

# Coupled Fixed Point Theorem for Weakly Compatible Mappings in Intuitionistic Fuzzy Metric Spaces

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## ABSTRACT

The aim of present paper is to introduce the notion of t-conorm of H-type analogous to t-norm of H-type introduced by Hadzic [9] and using this notion we prove coupled fixed point theorems for weakly compatible mappings in intuitionistic fuzzy metric spaces.

## Key Words

Coupled fixed point, Compatible maps, Fixed points and Intuitionistic Fuzzy Metric Spaces.

## 1. INTRODUCTION

Recently, Bhaskar and Lakshmikantham [10] introduced the concepts of coupled fixed points and mixed monotone property and illustrated these results by proving the existence and uniqueness of the solution for a periodic boundary value problem. Later on these results were extended and generalized by Fang [4] and Xin-Qi Hu [12] etc.

As a generalization of fuzzy sets, Atanassove [1] introduced and studied the concept of intuitionistic fuzzy metric sets. Intuitionistic fuzzy sets deal with both degree of nearness and non-nearness. Motivated by the idea of intuitionistic fuzzy metric sets Park [8] introduced the concept of intuitionistic fuzzy metric spaces using continuous t-norms and continuous t-conorms. Later on, many authors [2-6] have studied fixed points results in intuitionistic fuzzy metric spaces. Fang [7] defined  $\phi$ -contractive conditions and proved some important fixed point theorems under  $\phi$ -contractions for compatible and weakly compatible maps in Menger PM-spaces using t-norm of H-type introduced by Hadzic [9].

In this paper, first we introduce the notion of t-conorm of H-type analogous to t-norm of H-type introduced by Hadzic [9] and using this notion we prove a common coupled fixed point theorem for compatible mappings in intuitionistic fuzzy metric spaces.

## 2. DEFINITIONS AND PRELIMINARIES

For basic definitions and structure on intuitionistic fuzzy metric spaces we refer to [1-6]. However we give some definitions in the sequel.

**Definition 2.1** A binary operation  $*$  :  $[0,1] \times [0,1] \rightarrow [0,1]$  is continuous t-norm if  $(0,1, *, \leq)$  is a topological abelian monoid with unit 1 such that  $t a * b \leq c * d$  whenever  $a \leq c$  and  $b \leq d$  for all  $a, b, c, d \in [0,1]$ .

**Definition 2.2.** A binary operation  $\diamond$  :  $[0,1] \times [0,1] \rightarrow [0,1]$  is continuous t-conorm if  $(0,1, \diamond, \geq)$  is a topological abelian

monoid with unit 1 such that  $t a \diamond b \leq c \diamond d$  whenever  $a \leq c$  and  $b \leq d$  for all  $a, b, c, d \in [0,1]$ .

**Definition 2.3[3].** A 5-tuple  $(X, M, N, *, \diamond)$  is said to be an 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:

- (i)  $M(x, y, t) + N(x, y, t) \leq 1$  for all  $x, y \in X$  and  $t > 0$ ,
- (ii)  $M(x, y, 0) = 0$  for all  $x, y \in X$ ,
- (iii)  $M(x, y, t) = 1$  for all  $x, y \in X$  and  $t > 0$  if and only if  $x = y$ ,
- (iv)  $M(x, y, t) = M(y, x, t)$  for all  $x, y \in X$  and  $t > 0$ ,
- (v)  $M(x, y, t) * M(y, z, s) \leq M(x, z, t + s)$  for all  $x, y, z \in X$  and  $t, s > 0$ ,
- (vi) for all  $x, y \in X, M(x, y, \cdot) : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0,1]$  is continuous,
- (vii)  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} M(x, y, t) = 1$ , for all  $x, y$  in  $X$ ,
- (viii)  $N(x, y, 0) = 1$  for all  $x, y \in X$ ,
- (ix)  $N(x, y, t) = 0$  for all  $x, y \in X$  and  $t > 0$  if and only if  $x = y$ ,
- (x)  $N(x, y, t) = N(y, x, t)$  for all  $x, y \in X$  and  $t > 0$ ,
- (xi)  $N(x, y, t) \diamond N(y, z, s) \geq N(x, z, t + s)$  for all  $x, y, z \in X$  and  $t, s > 0$ ,
- (xii) for all  $x, y \in X, N(x, y, \cdot) : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0,1]$  is continuous,
- (xiii)  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} N(x, y, t) = 0$ , for all  $x, y$  in  $X$ .

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 non-nearness between  $x$  and  $y$  with respect to  $t$ , respectively.

**Definition 2.4[3].** Let  $(X, M, N, *, \diamond)$  be an intuitionistic fuzzy metric space. Then

- (i) a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $X$  is said to be a Cauchy sequence, if for all  $t > 0$  and  $p \geq 1$ ,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} M(x_{n+p}, x_n, t) = 1, \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} N(x_{n+p}, x_n, t) = 0.$$

(ii) a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $X$  is said to be convergent to a point  $x \in X$ , if for all  $t > 0$ ,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} M(x_n, x, t) = 1, \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} N(x_n, x, t) = 0.$$

**Definition 2.5[9].** Let  $\sup_{0 < t < 1} \Delta(t, t) = 1$ . A t-norm  $\Delta$  is said to be of H-type if the family of functions  $\{\Delta^m(t)\}_{m=1}^{\infty}$  is equicontinuous at  $t = 1$ , where

$$\Delta^1(t) = t, \Delta^{m+1}(t) = t \Delta(\Delta^m(t)), m = 1, 2, \dots, t \in [0, 1].$$

The t-norm  $\Delta_M = \min$ . is an example of t-norm of H-type.

**Remark 2.1.**  $\Delta$  is a H-type t-norm iff for any  $\lambda \in (0, 1)$ , there exists  $\delta(\lambda) \in (0, 1)$  such that  $\Delta^m(t) > (1-\lambda)$  for all  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ , when  $t > (1-\delta)$ .

We now define notion of t-conorm of H-type analogous to t-norm of H-type as follows.

**Definition 2.6.** Let  $\inf_{0 < t < 1} \diamond(t, t) = 0$ . A t-conorm  $\diamond$  is said to be of H-type if the family of functions  $\{\diamond^m(t)\}_{m=1}^{\infty}$  is equicontinuous at  $t = 0$ , where  $\diamond^1(t) = t, \diamond^{m+1}(t) = t \diamond(\diamond^m(t)), m = 1, 2, \dots, t \in [0, 1]$ .

The t-conorm  $\diamond_m = \max$ . is an example of t-conorm of H-type.

**Remark 2.2.**  $\diamond$  is a H-type t-norm iff for any  $\lambda \in (0, 1)$ , there exists  $\delta(\lambda) \in (0, 1)$  such that  $\diamond^m(t) < \lambda$  for all  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ , when

$$t < \delta.$$

**Definition 2.7[11].** An element  $(x, y) \in X \times X$  is called a coupled fixed point of the mapping  $f: X \times X \rightarrow X$  if  $f(x, y) = x, f(y, x) = y$ .

**Definition 2.8[11].** An element  $(x, y) \in X \times X$  is called a coupled coincidence point of the mappings  $f: X \times X \rightarrow X$  and  $g: X \rightarrow X$  if

$$f(x, y) = g(x), f(y, x) = g(y).$$

**Definition 2.9[11].** An element  $(x, y) \in X \times X$  is called

(i) a common coupled fixed point of the mappings  $f: X \times X \rightarrow X$  and  $g: X \rightarrow X$  if

$$x = f(x, y) = g(x), y = f(y, x) = g(y).$$

(ii) a common fixed point of the mappings

$$f: X \times X \rightarrow X \text{ and } g: X \rightarrow X \text{ if}$$

$$x = f(x, x) = g(x).$$

**Definition 2.10 [5].** The mappings  $f: X \times X \rightarrow X$  and  $g: X \rightarrow X$  are said to be compatible if

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} M(gf(x_n, y_n), f(g(x_n), g(y_n)), t) = 1,$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} M(gf(y_n, x_n), f(g(y_n), g(x_n)), t) = 1$$

$$\text{And } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} N(gf(x_n, y_n), f(g(x_n), g(y_n)), t) = 0,$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} N(gf(y_n, x_n), f(g(y_n), g(x_n)), t) = 0,$$

for all  $t > 0$  whenever  $\{x_n\}$  and  $\{y_n\}$  are sequences in  $X$ , such that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(x_n, y_n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} g(x_n) = x,$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(y_n, x_n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} g(y_n) = y,$$

for some  $x, y$  in  $X$ .

**Lemma 2.1[2].** Let  $(X, M, N, *, \diamond)$  be an intuitionistic fuzzy metric space and for all  $x, y$  in  $X, t > 0$ , if there exists a number  $k \in (0, 1)$  such that

$$M(x, y, kt) \geq M(x, y, t) \text{ and } N(x, y, kt) \leq N(x, y, t) \text{ then}$$

$$x = y.$$

### 3. MAIN RESULTS

**Theorem 3.1.** Let  $(X, M, N, *, \diamond)$  be a Complete Intuitionistic Fuzzy Metric Space,  $*$  being continuous t-norm of H-type and  $\diamond$  being continuous t-conorm of H-type. Let  $A, B : X \times X \rightarrow X$  and  $S, T : X \rightarrow X$  be four mappings satisfying the following conditions:

$$(3.1) A(X \times X) \subseteq T(X), B(X \times X) \subseteq S(X) \text{ and the pairs}$$

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

$$(3.2) S \text{ and } T \text{ are continuous,}$$

$$(3.3) M(A(x, y), B(u, v), kt) \geq \phi[\text{Min}\{M(Sx, Tu, t), M(A(x, y), Sx, t), M(B(u, v), Tu, t)\}]$$

$$(3.4) N(A(x, y), B(u, v), kt) \leq \psi[\text{Max}\{N(Sx, Tu, t), N(A(x, y), Sx, t),$$

$$N(B(u, v), Tu, t)\}]$$

$$\forall x, y, u, v \in X, k \in (0, 1) \text{ where}$$

$$\phi, \psi : 0, 1 \rightarrow 0, 1 \text{ are continuous functions such that}$$

$$\phi(t) > t, \phi(1) = 1 \text{ and } \psi(t) < t, \psi(0) = 0 \text{ for}$$

$$0 < t < 1. \text{ Then } A, B, S \text{ and } T \text{ have a unique common fixed}$$

point in  $X$ , i.e there exists unique  $x$  in  $X$  such that

$$A(x, x) = T(x) = B(x, x) = S(x) = x.$$

**Proof:** Let  $x_0, y_0$  be two arbitrary points in  $X$ . Since  $A(X \times X) \subseteq T(X)$ , we can choose  $x_1, y_1$  in  $X$  such that  $T(x_1) = A(x_0, y_0)$ ,  $T(y_1) = A(y_0, x_0)$ . Again, Since  $B(X \times X) \subseteq S(X)$ , we can choose  $x_2, y_2$  in  $X$  such that  $S(x_2) = B(x_1, y_1)$  and

$S(y_2) = B(y_1, x_1)$ . Continuing in this way, we can construct two sequences  $\{z_n\}$  and  $\{z'_n\}$  in  $X$  such that

$$z_{2n+1} = A(x_{2n}, y_{2n}) = T(x_{2n+1}),$$

$$z_{2n+2} = B(x_{2n+1}, y_{2n+1}) = S(x_{2n+2})$$

$$\text{And } z'_{2n+1} = A(y_{2n}, x_{2n}) = T(y_{2n+1}),$$

$$z'_{2n+2} = B(y_{2n+1}, x_{2n+1}) = S(y_{2n+2}), \text{ for all } n \geq 0.$$

**Step 1:** We first show that  $\{z_n\}$  and  $\{z'_n\}$  are Cauchy sequences. Using (3.3) and (3.4),

$$\begin{aligned} & M(z_{2n+1}, z_{2n+2}, kt) \\ &= M(A(x_{2n}, y_{2n}), B(x_{2n+1}, y_{2n+1}), kt) \\ &\geq \phi \left[ \text{Min} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} M(Sx_{2n}, Tx_{2n+1}, t), \\ M(A(x_{2n}, y_{2n}), Sx_{2n}, t), \\ M(B(x_{2n+1}, y_{2n+1}), Tx_{2n+1}, t) \end{array} \right\} \right] \\ &= \phi \left[ \text{Min} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} M(A(x_{2n-1}, y_{2n-1}), B(x_{2n}, y_{2n}), t), \\ M(A(x_{2n}, y_{2n}), B(x_{2n-1}, y_{2n-1}), t), \\ M(B(x_{2n+1}, y_{2n+1}), A(x_{2n}, y_{2n}), t) \end{array} \right\} \right] \\ &= \phi [ \text{Min} \{ M(z_{2n}, z_{2n+1}, t), \\ & M(z_{2n}, z_{2n+1}, t), M(z_{2n+2}, z_{2n+1}, t) \} ] \end{aligned}$$

If  $M(z_{2n+2}, z_{2n+1}, t) \leq M(z_{2n+1}, z_{2n}, t)$ , a contradiction as  $M(x, y, t)$  is increasing, therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} M(z_{2n+2}, z_{2n+1}, kt) &\geq \phi [ M(z_{2n+1}, z_{2n}, t) ] \\ &\geq M(z_{2n+1}, z_{2n}, t) \end{aligned}$$

And,

$$\begin{aligned} & N(z_{2n+1}, z_{2n+2}, kt) \\ &= N(A(x_{2n}, y_{2n}), B(x_{2n+1}, y_{2n+1}), kt) \\ &\leq \psi \left[ \text{Max} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} N(Sx_{2n}, Tx_{2n+1}, t), \\ N(A(x_{2n}, y_{2n}), Sx_{2n}, t), \\ N(B(x_{2n+1}, y_{2n+1}), Tx_{2n+1}, t) \end{array} \right\} \right] \\ &= \psi \left[ \text{Max} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} N(A(x_{2n-1}, y_{2n-1}), B(x_{2n}, y_{2n}), t), \\ N(A(x_{2n}, y_{2n}), B(x_{2n-1}, y_{2n-1}), t), \\ N(B(x_{2n+1}, y_{2n+1}), A(x_{2n}, y_{2n}), t) \end{array} \right\} \right] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \psi [ \text{Max} \{ N(z_{2n}, z_{2n+1}, t), N(z_{2n}, z_{2n+1}, t), \\ & N(z_{2n+2}, z_{2n+1}, t) \} ] \end{aligned}$$

If  $N(z_{2n+2}, z_{2n+1}, t) \geq N(z_{2n+1}, z_{2n}, t)$ , a contradiction as  $N(x, y, t)$  is decreasing, therefore,

$$N(z_{2n+2}, z_{2n+1}, kt) \leq \psi [ N(z_{2n+1}, z_{2n}, t) ] \leq N(z_{2n+1}, z_{2n}, t)$$

Similarly, we can show that

$$\begin{aligned} & M(z_{2n+3}, z_{2n+2}, kt) \geq M(z_{2n+2}, z_{2n+1}, t) \text{ and} \\ & N(z_{2n+3}, z_{2n+2}, kt) \leq N(z_{2n+2}, z_{2n+1}, t) \end{aligned}$$

In general,  $M(z_n, z_{n+1}, kt) \geq M(z_{n-1}, z_n, t)$  and  $N(z_n, z_{n+1}, kt) \leq N(z_{n-1}, z_n, t)$ . Thus by lemma [2.1]

$z_n$  is a Cauchy sequence. Similarly we can show  $\{z'_n\}$  is Cauchy sequence.

**Step 2:** Since  $X$  is complete, there exists point  $a, b$  in  $X$  such that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} z_n = a \text{ and } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} z'_n = b,$$

$$\text{that is, } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} z_{2n+1} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} A(x_{2n}, y_{2n}) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} T(x_{2n+1}) = a,$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} z_{2n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} B(x_{2n+1}, y_{2n+1}) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S(x_{2n+2}) = a$$

$$\text{and } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} z'_{2n+1} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} A(y_{2n}, x_{2n}) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} T(y_{2n+1}) = b,$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} z'_{2n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} B(y_{2n+1}, x_{2n+1}) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S(y_{2n+2}) = b.$$

We first show that  $S(a) = T(a)$ . As  $S$  and  $T$  are continuous, so  $SSx_{2n} \rightarrow Sa, SSy_{2n} \rightarrow Sb, SA(x_{2n}, y_{2n}) \rightarrow Sa$  and

$$TTx_{2n} \rightarrow Ta, TTy_{2n} \rightarrow Tb, TB(x_{2n}, y_{2n}) \rightarrow Ta.$$

But the pairs  $(A, S)$  and  $(B, T)$  are weakly compatible, so,

$$SA(x_{2n}, y_{2n}) = A(Sx_{2n}, Sy_{2n}) \rightarrow Sa \text{ and}$$

$$TB(x_{2n}, y_{2n}) = B(Tx_{2n}, Ty_{2n}) \rightarrow Ta. \text{ Using (3.3) and (3.4), we have,}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & M(A(Sx_{2n}, Sy_{2n}), B(Tx_{2n}, Ty_{2n}), kt) \\ &\geq \phi \left[ \text{Min} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} M(SSx_{2n}, TTx_{2n}, t), \\ M(A(Sx_{2n}, Sy_{2n}), SSx_{2n}, t), \\ M(B(Tx_{2n}, Ty_{2n}), TTx_{2n}, t) \end{array} \right\} \right] \end{aligned}$$

Taking  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , we get

$$M(Sa, Ta, kt) \geq \phi[\text{Min}\{M(Sa, Ta, t), 1, 1\}]$$

$$\geq M(Sa, Ta, t)$$

And ,

$$N(A(Sx_{2n}, Sy_{2n}), B(Tx_{2n}, Ty_{2n}), kt)$$

$$\leq \psi \left[ \text{Max} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} N(SSx_{2n}, TTx_{2n}, t), N(A(Sx_{2n}, Sy_{2n}), SSx_{2n}, t) \\ N(B(Tx_{2n}, Ty_{2n}), TTx_{2n}, t) \end{array} \right\} \right]$$

Taking  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , and using lemma (3.1) ,we get

$$N(Sa, Ta, kt) \leq \psi[\text{Min}\{N(Sa, Ta, t), 0, 0\}]$$

$$\leq N(Sa, Ta, t).$$

Which gives  $Sa = Ta$  .

Now , we prove that  $Sa = B(a,b)$  , again using (3.3) and (3.4) we have

$$M(A(Sx_{2n}, Sy_{2n}), B(a, b), kt)$$

$$\geq \phi[\text{Min}\{M(SSx_{2n}, Ta, t), M(A(Sx_{2n}, Sy_{2n}), SSx_{2n}, t),$$

$$M(B(a, b), Ta, t)\}]$$

And ,

$$N(A(Sx_{2n}, Sy_{2n}), B(a, b), kt)$$

$$\leq \psi[\text{Max}\{N(SSx_{2n}, Ta, t), N(A(Sx_{2n}, Sy_{2n}), SSx_{2n}, t),$$

$$N(B(a, b), Ta, t)\}]$$

Taking  $n \rightarrow \infty$  , we get  $Sa = B(a,b) = Ta$  . Now , we prove that  $B(a,b) = A(a,b)$

$$M(A(a, b), B(a, b), kt)$$

$$\geq \phi[\text{Min} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} M(Sa, Ta, t), M(A(a, b), Sa, t) \\ M(B(a, b), Ta, t) \end{array} \right\}]$$

$$= \phi[\text{Min} \{1, M(A(a, b), B(a, b), t), 1\}]$$

$$> M(A(a, b), B(a, b), t)$$

And ,

$$N(A(a, b), B(a, b), kt)$$

$$\leq \psi \left[ \text{Max} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} N(Sa, Ta, t), N(A(a, b), Sa, t) \\ N(B(a, b), Ta, t) \end{array} \right\} \right].$$

Thus ,  $A(a,b) = B(a,b) = Sa = Ta$  . Similarly , we can show that  $A(b, a) = B(b,a) = Sb = Tb$ .

Let  $A(a,b) = B(a,b) = Sa = Ta = x$  and  $A(b, a) = B(b,a) = Sb = Tb = y$ . Since (A,S) and (B,T) are weakly compatible , so ,

$$Sx = SA(a, b) = A(Sa, Sb) = A(x, y) \text{ and}$$

$$Sy = SA(b, a) = A(Sb, Sa) = A(y, x) .$$

$$Tx = TB(a, b) = B(Ta, Tb) = B(x, y) \text{ and}$$

$$Ty = TB(b, a) = B(Tb, Ta) = B(y, x) .$$

**Step 3:** We next show that  $x = y$  . From (3.3) and (3.4) ,

$$M(x, y, kt) = M(A(a, b), B(a, b), kt)$$

$$\geq \phi \left[ \text{Min} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} M(Sa, Ta, t), M(A(a, b), Sa, t) \\ M(B(a, b), Ta, t) \end{array} \right\} \right] \geq 1$$

And ,

$$N(x, y, kt) = N(A(a, b), B(a, b), kt)$$

$$\leq \psi \left[ \text{Max} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} N(Sa, Ta, t), N(A(a, b), Sa, t) \\ N(B(a, b), Ta, t) \end{array} \right\} \right] \leq 0$$

Therefore ,  $x = y$  .

**Step 4:** Now , we prove that  $Sx = Tx$ , again using (3.3) and (3.4)

$$M(Sx, Tx, kt) = M(A(x, y), B(x, y), kt)$$

$$\geq \phi \left[ \text{Min} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} M(Sx, Tx, t), M(A(x, y), Sx, t) \\ M(B(x, y), Tx, t) \end{array} \right\} \right]$$

$$\geq M(Sx, Tx, t)$$

$$N(Sx, Tx, kt) = N(A(x, y), B(x, y), kt)$$

$$\leq \psi \left[ \text{Max} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} N(Sx, Tx, t), N(A(x, y), Sx, t) \\ N(B(x, y), Tx, t) \end{array} \right\} \right]$$

$$\leq N(Sx, Tx, t),$$

Thus we get  $Sx = Tx$  .

**Step 5:** Lastly , we prove that  $Sx = x$  , From (3.3) and (3.4) , we have

$$M(Sx, x, kt) = M(A(x, y), B(x, y), kt)$$

$$\geq \phi \left[ \text{Min} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} M(Sx, Tx, t), M(A(x, y), Sx, t) \\ M(B(x, y), Tx, t) \end{array} \right\} \right] \geq 1$$

$$N(Sx, x, kt) = N(A(x, y), B(x, y), kt)$$

$$\leq \psi \left[ \text{Max} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} N(Sx, Tx, t), N(A(x, y), Sx, t) \\ N(B(x, y), Tx, t) \end{array} \right\} \right] \leq 0$$

Thus , we get  $Sx = x$  . Hence

$$x = Sx = Tx = A(x, x) = B(x, x) . \text{ This shows that } A,$$

B, S, T have a common fixed point and uniqueness of x follows easily from (3.3) and (3.4).

Next we give an example in support of theorem 3.1

**Example 3.1.** Let  $X = \mathbb{R}$  and  $d$  be the usual metric on  $X$ . Denote  $a * b = ab$  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:

$$M_d(x, y, t) = \frac{t}{t+|x-y|}, N_d(x, y, t) = \frac{|x-y|}{t+|x-y|}.$$

Then  $(X, M, N, *, \diamond)$  is an intuitionistic fuzzy metric space. Define the mappings

$A, B: X \times X \rightarrow X$  and  $S, T: X \rightarrow X$  as follows

$$A(x, y) = \begin{cases} x + y, & x \in [0, 2], y \in X \\ 1, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \text{ and}$$

$$B(x, y) = \begin{cases} x - y, & x \in [0, 2], y \in X \\ 2, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$S(x) = x$  and  $T(x) = 2x$ , then the pairs  $(A, S)$  and  $(B, T)$  are weakly compatible and we see  $A(X \times X) \subseteq T(X)$ ,  $B(X \times X) \subseteq S(X)$ , So, all the conditions of our

theorem are satisfied. Thus  $A, B, S$  and  $T$  have a unique common coupled fixed point in  $X$ . Indeed,  $x = 0$  is the unique common fixed point.

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