

Some Properties of C^* -Graded Metric Spaces and Fixed Point Results

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Abstract. In this paper, by using of C^* -algebra we give a metric with range in positive unit ball of a C^* -algebra. Indeed this is a generalization of a fuzzy metric space. Some definitions of compatible mappings of types (I) and (II) are introduced and some fixed and common fixed point theorems are proved.

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1. Introduction

The concept of fuzzy sets was introduced initially by Zadeh [34] in 1965. Since then, to use this concept in topology and analysis, many authors have expansively developed the theory of fuzzy sets and applications. Deng [8], Ereeg [9], Fang [10], George [11], Kaleva and Seikkala [18], Kramosil and Michalek [19] have introduced the concept of fuzzy metric spaces in different ways.

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In fuzzy metric spaces given by Kramosil and Michalek [19], Grabiec [12] obtained the fuzzy version of Banach contraction principle, which has been improved and extended by some authors.

Sessa ([28]) defined a generalization of commutativity introduced by Jungck ([16]), which is called the weak commutativity. Further, Jungck ([17]) introduced more generalized commutativity, so called compatibility. Mishra et al. [21] obtained some common fixed point theorems for compatible mappings in fuzzy metric spaces. Pathak et al. [23] introduced the concept of compatible mappings of type (I) and (II) in metric spaces.

Many authors ([13,20,27,26,29]) have also proved some fixed point theorems in fuzzy (*probabilistic*) metric spaces (see [1-6,10,12,14,15,30]).

Now we give basic definitions and their properties as follows:

Recall that, a complex algebra is a vector space A over the field \mathbb{C} with one multiplication from $A \times A$ into A that satisfies the following relations;

1. $x(yz) = (xy)z$,
2. $x(y + z) = xy + xz$, $(x + y)z = xz + yz$,
3. $\alpha(xy) = (\alpha x)y = x(\alpha y)$,

for all x, y, z in A and α in \mathbb{C} .

If A is a Banach space with respect to $\|\cdot\|$ that satisfies multiplicative inequality

$$\|xy\| \leq \|x\| \|y\| \quad (x \in A, y \in A)$$

and A contains unit element e such that

$$xe = ex = x \quad (x \in A)$$

and $\|e\| = 1$, then A is called a Banach algebra.

The map $x \rightarrow x^*$ from complex algebra A into itself is called an involution if for all x and λ in \mathbb{C} we have,

1. $(x + y)^* = x^* + y^*$
2. $(\lambda x)^* = \bar{\lambda}x^*$

3. $(xy)^* = y^*x^*$
4. $x^{**} = x$.

Every Banach algebra with an involution $x \rightarrow x^*$ with the following relation is called a C^* -algebra,

$$\|xx^*\| = \|x\|^2 \quad (x \in A).$$

From now on, A is a C^* -algebra. For every $x \in A$, we define the spectrum of x , is $\sigma(x)$, as follows,

$$\sigma(x) = \{\lambda \in \mathbb{C} : \lambda e - x \text{ is not invertible in } A\}.$$

In [28], it has been that for all $x \in A$, where A is a Banach algebra, $\sigma(x)$ is non-empty and compact.

We say that $x \in A$ is positive (in symbol $x \succeq 0$) if $x = x^*$ and $\sigma(x) \subseteq [0, \infty)$ and similarly x is strictly positive ($x \succ 0$) if $x = x^*$ and $\sigma(x) \subseteq (0, \infty)$. Positive unit ball of A is denoted by B_A^+ i.e

$$B_A^+ := \{x \in A : x \succeq 0, \|x\| < 1\} \cup \{e\}.$$

Let A^+ be the set of all positive elements of A .

Now we introduce two binary relation on A^+ as, $a \succeq b$ and $a \succ b$, which means that, $a - b \succeq 0$ and $a - b \succ 0$, respectively. These two binary relations have some good properties that we are going to summarize some of it:

1. if a, b and $c \in A^+$ and $a \succeq b$ then $a + c \succeq b + c$,
2. if $a \succeq b$ then $ta \succeq tb$ for all non-negative real number,
3. $a \succeq b$ iff $-b \succeq -a$.

Theorem 1.1. *Let A be a C^* - algebra*

1. *If $a \succeq 0$ and $b \succeq 0$ then $a + b \succeq 0$.*
2. $A^+ = \{a^*a \mid a \in A\}$.

3. If $a, b \in A^*$ and $c \in A$, then $b \succeq a$ implies $c^*bc \succeq c^*ac$.
4. If $b \succeq a \succeq 0$, then $\|b\| \geq \|a\|$.
5. If $a, b \in A^*$ and a, b are invertible elements, then $b \succeq a$ implies $a^{-1} \succeq b^{-1} \succeq 0$.
6. If $r \geq s$, for all $r, s \in \mathbb{R}^+$, then $re \succeq se$.
7. If $a, b \in A^+$, then $a \succeq b$ and $b \succeq a$, implies $a = b$.

Proof. See [21]. \square

Definition 1.2. A binary operation $\bullet : B_A^+ \times B_A^+ \longrightarrow B_A^+$ is a continuous t -norm if it satisfies the following conditions:

1. \bullet is associative and commutative,
2. \bullet is continuous,
3. $a \bullet e = a$ for all $a \in B_A^+$,
4. $a \bullet b \preceq c \bullet d$ whenever $a \preceq c$ and $b \preceq d$ for all $a, b, c, d \in B_A^+$,
5. $\|a \bullet b\|e = \|a\|e \bullet \|b\|e$.

Example 1.3. $\bullet : B_A^+ \times B_A^+ \longrightarrow B_A^+$ with $\bullet(a, b) = ab$, where ab is the product of C^* -algebra A , is a continuous t -norm.

Definition 1.4. The pair (M, F) with $F : X \longrightarrow B_A^+$ is called a C^* -graded set on X . Every $F(x)$ in B_A^+ is called graded membership of x in B_A^+ .

Definition 1.5. A triple (X, M, \bullet) is called a C^* -graded metric space if X is a non-empty arbitrary set, \bullet is a continuous t -norm and M is a C^* -graded set on $X^2 \times (0, \infty)$ satisfying the following conditions for all $x, y, z \in X, u \in B_A^+$ and $t, s > 0$.

1. $M(x, y, \cdot) : (0, \infty) \longrightarrow B_A^+$ is continuous,

2. $M(x, y, t) \succ 0$,
3. $M(x, y, t) = e$ if $x = y$,
4. $M(x, y, t) = M(y, x, t)$,
5. $M(x, y, t) \bullet M(y, z, s) \preceq M(x, z, t + s)$.

Definition 1.6. Let (X, M, \bullet) be a C^* -graded metric space. For any $t > 0$ and $x \in X$ we define the open ball $B(x, r, t)$ with center x and radius $0 < r < 1$ is defined by,

$$B(x, r, t) = \{y \in X : M(x, y, t) \succ (1 - r)e\}.$$

Definition 1.7. Let (X, M, \bullet) be a C^* -graded metric space and $A \subset X$.

1. A sequence $\{x_n\}$ in X converges to x if and only if $M(x_n, x, t) \rightarrow e$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$ for all $t > 0$.
2. Sequence $\{x_n\}$ in X is called a Cauchy sequence if for each $0 < \epsilon < 1$ and $t > 0$, there exists $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $M(x_n, x_m, t) \succ (1 - \epsilon)e$, for any $n, m \geq n_0$.
3. The C^* -graded metric space $(X, M, *)$ is said to be complete if every Cauchy sequence is convergent.
4. Let τ be the set of all $A \subset X$ with $x \in A$ if and only if there exist $t > 0$ and $0 < r < 1$ such that $B(x, r, t) \subset A$. Then τ is a topology on X (induced by the C^* -graded metric M).

Example 1.8. Let $a \bullet b = ab$ (ordinary product in A). For any $t \in (0, \infty)$, define

$$M(x, y, t) = \left(\frac{t}{t + \|x - y\|}\right)e \quad , \quad (x, y \in X)$$

then (M, X, \bullet) is a C^* -graded metric space.

Lemma 1.9. *Let (X, M, \bullet) be a C^* -graded metric space then $M(x, y, t)$ is non-decreasing with respect to t for all x, y in X .*

Proof. If $t_1 \leq t_2$, then $t_2 = t_1 + \varepsilon$, for some $\varepsilon > 0$. By using (5) from Definition 1.5., if $y = x$, $s = t_1$ and $t = \varepsilon$ we have $M(x, x, \varepsilon) \bullet M(x, z, t_1) \preceq M(x, z, t_1 + \varepsilon)$ then from (3) of Definition 1.5., and (3) of Definition 1.2., we have

$$M(x, z, t_1) \preceq M(x, z, t_1 + \varepsilon) = M(x, z, t_2)$$

for all x, y in X . Note that $M(x, z, t_1) \preceq M(x, z, t_2)$ means that $M(x, z, t_2) - M(x, z, t_1)$ is a positive element with norm less than one of C^* -algebra A or

$$M(x, z, t_2) - M(x, z, t_1) \in B_A^+. \quad \square$$

Definition 1.10. *Let (X, M, \bullet) be a C^* -graded metric space. M is said to be continuous on $X^2 \times (0, \infty)$ if*

$$\lim_n M(x_n, y_n, t_n) = M(x, y, t)$$

whenever a sequence $\{(x_n, y_n, t_n)\}_n$ in $X^2 \times (0, \infty)$, exists such that

$$\lim_n M(x_n, x, t) = \lim_n M(y_n, y, t) = e,$$

$$\lim_n M(x, y, t_n) = M(x, y, t).$$

Remark 1.11. *Note that B_A^+ is a closed subset of A . Let $\{b_n\}_n$ be a sequence in B_A^+ such that converges to $b \in A$, we show that $b \in B_A^+$. Since $b_n \rightarrow b$ and $\|b_n\| \leq 1$ for every n , and norm is a continuous function then $\|b\| \leq 1$. Moreover $\sigma(b_n) \subseteq [0, \infty)$, for all n . If we prove that $\sigma(b) \subseteq [0, \infty)$, proof will be completed. Note that $\sigma(b_n) = \widehat{b}_n(\Delta)$ where Δ is a compact and Hausdorff space, $\|\widehat{b}_n\|_\infty = |\widehat{b}_n(h)| \leq \|b_n\|$ and $\widehat{b}_n - \widehat{b} = \widehat{b_n - b}$, so $\|\widehat{b}_n - \widehat{b}\|_\infty = \|\widehat{b_n - b}\| \leq \|b_n - b\|$. Since $b_n \rightarrow b$, the right hand side of the last inequality tends to zero, so $\widehat{b}_n \rightarrow \widehat{b}$. Now since $\sigma(b_n) = \widehat{b}_n(\Delta) \subseteq [0, \infty)$, and $\widehat{b} \rightarrow \widehat{b}$, then $\sigma(b_n) \rightarrow \sigma(b)$. Therefore $\sigma(b) \subseteq [0, \infty)$.*

Lemma 1.12. *Let (X, M, \bullet) be a C^* -graded metric space, then M is a continuous function on $X^2 \times (0, \infty)$.*

Proof. Let $M(x_{n'}, y_{n'}, t_{n'})$ be a sequence in B_A^+ , then there is a subsequence $\{M(x_n, y_n, t_n)\}$ such that converges to u belongs to B_A^+ . Since $t_n \rightarrow t$, for $0 < \delta < \frac{t}{2}$, there exists N such that for all $n \geq N$, $|t_n - t| < \delta$. From axiom (5) of C^* -graded metric we have,

$$M(x_n, y_n, t_n) \succeq M(x_n, x, \frac{\delta}{2}) \bullet M(x, y, t - 2\delta) \bullet M(y, y_n, \frac{\delta}{2})$$

So,

$$u = \lim_n M(x_n, y_n, t_n) \succeq e \bullet M(x, y, t - 2\delta) \bullet e.$$

Therefore,

$$u \succeq M(x, y, t - 2\delta) \quad .$$

In a similar way, we have,

$$M(x, y, t + \frac{3\delta}{2}) \succeq M(x, x_n, \frac{\delta}{4}) \bullet M(x_n, y_n, t_n) \bullet M(y_n, y, \frac{\delta}{4}).$$

Therefore,

$$M(x, y, t + \frac{3\delta}{2}) \succeq \lim_n M(x_n, y_n, t_n) = u.$$

Now from axiom (1) of C^* -graded metric space, since $\delta > 0$ is arbitrary we deduce that

$$u \succeq M(x, y, t) \quad \text{and} \quad M(x, y, t) \succeq u.$$

So $u = M(x, y, t)$ and therefore M is a continuous function on $X^2 \times (0, \infty)$. \square

Lemma 1.13. *Let (X, M, \bullet) be a C^* -graded metric space. If we define $E_{\lambda, M} : X^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+ \cup \{0\}$ by*

$$E_{\lambda, M}(x, y) = \inf\{t > 0 : \|M(x, y, t)\|e \succ (1 - \lambda)e\}$$

for all $\lambda \in (0, 1)$ and $x, y \in X$ then the sequence $\{x_n\}$ is convergent in C^ -graded metric space (X, M, \bullet) iff $E_{\lambda, M}(x_n, x) \rightarrow 0$. Also, the*

sequence $\{x_n\}$ is a Cauchy sequence iff it is a Cauchy sequence with $E_{\lambda, M}$. ((i.e) $E_{\lambda, M}(x_n, x_m)$ converges to zero).

Proof. Since M is continuous in its third place and

$$E_{\lambda, M}(x, y) = \inf\{t > 0 : \|M(x, y, t)\|e \succ (1 - \lambda)e\},$$

we have

$$\|M(x_n, x, \eta)\|e \succ (1 - \lambda)e \quad \text{iff} \quad E_{\lambda, M}(x_n, x) \prec \eta$$

for all $\eta \succ 0$. \square

Lemma 1.14. Let (X, M, \bullet) be a C^* -graded metric space, and $\{x_n\}_n$ be a sequence in X such that

$$\|M(x_n, x_m, t)\|e \succeq \|M(x_0, x_1, k^n t)\|e$$

for $k \geq 1$ and $m > n$, then the sequence $\{x_n\}$ is a Cauchy sequence.

Proof. For all $\lambda \in (0, 1)$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} E_{\lambda, M}(x_n, x_m) &= \inf\{t > 0 : \|M(x_n, x_m, t)\|e \succ (1 - \lambda)e\} \\ &\leq \inf\{t > 0 : \|M(x_0, x_1, k^n t)\|e \succ (1 - \lambda)e\} \\ &= \left\{ \frac{t}{k^n} : \|M(x_0, x_1, t)\|e \succ (1 - \lambda)e \right\} \\ &= \frac{1}{k^n} E_{\lambda, M}(x_0, x_1). \end{aligned}$$

So from Lemma 1.13., $\{x_n\}$ is a Cauchy sequence. \square

2. Compatible Mappings of Type (I) And (II)

Definition 2.1. Let F and S be mappings from a C^* -graded metric space (X, M, \bullet) into itself, then the pair (F, S) is said to be compatible of type (I) if, for all $t > 0$,

$$\lim_n \|M(FSx_n, x, t)\|e \preceq \|M(Sx, x, t)\|e$$

whenever $\{x_n\}$ is a sequence in X such that

$$\lim_n Fx_n = \lim_n Sx_n = x$$

and similarly we say (F, S) is compatible of type (II) iff (S, F) be compatible of type (I).

Proposition 2.2. *Let F and S be mappings from a C^* -graded metric space (X, M, \bullet) into itself. Suppose that the pair (F, S) is compatible of type (I), (respectively, (II)) and $Fz = Sz$ for some $z \in X$ then for all $t > 0$, $\|M(Fz, SSz, t)\|e \succeq \|M(Fz, FSz, t)\|e$, (respectively $\|M(Sz, FFz, t)\|e \succeq \|M(Sz, SFz, t)\|e$).*

Proof. Just take $x_n = z$ for all n in Definition 2.1. \square

3. Main Results

Let Φ be the class of all continuous and increasing functions $\phi : (B_A^+)^5 \rightarrow B_A^+$ in any coordinate and

$$\phi(te, te, te, te, te) \succ te$$

for all $t \in [0, 1)$.

Example 3.1. The function $\phi : (B_A^+)^5 \rightarrow B_A^+$ defined as,

$$\phi(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5) = (\min\{\|x_i\|\})^h e$$

for some $0 < h < 1$, belongs to Φ .

Example 3.2. $\phi(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5) = \|x_1\|^h e$, for some $0 < h < 1$, belongs to Φ .

Example 3.3. $\phi(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5) = (\sum_{i=1}^5 a_i(t)\|x_i\|)^h e$, such that $0 < h < 1$ and for all $t > 0$, $a_i : \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow (0, 1]$ are functions with, $\sum_{i=1}^5 a_i(t) = 1$.

Theorem 3.4. *Let (X, M, \bullet) be a complete C^* -graded metric space with $a \bullet a = a$ for all $a \in B_A^+$. let F, B, S and T be mappings from X into itself such that,*

1. $F(X) \subseteq T(X)$, $B(X) \subseteq S(X)$,

2. there exists a constant $k \in (0, \frac{1}{2})$ such that

$$\|M(Fx, By, kt)\|e \succeq \phi \begin{pmatrix} \|M(Sx, Ty, t)\|e, \\ \|M(Fx, Sx, t)\|e, \\ \|M(By, Ty, t)\|e, \\ \|M(Fx, Ty, \alpha t)\|e, \\ \|M(By, Sx, (2 - \alpha)t)\|e \end{pmatrix},$$

for all $x, y \in X$, $\alpha \in (0, 2)$, $t > 0$ and $\phi \in \Phi$. If the mappings F, B, S and T satisfy any one of the following conditions:

3. the pairs (F, S) and (B, T) are compatible of type (II) and F or B is continuous,
4. the pairs (F, S) and (B, T) are compatible of type (I) and S or T is continuous,

then F, B, S and T have a unique common fixed point in X .

Proof. Let $x \in X$ be an arbitrary point. Since $F(X) \subseteq T(X)$, $B(X) \subseteq S(X)$, there exists $x_1, x_2 \in X$ such that $Fx_0 = Tx_1$, $Bx_1 = Sx_2$. Inductively, construct the sequences y_n and x_n in X such that

$$y_{2n} = Fx_{2n} = Tx_{2n+1}, \quad y_{2n+1} = Bx_{2n+1} = Sx_{2n+2}$$

for $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$. Then, by $\alpha = 1 - q$ and $q \in (\frac{1}{2}, 1)$, if we set $d_m(t) = \|M(y_m, y_{m+1}, t)\|e$ for all $t > 0$, then we prove that $d_m(t)$ is increasing with respect to m . Setting $m = 2n$, then we have

$$\begin{aligned} d_{2n}(kt) &= \|M(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}, kt)\|e = \|M(Ax_{2n}, Bx_{2n+1}, kt)\|e \\ &\succeq \phi \begin{pmatrix} \|M(Sx_{2n}, Tx_{2n+1}, t)\|e, \\ \|M(Fx_{2n}, Sx_{2n}, t)\|e, \\ \|M(Bx_{2n+1}, Tx_{2n+1}, t)\|e, \\ \|M(Fx_{2n}, Tx_{2n+1}, (1 - q)t)\|e, \\ \|M(Bx_{2n+1}, Sx_{2n}, (1 + q)t)\|e \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \phi \left(\begin{array}{c} \|M(y_{2n-1}, y_{2n}, t)\|e, \\ \|M(y_{2n}, y_{2n-1}, t)\|e, \\ \|M(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n}, t)\|e, \\ \|M(y_{2n}, y_{2n}, (1-q)t)\|e, \\ \|M(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n-1}, (1+q)t)\|e \end{array} \right) \\
&= \phi(d_{2n-1}(t), d_{2n-1}(t), d_{2n}(t), e, \|M(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n-1}, (1+q)t)\|e),
\end{aligned}$$

that is,

$$d_{2n}(kt) \succeq \phi(d_{2n-1}(qt), d_{2n-1}(qt), d_{2n}(qt), e, d_{2n-1}(t) \bullet d_{2n}(qt)). \quad (1)$$

We claim that, for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $d_{2n}(t) \succeq d_{2n-1}(t)$. In fact if $d_{2n}(t) \prec d_{2n-1}(t)$ then, since $d_{2n}(qt) \bullet d_{2n-1}(t) \succeq d_{2n}(qt) \bullet d_{2n}(qt) = d_{2n}(qt)$. In the inequality (1) we have

$$d_{2n}(kt) \succeq \phi(d_{2n}(qt), d_{2n}(qt), d_{2n}(qt), d_{2n}(qt), d_{2n}(qt)) \succ d_{2n}(qt)$$

that is, $d_{2n}(kt) \succ d_{2n}(qt)$, which is a contradiction. Hence $d_{2n}(t) \succeq d_{2n-1}(qt)$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and $t > 0$.

Similarly, for $m = 2n + 1$, we have $d_{2n+1}(t) \succeq d_{2n}(t)$ and so $\{d_n(t)\}$ is an increasing sequence in B_A^+ . By the inequality (1), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
d_{2n}(kt) &\succeq \phi(d_{2n-1}(qt), d_{2n-1}(qt), d_{2n-1}(qt), d_{2n-1}(qt), d_{2n-1}(qt)) \\
&\succ d_{2n-1}(qt).
\end{aligned}$$

Similarly for $m = 2n + 1$ we have $d_{2n+1}(kt) \succeq d_{2n}(qt)$ and so $d_n(kt) \succeq d_{n-1}(qt)$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$. That is,

$$\|M(y_n, y_{n+1}, t)\|e \succeq \|M(y_{n-1}, y_n, \frac{q}{k}t)\|e \succeq \dots \succeq \|M(y_0, y_1, (\frac{q}{k})^n t)\|e.$$

Hence, by Lemma 1.14., $\{y_n\}$ is a cauchy sequence and, by the completeness of X , $\{y_n\}$ converges to a point z in X . Let $\lim_n y_n = z$. Hence we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\lim_n y_{2n} &= \lim_n Fx_{2n} = \lim_n Tx_{2n+1} \\
&= \lim_n y_{2n+1} = \lim_n Bx_{2n+1} \\
&= \lim_n Sx_{2n+2} = z.
\end{aligned}$$

Now, suppose that T is continuous and the pairs (F, S) and (B, T) are compatible of type (I) . Hence we have

$$\lim_n TTx_{2n+1} = Tz,$$

$$\|M(Tz, z, t)\|e \succeq \lim_n \|M(BTx_{2n-1}, z, t)\|e.$$

Now, for $\alpha = 1$, put $x = x_{2n}$ and $y = Tx_{2n+1}$ in the inequality (1) then we obtain

$$\|M(Fx_{2n}, BTx_{2n+1}, kt)\|e \succeq \phi \left(\begin{array}{c} \|M(Sx_{2n}, TTx_{2n+1}, t)\|e, \\ \|M(Fx_{2n}, Sx_{2n}, t)\|e, \\ \|M(BTx_{2n+1}, TTx_{2n+1}, t)\|e, \\ \|M(Fx_{2n}, TTx_{2n}, t)\|e, \\ \|M(BTx_{2n+1}, Sx_{2n}, t)\|e \end{array} \right).$$

Letting $n \rightarrow \infty$, then we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|M(z, \lim_n BTx_{2n+1}, kt)\|e &\succeq \phi \left(\begin{array}{c} \|M(z, Tz, t)\|e, \\ \|M(z, z, t)\|e, \\ \|M(\lim_n BTx_{2n+1}, Tz, t)\|e, \\ \|M(z, Tz, t)\|e, \\ \|M(\lim_n BTx_{2n+1}, z, t)\|e \end{array} \right) \\ &\succeq \phi \left(\begin{array}{c} \|M(z, Tz, \frac{t}{2})\|e, \\ \|M(z, z, \frac{t}{2})\|e, \\ \|M(\lim_n BTx_{2n+1}, Tz, \frac{t}{2})\|e, \\ \|M(z, Tz, \frac{t}{2})\|e, \\ \|M(\lim_n BTx_{2n+1}, z, \frac{t}{2})\|e \end{array} \right). \end{aligned}$$

Thus it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_n \|M(BTx_{2n+1}, Tz, t)\|e &\succeq \lim_n \|M(BTx_{2n+1}, z, \frac{t}{2})\|e \\ &\bullet \lim_n \|M(z, Tz, \frac{t}{2})\|e \end{aligned}$$

and so

$$\lim_n \|M(BTx_{2n+1}, Tz, t)\|e \succeq \lim_n \|M(BTx_{2n+1}, z, \frac{t}{2})\|e.$$

Since $\phi(t, t, t, t) \succ t$, by the above inequalities we have

$$\|M(z, \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} BTx_{2n+1}, kt)\|e \succ \|M(z, \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} BTx_{2n+1}, \frac{t}{2})\|e,$$

which is a contradiction. It follows that $\lim_n BTx_{2n+1} = z$.

Now, using the compatibility of type (I), we have

$$\|M(Tz, z, t)\|e \succeq \lim_n \|M(z, BTx_{2n+1}, t)\|e = e$$

and so $Tz = z$.

Again, replacing x by x_{2n} and y by z in (3.1). For $\alpha = 1$, we have

$$\|M(Fx_{2n}, Bz, kt)\|e \succeq \phi \left(\begin{array}{c} \|M(Sx_{2n}, Tz, t)\|e, \\ \|M(Fx_{2n}, Sx_{2n}, t)\|e, \\ \|M(Bz, Tz, t)\|e, \\ \|M(Fx_{2n}, Tz, t)\|e, \\ \|M(Bz, Sx_{2n}, t)\|e \end{array} \right)$$

Letting $n \rightarrow \infty$, we have

$$\|M(Bz, z, kt)\|e \succ \|M(Bz, z, t)\|e.$$

Which implies that $Bz = z$. Since $B(X) \subseteq S(X)$, there exist $u \in X$ such that $Su = z = Bz$. So, for $\alpha = 1$, we have

$$\|M(Fu, Bz, kt)\|e \succeq \phi \left(\begin{array}{c} \|M(Su, Tz, t)\|e, \\ \|M(Fu, Su, t)\|e, \\ \|M(Bz, Tz, t)\|e, \\ \|M(Fu, Tz, t)\|e, \\ \|M(Bz, Su, t)\|e \end{array} \right)$$

and so,

$$\|M(Fu, z, kt)\|e \succ \|M(z, Fu, t)\|e,$$

which implies that $Fu = z$. Since the pair (F, S) is compatible of type (I) and $Fu = z$, by proposition (2.2.), we have

$$\|M(Fu, SSu, t)\|e \succeq \|M(Fz, FSu, t)\|e$$

and so,

$$\|M(z, Sz, t)\|e \succeq \|M(z, Fz, t)\|e.$$

Again, for $\alpha = 1$, we have

$$\|M(Fz, Bz, kt)\|e \succeq \phi \begin{pmatrix} \|M(Sz, Tz, t)\|e, \\ \|M(Fz, Sz, t)\|e, \\ \|M(Bz, Tz, t)\|e, \\ \|M(Fz, Tz, t)\|e, \\ \|M(Bz, Sz, t)\|e \end{pmatrix}.$$

It follows that

$$\begin{aligned} M(Fz, Sz, t) &\succeq M(Fz, z, \frac{t}{2}) \bullet M(z, Sz, \frac{t}{2}) \\ &\succeq M(z, Fz, \frac{t}{2}) \bullet M(z, Fz, \frac{t}{2}) \\ &= M(z, Fz, \frac{t}{2}). \end{aligned}$$

Hence we have

$$\|M(Fz, z, kt)\|e \succeq \phi \begin{pmatrix} \|M(Sz, z, \frac{t}{2})\|e, \\ \|M(Fz, z, \frac{t}{2})\|e, \\ \|M(Fz, z, \frac{t}{2})\|e, \\ \|M(Fz, z, \frac{t}{2})\|e, \\ \|M(z, Fz, \frac{t}{2})\|e \end{pmatrix} \succ \|M(z, Fz, \frac{t}{2})\|e$$

and so $Fz = z$. Therefore, $Fz = Bz = Sz = Tz = z$ and z is a common fixed point for the self-mappings F, B, S and T .

The uniqueness of a common fixed point of the mappings F, B, S, T is easily verified by using (1). In fact, if \acute{z} is another fixed point for F, B, S

and T , then for $\alpha = 1$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|M(z, \acute{z}, t)\|e &= \|M(Fz, B\acute{z}, kt)\|e \\ &\preceq \phi \left(\begin{array}{l} \|M(Sz, T\acute{z}, t)\|e, \\ \|M(Fz, Sz, t)\|e, \\ \|M(B\acute{z}, T\acute{z}, t)\|e, \\ \|M(Fz, T\acute{z}, t)\|e, \\ \|M(B\acute{z}, Sz, t)\|e \end{array} \right) \\ &\preceq \|M(z, \acute{z}, t)\|e \end{aligned}$$

and so $z = \acute{z}$. \square

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