

## Application of Contraction Mapping in Menger Spaces

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### Abstract

In this paper we shall establish some coincidence theorems on an arbitrary set with values in generalized Menger space and derive fixed-point theorems for mappings commuting only at coincidence point. The results of this paper is an application of well-known results of Piyush Tripathi, *et al*[ 8].

### Introduction

In 1932, Menger [127] generalized the metric axioms by associating a distribution function with each pair of points of an abstract set  $X$ . (A distribution functions is a mapping  $f : R \rightarrow R^+$  which is non-decreasing, left continuous, with  $\inf f = 0$  and  $\sup f = 1$ ). Thus for any ordered pair of points  $p, q$  of  $X$ , we associate a distribution function denoted by  $F_{p,q}$  and, for any positive number  $x$ , we interpret  $F_{p,q}(x)$  as the probability that the distance between  $p$  and  $q$  is less than  $x$ . This gives rise to a new theory of 'probabilistic metric spaces' which started developing rapidly after the publication of the paper of Schweizer and Sklar [177]. For the further basic works in this direction, refer to Constantin and Istrătescu [43], Schweizer [172]-[175], Schweitzer *et al.* [176].

**Probabilistic Metric Spaces [8]**

**Definition 2.1.** A mapping  $f: R \rightarrow R^+$  is called a distribution function if it is non decreasing, left continuous and  $\inf f(x) = 0, \sup f(x) = 1$ .

We shall denote by  $L$  the set of all distribution functions. The specific distribution function  $H \in L$  is defined by

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

**Definition 2.2.** A probabilistic metric space (PM space) is an ordered pair  $(X, F)$ ,  $X$  is a nonempty set and  $F: X \times X \rightarrow L$  is mapping such that, by denoting  $F(p, q)$  by  $F_{p,q}$  for all  $p, q$  in  $X$ , we have

$$(I) \quad F_{p,q}(x) = 1 \quad \forall x > 0 \text{ iff } p = q$$

$$(II) \quad F_{p,q}(0) = 0$$

$$(III) \quad F_{p,q} = F_{q,p}$$

$$(IV) \quad F_{p,q}(x) = 1, F_{q,r}(y) = 1 \Rightarrow F_{p,r}(x+y) = 1.$$

We note that  $F_{p,q}(x)$  is value of the distribution function  $F_{p,q} = F(p, q) \in L$  at  $x \in R$ .

**Definition 2.3.** A mapping  $t: [0,1] \times [0,1] \rightarrow [0,1]$  is called t-norm if it is non-decreasing (by non-decreasing, we mean  $a \leq c, b \leq d \Rightarrow t(a,b) \leq t(c,d)$ ), commutative, associative and  $t(a,1) = a$  for all  $a$  in  $[0, 1]$ ,  $t(0,0) = 0$ .

**Definition 2.4.** A Menger PM space is a triple  $(X, F; t)$  where  $(X, F)$  is a PM space and  $t$  is t-norm such that,

$$F_{p,r}(x+y) \geq t(F_{p,q}(x), F_{q,r}(y)) \quad \forall x, y \geq 0.$$

If  $(X, F; t)$  is Menger Probabilistic metric space with  $\sup t(x, x) = 1, 0 < x < 1$ , then  $(X, F; t)$  is a Hausdorff topological space in the topology  $T$  induced by the family of  $(\varepsilon, \lambda)$  neighborhoods  $\{U_p(\varepsilon, \lambda): p \in X, \varepsilon > 0, \lambda > 0\}$  where  $U_p(\varepsilon, \lambda) = \{x \in X: F_{x,p}(\varepsilon) > 1 - \lambda\}$  ([8]).

Singh and Jain [191] defined a class of functions  $\Phi$  of all real continuous functions

$\phi: [0,1]^4 \rightarrow R$ , (where  $R$  is the set of real numbers) with the property,

(i) for  $u, v \geq 0$ ,  $\phi(u, v, v, u) \geq 0$  or  $\phi(u, v, u, v) \geq 0$  implies  $u \geq v$ .

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In 2010 Piyush Tripathi and Manisha Gupta [ ] Proved the following theorems.

**Theorem 3.1.** Let  $(X, F; T)$  be a generalized Menger space under a continuous t-norm  $T$  in  $(a, 1) \forall a \in (0,1)$ . Suppose  $k \in (0,1)$ ,  $\phi \in \Phi$  and  $f, g : Y \rightarrow X$  are mappings such that,

$$(i) \phi(F_{fp, fq}(kx), F_{gp, gq}(x), F_{fp, gp}(x), F_{fq, gq}(kx)) \geq 0 \quad \forall p, q \in Y, \forall x > 0,$$

$$(ii) f(Y) \subset g(Y),$$

and (iii)  $\exists p_0, p_1$  in  $Y$  such that  $fp_0 = gp_1$  and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} T_{i=n}^{\infty} F_{fp_0, fp_1}(r^i) = 1$ , for  $r > 1$ . Then  $f$  and  $g$  have a coincidence point.

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$$(iv) \text{ Either } f(X) \text{ or } g(X) \text{ is } F - \text{ complete,}$$

and (v)  $f$  and  $g$  are commuting at their coincidence point. Then  $f$  and  $g$  have a unique common fixed point.

**Corollary 3.1.** Let  $(X, F; T)$  be a generalized Menger space under a continuous t-norm  $T \in H$ . Suppose  $k \in (0,1)$ ,  $\phi \in \Phi$  and  $f, g : X \rightarrow X$  are mappings such that,

$$(i) \phi(F_{fp, fq}(kx), F_{gp, gq}(x), F_{fp, gp}(x), F_{fq, gq}(kx)) \geq 0 \quad \forall p, q \in X, \forall x > 0,$$

$$(ii) f(X) \subset g(X),$$

$$(iii) \exists p_0, p_1 \text{ such that } fp_0 = gp_1 \text{ for which } F_{fp_0, fp_1} \in D_+,$$

$$(iv) \text{ Either } f(X) \text{ or } g(X) \text{ is } F - \text{ complete,}$$

and (v)  $f$  and  $g$  are commuting at their coincidence point. Then  $f$  and  $g$  have coincidence point as well as unique fixed point.

**Application**

Now as an application of theorem 3.1, in this section we prove coincidence and common fixed point theorems for three mappings.

**Theorem 4.1.** Let  $(X, F; T)$  be a generalized Menger space under a continuous t-norm  $T$  in  $(a, 1) \forall a \in (0,1)$  and  $Y$  an arbitrary set. Suppose  $k \in (0,1)$ ,  $\phi \in \Phi$  and  $f, g, h: Y \rightarrow X$  are mappings such that,

$$(i) \phi(F_{fp, gq}(kx), F_{hp, hq}(x), F_{fp, hp}(x), F_{gq, hq}(kx)) \geq 0 \quad \forall p, q \in Y, \forall x > 0,$$

$$(ii) f(Y) \cup g(Y) \subset h(Y),$$

$$(iii) \exists p_1, p_2 \text{ and } r > 1 \text{ for which } T_{i=1}^{\infty} F_{hp_1, hp_2}(r^i) = 1,$$

and (iv) One of  $f(Y), g(Y), h(Y)$  is  $F$  – complete.

Then  $f, g$  and  $h$  have coincidence point.

**Proof.** For  $p_0 \in Y$  there exist  $p_1, p_2 \in Y$  such that  $fp_0 = hp_1, gp_1 = hp_2$  (because  $f(Y) \cup g(Y) \subset h(Y)$ ). Inductively we can construct a sequence  $\{p_n\}$  such that  $fp_{2n} = hp_{2n+1}, gp_{2n+1} = hp_{2n+2}$ .

Putting  $p = p_{2n}$  and  $q = p_{2n+1}$  in (i), we have,

$$\phi(F_{fp_{2n}, gp_{2n+1}}(kx), F_{hp_{2n}, hp_{2n+1}}(x), F_{fp_{2n}, hp_{2n}}(x), F_{gp_{2n+1}, hp_{2n+1}}(kx)) \geq 0,$$

$$\text{i.e. } \phi(F_{hp_{2n+1}, hp_{2n+2}}(kx), F_{hp_{2n}, hp_{2n+1}}(x), F_{hp_{2n+1}, hp_{2n}}(x), F_{hp_{2n+2}, hp_{2n+1}}(kx)) \geq 0.$$

From the property of  $\phi$ , we have,

$$F_{hp_{2n+1}, hp_{2n+2}}(kx) \geq F_{hp_{2n}, hp_{2n+1}}(x), \quad \forall x > 0.$$

Again putting  $p = p_{2n+2}$  and  $q = p_{2n+1}$  in (i), we get,

$$F_{hp_{2n+3}, hp_{2n+2}}(kx) \geq F_{hp_{2n+2}, hp_{2n+1}}(x), \quad \forall x > 0.$$

Therefore by Lemma 2.1  $\{hp_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence. Suppose  $h(Y)$  is  $F$  – complete.

Then  $\{hp_n\} \rightarrow p \in h(Y)$ , also then there exists  $u \in Y$  such that  $hu = p$ .

Putting  $p = u, q = p_{2n+1}$  in (i), we get,

$$\phi(F_{fu, gp_{2n+1}}(kx), F_{hu, hp_{2n+1}}(x), F_{fu, hu}(x), F_{gp_{2n+1}, hp_{2n+1}}(kx)) \geq 0,$$

$$\text{i.e. } \phi(F_{fu, p}(kx), F_{p, p}(x), F_{fu, hu}(x), F_{p, p}(kx)) \geq 0.$$

Again from the property of  $\phi$ , we have,  $fu = p = hu$ .

Lastly, putting  $q = u, p = p_{2n+1}$  in (i), we obtain

$$\phi(F_{fp_{2n+2},gu}(kx), F_{hp_{2n+2},hu}(x), F_{fp_{2n+2},hp_{2n+2}}(x), F_{gu,hu}(kx)) \geq 0,$$

i.e.  $\phi(F_{p,gu}(kx), F_{p,p}(x), F_{p,p}(x), F_{p,p}(kx)) \geq 0.$

Hence as above we have,  $gu = p = hu = fu$ . Therefore  $p$  is the coincidence point of  $f, g$  and  $h$ .

**Theorem 4.2.** Let  $(X, F; T)$  be a generalized Menger space under a continuous t-norm  $T$  in  $(a, 1) \forall a \in (0,1)$ . Suppose  $k \in (0,1)$ ,  $\phi \in \Phi$  and  $f, g, h, : X \rightarrow X$  are mappings such that,

(i)  $\phi(F_{fp, gq}(kx), F_{hp, hq}(x), F_{fp, hp}(x), F_{gq, hq}(kx)) \geq 0 \quad \forall p, q \in X, \forall x > 0,$

(ii)  $f(X) \cup g(X) \subset h(X),$

(iii)  $\exists p_1, p_2$  and  $r > 1$  for which  $T_{i=1}^{\infty} F_{hp_1, hp_2}(r^i) = 1,$

(iv) If one of  $f(X), g(X), h(X)$  is  $F$  – complete,

and (v)  $f$  and  $h$  are coincidently commuting.

Then  $f, g$  and  $h$  have a unique fixed point.

**Proof.** In the Theorem 4.1 if we take  $Y = X$  then we get  $gu = p = hu = fu$ . Since  $f$  and  $g$  are coincidently commuting, hence  $fhu = hf u \Rightarrow fp = hp$ .

Putting  $p = fu, q = p_{2n+1}$  in (i), we have

$$\phi(F_{ffu, gp_{2n+1}}(kx), F_{hu, hp_{2n+1}}(x), F_{fu, hu}(x), F_{ghp_{2n+1}, hhp_{2n+1}}(kx)) \geq 0,$$

i.e.  $\phi(F_{fp, p}(kx), F_{hp, p}(x), F_{fp, hp}(x), F_{p, p}(kx)) \geq 0.$

Hence from the property of  $\phi$  we have,  $fp = p = hp$ .

Again putting  $q = p, p = p_{2n}$  in (i), we have,

$$\phi(F_{fp_{2n}, gp}(kx), F_{hp_{2n}, hp}(x), F_{fp_{2n}, hp_{2n}}(x), F_{gp, hp}(kx)) \geq 0,$$

i.e.  $\phi(F_{p, gp}(kx), F_{p, p}(x), F_{p, p}(x), F_{gp, p}(kx)) \geq 0.$

Using the property of  $\phi$ , we have,  $gp = p = fp = hp$ . Therefore  $p$  is a common fixed point of  $f$ ,  $g$  and  $h$ .

For uniqueness suppose  $p'$  and  $q'$  are common fixed point of  $f$ ,  $g$  and  $h$ . Then by putting  $p = p'$  and  $q = q'$  in (i), and using the property of  $\phi$ , we have  $p' = q'$ . Therefore  $f$ ,  $g$  and  $h$  have unique common fixed point.

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