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On Generalized (Ψ, φ) -Almost Weakly Contractive Maps in Generalized Fuzzy Metric Spaces

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Abstract – In this paper, we come out with the approach of generalized (Ψ, φ) -almost weakly contractive maps in the context of generalized fuzzy metric spaces. We prove theorem to show the existence of a fixed point and also provide an example in support to our result.

Keywords – (Ψ, φ) -almost weakly contractive map, Fuzzy metric space, Generalized fuzzy metric spaces.

1 Introduction

In Mathematics, the concept of fuzzy set was introduced by Zadeh [15]. It is a new way to represent vagueness in our daily life. In 1975 Kramosil and Michalek [3] introduced the concept of fuzzy metric spaces which opened a new way for further development of analysis in such spaces. George and Veeramani [2] modified the concept of fuzzy metric space. After that several fixed point theorems have been proved in fuzzy metric spaces. In 2008, Dutta and Choudary [8] introduced (Ψ, φ) – weakly contractive maps and showed the existence of fixed points in complete metric spaces. In 2009, Doric [7] unfolded it to a pair of maps by broadening the result that was proposed by Zhang and Song [14] Harjani and Sadarangani [9], Presented some fixed point results in a complete metric space bestowed with a partial order for weakly C-contractive mappings. Saha [12] established a weakened version of contraction mappings principle in fuzzy metric space with a partial ordering. In the present work, we insinuate the concept of (Ψ, φ) -almost weakly contractive maps in the panorama of fuzzy metric spaces and observe few results.

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2 Preliminaries

Definition 2.1. A 3 – tuple $(X, \mathcal{M}, *)$ is called generalized fuzzy metric space if X is an arbitrary non – empty set, $*$ is a continuous t – norm, and \mathcal{M} is a fuzzy set on $X^3 \times (0, \infty)$ satisfying the following conditions; for each $x, y, z, a \in X$ and $t, s > 0$

- (GFM – 1) $\mathcal{M}(x, y, z, t) > 0$,
- (GFM – 2) $\mathcal{M}(x, y, z, t) = 1$, if $x = y = z$,
- (GFM – 3) $\mathcal{M}(x, y, z, t) = \mathcal{M}(p\{x, y, z\}, t)$, where p is a permutation function,
- (GFM – 4) $\mathcal{M}(x, y, a, t) * \mathcal{M}(a, z, z, s) \leq \mathcal{M}(x, y, z, t + s)$,
- (GFM – 5) $\mathcal{M}(x, y, z, \cdot) : (0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, 1]$ is continuous,
- (GFM – 6) $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \mathcal{M}(x, y, z, t) = 1$.

Definition 2.2. If $\{x_n\}$ is a sequence in a generalized fuzzy metric spaces such that $\mathcal{M}(x_n, x, x, t) \rightarrow 1$ whenever $n \rightarrow \infty$, then $\{x_n\}$ is said to converges to $x \in X$.

- (i) A sequence $\{x_n\}$ in X is said to be a converge to a point x in X if and only if for each $\varepsilon > 0$, $t > 0$ there exists $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $\mathcal{M}(x_n, x_m, x_m, t) > 1 - \varepsilon$ for all $n \geq n_0$.
- (ii) A generalized fuzzy metric space $(X, \mathcal{M}, *)$ is said to be complete if every Cauchy sequence in it converges to a point in it.

Definition 2.3. Let $(X, \mathcal{M}, *)$ be a complete generalized fuzzy metric space. Let C be a subset of X . Let $T: C \rightarrow C$ be a self mapping which satisfies the following inequality:

$\Psi(\mathcal{M}(Tx, Ty, Tz, t)) \leq \Psi(\mathcal{M}(x, y, z, t)) - \varphi(\mathcal{M}(x, y, z, t))$ where $x, y, z \in X, t > 0$, Ψ and $\varphi : (0, 1] \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ are two functions such that,

- (i) Ψ is continuous and monotone decreasing with $\Psi(t) = 0 \Leftrightarrow t = 1$
- (ii) φ is continuous with $\varphi(s) = 0 \Leftrightarrow s = 1$

Then T is said to be a weak contraction on C .

Definition 2.4. Let $(X, \mathcal{M}, *)$ be a generalized fuzzy metric space. Let there exists $\Psi, \varphi : (0, 1] \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ such that

- (i) Ψ is continuous and monotonically decreasing,
- (ii) $\Psi(t) = 0 \Leftrightarrow t = 1$
- (iii) φ is continuous with $\varphi(s) = 0 \Leftrightarrow s = 1$

Then $T: X \rightarrow X$ be a self map satisfying the inequality:

$\Psi(\mathcal{M}(Tx, Ty, Tz, t)) \leq \Psi(\mathcal{M}(x, y, z, t)) - \varphi(\mathcal{M}(x, y, z, t) + L\{1 - m(x, y, z)\})$ for all $x, y, z \in X, t > 0, L \geq 0$, where $m(x, y, z) = \max\{\mathcal{M}(x, Tx, z, t), \mathcal{M}(x, Ty, Tz, t), \mathcal{M}(y, Ty, Tz, t), \mathcal{M}(Tx, y, z, t)\}$. Then T is said to be a (Ψ, φ) – almost weakly contractive map on X .

3 Main Result

Theorem 3.1. Let $(X, \mathcal{M}, *)$ be a complete generalized fuzzy metric space. Let $T: X \rightarrow X$ be a (Ψ, φ) - almost weakly contractive map. Then, T has a fixed point in X which is unique.

Proof: Let $\{x_n\}$ be a sequence in X such that $Tx_n = x_{n+1}$. If $x_n = x_{n+1}$, then the theorem is obvious. If $x_n \neq x_{n+1}$, consider

$$\Psi(\mathcal{M}(x_n, x_{n+1}, x_{n+1}, t)) = \Psi(\mathcal{M}(Tx_{n-1}, Tx_n, Tx_n, t)) \leq \Psi\left(\frac{\mathcal{M}(x_{n-1}, x_n, x_n, t) - \varphi(\mathcal{M}(x_{n-1}, x_n, x_n, t))}{L\{1 - m(x_{n-1}, x_n, x_n)\}}\right) \tag{3.1.1}$$

$$\begin{aligned} m(x_{n-1}, x_n, x_n) &= \max\left\{\mathcal{M}(x_{n-1}, Tx_{n-1}, x_n, t), \mathcal{M}(Tx_{n-1}, Tx_n, Tx_n, t), \mathcal{M}(x_n, Tx_n, Tx_n, t), \mathcal{M}(Tx_{n-1}, x_n, x_n, t)\right\} \\ &= \max\left\{\mathcal{M}(x_{n-1}, x_n, x_n, t), \mathcal{M}(x_n, x_{n+1}, x_{n+1}, t), \mathcal{M}(x_n, x_{n+1}, x_{n+1}, t), \mathcal{M}(x_{n+1}, x_n, x_n, t)\right\} \\ &= \max\{\mathcal{M}(x_{n-1}, x_n, x_n, t), 1, \mathcal{M}(x_{n-1}, x_{n+1}, x_{n+1}, t), \mathcal{M}(x_n, x_{n+1}, x_n, t)\} \\ &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$m(x_{n-1}, x_n, x_n) = 1 \tag{3.1.2}$$

from (3.1.1) and (3.1.2), we get that

$$\Psi(\mathcal{M}(x_n, x_{n+1}, x_{n+1}, t)) \leq \Psi(\mathcal{M}(x_{n-1}, x_n, x_n, t)) - \varphi(\mathcal{M}(x_{n-1}, x_n, x_n, t)) \tag{3.1.3}$$

$$\Psi(\mathcal{M}(x_n, x_{n+1}, x_{n+1}, t)) < \Psi(\mathcal{M}(x_{n-1}, x_n, x_n, t)) \tag{3.1.4}$$

We know Ψ is monotonically decreasing $\mathcal{M}(x_n, x_{n+1}, x_{n+1}, t) > \mathcal{M}(x_{n-1}, x_n, x_n, t)$ (3.1.5)

$\{\mathcal{M}(x_n, x_{n+1}, x_{n+1}, t)\}$ is an increasing sequence of non-negative real numbers.

Let $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathcal{M}(x_n, x_{n+1}, x_{n+1}, t) = r$ then taking limit as $n \rightarrow \infty$ in (3.1.3)

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \psi(r) &\leq \psi(r) - \varphi(r) \\ \Rightarrow \varphi(r) &\leq 0 \Rightarrow \varphi(r) = 0. \\ \Leftrightarrow r &= 1 \text{ (from definition (2.4))} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathcal{M}(x_n, x_{n+1}, x_{n+1}, t) = 1.$ (3.1.6)

To prove that $\{x_n\}$ is a Cauchy sequence.

Let $\{x_n\}$ is not Cauchy, then, for any given $\varepsilon > 0$, we can find subsequences $\{x_{n_k}\}, \{x_{m_k}\}$ of $\{x_n\}$ with $n_k > m_k$ such that

$$\mathcal{M}(x_{n_k}, x_{m_k}, x_{m_k}, t) \leq 1 - \varepsilon \tag{3.1.7}$$

then, we have

$$\mathcal{M}(x_{n_{k-1}}, x_{m_k}, x_{m_k}, t) > 1 - \varepsilon, \quad \mathcal{M}(x_{n_{k-1}}, x_{m_{k-1}}, x_{m_{k-1}}, t) > 1 - \varepsilon. \tag{3.1.8}$$

Consider

$$\begin{aligned} 1 - \varepsilon &\geq \mathcal{M}(x_{n_k}, x_{m_k}, x_{m_k}, t) \\ 1 - \varepsilon &\geq \limsup_{k \rightarrow \infty} \mathcal{M}(x_{n_k}, x_{m_k}, x_{m_k}, t) \end{aligned} \tag{3.1.9}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{M}(x_{n_k}, x_{m_k}, x_{m_k}, t) &\geq \mathcal{M}\left(x_{n_k}, x_{n_{k-1}}, x_{n_{k-1}}, \frac{t}{2}\right) * \mathcal{M}\left(x_{n_{k-1}}, x_{m_k}, x_{m_k}, \frac{t}{2}\right) \\ &> \mathcal{M}\left(x_{n_k}, x_{n_{k-1}}, x_{n_{k-1}}, \frac{t}{2}\right) * 1 - \varepsilon \text{ (from (3.1.8))} \\ &> 1 * 1 - \varepsilon \text{ as } k \rightarrow \infty \text{ (from (3.1.6))} \\ &\Rightarrow \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \mathcal{M}(x_{n_k}, x_{m_k}, x_{m_k}, t) > 1 - \varepsilon \end{aligned} \tag{3.1.10}$$

Therefore

$$\liminf_{k \rightarrow \infty} \mathcal{M}(x_{n_k}, x_{m_k}, x_{m_k}, t) > 1 - \varepsilon, \tag{3.1.11}$$

from (3.1.9) and (3.1.11) we see that

$$1 - \varepsilon < \liminf_{k \rightarrow \infty} \mathcal{M}(x_{n_k}, x_{m_k}, x_{m_k}, t) \leq \limsup_{k \rightarrow \infty} \mathcal{M}(x_{n_k}, x_{m_k}, x_{m_k}, t) < 1 - \varepsilon$$

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \mathcal{M}(x_{n_k}, x_{m_k}, x_{m_k}, t) &\text{ exists and is equal to } 1 - \varepsilon \\ \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \mathcal{M}(x_{n_k}, x_{m_k}, x_{m_k}, t) &= 1 - \varepsilon. \end{aligned} \tag{3.1.12}$$

Consider

$$\begin{aligned} \Psi(\mathcal{M}(x_{n_k}, x_{m_k}, x_{m_k}, t)) &= \Psi(\mathcal{M}(Tx_{n_{k-1}}, Tx_{m_{k-1}}, Tx_{m_{k-1}}, t)) \\ &\leq \Psi((\mathcal{M}(x_{n_{k-1}}, x_{m_{k-1}}, x_{m_{k-1}}, t) - \\ &\quad \varphi(\mathcal{M}(x_{n_{k-1}}, x_{m_{k-1}}, x_{m_{k-1}}, t)) + \\ &\quad L\{1 - m(x_{n_{k-1}}, x_{m_{k-1}}, x_{m_{k-1}}, t)\}) \end{aligned} \tag{3.1.13}$$

from definition (2.4), (3.1.8), and since we know that Ψ is a decreasing function, we have

$$\mathcal{M}(x_{n_{k-1}}, x_{m_{k-1}}, x_{m_{k-1}}, t) > 1 - \varepsilon \Rightarrow \Psi(\mathcal{M}(x_{n_{k-1}}, x_{m_{k-1}}, x_{m_{k-1}}, t)) \leq \Psi(1 - \varepsilon). \tag{3.1.14}$$

Since φ is continuous, we have

$$\mathcal{M}(x_{n_{k-1}}, x_{m_{k-1}}, x_{m_{k-1}}, t) > 1 - \varepsilon \Rightarrow \varphi(\mathcal{M}(x_{n_{k-1}}, x_{m_{k-1}}, x_{m_{k-1}}, t)) \geq \varphi(1 - \varepsilon) \tag{3.1.15}$$

also,

$$m(x_{n_{k-1}}, x_{m_{k-1}}, x_{m_{k-1}}, t) = \max \left\{ \begin{aligned} &\mathcal{M}(x_{n_{k-1}}, Tx_{n_{k-1}}, x_{m_{k-1}}, t), \\ &\mathcal{M}(x_{n_{k-1}}, Tx_{m_{k-1}}, Tx_{m_{k-1}}, t), \\ &\mathcal{M}(x_{m_{k-1}}, Tx_{m_{k-1}}, Tx_{m_{k-1}}, t), \\ &\mathcal{M}(Tx_{n_{k-1}}, x_{m_{k-1}}, x_{m_{k-1}}, t) \end{aligned} \right\} \tag{3.1.16}$$

$$= \max \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \mathcal{M}(x_{n_{k-1}}, x_{n_k}, x_{m_{k-1}}, t), \\ \mathcal{M}(x_{n_{k-1}}, x_{m_k}, x_{m_k}, t), \\ \mathcal{M}(x_{m_{k-1}}, x_{m_k}, x_{m_k}, t), \\ \mathcal{M}(x_{n_k}, x_{m_{k-1}}, x_{m_k}, t) \end{array} \right\}$$

Therefore

$$m(x_{n_{k-1}}, x_{m_{k-1}}, x_{m_{k-1}}) \rightarrow 1 \text{ as } k \rightarrow \infty. \tag{3.1.17}$$

Using (3.1.12), (3.1.14), (3.1.15), and (3.1.17), equation (3.1.13) becomes

$$\Psi(\mathcal{M}(x_{n_k}, x_{m_k}, x_{m_k}, t) \leq \Psi(1 - \varepsilon) - \varphi(1 - \varepsilon) + L\{1 - m(x_{n_{k-1}}, x_{m_{k-1}}, x_{m_{k-1}})\}.$$

Since, X is complete, we can find a, $z \in X$ such that the sequence $\{x_n\}$ is convergent to z as $n \rightarrow \infty$. To prove z is a fixed point of T in X .

$$\begin{aligned} \Psi(\mathcal{M}(x_n, Tz, Tz, t) &= \Psi(\mathcal{M}(Tx_{n-1}, Tz, Tz, t) \\ &\leq \Psi(\mathcal{M}(x_{n-1}, z, z, t) - \varphi(\mathcal{M}(x_{n-1}, z, z, t)) + \\ &\quad L\{1 - m\{x_{n-1}, z, z\}\} \end{aligned} \tag{3.1.18}$$

Where, $m(x_{n-1}, z, z) = \max \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \mathcal{M}(x_{n-1}, z, z, t), \mathcal{M}(Tx_{n-1}, x_{n-1}, x_{n-1}, t), \\ \mathcal{M}(Tx_{n-1}, z, z, t), \mathcal{M}(Tz, x_{n-1}, x_{n-1}, t), \mathcal{M}(Tz, z, z, t) \end{array} \right\}$

as $n \rightarrow \infty$, (3.1.18) becomes

$$\Psi(\mathcal{M}(z, Tz, Tz, t) \leq \Psi(\mathcal{M}(z, z, z, t) - \varphi(\mathcal{M}(z, z, z, t)) + L\{1 - 1\}) = \Psi(1) - \varphi(1) = 0.$$

Therefore, $\Psi(\mathcal{M}(z, Tz, Tz, t) = 0 \Rightarrow \mathcal{M}(z, Tz, Tz, t) = 1$

Thus, $Tz = z \Rightarrow z$ is a fixed point of T in X .

To prove z is unique. If possible, let z, w be two fixed point of T in X , then

$$\begin{aligned} \Psi(\mathcal{M}(z, w, w, t) &\leq \Psi(\mathcal{M}(Tz, Tw, Tw, t)) \leq \Psi((\mathcal{M}(z, w, w, t) - \varphi(\mathcal{M}(z, w, w, t)) \\ &\quad + L\{1 - m(z, w, w)\}) \\ &= \Psi(\mathcal{M}(z, w, w, t) - \varphi(\mathcal{M}(z, w, w, t)) + L\{0\}). \text{ (since } m(z, w, w) = 1) \end{aligned}$$

Therefore $\mathcal{M}(z, w, w, t) = 1$ which implies $z = w$, That is fixed point is unique.

Example 3.2. Let $X = [0, 1]$ and $*$ be the continuous t-norm defined by

$$a * b = ab. \mathcal{M}(x, y, z, t) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if either } x = 0 \text{ or } y = 0 \text{ or } z = 0 \\ \frac{\min\{x, y, z\}}{\max\{x, y, z\}} & \text{if } x \neq 0, y \neq 0 \text{ and } z \neq 0 \end{cases}$$

Then, clearly $(X, \mathcal{M}, *)$ is a complete generalized fuzzy metric space.

Let $T: X \rightarrow X$ be defined by $Tx = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x = \frac{1}{2} \\ 1 & \text{if } x \in [0, \frac{1}{2}) \cup (\frac{1}{2}, 1] \end{cases}$.

Let ψ and φ on $(0, 1]$ be defined by $\psi(s) = 1 - s^2$ and $\varphi(s) = 1 - s$. Here, T satisfies the inequality (3.1.8) with any $L \geq 0$. Therefore T is a (Ψ, φ) -almost weakly contractive map on X . Thus, T satisfies all the hypothesis of Theorem 3.1 and so, have a unique fixed point in X i.e., at $x = 1$.

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