# Common Fixed Point for R-Weak Commutative Mappings without Continuity in Fuzzy Metric Spaces

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# ABSTRACT

This paper deals with some results on common fixed point theorems in fuzzy metric spaces generalizing the earlier results of Pant [20], Som [28], [29] and Vasuki [30] by removing the assumption of continuity.

#### **General Terms**

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#### Keywords

Common fixed point, Fuzzy metric space, R-weak commutative mappings.

## **1. INTRODUCTION**

Zadeh [31] paves the way for fuzzy mathematics by introducing the concept of fuzzy sets. Deng [7], Erceg [8], Kaleva and Seikkala [16], Kramosil and Michalek [17] have introduced the concepts of fuzzy metric spaces in different ways. Grabiec [10] followed Kramosil and Michalek [17] and obtained the fuzzy version of Banach's fixed point theorem. The most interesting references in this direction are : George and Veeramani [9], Kaleva [15], Mishra, Sharma and Singh [19], Sharma [22], [23], Sharma and Bagwan [24], Sharma and Deshpande [25],[26],[27], Cho [5] and for fuzzy mappings : Bose and Sahani [1], Lee, Cho and Jung [18], Butnariu [2], Heilpern [11], Chang [3], Chang, Cho, Lee and Lee [4]. In 1976, Jungck [12] established common fixed point theorems for commuting maps generalizing the Banach's fixed point theorem. Sessa [21] defined a generalization of commutavity, which is called weak commutativity. Further, Jungck [13] introduced more generalized commutativity, so called compatibility. Mishra, Sharma and Singh [19] introduced the concept of compatibility in fuzzy metric spaces. In 1998, Jungck and Rhoades [14] introduced the notion of weakly compatible maps and showed that compatible maps are weakly compatible but converse need not true. Sharma and Deshpande [26] improved the results of Mishra, Sharma and Singh [19], Cho [5], Cho Pathak, Kang & Jung [6], Sharma [22] and Sharma & Deshpande [25]. They proved common fixed point theorems for weakly compatible maps in fuzzy metric spaces without taking any mapping continuous.

## 2. PRELIMINARIES

**Definition** 2.1 [31] A fuzzy set A in X is a function with domain X and values in [0, 1].

**Definition** 2.2 [27] A binary operation  $*: [0, 1] \times [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, 1]$  is a continuous t-norm if  $\{[0, 1], *\}$  is an abelian topological monoid with unit 1 such that  $a * b \le c * d$ 

whenever  $a \leq c$  and  $b \leq d$ ,  $a, b, c, d \in [0,1]$ .

**Definition** 2.3 [17] The triplet (X, M, \*) is a fuzzy metric space if X is an arbitrary set, \* is continuous *t*-norm. *M* is a fuzzy set in  $X^2 \times [0, \infty]$  satisfying the following conditions:

(FM - 1) M(x, y, 0) = 0.

$$(FM-2)$$
  $M(x, y, t) = 1$ , for all  $t > 0 \Leftrightarrow x = y$ 

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

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

for all  $x, y, z \in X$  and t, s > 0.

(FM - 5)  $M(x, y, .): [0, \infty] \rightarrow [0, 1]$  is left continuous.

In this paper (X, M, \*) will denote a fuzzy metric space in the sense of above definition with the following condition

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

**Definition** 2.4 [17] A sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in a fuzzy metric space (X, M, \*) is called Cauchy sequence if

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

for every t > 0 and each p > 0.

**Definition** 2.5 [17] A sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in a fuzzy metric space

(X, M, \*) is said to be convergent to  $x \in X$  if

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

**Definition** 2.6 [17] A fuzzy metric space (X, M, \*) is said to be complete if every Cauchy sequence in *X* converges in *X*.

**Remark** 2.1 Since \* is continuous, it follows from (FM - 4) that limit of sequence is uniquely determined.

**Lemma** 2.1 [5] 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

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

for all t > 0 and n = 1, 2, ...

then  $\{y_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence in X.

**Lemma** 2.2 [19] If for all  $x, y \in X$ , t > 0 and for a number  $k \in (0,1)$ 

 $M(x, y, kt) \ge M(x, y, t)$  then x = y.

**Definition** 2.7 [19] Let A and B be mappings from a fuzzy metric space (X, M, \*) into itself. The mappings A and B are said to be compatible if

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} M(ABx_n, BAx_n, t) = 1, \text{ for all } t > 0,$$

whenever  $\{x_n\}$  is a sequence in X such that

 $\lim_{n\to\infty} Ax_n = \lim_{n\to\infty} Bx_n = z$  for some  $z \in X$ .

**Definition** 2.8[14] A pair A and S is called weakly compatible pair in fuzzy metric space if they commute at a coincidence points.

**Example** 2.1 Let X = [0, 2] with the metric *d* defined by d(x, y) = |x - y|

for each  $t \in (0, \infty)$ , define

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

and define

$$M(x, y, 0) = 0, \qquad x, y \in X.$$

Clearly (X, M, \*) is a fuzzy metric space on X where \* is defined by

$$a * b = a b \text{ or } a * b = min \{a, b\}.$$

Define  $A, B : X \longrightarrow X$  by

$$Ax = \begin{cases} x, \ if \ x \in [0, \frac{1}{4}) \\ \frac{1}{4}, \ if \ x \ge \frac{1}{4} \end{cases} \text{ and } Bx = \frac{x}{1+x},$$

for all  $x \in [0, 2]$ .Consider the sequence  $\{x_n = \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{n} : n \ge 1\}$ 

in X. Then

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} Ax_n = \frac{1}{4} , \lim_{n \to \infty} Bx_n = \frac{1}{4}$$

But

$$\lim_{n\to\infty} M(ABx_n, BAx_n, t) = \frac{t}{t+\left|\frac{1}{4}-\frac{1}{5}\right|} \neq 1.$$

Thus A and B are non-compatible. But A and B are commuting at their coincidence point x = 0, that is weakly compatible at x = 0.

Thus, weakly compatible maps need not be compatible.

**Definition** 2.9 [20] Two mappings f and g of a fuzzy metric space (X, M, \*) into itself are said to be weakly commuting if

$$M(fgx, gfx, t) \ge M(fx, gx, t), for every x \in X.$$

**Definition** 2.10 [30] The mappings f and g of a fuzzy metric space (X, M, \*) into itself are R-weakly commuting provided there exists some positive real number R such that

$$M(fx, gfx, t) \ge M(fx, gx, \frac{t}{p}), for all x \in X$$

Weak commutativity implies R-weak commutativity and the converse is true for  $R \leq 1$ .

## 3. MAIN RESULTS

**Theorem** 3.1 Let *S* and *T* be two self mappings of a fuzzy metric space (X, M, \*). Let *A* be a self mapping of *X* satisfying

(3.1) 
$$A(X) \subseteq S(X)$$
 and  $A(X) \subseteq T(X)$ 

$$(3.2) \quad M(Ax, Ay, t) \ge r \left[ \min \left\{ \begin{matrix} M(Sx, Ty, t), M(Sx, Ax, t), \\ M(Sx, Ay, t), M(Ty, Ay, t) \end{matrix} \right\} \right]$$

for all  $x, y \in X$  where  $r : [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, 1]$  is a continuous function such that

$$r(t) > t$$
 for each  $t < 1$  and  $r(t) = 1$  for  $t = 1$ .

(3.3) If one of 
$$A(X)$$
,  $S(X)$ ,  $T(X)$  is a complete subspace of

then

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- (i) *A* and *S* have a coincidence point, and
- (ii) A and T have a coincidence point.

Further if

(3.4)  $\{A, S\}$  and  $\{A, T\}$  are *R* –weakly commuting mappings, then

(iii) A, S and T have a unique common fixed point in X.

**Proof.** Let a sequence  $\{y_n\}$  in *X* be such that

$$y_{2n} = Ax_{2n} = Sx_{2n+1}$$
  
 $y_{2n+1} = Ax_{2n+1} = Tx_{2n+2}$ 

and T(X) be complete. Note that the subsequence  $\{y_{2n+1}\}$  is contained in T(X) and has a limit in T(X), call it z.

Let  $w \in T^{-1}(z)$ , then Tw = z.

We shall use the fact that subsequences  $\{y_{2n}\}$ ,  $\{y_{2n+2}\}$  also converges to *z*.

By putting  $x = x_{2n+1}$ , y = w in (3.2), we get

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

$$\geq r \left[ min \begin{cases} M(y_{2n}, Tw, t), M(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}, t), \\ M(y_{2n}, Aw, t), M(Tw, Aw, t) \end{cases} \right]$$

Taking limit as  $n \to \infty$ , we get

$$M(z, Aw, t) \ge rM(z, Aw, t) > M(z, Aw, t)$$

which is a contradiction. Therefore Aw = Tw = z i.e. w is a coincidence point of A and T.

Since  $A(X) \subset S(X)$ , Tw = z implies that  $z \in S(X)$ .

Let  $v \in S^{-1}z$ . Then Sv = z.

By putting x = v and  $y = x_{2n+2}$  in (3.2), we get

 $M(Av, Ax_{2n+2}, t) = M(Av, y_{2n+2}, t)$ 

$$\geq r \left[ min \left\{ \begin{matrix} M(Sv, y_{2n+1}, t), M(Sv, Av, t), \\ M(Sv, y_{2n+2}, t), M(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n+2}, t) \end{matrix} \right\} \right]$$

Taking limit as  $n \to \infty$ , we get

$$M(Av, z, t) \ge rM(z, Av, t) > M(z, Av, t)$$

which is a contradiction. Therefore Av = Sv = z i.e. v is a coincidence point of A and S.

If A(X) is complete then by (3.1)  $z \in A(X) \subset T(X)$  or

$$z \in A(X) \subset S(X).$$

Thus (i) and (ii) are completely established.

Since the pair  $\{A, T\}$  is R-weakly commuting, therefore we have

$$M(ATw, TAw, t) \ge M(Aw, Tw, \frac{t}{p})$$
, for all  $x \in X$ 

which gives ATw = TAw, i.e. Az = Tz.

Similarly the R-weak commutativity of pair  $\{A, S\}$  gives Az = Sz.

By putting  $x = x_{2n+1}$ , y = z in 3.2 we get

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

$$\geq r \left[ \min \left\{ \begin{matrix} M(Sx_{2n+1}, Tz, t), M(Sx_{2n+1}, Ax_{2n+1}, t), \\ M(Sx_{2n+1}, Az, t), M(Tz, Az, t) \end{matrix} \right\} \right].$$

Taking limit as  $n \to \infty$ , we get

$$M(z, Az, t) \ge rM(z, Az, t) > M(z, Az, t),$$

which is a contradiction. Thus Az = z = Sz = Tz i.e. z is common fixed point of A, S and T.

**Theorem** 3.2 Let S and T be two self mappings of a fuzzy metric space (X, M, \*). Let A, B, S and T be self mappings of X satisfying

(3.5)  $A(X) \subseteq S(X)$  and  $B(X) \subseteq T(X)$ .

- (3.6) aM(Tx, Sy, t) + bM(Tx, Ax, t) + cM(Sy, By, t) +  $max\{M(Ax, Sy, t), M(By, Tx, t)\} \le qM(Ax, By, t),$ for all  $x, y \in X$  where  $a, b, c \ge 0, q > 0$  with q < a + b + c + 1.
- (3.7) If one A(X), B(X), S(X), T(X) is complete subspace of X then
- (i) *A* and *T* have a coincidence point, and
- (ii) *B* and *S* have a coincidence point,

Further if

- (3.8)  $\{A, T\}$  and  $\{B, S\}$  are *R* –weakly commuting pairs, then
- (iii) A, B, S and T have a unique common fixed point in X.

**Proof.** Suppose that T(X) is complete. Note that the subsequence  $\{y_{2n+1}\}$  is contained in T(X) and has a limit in T(X), call it z.

Let  $w \in T^{-1}(z)$ , then Tw = z.

We shall use the fact that subsequence  $\{y_{2n}\}$  also converges to z.

By putting x = w and  $y = x_{2n+1}$  in (3.6), we get

 $aM(Tw, y_{2n}, t) + bM(Tw, Aw, t) + cM(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}, t)$ 

$$+ \max \left\{ \begin{array}{l} M(Aw, y_{2n}, t), \\ M(y_{2n+1}, Tw, t) \end{array} \right\} \leq q M(Aw, y_{2n+1}, t).$$

As  $n \to \infty$ , we get

$$M(Aw, z, t) \ge \frac{a+c}{q-b-1} > 1,$$

which is a contradiction.

Thus, Aw = z = Tw, i.e. w is a coincidence point of A and T.

Since  $A(X) \subseteq S(X)$ , Aw = z implies that  $z \in S(X)$ .

Let  $v \in S^{-1}z$ . Then Sv = z.

By putting  $x = x_{2n+2}, y = v$  in (3.6), we get

$$aM(y_{2n+1}, Sv, t) + bM(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n+2}, t) + cM(Sv, Bv, t)$$

$$+ \max \left\{ \begin{matrix} M(y_{2n+2}, Sv, t), \\ M(Bv, y_{2n+1}, t) \end{matrix} \right\} \leq q M(y_{2n+2}, Bv, t).$$

As  $n \to \infty$ , we have

$$M(Bv, z, t) \geq \frac{a+b}{q-c-1} > 1,$$

a contradiction. Therefore Bv = z = Sv, i.e. v is a coincidence point of B and S.

If A(X) or B(X) is complete then by (3.5)

$$z \in A(X) \subseteq S(X) \text{ or } z \in B(X) \subseteq T(X).$$

Thus (i) and (ii) are completely established.

Since the pair  $\{A, T\}$  is R –weakly commuting therefore we have

$$M(ATw, TAw, t) \ge M(Aw, Tw, t).$$

which gives ATw = TAv i.e. Az = Tz.

Similarly Bz = Sz.

By putting  $x = z, y = x_{2n+1}$  in (3.6)

$$\begin{split} & aM(Tz,y_{2n},t) + bM(Tz,Az,t) + cM(y_{2n},y_{2n+1},t) + \\ & max \begin{cases} M(Az,y_{2n},t), \\ M(y_{2n+1},Tz,t) \end{cases} \leq qM(Az,y_{2n+1},t) \,, \end{split}$$

As  $n \to \infty$ , we have

$$M(Az, z, t) \ge \frac{b-c}{a-a-1} < 1,$$

which is a contradiction. Thus Az = z = Bz = Sz = Tz.

## 4. CONCLUSION

The theorems in this paper are the improved ,extended and generalized form of some earlier results on common fixed point theorems in fuzzy metric spaces given by Pant[20], vasuki [30], and som [28],[29]. The proven results in fuzzy metric spaces for R-weak commutative mappings without taking any mapping continuous shows that for existence of fixed point in fuzzy metric space , continuity of any mapping is not needed.

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