



## FIXED POINT THEOREMS IN MENGER SPACE USING THE NOTION OF COMPATIBILITY AND SUBSEQUENTIALLY CONTINUITY

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**Abstract.** In this paper is to prove a common fixed point theorem for four mappings using the notion of compatibility and sub sequentially continuity in Menger space.

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### 1. INTRODUCTION

In 1942, Professor Karl Menger [11] has introduced the theory of probabilistic metric space in which a distribution function was used instead of non-negative real number as value of the metric. The notion of PM-space corresponds to situations when we do not know exactly the distance between two points, but we know probabilities of possible values of this distance. In 1960, Schweizer and Sklar [14] studied this concept and gave fundamental result on this space. Fixed point theory is one of the fruitful and effective tools in mathematics.

In 1986, Jungck [8] introduced the notion of Compatible maps for a pair of self-maps in metric space. In 1991, Pant [13] noticed these criteria for fixed points of contraction mappings and introduced a new continuity condition, known as reciprocal continuity and obtained a common fixed point theorem by using the compatibility in metric spaces. Healso showed that in the setting of common fixed point theorems for compatible mappings satisfying contraction

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conditions, the notion of reciprocal continuity is weaker than the continuity of one of the mappings.

In 1998, Jungck and Rhoades [9] introduced the concept of weakly compatibility and showed that each pair of compatible maps is weakly compatible but the converse need not to be true. In 2005 Singh and Jain [15] generalized the result of Mishra [12] using the concept of weak compatibility and compatibility of pair of self-maps.

In 2008 Al-Thagafi and shahzad [1] introduced the concept of occasionally weakly compatible (OWC) mappings in metric space which is the most general concept among all the commutativity concepts. In 2012, Doric et.al [6] shown that the condition of occasionally weak compatibility reduced to weak compatibility. Bouhadjera and Godet-Thobie [2] introduced two new notion namely subsequential continuity and subcompatibility which are weaker than reciprocal continuity and compatibility respectively. Further Imdad et al. [7] improved the result of Bouhadjera and Godet-Thobie [2].

The object of this paper is to prove a common fixed point theorem using the notion of compatibility and sub sequentially continuity in Menger space.

## 2. PRELIMINARY NOTES

**Definition 2.1(Schweizer and Sklar [14])** A Mapping  $F: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$  is said to be a distribution function if it is non-decreasing and leftcontinuous with

$$\inf \{F(t):t \in \mathbb{R}\} = 0 \text{ and } \sup \{F(t):t \in \mathbb{R}\} = 1$$

We will denote the  $\Delta$  the set of all distribution function defined on  $[-\infty, \infty]$  while  $H(t)$  will always denote the specific distribution function defined by

$$H(t) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } t \leq 0 \\ 1, & \text{if } t > 0 \end{cases}$$

If  $X$  is a non-empty set,  $F : X \times X \rightarrow \Delta$  is called a probabilistic distance on  $X$  and the value of  $F$  at  $(x, y) \in X \times X$  is represented by  $F_{x,y}$ .

**Definition 2.2(Schweizer and Sklar [14])**The ordered pair  $(X,F)$  is called a probabilistic metric space (shortly PM-space) if  $X$  is nonempty set and  $F$  is a probabilistic distance satisfying the following conditions:

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

PM-1  $F_{x,y}(t) = 1$  if and only if  $x=y$

$$\text{PM-2 } F_{x,y}(0) = 0$$

$$\text{PM-3 } F_{x,y}(t) = F_{y,x}(t)$$

$$\text{PM-4 } \text{ If } F_{x,z}(t) = 1 \text{ and } F_{z,y}(s) = 1 \text{ then } F_{x,y}(t+s) = 1$$

the ordered triple  $(X, F, \Delta)$  is called Menger space if  $(X, F)$  is PM space and  $\Delta$  is a triangular norm such that for all  $x, y, z \in X$  and  $t, s > 0$

$$\text{PM-5 } F_{x,y}(t+s) \geq F_{x,z}(t) + F_{z,y}(s)$$

**Definition 2.3(Schweizer and Sklar [14])** A Menger space  $(X, F, \Delta)$  with the continuous t-norm  $T$  is said to be complete iff every Cauchy sequence in  $X$  converges to a point in  $X$ .

**Definition 2.4(Mishra [12])** Two self maps  $A$  and  $S$  of a Menger Space  $(X, F, \Delta)$  are said to be compatible if

$F_{ASx_n, SAx_n}(t) \rightarrow 1$  for all  $t > 0$  Whenever  $\{x_n\}$  is a sequence in  $X$  such that  $Ax_n, Sx_n \rightarrow z$  for some  $z \in X$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

**Definition 2.5(Singh and Jain [16])** Two self-maps  $A$  and  $S$  of a non-empty set  $X$  are said to be weakly compatible (or coincidentally commuting) if they commute at their coincidence points, i.e. if  $Az = Sz$  for some  $z \in X$ , then  $ASz = SAz$ .

**Definition.2.6(Jungck[10])** Two self-mappings  $A$  and  $S$  of non-empty set  $X$  are occasionally weakly compatible(OWC) if and only if there exist a point  $z \in X$  which is coincidence point of  $A$  and  $S$  at which  $A$  and  $S$  commute.

**Definition.2.7(Bouhadjera and Godet-Thobie [2])** A pair of self-mappings  $(A, S)$  is said to be sub compatible on a Menger space  $(X, F, \Delta)$  iff there exist a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $X$  such that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Ax_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Sx_n = x \quad \text{for some } x \in X$$

$$\text{and } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} F_{ASx_n, SAx_n}(t) = 1 \quad \text{for all } t > 0$$

**Definition.2.8** A pair of self-mappings  $(A, S)$  is said to be subsequentially continuous on a Menger space  $(X, F, \Delta)$  if and only if there exist a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $X$  such that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Ax_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Sx_n = x \quad \text{for some } x \in X$$

$$\text{and } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} ASx_n = Ax \text{ and } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} SAx_n = Sx$$

**Lemma 2.9** Let  $(X, F, \Delta)$  be a Menger space. If there exists  $k \in (0, 1)$  such that

$$F_{x,y}(kt) \geq F_{x,y}(t), \text{ for all } x, y \in X \text{ and } t > 0$$

then  $x = y$ .

### 3. MAIN RESULT

**Theorem 3.1** Let  $A, B, S$  and  $T$  be self maps on a Menger space  $(X, F, \Delta)$  with continuous t-norm and if the pairs  $(A, S)$  and  $(B, T)$  are compatible and subsequentially continuous mappings then

- (i) the pair  $(A, S)$  and  $(B, T)$  have a coincidence point,
- (ii) there exist a constant  $k \in (0, 1)$  such that

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

$$F_{Ax, By} \geq \min\{F_{Sx, Ty}(t), F_{Ax, Sx}(t), F_{By, Ty}(t), F_{Ax, Ty}(t), F_{By, Sx}(t)\}$$

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

**Proof.** Since the pair  $(A, S)$  and  $(B, T)$  is compatible and subsequentially continuous mappings, then from the definition there exist a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $X$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Ax_n &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Sx_n = z \quad \text{for some } z \in X \\ \text{and } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} F_{ASx_n, SAx_n}(t) &= F_{Az, Sz}(t) = 1 \quad \text{for all } t > 0 \end{aligned}$$

Then  $Az = Sz$ . Hence  $z$  is a coincidence point of pair  $(A, S)$ .

Again, since  $(B, T)$  is compatible and subsequentially continuous mappings, then from the definition, there exist a sequence  $\{y_n\}$  in  $X$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} By_n &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Ty_n = w \quad \text{for some } w \in X \\ \text{and } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} F_{BTy_n, TBy_n}(t) &= F_{Bw, Tw}(t) = 1 \quad \text{for all } t > 0 \end{aligned}$$

then  $Bw = Tw$ . Hence  $w$  is a coincidence point of pair  $(B, T)$ .

**Step 1.** By taking  $x = x_n$  and  $y = y_n$  in (ii), we have

$$F_{Ax_n, By_n}(kt) \geq \min\{F_{Sx_n, Ty_n}(t), F_{Ax_n, Sx_n}(t), F_{By_n, Ty_n}(t), F_{Ax_n, Ty_n}(t), F_{By_n, Sx_n}(t)\}.$$

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

$$F_{z, w}(kt) \geq \min\{F_{z, w}(t), F_{z, z}(t), F_{w, w}(t), F_{z, w}(t), F_{w, z}(t)\}.$$

$$F_{z, w}(kt) \geq \min\{F_{z, w}(t), 1, 1, F_{z, w}(t), F_{w, z}(t)\}.$$

$$F_{z, w}(kt) \geq F_{z, w}(t)$$

From lemma 2.9, we have  $z = w$

**Step 2.** By taking  $x = z$  and  $y = y_n$  in (ii), we have

$$F_{Az, By_n}(kt) \geq \min\{F_{Sz, Ty_n}(t), F_{Az, Sz}(t), F_{By_n, Ty_n}(t), F_{Az, Ty_n}(t), F_{By_n, Sz}(t)\}.$$

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

$$F_{Az,w}(kt) \geq \min \{ F_{Az,w}(t), F_{Az,Az}(t), F_{w,w}(t), F_{Az,w}(t), F_{w,Az}(t) \}.$$

$$F_{Az,w}(kt) \geq \min \{ F_{Az,w}(t), 1, 1, F_{Az,w}(t), F_{w,Az}(t) \}.$$

$$F_{Az,w}(kt) \geq F_{Az,w}(t)$$

From lemma2.9, we have  $Az = w$

**Step3.** By taking  $x = x_n$  and  $y = z$  in (ii), we have

$$F_{Ax_n,Bz}(kt) \geq \min \{ F_{Sx_n,Tz}(t), F_{Ax_n,Sx_n}(t), F_{Bz,Tz}(t), F_{Ax_n,Tz}(t), F_{Bz,Sx_n}(t) \}.$$

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

$$F_{z,Bz}(kt) \geq \min \{ F_{z,Bz}(t), F_{z,z}(t), F_{Bz,Bz}(t), F_{z,Bz}(t), F_{Bz,z}(t) \}.$$

$$F_{z,Bz}(kt) \geq \min \{ F_{z,Bz}(t), 1, 1, F_{z,Bz}(t), F_{Bz,z}(t) \}.$$

$$F_{z,Bz}(kt) \geq F_{z,Bz}(t)$$

From lemma2.9, we have  $z = Bz$

Therefore  $Az=Sz=Bz=Tz=z$ . i.e  $z$  is a common fixed point theorem of  $A,B,S$  and  $T$ .

**Step4. For uniqueness,** let  $u$  ( $z \neq u$ ) is another common fixed point of  $A,B,S$  and  $T$  then

$$Au=Su=Bu=Tu=u$$

By taking  $x = z$  and  $y = u$  in 3.1.2, we have

$$F_{Az,Bu}(kt) \geq \min \{ F_{Sz,Tu}(t), F_{Az,Sz}(t), F_{Bu,u}(t), F_{Az,Tu}(t), F_{Bu,Sz}(t) \}$$

$$F_{z,u}(kt) \geq \min \{ F_{z,u}(t), F_{z,z}(t), F_{u,u}(t), F_{z,u}(t), F_{u,z}(t) \}$$

$$F_{z,u}(kt) \geq F_{z,u}(t)$$

From lemma2.9, we have  $z = u$  which is contradiction of our hypothesis is  $z \neq u$ . Hence  $z$  is unique common fixed point.

**Corollary 3.2** Let  $A$  and  $S$  be self-maps on a Menger space  $(X, F, \Delta)$  with continuous t-norm and if the pairs  $(A,S)$  and  $(B,T)$  are compatible and subsequentially continuous mappings then

(i) the pair  $(A,S)$  has a coincidence point,

(ii) there exist a constant  $k \in (0, 1)$  such that

$$\text{for all } x, y \in X \text{ and } t > 0$$

$$F_{Ax,Ay} \geq \min \{ F_{Sx,Sy}(t), F_{Ax,Sx}(t), F_{Ay,Sy}(t), F_{Ax,Sy}(t), F_{Ay,Sx}(t) \}$$

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

**Example 3.3** Let  $X=[0,\infty)$  and  $d$  be the usual metric on  $X$  and for each  $t \in [0, 1]$  define

$$F_{x,y}(t) = \begin{cases} \frac{t}{t+|x-y|} & , \quad \text{if } t > 0 \\ 0 & , \quad \text{if } t = 0 \end{cases} \text{ for all } x,y \in X$$

Clearly  $(X, F, \Delta)$  be a Menger space where  $t$ -norm  $\Delta$  is defined by  $\Delta(a,b) = \min\{a,b\}$  for all  $a,b \in [0, 1]$ .

We define self-maps  $A$  and  $S$  on  $X$

$$A(X) = \begin{cases} \frac{x}{4}, & \text{if } x \in [0, 1] \\ 5x - 4, & \text{if } x \in (1, \infty) \end{cases} \quad S(X) = \begin{cases} \frac{x}{5}, & \text{if } x \in [0, 1] \\ 4x - 3, & \text{if } x \in (1, \infty) \end{cases}$$

Consider a sequence  $\{x_n\} = \{\frac{1}{n}\}$  in  $X$ . Then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} A(x_n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{1}{4n}\right) = 0 = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{1}{5n}\right) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S(x_n)$$

$$\text{now , } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} AS(x_n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} A\left(\frac{1}{5n}\right) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{1}{20n}\right) = 0 = A(0)$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} SA(x_n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S\left(\frac{1}{4n}\right) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{1}{20n}\right) = 0 = S(0)$$

$$\text{and } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} F_{ASx_n, SAx_n}(t) = 1 \quad \text{for all } t > 0$$

Consider another sequence  $\{x_n\} = \{1 + \frac{1}{n}\}$  in  $X$ . Then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} A(x_n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(5 + \frac{5}{n} - 4\right) = 1 = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(4 + \frac{4}{n} - 3\right) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S(x_n)$$

$$\text{now , } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} AS(x_n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} A\left(1 + \frac{4}{n}\right) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(5 + \frac{20}{n} - 4\right) = 1 \neq A(1)$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} SA(x_n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S\left(1 + \frac{5}{n}\right) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(4 + \frac{20}{n} - 3\right) = 1 \neq S(1)$$

$$\text{but } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} F_{ASx_n, SAx_n}(t) = 1 \quad \text{for all } t > 0$$

Thus the pair  $(A,S)$  is compatible and subsequentially continuous.

### Conflict of Interests

The author declares that there is no conflict of interests.

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