) \\ &\geq \min \{M_1(x_{n-1}, Sy_n, t/q), M_2(y_n, Tx_{n-1}, t/q) * M_2(y_n, TSy_n, t/q)\} \quad (\text{since by (1)}) \\ &= \min \{M_1(x_{n-1}, x_n, t/q), M_2(y_n, y_n, t/q) * M_2(y_n, y_{n+1}, t/q)\} \\ &\geq M_1(x_{n-1}, x_n, t/q) \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} M_1(x_n, x_{n+1}, qt) &\geq M_2(y_n, y_{n+1}, t) \\ &\geq M_1(x_{n-1}, x_n, t/q) \\ &\vdots \\ &\geq M_1(x_0, x_1, t/q^{2n-1}) \rightarrow 1 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty \text{ (since } q < 1) \end{aligned}$$

Thus  $\{x_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence in X. Since  $(X, M_1, *)$  is complete, it converges to a point z in X. Similarly, we can prove that the sequence  $\{y_n\}$  is also a Cauchy sequence in Y and it converges to a point w in Y.

Now we prove  $Tz = w$

Suppose  $Tz \neq w$ .

We have

$$\begin{aligned} M_2(Tz, w, qt) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} M_2(Tz, y_{n+1}, qt) \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} M_2(Tz, TSy_n, qt) \\ &\geq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \min \{M_1(z, Sy_n, t), M_2(y_n, Tz, t) * M_2(y_n, TSy_n, t)\} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \min \{M_1(z, x_n, t), M_2(y_n, Tz, t) * M_2(y_n, y_{n+1}, t)\} \\ &= \min \{M_1(z, z, t), M_2(w, Tz, t) * M_2(w, w, t)\} \\ &= \min \{1, M_2(w, Tz, t) * 1\} \\ &\geq M_2(Tz, w, t) \text{ (since } q < 1), \text{ which is a contradiction.} \end{aligned}$$

Thus  $Tz = w$ .

Now we prove  $Sw = z$ .

Suppose  $Sw \neq z$ .

We have

$$\begin{aligned} M_1(Sw, z, qt) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} M_1(Sw, x_{n+1}, qt) \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} M_1(Sw, STx_n, qt) \\ &\geq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \min \{M_1(x_n, Sw, t) * M_1(x_n, STx_n, t), M_2(w, Tx_n, t)\} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \min \{M_1(x_n, Sw, t) * M_1(x_n, x_{n+1}, t), M_2(w, y_{n+1}, t)\} \\ &= \min \{M_1(z, Sw, t) * 1, 1\} \\ &\geq M_1(z, Sw, t) \text{ (since } q < 1), \text{ which is a contradiction.} \end{aligned}$$

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**Uniqueness:** let  $z'$  be another fixed point of ST such that  $z = z'$ .

We have

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Also we have

$$\begin{aligned} M_2(Tz, Tz', t) &= M_2(Tz', TSTz', t) \\ &\geq \min \{M_1(z, STz', t/q), M_2(Tz', Tz, t/q) * M_2(Tz', TSTz', t/q)\} \end{aligned}$$

$$= \min \{ M_1(z', z, t/q), M_2(Tz, Tz', t/q) \}$$

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So the point  $z$  is the unique fixed point of  $ST$ . Similarly, we prove the point  $w$  is also a unique fixed point of  $TS$ .

This completes the proof.

**Remark 2.2:** If  $(X, M_1, *)$  and  $(Y, M_2, *)$  are the same fuzzy metric spaces, then by the above theorem 2.1, we get the following theorem, as corollary.

**Corollary 2.3:** Let  $(X, M, *)$  be a complete fuzzy metric space. If  $S$  and  $T$  are mappings from  $X$  into itself satisfying the following conditions:

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$$\text{(i.e), } M_2(y_n, y_{n+1}, t) \geq M_1(x_{n-1}, x_n, t/q)$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} M_1(x_n, x_{n+1}, qt) &\geq M_2(y_n, y_{n+1}, t) \\ &\geq M_1(x_{n-1}, x_n, t/q) \\ &\vdots \\ &\geq M_1(x_0, x_1, t/q^{2n-1}) \rightarrow 1 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty \text{ (since } q < 1 \text{)} \end{aligned}$$

Thus  $\{x_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence in  $X$ . Since  $(X, M_1, *)$  is complete, it converges to a point  $z$  in  $X$ . Similarly, we can prove that the sequence  $\{y_n\}$  is also a Cauchy sequence in  $Y$  and it converges to a point  $w$  in  $Y$ .

Now we prove  $Tz = w$

Suppose  $Tz \neq w$ .

We have

$$\begin{aligned} M_2(Tz, w, qt) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} M_2(Tz, y_{n+1}, qt) \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} M_2(Tz, TSy_n, qt) \\ &\geq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \min\{M_1(z, Sy_n, t), M_2(y_n, Tz, t), M_2(y_n, TSy_n, t), M_1(z, STz, t)\} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \min\{M_1(z, x_n, t), M_2(y_n, Tz, t), M_2(y_n, y_{n+1}, t), M_1(z, STz, t)\} \\ &= \min\{M_1(z, z, t), M_2(w, Tz, t), M_2(w, w, t), M_1(z, STz, t)\} \\ &= \min\{1, M_2(w, Tz, t), 1, M_1(z, STz, t)\} \\ &\geq M_1(z, STz, t) \end{aligned}$$

Also

$$\begin{aligned} M_1(z, STz, qt) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} M_1(x_n, STz, qt) \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} M_1(Sy_n, STz, qt) \\ &\geq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \min\{M_2(y_n, Tz, t), M_1(z, Sy_n), M_1(z, STz, t), M_2(Tz, TSy_n, t)\} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \min\{M_2(y_n, Tz, t), M_1(z, x_n, t), M_1(z, STz, t), M_2(Tz, y_{n+1}, t)\} \\ &= \min\{M_2(w, Tz, t), M_1(z, z, t), M_1(z, STz, t), M_2(Tz, w, t)\} \\ &= \min\{M_2(w, Tz, t), 1, M_1(z, STz, t), M_2(Tz, w, t)\} \\ &\geq M_2(Tz, w, t) \end{aligned}$$

$$(i.e), M_1(z, STz, t) \geq M_2(Tz, w, t/q)$$

hence

$$M_2(Tz, w, qt) \geq M_2(Tz, w, t/q), \text{ which is a contradiction. (Since } q < 1)$$

Thus  $Tz = w$ .

Now we prove  $Sw = z$ .

Suppose  $Sw \neq z$ .

Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} M_1(Sw, z, qt) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} M_1(Sw, x_{n+1}, qt) \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} M_1(Sw, STx_n, qt) \\ &\geq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \min\{M_2(w, Tx_n, t), M_1(x_n, Sw, t), M_1(x_n, STx_n, t), M_2(Tx_n, TSw, t)\} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \min\{M_2(w, y_{n+1}, t), M_1(x_n, Sw, t), M_1(x_n, x_{n+1}, t), M_2(y_{n+1}, TSw, t)\} \\ &= \min\{M_2(w, w, t), M_1(z, Sw, t), M_1(z, z, t), M_2(w, TSw, t)\} \\ &= \min\{1, M_1(z, Sw, t), 1, M_2(w, TSw, t)\} \\ &\geq M_2(w, TSw, t) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} M_2(w, TSw, qt) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} M_2(y_{n+1}, TSw, qt) \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} M_2(Tx_n, TSw, qt) \\ &\geq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \min\{M_1(x_n, Sw, t), M_2(w, Tx_n, t), M_2(w, TSw, t), M_1(x_n, STx_n, t)\} \\ &= \min\{M_1(z, Sw, t), 1, M_2(w, TSw, t), 1\} \\ &\geq M_1(z, Sw, t) \end{aligned}$$

$$(i.e), M_2(w, TSw, t) \geq M_1(Sw, z, t/q)$$

Hence

$$M_1(Sw, z, qt) \geq M_2(w, TSw, t) \geq M_1(Sw, z, t/q)$$

Which is a contradiction. (since  $q < 1$ )

Thus  $Sw = z$ .

Therefore we have  $STz = Sw = z$  and  $TSw = Tz = w$ . Thus the point  $z$  is a fixed point of  $ST$  and the point  $w$  is a fixed point of  $TS$ .

**Uniqueness:** Let  $z'$  be the another fixed point of  $ST$  such that  $z \neq z'$ .

Now

$$\begin{aligned} M_1(z, z', qt) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} M_1(Sw, STz', qt) \\ &\geq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \min\{M_2(w, Tz', t), M_1(z', Sw, t), M_1(z', STz', t), M_2(Tz', w, t)\} \\ &= \min\{M_2(w, Tz', t), M_1(z', z, t), 1, M_2(Tz', w, t)\} \\ &\geq M_2(Tz', w, t) \end{aligned}$$

Also

$$\begin{aligned} M_2(Tz', w, qt) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} M_2(Tz', y_{n+1}, qt) \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} M_2(Tz', TSy_n, qt) \\ &\geq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \min\{M_1(z', Sy_n, t), M_2(y_n, Tz', t), M_2(y_n, TSy_n, t), M_1(z', STz', t)\} \\ &= \min\{M_1(z', z, t), M_2(w, Tz', t), 1, 1\} \\ &\geq M_1(z', z, t) \end{aligned}$$

$$(i.e), M_2(Tz', w, t) \geq M_1(z', z, t/q)$$

Therefore we have

$$M_1(z, z', qt) \geq M_2(Tz', w, t) \geq M_1(z, z', t)$$

Which is a contradiction. (since  $q < 1$ )

Thus  $z = z'$ .

So the point  $z$  is the unique fixed point of  $ST$ . Similarly, we prove the point  $w$  is also a unique fixed point of  $TS$ .

This completes the proof.

**Remark 2.8:** If  $(X, M_1, *)$  and  $(Y, M_2, *)$  are the same fuzzy metric spaces, then by the above theorem 2.7, we get the following theorem, as corollary.

**Corollary 2.9:** Let  $(X, M, *)$  be a complete fuzzy metric space. If  $S$  and  $T$  are mappings from  $X$  into itself satisfying the following conditions:

$$\begin{aligned} M(Tx, TSy, qt) &\geq \min\{M(x, Sy, t), M(y, Tx, t), M(y, TSy, t), M(x, STx, t)\} \\ M(Sy, STx, qt) &\geq \min\{M(y, Tx, t), M(x, Sy, t), M(x, STx, t), M(Tx, TSy, t)\} \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x, y$  in  $X$  where  $q < 1$ , then  $ST$  has a unique fixed point  $z$  in  $X$  and  $TS$  has a unique fixed point  $w$  in  $Y$ . Further  $Tz = w$  and  $Sw = z$ .

**Theorem 2.10:** Let  $(X, M_1, *)$  and  $(Y, M_2, *)$  be two complete fuzzy metric spaces. If  $T$  is a mapping from  $X$  into  $Y$  and  $S$  is a mapping from  $Y$  into  $X$ , satisfying following conditions:

$$M_2(Tx, TSy, qt) \geq \min\{M_1(x, Sy, t), M_2(y, Tx, t), M_2(y, TSy, t), M_1(x, STx, t), M_1(Sy, STx, t)\} \quad (1)$$

$$M_1(Sy, STx, qt) \geq \min\{M_2(y, Tx, t), M_1(x, Sy, t), M_1(x, STx, t), M_2(Tx, TSy, t), M_2(y, TSy, t)\} \quad (2)$$

for all  $x$  in  $X$  and  $y$  in  $Y$  where  $q < 1$ , then  $ST$  has a unique fixed point  $z$  in  $X$  and  $TS$  has a unique fixed point  $w$  in  $Y$ . Further  $Tz = w$  and  $Sw = z$ .

**Proof:** Let  $x_0$  be an arbitrary point in  $X$ . Define a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $X$  and  $\{y_n\}$  in  $Y$ , as follows:

$$x_n = (ST)^n x_0, \quad y_n = T(x_{n-1}) \text{ for } n = 1, 2, \dots$$



we have

$$\begin{aligned} M_1(x_n, x_{n+1}, qt) &= M_1((ST)^n x_0, (ST)^{n+1} x_0, qt) \\ &= M_1(S(T(ST)^{n-1} x_0, ST(ST)^n x_0), qt) \\ &= M_1(ST(x_{n-1}), STx_n, qt) \\ &= M_1(Sy_n, STx_n, qt) \\ &\geq \min\{M_2(y_n, Tx_n, t), M_1(x_n, Sy_n, t), M_1(x_n, STx_n, t), M_2(Tx_n, TSy_n), M_2(y_n, TSy_n, t)\} \\ &= \min\{M_2(y_n, y_{n+1}, t), M_1(x_n, x_n, t), M_1(x_n, x_{n+1}, t), M_2(y_{n+1}, y_{n+1}, t), M_2(y_n, y_{n+1}, t)\} \\ &= \min\{M_2(y_n, y_{n+1}, t), 1, M_1(x_n, x_{n+1}, t), 1, M_2(y_n, y_{n+1}, t)\} \\ &\geq M_2(y_n, y_{n+1}, t) \end{aligned}$$

Also we have

$$\begin{aligned} M_2(y_n, y_{n+1}, qt) &= M_2(Tx_{n-1}, Tx_n, qt) \\ &= M_2(Tx_{n-1}, TSy_n, qt) \\ &\geq \min\{M_1(x_{n-1}, Sy_n, t), M_2(y_n, Tx_{n-1}, t), M_2(y_n, TSy_n, t), M_1(x_{n-1}, STx_{n-1}, t), M_1(Sy_n, STx_{n-1}, t)\} \\ &= \min\{M_1(x_{n-1}, x_n, t), M_2(y_n, y_n, t), M_2(y_n, y_{n+1}, t), M_1(x_{n-1}, x_n, t), M_1(x_{n-1}, x_n, t)\} \\ &= \min\{M_1(x_{n-1}, x_n, t), 1, M_2(y_n, y_{n+1}, t), M_1(x_{n-1}, x_n, t), M_1(x_{n-1}, x_n, t)\} \\ &\geq M_1(x_{n-1}, x_n, t) \end{aligned}$$

Now

$$\begin{aligned} M_1(x_n, x_{n+1}, qt) &\geq M_2(y_n, y_{n+1}, t) \\ &\geq M(x_{n-1}, x_n, t/q) \\ &\vdots \\ &\geq M_1(x_0, x_1, t/q^{2n-1}) \rightarrow 1 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty \text{ (since } q < 1) \end{aligned}$$

Thus  $\{x_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence in X. Since  $(X, M_1, *)$  is complete, it converges to a point  $z$  in X. Similarly, we can prove that the sequence  $\{y_n\}$  is also a Cauchy sequence in Y and it converges to a point  $w$  in Y.

Now we prove  $Tz = w$

We have

$$\begin{aligned} M_2(Tz, w, qt) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} M_2(Tz, y_{n+1}, qt) \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} M_2(Tz, TSy_n, qt) \\ &\geq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \min\{M_1(z, Sy_n, t), M_2(y_n, Tz, t), M_2(y_n, TSy_n, t), M_1(z, STz, t), M_1(Sy_n, STz, t)\} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \min\{M_1(z, x_n, t), M_2(y_n, Tz, t), M_2(y_n, y_{n+1}, t), M_1(z, STz, t), M_1(x_n, STz, t)\} \\ &= \min\{1, M_2(w, Tz, t), 1, M_1(z, STz, t), M_1(z, STz, t)\} \\ &\geq M_1(z, STz, t) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} M_1(z, STz, qt) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} M_1(x_n, STz, qt) \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} M_1(Sy_n, STz, qt) \\ &\geq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \min\{M_2(y_n, Tz, t), M_1(z, Sy_n, t), M_1(z, STz, t), M_2(Tz, TSy_n, t), M_2(y_n, TSy_n, t)\} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \min\{M_2(y_n, Tz, t), M_1(z, x_n, t), M_1(z, STz, t), M_2(Tz, y_{n+1}, t), M_2(y_n, y_{n+1}, t)\} \\ &= \min\{M_2(w, Tz, t), 1, M_1(z, STz, t), M_2(Tz, w, t), 1\} \\ &\geq M_2(Tz, w, t) \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$M_2(Tz, w, qt) \geq M_2(Tz, w, t/q)$$

Thus  $Tz = w$ .

Now we prove  $Sw = z$ .

Suppose  $Sw \neq z$ .

$$\begin{aligned} M_1(Sw, z, qt) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} M_1(Sw, x_{n+1}, qt) \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} M_1(Sw, STx_n, qt) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\geq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \min\{M_2(w, Tx_n, t), M_1(x_n, Sw, t), M_1(x_n, STx_n, t), M_2(Tx_n, TSw, t), M_2(y_n, TSx_n, t)\} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \min\{M_2(w, y_{n+1}, t), M_1(x_n, Sw, t), M_1(x_n, x_{n+1}, t), M_1(y_{n+1}, TSw, t), M_2(y_n, y_{n+1}, t)\} \\ &= \min\{1, M_1(z, Sw, t), 1, M_1(w, TSw, t), 1\} \\ &\geq M_2(w, TSw, t) \end{aligned}$$

Now

$$\begin{aligned} M_2(w, TSw, qt) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} M_2(y_{n+1}, TSw, qt) \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} M_2(Tx_n, TSw, qt) \\ &\geq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \min\{M_1(x_n, Sw, t), M_2(w, Tx_n, t), M_2(w, TSw, t), M_1(x_n, STx_n, t), M_1(Sw, STx_n, t)\} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \min\{M_1(x_n, Sw, t), M_2(w, y_{n+1}, t), M_2(w, TSw, t), M_1(x_n, x_{n+1}, t), M_1(Sw, x_{n+1}, t)\} \\ &= \min\{M_1(z, Sw, t), 1, M_2(w, TSw, t), 1, M_1(Sw, z, t)\} \\ &\geq M_1(Sw, z, t) \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} M_1(Sw, z, qt) &\geq M_2(w, TSw, t) \\ &\geq M_1(Sw, z, t/q) \end{aligned}$$

Which is a contradiction. (since  $q < 1$ )

Thus  $Sw = z$ .

Therefore we have  $STz = Sw = z$  and  $TSw = Tz = w$ . Thus the point  $z$  is a fixed point of  $ST$  and the point  $w$  is a fixed point of  $TS$ .

**Uniqueness:** Let  $z'$  be the another fixed point of  $ST$  such that  $z \neq z'$ .

Now

$$\begin{aligned} M_1(z, z', qt) &= M_1(Sw, STz', qt) \\ &\geq \min\{M_2(w, Tz', t), M_1(z', Sw, t), M_1(z', STz', t), M_2(Tz', TSw, t), M_2(w, TSw, t)\} \\ &= \min\{M_2(w, Tz', t), M_1(z', z, t), 1, M_2(Tz', w, t), 1\} \\ &\geq M_2(Tz', w, t) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} M_2(Tz', w, qt) &= M_2(Tz', TSw, t) \\ &\geq \min\{M_1(z', Sw, t), M_2(w, Tz', t), M_1(z', TSz', t), M_1(z', z, t), M_1(z, STz', t)\} \\ &= \min\{M_1(z', z, t), M_2(w, Tz', t), 1, M_1(z', z, t), M_1(z, z', t)\} \\ &\geq M_1(z, z', t) \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} M_1(z, z', qt) &\geq M_2(Tz', w, t) \\ &\geq M_1(z, z', t/q) \end{aligned}$$

Which is a contradiction. (since  $q < 1$ )

Thus  $z = z'$ .

So the point  $z$  is the unique fixed point of  $ST$ . Similarly, we prove the point  $w$  is also a unique fixed point of  $TS$ .

This completes the proof.

**Remark 2.11:** If  $(X, M_1, *)$  and  $(Y, M_2, *)$  are the same fuzzy metric spaces, then by the above theorem 2.10, we get the following theorem, as corollary.

**Corollary 2.12:** Let  $(X, M, *)$  be a complete fuzzy metric space. If  $S$  and  $T$  are mappings from  $X$  into itself satisfying the following conditions:

$$M(Tx, TSy, qt) \geq \min\{M(x, Sy, t), M(y, Tx, t), M(y, TSy, t), M(x, STx, t), M(Sy, STx, t)\}$$

$$M(Sy, STx, qt) \geq \min\{M(y, Tx, t), M(x, Sy, t), M(x, STx, t), M(Tx, TSy, t), M(y, TSy, t)\}$$

for all  $x, y$  in  $X$  where  $q < 1$ , then  $ST$  has a unique fixed point  $z$  in  $X$  and  $TS$  has a unique fixed point  $w$  in  $Y$ . Further  $Tz = w$  and  $Sw = z$ .

**Theorem 2.13:** Let  $(X, M_1, *)$  and  $(Y, M_2, *)$  be two complete fuzzy metric spaces. If  $T$  is a mapping from  $X$  into  $Y$  and  $S$  is a mapping from  $Y$  into  $X$ , satisfying the following conditions:

$$M_2(Tx, TSy, t) \geq \min\{M_1(x, Sy, t), M_1(Sy, STx, t), M_2(y, Tx, t) * M_2(y, TSy, t), M_1(x, STx, t)\} \quad (1)$$

$$M_1(Sy, STx, t) \geq \min\{M_1(x, Sy, t) * M_1(x, STx, t), M_2(y, TSy, t), M_2(y, Tx, t), M_2(Tx, TSy, t)\} \quad (2)$$

for all  $x$  in  $X$  and  $y$  in  $Y$  where  $q < 1$ , then  $ST$  has a unique fixed point  $z$  in  $X$  and  $TS$  has a unique fixed point  $w$  in  $Y$ .

Further  $Tz = w$  and  $Sw = z$ .

**Proof.** Let  $x_0$  be an arbitrary point in  $X$ . Define a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $X$  and  $\{y_n\}$  in  $Y$ , as follows:

$$x_n = (ST)^n x_0, \quad y_n = T(x_{n-1}) \text{ for } n = 1, 2, \dots$$

We have

$$\begin{aligned} M_1(x_n, x_{n+1}, qt) &= M_1((ST)^n x_0, (ST)^{n+1} x_0, qt) \\ &= M_1(S(T(ST)^{n-1} x_0), ST(ST)^n x_0, qt) \\ &= M_1(ST(x_{n-1}), STx_n, qt) \\ &= M_1(Sy_n, STx_n, qt) \\ &\geq \min\{M_1(x_n, Sy_n, t) * M(x_n, STx_n, t), M_2(y_n, TSy_n, t), M_2(y_n, Tx_n, t), M_2(Tx_n, TSy_n, t)\} \\ &= \min\{M_1(x_n, x_{n+1}, t) * M_1(x_n, x_{n+1}, t), M_2(y_n, y_{n+1}, t), M_2(y_n, y_{n+1}, t), M_2(y_{n+1}, y_{n+1}, t)\} \\ &= \min\{1 * M_1(x_n, x_{n+1}, t), M_2(y_n, y_{n+1}, t), M_2(y_n, y_{n+1}, t), 1\} \\ &\geq M_2(y_n, y_{n+1}, t) \end{aligned}$$

Now

$$\begin{aligned} M_2(y_n, y_{n+1}, qt) &= M_2(Tx_{n-1}, Tx_n, qt) \\ &= M_2(Tx_{n-1}, TSy_n, qt) \\ &\geq \min\{M_1(x_{n-1}, Sy_n, t), M_1(Sy_n, STx_{n-1}, t), M_2(y_n, Tx_{n-1}, t) * M_2(y_n, TSy_n, t), M_1(x_{n-1}, STx_{n-1}, t)\} \\ &= \min\{M_1(x_{n-1}, x_n, t), 1, 1 * M_2(y_n, y_{n+1}, t), M_1(x_{n-1}, x_n, t)\} \\ &\geq M_1(x_{n-1}, x_n, t) \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} M_1(x_n, x_{n+1}, qt) &\geq M_2(y_n, y_{n+1}, t) \\ &\geq M_1(x_{n-1}, x_n, t/q) \\ &\vdots \\ &\geq M_1(x_0, x_1, t/q^{2n-1}) \rightarrow 1 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty \quad (\text{since } q < 1) \end{aligned}$$

Thus  $\{x_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence in  $(X, M_1, *)$ . Since  $(X, M_1, *)$  is complete, it converges to a point  $z$  in  $X$ . Similarly, we can prove that the sequence  $\{y_n\}$  is also a Cauchy sequence in  $(Y, M_2, *)$ . Since  $(Y, M_2, *)$  is complete, it converges to a point  $w$  in  $Y$ .

Now we prove  $Tz = w$ .

Suppose  $Tz \neq w$ .

We have

$$\begin{aligned} M_2(Tz, w, qt) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} M_2(Tz, y_{n+1}, qt) \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} M_2(Tz, TSy_n, qt) \\ &\geq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \min\{M_1(z, Sy_n, t), M_1(Sy_n, STz, t), M_2(y_n, Tz, t) * M_2(y_n, TSy_n, t), M_1(z, STz, t)\} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \min\{M_1(z, x_n, t), M_1(x_n, STz, t), M_2(y_n, Tz, t) * M_2(y_n, y_{n+1}, t), M_1(z, STz, t)\} \\ &\geq M_1(z, STz, t) \end{aligned}$$

Now

$$\begin{aligned} M_1(z, STz, qt) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} M_1(x_n, STz, qt) \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} M_1(Sy_n, STz, qt) \\ &\geq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \min \{ M_1(z, Sy_n, t) * M_1(z, STz, t), M_2(y_n, TSy_n, t), M_2(y_n, Tz, t), M_2(Tz, TSy_n, t) \} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \min \{ M_1(z, x_n, t) * M_1(z, STz, t), M_2(y_n, y_{n+1}, t), M_2(y_n, Tz, t), M_2(Tz, y_{n+1}, t) \} \\ &= \min \{ 1 * M_1(z, STz, t), 1, M_2(w, Tz, t), M_2(Tz, w, t) \} \\ &\geq M_2(Tz, w, t) \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$M_2(Tz, w, qt) \geq M_1(z, STz, t) \geq M_2(Tz, w, t/q) \text{ (since } q < 1) \text{ which is a contradiction.}$$

Thus  $Tz = w$ .

Now we prove  $Sw = z$ .

Suppose  $Sw \neq z$ .

We have

$$\begin{aligned} M_1(Sw, z, qt) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} M_1(Sw, x_{n+1}, qt) \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} M_1(Sw, STx_n, qt) \\ &\geq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \min \{ M_1(x_n, Sw, t) * M_1(x_n, STx_n, t), M_2(w, TSw, t), M_2(w, Tx_n, t), M_2(Tx_n, TSw, t) \} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \min \{ M_1(x_n, Sw, t) * M_1(x_n, x_{n+1}, t), M_2(w, TSw, t), M_2(w, y_{n+1}, t), M_2(y_{n+1}, w, t) \} \\ &\geq M_2(w, TSw, t) \end{aligned}$$

Now

$$\begin{aligned} M_2(w, TSw, qt) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} M_2(y_{n+1}, TSw, qt) \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} M_2(Tx_n, TSw, qt) \\ &\geq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \min \{ M_1(x_n, Sw, t), M_1(Sw, STx_n, t), M_2(w, Tx_n, t) * M_2(w, TSw), M_1(x_n, Tx_n, t) \} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \max \{ M_1(x_n, Sw, t), M_1(Sw, x_{n+1}, t), M_2(w, y_{n+1}, t) * M_2(w, TSw, t), M_1(x_n, y_{n+1}, t) \} \\ &\geq M_1(z, Sw, t) \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$M_1(Sw, z, qt) \geq M_2(w, TSw, t) \geq M_1(z, Sw, t/q) \text{ (since } q < 1) \text{ which is a contradiction.}$$

Thus  $Sw = z$ .

We have  $STz = Sw = z$  and  $TSw = Tz = w$ . Thus the point  $z$  is a fixed point of  $ST$  in  $X$  and the point  $w$  is a fixed point of  $TS$  in  $Y$ .

**Uniqueness:** Let  $z' \neq z$  be the another fixed point of  $ST$  in  $X$ .

We have

$$\begin{aligned} M_1(z, z', qt) &= M_1(Sw, STz', qt) \\ &\geq \min \{ M_1(z', Sw, t) * M_1(z', STz', t), M_2(w, TSw, t), M_2(w, Tz', t), M_2(Tz', TSw, t) \} \\ &= \min \{ M_1(z', z, t) * 1, 1, M_2(w, Tz', t), M_2(Tz', w, t) \} \\ &\geq M_2(Tz', w, t) \end{aligned}$$

Now

$$\begin{aligned} M_2(Tz', w, qt) &= M_2(Tz', TSw, qt) \\ &\geq \min \{M(z', Sw, t), M_1(Sw, STz', t), M_2(w, Tz', t) * M_2(w, TSw, t), M_1(z', STz', t)\} \\ &= \min \{M_1(z', z, t), M_1(z, z', t), M_2(w, Tz', t) * 1, 1\} \\ &\geq M_1(z, z', t) \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$M_1(z, z', qt) \geq M_2(Tz', w, t) \geq M_1(z, z', t/q) \text{ which is a contradiction.}$$

Thus  $z = z'$ .

So the point  $z$  is a unique fixed point of  $ST$ . Similarly, we prove the point  $w$  is also a unique point of  $TS$ .

This completes the proof.

**Remark 2.14:** If  $(X, M_1, *)$  and  $(Y, M_2, *)$  are the same fuzzy metric spaces, then by the above theorem 2.13, we get the following theorem, as corollary.

**Corollary 2.15:** Let  $(X, M, *)$  be a complete fuzzy metric space. If  $S$  and  $T$  are mappings from  $X$  into itself satisfying the following conditions:

$$M(Tx, TSy, t) \geq \min \{M(x, Sy, t), M(Sy, STx, t), M(y, Tx, t) * M(y, TSy, t), M(x, STx, t)\}$$

$$M(Sy, STx, t) \geq \min \{M(x, Sy, t) * M(x, STx, t), M(y, TSy, t), M(y, Tx, t), M(Tx, TSy, t)\}$$

for all  $x, y$  in  $X$  where  $q < 1$ , then  $ST$  has a unique fixed point  $z$  in  $X$  and  $TS$  has a unique fixed point  $w$  in  $Y$ . Further  $Tz = w$  and  $Sw = z$ .

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