

# Fixed Points of Expansion Mappings in Fuzzy Menger Spaces with Property (E.A)

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**Abstract**—The aim of this paper is to prove a common fixed point theorem for non-surjective expansion mappings in Fuzzy Menger space employing the property (E.A).

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## 1. Introduction

Fréchet [3] introduced the concept of metric space in which notion of distance appears. An essential feature is the fact that, for any two points in the space, there is defined a positive number called the distance between the two points. However, in practice we find very often that this association of a single number for each pair is, strictly speaking, an over-idealization. Therefore, Menger [8] introduced the concept of probabilistic metric space (briefly, PM-space) as a generalization of metric space.

Banach contraction principle [1] is an important tool in the theory of metric spaces. Due to its simplicity and usefulness, it became a very popular tool in solving existence problems in pure and applied sciences such as biology, medicine, physics, and computer science. Probabilistic contractions were first defined and studied by Sehgal [12]. Banach contraction principle [1] also yields a fixed point theorem for a diametrically opposite class of mappings, viz. expansion mappings. The study of metrical fixed point theorem for expansion mapping is initiated by Wang et al. [17]. Since then, Pant et al. [10] studied fixed point theorem for expansion mappings in framework of probabilistic metric spaces. and so many authors [2], [4], [12],[14] and[16] worked on this topic. Rajesh Shrivastav, Vivek Patel and Vanita Ben Dhagat[15] have given the definition of fuzzy probabilistic metric space and proved fixed point theorem for such space.

## 2. Preliminaries

**Definition 2.1** A fuzzy probabilistic metric space (FPM space) is an ordered pair  $(X, F_\alpha)$  consisting of a nonempty set  $X$  and a mapping  $F_\alpha$  from  $X \times X$  into the collections of all fuzzy distribution functions  $F_\alpha \in \mathcal{R}$  for all  $\alpha \in [0,1]$ . For  $x, y \in X$  we denote the fuzzy distribution function  $F_\alpha(x,y)$  by  $F_{\alpha(x,y)}$  and  $F_{\alpha(x,y)}(u)$  is the value of  $F_{\alpha(x,y)}$  at  $u$  in  $\mathcal{R}$ .

The functions  $F_{\alpha(x,y)}$  for all  $\alpha \in [0,1]$  assumed to satisfy the following conditions:

- (a)  $F_{\alpha(x,y)}(u) = 1 \forall u > 0$  iff  $x = y$ ,
- (b)  $F_{\alpha(x,y)}(0) = 0 \forall x, y$  in  $X$ ,
- (c)  $F_{\alpha(x,y)} = F_{\alpha(y,x)} \forall x, y$  in  $X$ ,
- (d) If  $F_{\alpha(x,y)}(u) = 1$  and  $F_{\alpha(y,z)}(v) = 1 \Rightarrow F_{\alpha(x,z)}(u+v) = 1 \forall x, y, z \in X$  and  $u, v > 0$ .

**Definition 2.2** A commutative, associative and non-decreasing mapping  $t: [0,1] \times [0,1] \rightarrow [0,1]$  is a  $t$ -norm if and only if  $t(a,1) = a \forall a \in [0,1]$ ,  $t(0,0) = 0$  and  $t(c,d) \geq t(a,b)$  for  $c \geq a, d \geq b$ .

**Definition 2.3** A Fuzzy Menger space is a triplet  $(X, F_\alpha, t)$ , where  $(X, F_\alpha)$  is a FPM-space,  $t$  is a  $t$ -norm and the generalized triangle inequality

$$F_{\alpha(x,z)}(u+v) \geq t(F_{\alpha(x,y)}(u), F_{\alpha(y,z)}(v))$$

holds for all  $x, y, z$  in  $X$ ,  $u, v > 0$  and  $\alpha \in [0,1]$ .

The concept of neighborhoods in Fuzzy Menger space is introduced as

**Definition 2.4** Let  $(X, F_\alpha, t)$  be a Fuzzy Menger space. If  $x \in X$ ,  $\varepsilon > 0$  and  $\lambda \in (0,1)$ , then  $(\varepsilon, \lambda)$ -neighborhood of  $x$ , called  $U_x(\varepsilon, \lambda)$ , is defined by

$$U_x(\varepsilon, \lambda) = \{y \in X: F_{\alpha(x,y)}(\varepsilon) > (1-\lambda)\}.$$

An  $(\varepsilon, \lambda)$ -topology in  $X$  is the topology induced by the family  $\{U_x(\varepsilon, \lambda): x \in X, \varepsilon > 0, \alpha \in [0,1]$  and  $\lambda \in (0,1)\}$  of neighborhood.

**Remark:** If  $t$  is continuous, then Fuzzy Menger space  $(X, F_\alpha, t)$  is a Hausdorff space in  $(\varepsilon, \lambda)$ -topology.

Let  $(X, F_\alpha, t)$  be a complete Fuzzy Menger space and  $A \subset X$ . Then  $A$  is called a bounded set if

$$\liminf_{u \rightarrow \infty} \inf_{x, y \in A} F_{\alpha(x,y)}(u) = 1$$

**Definition 2.5** A sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $(X, F_\alpha, t)$  is said to be convergent to a point  $x$  in  $X$  if for every  $\varepsilon > 0$  and  $\lambda > 0$ , there exists an integer  $N = N(\varepsilon, \lambda)$  such that  $x_n \in U_x(\varepsilon, \lambda) \forall n \geq N$  or equivalently  $F_\alpha(x_n, x; \varepsilon) > 1-\lambda$  for all  $n \geq N$  and  $\alpha \in [0,1]$ .

**Definition 2.6** A sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $(X, F_\alpha, t)$  is said to be Cauchy sequence if for every  $\varepsilon > 0$  and  $\lambda > 0$ , there exists an integer  $N = N(\varepsilon, \lambda)$  such that for all  $\alpha \in [0,1]$   $F_\alpha(x_n, x_m; \varepsilon) > 1-\lambda \forall n, m \geq N$ .

**Definition 2.7** A Fuzzy Menger space  $(X, F_\alpha, t)$  with the continuous  $t$ -norm is said to be complete if every

Cauchy sequence in  $X$  converges to a point in  $X$  for all  $\alpha \in [0,1]$ .

Following lemmas are selected from [8] and [12] respectively in fuzzy menger space.

**Lemma 2.1.** Let  $\{x_n\}$  be a sequence in a Fuzzy Menger space  $(X, F_{\alpha,t})$  with continuous  $t$ -norm  $*$  and  $t * t \geq t$ . If there exists a constant  $k \in (0, 1)$  such that

$$F_{\alpha(x_n, x_{n+1})}(kt) \geq F_{\alpha(x_{n-1}, x_n)}(t) \text{ for all } t > 0, \alpha \in [0,1]. \text{ and } n = 1, 2, \dots,$$

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

**Lemma 2.2 .** Let  $(X, F_{\alpha}, t)$  be a Fuzzy Menger space. If there exists  $k \in (0, 1)$  such that

$$F_{\alpha(x,y)}(kt) \geq F_{\alpha(x,y)}(t) \text{ for all } x, y \in X, \text{ for all } \alpha \in [0,1] \text{ and } t > 0, \text{ then } x = y.$$

**Definition 2.8[5]** A pair  $(A, S)$  of self mappings of a non-empty set  $X$  is said to be weakly compatible (or coincidentally commuting) if they commute at their coincidence points, that is, if  $Az = Sz$  some  $z \in X$ , then  $ASz = SAz$ .

Two compatible self-maps are weakly compatible, but the converse is not true (see [13, Example 1]). Therefore the concept of weak compatibility is more general than that of compatibility.

**Definition 2.9[6]** A pair  $(A, S)$  of self mappings of a Fuzzy Menger space  $(X, F_{\alpha,t})$  is said to satisfy the property (E.A), if there exists a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  such that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Ax_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Sx_n = z,$$

for some  $z \in X$ .

### 3. Main Results

Now we prove our main result:

**Theorem 3.1.** Let  $A, B, S$  and  $T$  be four self mappings of a Fuzzy Menger space  $(X, F_{\alpha,t})$ . Suppose that

(3.1)  $(A, S)$  (or  $(B, T)$ ) satisfies the property (E.A);

(3.2)  $T(X) \subseteq A(X), S(X) \subseteq B(X)$ ;

(3.3)  $(A, S)$  and  $(B, T)$  are weak compatible

(3.4) One of the range of the mappings  $A, B, S$  or  $T$  is a closed subspace of  $X$ . (3.5)

There exists a constant  $k > 1$  such that

$$F_{\alpha(Ax, By)}(kt) \leq F_{\alpha(Sx, Ty)}(t),$$

for all  $x, y \in X$ , for all  $\alpha \in [0,1]$  and  $t > 0$ .

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

**Proof.** If the pair  $(B, T)$  satisfies the property (E.A), then there exists a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $X$  such that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Bx_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Tx_n = z,$$

for some  $z \in X$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

Since  $S(X) \subseteq B(X)$ , there exists a sequence  $\{y_n\}$  in  $X$  such that  $Bx_n = Sy_n$ . Hence,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Sy_n = z$ . Also, since  $T(X) \subseteq A(X)$ , there exists a sequence  $\{y'_n\}$  in  $X$  such that  $Ay'_n = Tx_n$  and so  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Ay'_n = z$ .

Assume that  $S(X)$  is a closed subspace of  $X$ , then there exists a point  $u \in X$  such that  $z = Su$ . By inequality (3.4), we have

$$F_{\alpha(Au, Bx_n)}(kt) \leq F_{\alpha(Su, Tx_n)}(t).$$

On letting  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , we get

$$F_{\alpha(Au, z)}(kt) \leq F_{\alpha(z, z)}(t) = 1,$$

for all  $t > 0, \alpha \in [0,1]$ . and  $k > 1$ . By Lemma 2.2 we have  $Au = z$  and hence  $Au = Su = z$ .

The weak compatibility of  $A$  and  $S$  implies that  $Az = ASu = SAu = Sz$ . Now, we assert that  $z$  is a common fixed point of  $A$  and  $S$ . From inequality (3.4), we have

$$F_{\alpha(Az, Bx_n)}(kt) \leq F_{\alpha(Sz, Tx_n)}(t).$$

On letting  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , we get

$$F_{\alpha(Az, z)}(kt) \leq F_{\alpha(Az, z)}(t),$$

By Lemma 2.2, we have  $Az = Sz = z$ . On other hand, since  $S(X) \subseteq B(X)$ , there exists a  $v \in X$  such that  $Bv = Su = Au = z$ . On using inequality (3.4), we have

$$F_{\alpha(Au, Bv)}(kt) \leq F_{\alpha(Su, Tv)}(t),$$

or equivalently,

$$F_{\alpha(z, Bv)}(kt) \leq F_{\alpha(z, z)}(t),$$

for all  $t > 0, \alpha \in [0,1]$  and  $k > 1$ . In view of Lemma 2.2, we get  $Bv = Tv = z$ .

Similarly, the weak compatibility of  $B$  and  $T$  implies that  $Bz = BTv = TBv = Tz$ . By inequality (3.4), we have

$$F_{\alpha(Au, Bz)}(kt) \leq F_{\alpha(Su, Tz)}(t),$$

and so

$$F_{\alpha(z, Bz)}(kt) \leq F_{\alpha(z, Bz)}(t).$$

Owing to Lemma 2.2, we have  $Bz = Tz = z$ . Thus in all, we have  $Az = Bz = Sz = Tz = z$  which shows that  $z$  is a common fixed point of mappings  $A, B, S$  and  $T$ .

Finally, we prove the uniqueness of  $z$ . Let  $w (\neq z)$  be another common fixed point of involved mappings  $A, B, S$  and  $T$  then using (3.4), we have

$$F_{\alpha(Az, Bw)}(kt) \leq F_{\alpha(Sz, Tw)}(t),$$

or, equivalently,

$$F_{\alpha(z, w)}(kt) \leq F_{\alpha(z, w)}(t).$$

Appealing to Lemma 2.2, it follows that  $z = w$ . This completes the proof.

The proof is similar if we assume that one of the subspace  $B(X), S(X)$  or  $T(X)$  is closed.

**Remark 3.1.** The conclusion of Theorem 3.1 remains true if we replace inequality (3.4) by one of the following: for all  $k > 1, x, y > 0, \alpha \in [0, 1]$  and  $t > 0$

(3.5)

$$F_{\alpha(Ax, By)}(kt) \leq \min\{F_{\alpha(Sx, Ty)}(t), F_{\alpha(Ax, Sx)}(t), F_{\alpha(By, Ty)}(t)\}$$

$$(3.6) (F_{\alpha(Ax, By)}(kt))^2 \leq F_{\alpha(Ax, Sx)}(t) F_{\alpha(By, Ty)}(t)$$

By setting  $A = B$  and  $S = T$  in Theorem 3.1, we can obtain a natural result for a pair of self mappings.

**Corollary 3.1.** Let  $A$  and  $S$  be two self mappings of a Fuzzy Menger space  $(X, F_{\alpha}, t)$ . Suppose that

$$(3.10) S(X) \subseteq A(X);$$

$$(3.11) (A, S) \text{ satisfies the property (E.A);}$$

(3.12) One of the range of the mappings  $A$  or  $S$  is a closed subspace of  $X$ ,

$$(3.13) \text{ There exists a constant } k > 1 \text{ such that}$$

$$F_{\alpha(Ax, Ay)}(kt) \leq F_{\alpha(Sx, Sy)}(t),$$

for all  $x, y \in X, \alpha \in [0, 1]$ . and  $t > 0$ .

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

### Conclusion

Theorem 3.1 is a generalization of some results in the sense it is proved for non-surjective mappings under weak compatibility which is more general than compatibility and without any requirement of completeness of the whole space and continuity of the involved mappings.

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