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# COMMON FIXED POINT FOR COMPATIBLE MAPPINGS OF TYPE( $\alpha$ ) ON INTUITIONISTIC FUZZY METRIC SPACE WITH IMPLICIT RELATIONS

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Abstract. In this paper, we will establish common fixed point for compatible mappings of type( $\alpha$ ) for four self mappings defined on intuitionistic fuzzy metric space with implicit relations.

## 1. Introduction

Several authors([4], [5]) have introduced the basic concepts on fuzzy metric spaces and fuzzy topological spaces induced by fuzzy metrics with different ways. Grabice[2] obtained the Banach contraction principle in setting of fuzzy metric spaces. Also, I. Altun and D. Turkoglu[1] proved some fixed theorems using implicit relations in fuzzy metric spaces.

Recently, Park et.al.[11] defined the intuitionistic fuzzy metric space, and Park et.al.[7] proved a fixed point theorem of Banach for the contractive mapping of a complete intuitionistic fuzzy metric space, and Park and Kim[10] established common fixed point theorem for four self maps in intuitionistic fuzzy metric space.

In this paper, we will obtain a unique common fixed point theorem for compatible mappings of type( $\alpha$ ) defined on intuitionistic fuzzy metric space under implicit relations.

## 2. Preliminaries

We will give some definitions, properties of the intuitionistic fuzzy metric space X as following :

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Let us recall (see [12]) that a continuous t-norm is a binary operation  $* : [0,1] \times [0,1] \rightarrow [0,1]$  which satisfies the following conditions:(a)\* is commutative and associative; (b)\* is continuous; (c)a \* 1 = a for all  $a \in [0,1]$ ; (d) $a * b \leq c * d$  whenever  $a \leq c$  and  $b \leq d$  ( $a, b, c, d \in [0,1]$ ).

Similarly, a continuous t-conorm is a binary operation  $\diamond : [0, 1] \times [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, 1]$  which satisfies the following conditions: (a) $\diamond$  is commutative and associative; (b) $\diamond$  is continuous; (c) $a \diamond 0 = a$  for all  $a \in [0, 1]$ ; (d) $a \diamond b \geq c \diamond d$  whenever  $a \leq c$  and  $b \leq d$  ( $a, b, c, d \in [0, 1]$ ).

**Definition 2.1.** ([6]) The 5-tuple  $(X, M, N, *, \diamond)$  is said to be an intuitionistic fuzzy metric space if X is an arbitrary set, \* is a continuous t-norm,  $\diamond$  is a continuous t-conorm and M, N are fuzzy sets on  $X^2 \times (0, \infty)$  satisfying the following conditions; for all  $x, y, z \in X$ , such that

$$\begin{split} &(\mathbf{a})M(x,y,t) > 0, \\ &(\mathbf{b})M(x,y,t) = 1 \Longleftrightarrow x = y, \\ &(\mathbf{c})M(x,y,t) = M(y,x,t), \\ &(\mathbf{d})M(x,y,t) * M(y,z,s) \leq M(x,z,t+s), \\ &(\mathbf{e})M(x,y,t) * (0,\infty) \rightarrow (0,1] \text{ is continuous,} \\ &(\mathbf{f})N(x,y,t) > 0, \\ &(\mathbf{g})N(x,y,t) = 0 \Longleftrightarrow x = y, \\ &(\mathbf{h})N(x,y,t) = N(y,x,t), \\ &(\mathbf{i})N(x,y,t) \diamond N(y,z,s) \geq N(x,z,t+s), \\ &(\mathbf{j})N(x,y,\cdot) : (0,\infty) \rightarrow (0,1] \text{ is continuous.} \end{split}$$

Note that (M, N) is called an intuitionistic fuzzy metric on X. The functions M(x, y, t) and N(x, y, t) denote the degree of nearness and the degree of non-nearness between x and y with respect to t, respectively.

**Lemma 2.2.** ([8])For all  $x, y \in X$ ,  $M(x, y, \cdot)$  is nondecreasing on  $(0, \infty)$  and  $N(x, y, \cdot)$  is nonincreasing on  $(0, \infty)$ .

**Definition 2.3.** ([10]) Let X be an intuitionistic fuzzy metric space. (a)  $\{x_n\}$  is said to be convergent to a point  $x \in X$  if, for any  $0 < \epsilon < 1$  and t > 0, there exists  $n_0 \in N$  such that  $M(x_n, x, t) > 1 - \epsilon$ ,  $N(x_n, x, t) < \epsilon$  for all  $n \ge n_0$ .

(b)  $\{x_n\}$  is called a Cauchy sequence if for any  $0 < \epsilon < 1$  and t > 0, there exists  $n_0 \in N$  such that  $M(x_n, x_m, t) > 1 - \epsilon$ ,  $N(x_n, x_m, t) < \epsilon$  for all  $m, n \ge n_0$ .

(c) X is complete if every Cauchy sequence converges in X.

**Lemma 2.4.** ([9])Let X be an intuitionistic fuzzy metric space. If there exists a number  $k \in (0, 1)$  such that for all  $x, y \in X$  and t > 0,

 $M(x, y, kt) \ge M(x, y, t), \ N(x, y, kt) \le N(x, y, t),$ 

then x = y.

**Definition 2.5.** ([9])Let A, B be mappings from intuitionistic fuzzy metric space X into itself. The mappings are said to be compatible of type( $\alpha$ ) if

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} M(ABx_n, BBx_n, t) = 1 \text{ and } \lim_{n \to \infty} M(BAx_n, AAx_n, t) = 1,$$
$$\lim_{n \to \infty} N(ABx_n, BBx_n, t) = 0 \text{ and } \lim_{n \to \infty} N(BAx_n, AAx_n, t) = 0$$

for all t > 0, whenever  $\{x_n\} \subset X$  such that  $\lim_{n \to \infty} Ax_n = \lim_{n \to \infty} Bx_n$ = x for some  $x \in X$ .

Implicit relations on fuzzy metric spaces have been used in many articles([1], [3] etc). Let  $\Psi = \{\phi_M, \psi_N\}, I = [0, 1], *, \diamond$  be a continuous t-norm, t-conorm and  $\phi_M, \psi_N : I^6 \to R$  be continuous functions. Now, we consider the following conditions:

(I) $\phi_M$  is decreasing and  $\psi_N$  is increasing in sixth variables. (II)If, for some  $k \in (0, 1)$ , we have

$$\begin{split} \phi_M(u(kt), v(t), v(t), u(t), 1, u(\frac{t}{2}) * v(\frac{t}{2})) &\geq 1, \\ \psi_N(x(kt), y(t), y(t), x(t), 0, x(\frac{t}{2}) \diamond y(\frac{t}{2})) &\leq 1 \\ \text{or} \quad \phi_M(u(kt), v(t), u(t), v(t), u(\frac{t}{2}) * v(\frac{t}{2}), 1) &\geq 1, \\ \psi_N(x(kt), y(t), x(t), y(t), x(\frac{t}{2}) \diamond y(\frac{t}{2}), 0) &\leq 1 \end{split}$$

for any fixed t > 0, any nondecreasing functions  $u, v : (0, \infty) \to I$  with  $0 < u(t), v(t) \le 1$ , and any nonincreasing functions  $x, y : (0, \infty) \to I$  with  $0 < x(t), y(t) \le 1$ , then there exists  $h \in (0, 1)$  with  $u(ht) \ge v(t) * u(t), x(ht) \le y(t) \diamond x(t)$ .

(III)If, for some  $k \in (0, 1)$ , we have  $\phi_M(u(kt), u(t), 1, 1, u(t), u(t)) \ge 1$ for any fixed t > 0 and any nondecreasing function  $u : (0, \infty) \to I$ , then  $u(kt) \ge u(t)$ . Also, if, for some  $k \in (0, 1)$ , we have  $\psi_N(x(kt), x(t), 0, 0, x(t), x(t)) \le 1$  for any fixed t > 0 and any nonincreasing function  $x : (0, \infty) \to I$ , then  $x(kt) \le x(t)$ .

**Example 2.6.** Let  $a * b = \min\{a, b\}$  and  $a \diamond b = \max\{a, b\}$ ,  $\phi_M(u_1, \dots, u_6) = \frac{u_1}{\min\{u_2, \dots, u_6\}}, \quad \psi_N(x_1, \dots, x_6) = \frac{x_1}{\max\{x_2, \dots, x_6\}}.$ 

Also, let t > 0,  $0 < u(t), v(t), x(t), y(t) \le 1$ ,  $k \in (0, \frac{1}{2})$  where  $u, v : [0, \infty) \to I$  are nondecreasing functions and  $x, y : [0, \infty) \to I$  are nonincreasing functions. Now, suppose that

$$\phi_M(u(kt), v(t), v(t), u(t), 1, u(\frac{t}{2}) * v(\frac{t}{2})) \ge 1,$$
  
$$\psi_N(x(kt), y(t), y(t), x(t), 0, x(\frac{t}{2}) \diamond y(\frac{t}{2})) \le 1,$$

then

$$\phi_M(u(kt), v(t), v(t), u(t), 1, u(\frac{t}{2}) * v(\frac{t}{2})) = \frac{u(kt)}{\min\{u(\frac{t}{2}), v(\frac{t}{2})\}} \ge 1,$$
  
$$\psi_N(x(kt), y(t), y(t), x(t), 0, x(\frac{t}{2}) \diamond y(\frac{t}{2})) = \frac{x(kt)}{\max\{x(\frac{t}{2}), y(\frac{t}{2})\}} \le 1.$$

Thus,  $u(ht) \ge v(t) * u(t)$ ,  $x(ht) \le y(t) \diamond x(t)$ . Suppose that t > 0 is fixed,  $u : (0, \infty) \to I$  is a nondecreasing,  $x : (0, \infty) \to I$  nonincreasing function and

$$\phi_M(u(kt), u(t), 1, 1, u(t), u(t)) = \frac{u(kt)}{u(t)} \ge 1,$$
  
$$\psi_N(x(kt), x(t), 0, 0, x(t), x(t)) = \frac{x(kt)}{x(t)} \le 1$$

for  $k \in (0,1)$ . Then we have  $u(kt) \ge u(t)$  and  $x(kt) \le x(t)$ . Hence  $\phi_M, \psi_N \in \Psi$ .

## 3. Main Results

Now, we will prove some common fixed point theorem for four mappings on complete intuitionistic fuzzy metric space as follows:

**Theorem 3.1.** Let  $(X, M, N, *, \diamond)$  be a complete intuitionistic fuzzy metric space with  $a * b = \min\{a, b\}$ ,  $a \diamond b = \max\{a, b\}$  for all  $a, b \in I$  and A, B, S and T be mappings from X into itself satisfying the conditions:  $(a)S(X) \subseteq B(X)$  and  $T(X) \subseteq A(X)$ , (b)one of the mappings A, B, S, T is continuous, (c)A and S as well as B and T are compatible of type $(\alpha)$ 

(d) there exist  $k \in (0, 1)$  and  $\phi_M, \psi_N \in \Psi$  such that

$$\phi_M \left( \begin{array}{c} M(Sx,Ty,kt), M(Ax,By,t), M(Sx,Ax,t), \\ M(Ty,By,t), M(Sx,By,t), M(Ty,Ax,t) \end{array} \right) \ge 1,$$
  
$$\psi_N \left( \begin{array}{c} N(Sx,Ty,kt), N(Ax,By,t), N(Sx,Ax,t), \\ N(Ty,By,t), N(Sx,By,t), N(Ty,Ax,t) \end{array} \right) \le 1,$$

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

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

*Proof.* Let  $x_0$  be an arbitrary point of X. From (a), we can construct a sequence a sequence  $\{y_n\} \subset X$  as follows:  $y_{2n+1} = Sx_{2n} = Bx_{2n+1}$ and  $y_{2n+2} = Tx_{2n+1} = Ax_{2n+2}$  for all  $n = 0, 1, 2, \cdots$ . Then, by (d), we have, for any t > 0,

$$\phi_M \left( \begin{array}{c} M(Sx_{2n}, Tx_{2n+1}, kt), M(Ax_{2n}, Bx_{2n+1}, t), M(Sx_{2n}, Ax_{2n}, t), \\ M(Tx_{2n+1}, Bx_{2n+1}, t), M(Sx_{2n}, Bx_{2n+1}, t), M(Tx_{2n+1}, Ax_{2n}, t) \end{array} \right) \ge 1,$$
  
$$\psi_N \left( \begin{array}{c} N(Sx_{2n}, Tx_{2n+1}, kt), N(Ax_{2n}, Bx_{2n+1}, t), N(Sx_{2n}, Ax_{2n}, t), \\ N(Tx_{2n+1}, Bx_{2n+1}, t), N(Sx_{2n}, Bx_{2n+1}, t), N(Tx_{2n+1}, Ax_{2n}, t) \end{array} \right) \le 1,$$

and so

$$\phi_M \left( \begin{array}{c} M(Sx_{2n}, Tx_{2n+1}, kt), M(Tx_{2n-1}, Sx_{2n}, t), M(Sx_{2n}, Tx_{2n-1}, t), \\ M(Tx_{2n+1}, Sx_{2n}, t), 1, M(Tx_{2n+1}, Sx_{2n}, \frac{t}{2}) * M(Sx_{2n}, Tx_{2n-1}, \frac{t}{2}) \end{array} \right) \ge 1,$$
  
$$\psi_N \left( \begin{array}{c} N(Sx_{2n}, Tx_{2n+1}, kt), N(Tx_{2n-1}, Sx_{2n}, t), N(Sx_{2n}, Tx_{2n-1}, t), \\ N(Tx_{2n+1}, Sx_{2n}, t), 0, N(Tx_{2n+1}, Sx_{2n}, \frac{t}{2}) \diamond N(Sx_{2n}, Tx_{2n-1}, \frac{t}{2}) \end{array} \right) \le 1,$$

By (II), we have

$$M(Sx_{2n}, Tx_{2n+1}, ht) \ge M(Sx_{2n}, Tx_{2n-1}, t) * M(Sx_{2n}, Tx_{2n+1}, t),$$
  
$$N(Sx_{2n}, Tx_{2n+1}, ht) \le N(Sx_{2n}, Tx_{2n-1}, t) \diamond N(Sx_{2n}, Tx_{2n+1}, t)$$

and so,

$$M(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n+2}, ht) \ge M(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n}, t) * M(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n+2}, t),$$
  
$$N(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n+2}, ht) \le N(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n}, t) \diamond N(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n+2}, t)$$

which implies that

 $M(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n+2}, ht) \ge M(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n}, t), \quad N(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n+2}, ht) \le N(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n}, t)$ Also, by (II), we have

 $M(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n}, ht) \ge M(y_{2n}, y_{2n-1}, t), \quad N(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n}, ht) \le N(y_{2n}, y_{2n-1}, t).$ 

Therefore, we have, for all  $m = 1, 2, \cdots$ , and t > 0,

 $M(y_{m+1}, y_{m+2}, ht) \ge M(y_m, y_{m+1}, t), \quad N(y_{m+1}, y_{m+2}, ht) \le N(y_m, y_{m+1}, t).$ 

To prove that  $\{y_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence. First, we show that, for any  $0 < \lambda < 1$  and t > 0,

(1)  $M(y_{n+1}, y_{n+m+1}, t) > 1 - \lambda, \quad N(y_{n+1}, y_{n+m+1}, t) < \lambda$ 

for all  $n \ge n_0$  and  $m \in N$ . Inductively, by above equation, we have, as  $n \to \infty$ 

$$M(y_{n+1}, y_{n+2}, t) \ge M(y_n, y_{n+1}, \frac{t}{h} \ge \dots \ge M(y_1, y_2, \frac{t}{h^n}) \to 1,$$
  
$$N(y_{n+1}, y_{n+2}, t) \le N(y_n, y_{n+1}, \frac{t}{h} \le \dots \le N(y_1, y_2, \frac{t}{h^n}) \to 0.$$

Hence, we can choose  $n_0 \in N$  such that for all  $n \geq n_0$ ,

 $M(y_{n+1}, y_{n+2}, t) > 1 - \lambda, \quad N(y_{n+1}, y_{n+2}, t) < \lambda.$ 

Thus (3.1) is true for m = 1. Suppose that (3.1) is true for some  $m \in N$ . Then, for  $m + 1 \in N$ , we have

$$M(y_{n+1}, y_{n+m+2}, t) \ge M(y_{n+1}, y_{n+m+1}, \frac{t}{2}) * M(y_{n+m+1}, y_{n+m+2}, \frac{t}{2}) \ge 1 - \lambda,$$
  
$$N(y_{n+1}, y_{n+m+2}, t) \le N(y_{n+1}, y_{n+m+1}, \frac{t}{2}) \diamond N(y_{n+m+1}, y_{n+m+2}, \frac{t}{2}) \le \lambda.$$

Hence (3.1) is true for  $m + 1 \in N$ . Therefore  $\{y_n\}$  is Cauchy sequence in X. Since X is complete,  $\{y_n\}$  converges to a point  $x \in X$ . Since  $\{Ax_{2n+2}\}, \{Bx_{2n+1}\}, \{Sx_{2n}\}$  and  $\{Tx_{2n+1}\} \subset \{y_n\}$ , we have

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} Ax_{2n+2} = \lim_{n \to \infty} Bx_{2n+1} = \lim_{n \to \infty} Sx_{2n} = \lim_{n \to \infty} Tx_{2n+1} = x.$$

Now, suppose that A is continuous. Then  $\lim_{n\to\infty} ASx_{2n} = Ax$ . Also, since A, S are compatible of type( $\alpha$ ),  $\lim_{n\to\infty} SAx_{2n} = Ax$ . Using (d), we have, for any t > 0,

$$\phi_M \left( \begin{array}{c} M(SAx_{2n}, Tx_{2n+1}, kt), M(AAx_{2n}, Bx_{2n+1}, t), M(SAx_{2n}, AAx_{2n}, t), \\ M(Tx_{2n+1}, Bx_{2n+1}, t), M(SAx_{2n}, Bx_{2n+1}, t), M(Tx_{2n+1}, AAx_{2n}, t) \end{array} \right) \ge 1,$$
  
$$\psi_N \left( \begin{array}{c} N(SAx_{2n}, Tx_{2n+1}, kt), N(AAx_{2n}, Bx_{2n+1}, t), N(SAx_{2n}, AAx_{2n}, t), \\ N(Tx_{2n+1}, Bx_{2n+1}, t), N(SAx_{2n}, Bx_{2n+1}, t), N(Tx_{2n+1}, AAx_{2n}, t) \end{array} \right) \le 1$$

and then letting  $n \to \infty$ ,  $\phi_M$ ,  $\psi_N$  are continuous, we have

$$\phi_M \left( \begin{array}{c} M(Ax, x, kt), M(Ax, x, t), M(Ax, x, t), \\ M(x, x, t), M(Ax, x, t), M(x, x, t) \end{array} \right) \ge 1,$$
  
$$\psi_N \left( \begin{array}{c} N(Ax, x, kt), N(Ax, x, t), N(Ax, x, t), \\ N(x, x, t), N(Ax, x, t), N(x, x, t) \end{array} \right) \le 1.$$

Therefore, by (III), we have

$$M(Ax, x, kt) \ge M(Ax, x, t), \quad N(Ax, x, kt) \le N(Ax, x, t).$$

Hence Ax = x from Lemma 2.4. Also, we have, by (d),

$$\phi_M \left( \begin{array}{c} M(Sx, Tx_{2n+1}, kt), M(Ax, Bx_{2n+1}, t), M(Ax, Sx, t), \\ M(Tx_{2n+1}, Bx_{2n+1}, t), M(Sx, Bx_{2n+1}, t), M(Tx_{2n+1}, Ax, t) \end{array} \right) \ge 1,$$
  
$$\psi_N \left( \begin{array}{c} N(Sx, Tx_{2n+1}, kt), N(Ax, Bx_{2n+1}, t), N(Ax, Sx, t), \\ N(Tx_{2n+1}, Bx_{2n+1}, t), N(Sx, Bx_{2n+1}, t), N(Tx_{2n+1}, Ax, t) \end{array} \right) \le 1$$

and, let  $n \to \infty$ , we get

$$\phi_M \left( \begin{array}{c} M(Sx, x, kt), 1, M(x, Sx, t), \\ 1, M(Sx, x, t), 1 \end{array} \right) \ge 1, \\ \psi_N \left( \begin{array}{c} N(Sx, x, kt), 0, N(x, Sx, t), \\ 0, N(Sx, x, t), 0 \end{array} \right) \le 1.$$

On the other hand, since

$$\begin{split} M(Sx,x,t) &\geq M(Sx,x,\frac{t}{2}) = M(Sx,x,\frac{t}{2}) * 1, \\ N(Sx,x,t) &\leq N(Sx,x,\frac{t}{2}) = N(Sx,x,\frac{t}{2}) \diamond 0, \end{split}$$

 $\phi_M$  is nonincreasing and  $\psi_N$  is nondecreasing in the fifth variable, we have, for any t > 0,

$$\phi_M \left( \begin{array}{c} M(Sx, x, kt), 1, M(x, Sx, t), \\ 1, M(Sx, x, t) * 1, 1 \end{array} \right) \ge 1, \\ \psi_N \left( \begin{array}{c} N(Sx, x, kt), 0, N(x, Sx, t), \\ 0, N(Sx, x, t) \diamond 0, 0 \end{array} \right) \le 1$$

which implies that Sx = x. Since  $S(X) \subseteq B(X)$ , there exists a point  $y \in X$  such that By = x. Using (d), we have

$$\phi_M \left(\begin{array}{c} M(Sx,Ty,kt), M(Ax,By,t), M(Sx,Ax,t), \\ M(Ty,By,t), M(Sx,By,t), M(Ty,Ax,t) \end{array}\right)$$
$$=\phi_M \left(\begin{array}{c} M(x,Ty,kt), 1, 1, \\ M(Ty,x,t), 1, M(Ty,x,t) \end{array}\right) \ge 1,$$
$$\psi_N \left(\begin{array}{c} N(Sx,Ty,kt), N(Ax,By,t), N(Sx,Ax,t), \\ N(Ty,By,t), N(Sx,By,t), N(Ty,Ax,t) \end{array}\right)$$
$$=\psi_N \left(\begin{array}{c} N(x,Ty,kt), 0, 0, \\ N(Ty,x,t), 0, N(Ty,x,t) \end{array}\right) \le 1$$

which implies that x = Ty. Since By = Ty = x and B, T are compatible of type( $\alpha$ ), we have TTy = BTy. Hence Tx = TTy = BTy = Bx.

Therefore, from (d), we have, for any t > 0,

$$\phi_M \left( \begin{array}{c} M(Sx, Tx, kt), M(Ax, Bx, t), M(Sx, Ax, t), \\ M(Tx, Bx, t), M(Sx, Bx, t), M(Tx, Ax, t) \end{array} \right)$$

$$= \phi_M \left( \begin{array}{c} M(x, Tx, kt), M(x, Tx, t), 1, \\ 1, M(x, Tx, t), 1, M(x, Tx, t) \end{array} \right) \ge 1,$$

$$\psi_N \left( \begin{array}{c} N(Sx, Tx, kt), N(Ax, Bx, t), N(Sx, Ax, t), \\ N(Tx, Bx, t), N(Sx, Bx, t), N(Tx, Ax, t) \end{array} \right)$$

$$= \psi_N \left( \begin{array}{c} N(x, Tx, kt), N(x, Tx, t), 0, \\ 0, N(x, Tx, t), 0, N(x, Tx, t) \end{array} \right) \le 1.$$

From (III), we have

$$M(x, Tx, kt) \ge M(x, Tx, t), \quad N(x, Tx, kt) \le N(x, Tx, t)$$

Therefore, we have x = Tx = Bx. Hence X is a common fixed point of A, B, S and T. The same result holds if we assume that B is continuous insead of A.

Now, suppose that S is continuous. Then  $\lim_{n\to\infty} SAx_{2n} = Sx$ . Since A, S are compatible of type( $\alpha$ ),  $\lim_{n\to\infty} ASx_{2n} = Sx$ . Using (d), we have for any t > 0,

$$\phi_M \left( \begin{array}{c} M(SSx_{2n}, Tx_{2n+1}, kt), M(ASx_{2n}, Bx_{2n+1}, t), M(SSx_{2n}, ASx_{2n}, t), \\ M(Tx_{2n+1}, Bx_{2n+1}, t), M(SSx_{2n}, Bx_{2n+1}, t), M(Tx_{2n+1}, ASx_{2n}, t) \end{array} \right) \ge 1,$$
  
$$\psi_N \left( \begin{array}{c} N(SSx_{2n}, Tx_{2n+1}, kt), N(ASx_{2n}, Bx_{2n+1}, t), N(SSx_{2n}, ASx_{2n}, t), \\ N(Tx_{2n+1}, Bx_{2n+1}, t), N(SSx_{2n}, Bx_{2n+1}, t), N(Tx_{2n+1}, ASx_{2n}, t) \end{array} \right) \le 1,$$

and then by  $n \to \infty$ , since  $\phi_M, \psi_N \in \Psi$  are continuous, we have

$$\phi_M \left( \begin{array}{c} M(Sx, x, kt), M(Sx, x, t), 1, \\ 1, M(Sx, x, t), M(Sx, x, t) \end{array} \right) \ge 1,$$
  
$$\psi_N \left( \begin{array}{c} N(Sx, x, kt), N(Sx, x, t), 0, \\ 0, N(Sx, x, t), N(Sx, x, t) \end{array} \right) \le 1.$$

Thus, we have, from (III),

 $M(Sx, x, kt) \ge M(Sx, x, t), \quad N(Sx, x, kt) \le N(Sx, x, t).$ 

Hence Sx = x. Since  $S(X) \subseteq B(X)$ , there exists a point  $z \in X$  such that Bz = x. Using (d), we have

$$\phi_{M} \left(\begin{array}{c} M(SSx_{2n}, Tz, kt), M(ASx_{2n}, Bz, t), M(SSx_{2n}, ASx_{2n}, t), \\ M(Tz, Bz, t), M(SSx_{2n}, Bz, t), M(Tz, ASx_{2n}, t) \end{array}\right) \geq 1, \\ \psi_{N} \left(\begin{array}{c} N(SSx_{2n}, Tz, kt), N(ASx_{2n}, Bz, t), N(SSx_{2n}, ASx_{2n}, t), \\ N(Tz, Bz, t), N(SSx_{2n}, Bz, t), N(Tz, ASx_{2n}, t) \end{array}\right) \leq 1, \end{array}$$

letting  $n \to \infty$ , we get

$$\phi_{M}\left(\begin{array}{c}M(x,Tz,kt),1,1,\\M(x,Tz,t),1,M(x,Tz,t)\end{array}\right) \geq 1,\\\psi_{N}\left(\begin{array}{c}N(x,Tz,kt),0,0,\\N(x,Tz,t),0,N(x,Tz,t)\end{array}\right) \leq 1$$

which implies that x = Tz. Since Bz = Tz = x and B, T are compatible of type( $\alpha$ ), we have TBz = BBz and so Tx = TBz = BBz = Bx. Thus, we have

$$\phi_M \left( \begin{array}{c} M(Sx_{2n}, Tx, kt), M(Ax_{2n}, Bx, t), M(Sx_{2n}, Ax_{2n}, t), \\ M(Tx, Bx, t), M(Sx_{2n}, Bx, t), M(Tx, Ax_{2n}, t) \end{array} \right) \ge 1,$$
  
$$\psi_N \left( \begin{array}{c} N(Sx_{2n}, Tx, kt), N(Ax_{2n}, Bx, t), N(Sx_{2n}, Ax_{2n}, t), \\ N(Tx, Bx, t), N(Sx_{2n}, Bx, t), N(Tx, Ax_{2n}, t) \end{array} \right) \le 1,$$

letting  $n \to \infty$ ,

$$\phi_M \left( \begin{array}{c} M(x, Tx, kt), M(x, Tx, t), 1, \\ 1, M(x, Tx, t), M(x, Tx, t) \end{array} \right) \ge 1, \\ \psi_N \left( \begin{array}{c} N(x, Tx, kt), N(x, Tx, t), 0, \\ 0, N(x, Tx, t), N(x, Tx, t) \end{array} \right) \le 1.$$

Thus, x = Tx = Bx. Since  $T(X) \subseteq A(X)$ , there exists  $w \in X$  such that Aw = x. Thus, from (d),

$$\phi_M \left(\begin{array}{c} M(Sw, Tx, kt), M(Aw, Bx, t), M(Sw, Aw, t), \\ M(Tx, Bx, t), M(Sw, Bx, t), M(Tx, Aw, t) \end{array}\right)$$
$$=\phi_M \left(\begin{array}{c} M(Sw, x, kt), 1, M(Sw, x, t), \\ 1, M(Sw, x, t), 1 \end{array}\right) \ge 1,$$
$$\psi_N \left(\begin{array}{c} N(Sw, Tx, kt), N(Aw, Bx, t), N(Sw, Aw, t), \\ N(Tx, Bx, t), N(Sw, Bx, t), N(Tx, Aw, t) \end{array}\right)$$
$$=\psi_N \left(\begin{array}{c} N(Sw, x, kt), 0, N(Sw, x, t), \\ 0, N(Sw, x, t), 0 \end{array}\right) \le 1.$$

Hence we have x = Sw = Aw. Also, since A, S are compatible of type( $\alpha$ ), x = Sx = SAw = AAw = Ax. Hence x is a common fixed point of A, B, S and T. The same result holds if we assume that T is continuous instead of S.

Finally, suppose that A, B, S and T have another common fixed point u. Then we have, for any t > 0,

$$\phi_M \left( \begin{array}{c} M(Sx, Tu, kt), M(Ax, Bu, t), M(Sx, Ax, t), \\ M(Tu, Bu, t), M(Sx, Bu, t), M(Tu, Ax, t) \end{array} \right)$$

$$= \phi_M \left( \begin{array}{c} M(x, u, kt), M(x, u, t), 1, \\ 1, M(x, u, t), M(x, u, t) \end{array} \right) \ge 1,$$

$$\psi_N \left( \begin{array}{c} N(Sx, Tu, kt), N(Ax, Bu, t), N(Sx, Ax, t), \\ N(Tu, Bu, t), N(Sx, Bu, t), N(Tu, Ax, t) \end{array} \right)$$

$$= \psi_N \left( \begin{array}{c} N(x, u, kt), N(x, u, t), 0, \\ 0, N(x, u, t), N(x, u, t) \end{array} \right) \le 1.$$

Therefore, from (III), x = u. This completes the proof.

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