



Common Fixed Point Theorems with Applications to Theoretical Computer Science

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Abstract

Owing to the notion of L -fuzzy mapping, we establish some common L -fuzzy fixed point results for almost Θ -contraction in the setting of complete metric spaces. An application to theoretical computer science is also provided to show the significance of the investigations.

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1. Introduction and preliminaries

Answering real-world problems becomes evidently uncomplicated with the initiation of fuzzy set theory in 1965 by Zadeh [35], as it helps in making the explanation of obscurity and inaccuracy fair and more accurate. subsequently, Goguen [17] modified this concept to L -fuzzy set theory by replacing the interval $[0, 1]$ in 1967. There are fundamentally two perceptive of the meaning of L , one is when L is a complete lattice equipped with a multiplication $*$ operator satisfying certain assumptions as shown in the basic paper [17] and the second perceptive of the meaning of L is that L is a completely distributive complete lattice with an order-reversing involution .

Definition 1.1. [17] A partially ordered set (L, \lesssim_L) is called

- i) a lattice, if $a_1 \vee a_2 \in L$, $a_1 \wedge a_2 \in L$ for each $a_1, a_2 \in L$.
- ii) a complete lattice, if $\bigvee A \in L$, $\bigwedge A \in L$ for any $A \subseteq L$.
- iii) distributive lattice if $a_1 \vee (a_2 \wedge a_3) = (a_1 \vee a_2) \wedge (a_1 \vee a_3)$, $a_1 \wedge (a_2 \vee a_3) = (a_1 \wedge a_2) \vee (a_1 \wedge a_3)$ for any $a_1, a_2, a_3 \in L$.

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Definition 1.2. [17] Let L be a lattice with top element 1_L and bottom element 0_L and let $a_1, a_2 \in L$. Then a_2 is said to be a complement of a_1 , if $a_1 \vee a_2 = 1_L$, and $a_1 \wedge a_2 = 0_L$. If $a \in L$ has a complement element, then it is unique. It is denoted by \acute{a} .

Definition 1.3. [17] A L -fuzzy set A on a nonempty set \mathcal{S} is a function $A : \mathcal{S} \rightarrow L$, where L is complete distributive lattice with 1_L and 0_L .

Remark 1.4. An L -fuzzy set is a fuzzy set if $L = [0, 1]$, so the family of L -fuzzy sets is larger than the family of fuzzy sets.

The α_L -level set of L -fuzzy set A , is designated by A_{α_L} , and is given in this way.

$$A_{\alpha_L} = \{u : \alpha_L \lesssim_L A(u)\} \text{ if } \alpha_L \in L \setminus \{0_L\},$$

$$A_{0_L} = \overline{\{u : 0_L \lesssim_L A(u)\}}.$$

Here $cl(B)$ stands for the closure of the set B .

The characteristic function of a L -fuzzy set A is denoted by χ_{LA} and is defined as follows:

$$\chi_{LA} := \begin{cases} 0_L & \text{if } u \notin A \\ 1_L & \text{if } u \in A \end{cases}.$$

In 2014, Azam et al. [29] initiated the concept of β_{FL} -admissible for a pair of L -fuzzy mappings and exploited it to establish a common L -fuzzy fixed point theorem.

Definition 1.5. [29] Let \mathcal{S}_1 be an arbitrary set, \mathcal{S}_2 be a metric space. A mapping \mathcal{Q} is said to be an L -fuzzy mapping if \mathcal{Q} is a mapping from \mathcal{S}_1 into $\mathfrak{S}_L(\mathcal{S}_2)$. An L -fuzzy mapping \mathcal{Q} is a L -fuzzy subset on $\mathcal{S}_1 \times \mathcal{S}_2$ with membership function $\mathcal{Q}(u)(v)$. The function $\mathcal{Q}(u)(v)$ is the grade of membership of v in $\mathcal{Q}(u)$.

Definition 1.6. [29] Let (\mathcal{S}, σ) be a metric space and \mathcal{P}, \mathcal{Q} be L -fuzzy mappings from \mathcal{S} into $\mathfrak{S}_L(\mathcal{S})$. A point $z \in \mathcal{S}$ is called a L -fuzzy fixed point of \mathcal{Q} if $u^* \in [\mathcal{Q}u^*]_{\alpha_L}$, where $\alpha_L \in L \setminus \{0_L\}$. The point $u^* \in \mathcal{S}$ is called a common L -fuzzy fixed point of \mathcal{P} and \mathcal{Q} if $u^* \in [\mathcal{P}u^*]_{\alpha_L} \cap [\mathcal{Q}u^*]_{\alpha_L}$. When $\alpha_L = 1_L$, it is called a common fixed point of L -fuzzy mappings.

In 2015, Jleli et al. [24] gave the notion of Θ -contractions and proved some new fixed point results for such contractions in the setting of generalized metric spaces.

Definition 1.7. Let $\Theta : (0, \infty) \rightarrow (1, \infty)$ be a function satisfying:

(Θ_1) Θ is nondecreasing;

(Θ_2) for each sequence $\{\alpha_n\} \subseteq R^+$, $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \Theta(\alpha_n) = 1$ if and only if $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\alpha_n) = 0$;

(Θ_3) there exists $0 < r < 1$ and $l \in (0, \infty]$ such that $\lim_{\alpha \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\Theta(\alpha)-1}{\alpha^r} = l$.

A mapping $\mathcal{P} : \mathcal{S} \rightarrow \mathcal{S}$ is said to be Θ -contraction if there exist the function Θ satisfying (Θ_1)-(Θ_3) and a constant $k \in (0, 1)$ such that for all $u, v \in \mathcal{S}$,

$$\sigma(\mathcal{P}u, \mathcal{P}v) > 0 \implies \Theta(\sigma(\mathcal{P}u, \mathcal{P}v)) \leq [\Theta(\sigma(u, v))]^k. \quad (1.1)$$

Theorem 1.8. [24] *Let (\mathcal{S}, σ) be a complete metric space and $\mathcal{P} : \mathcal{S} \rightarrow \mathcal{S}$ be a Θ -contraction, then \mathcal{P} has a unique fixed point.*

They demonstrated that any Banach contraction is a specific case of Θ -contraction while there are Θ -contractions which are not Banach contractions. We express by Ψ the set of all functions $\Theta : (0, \infty) \rightarrow (1, \infty)$ satisfying the above assertions (Θ_1) - (Θ_3) , consistent with Jleli et al. [24],.

Later on Altune et al.[18] modified the above definitions by adding a general condition (Θ_4) which is given as follows.

(Θ_4) $\Theta(\inf A) = \inf \Theta(A)$ for all $A \subset (0, \infty)$ with $\inf A > 0$.

Following Altune et al.[18], we represent the set of all continuous functions $\Theta : \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ satisfying (Θ_1) – (Θ_4) conditions by F .

For more details on Θ -contraction, we refer the reader to [3, 27].

For the sake of convenience, we first state the following lemma for subsequent use in the next section.

Let (\mathcal{S}, σ) be a metric space and $CB(\mathcal{S})$ be the family of nonempty, closed and bounded subsets of \mathcal{S} . For $A, B \in CB(\mathcal{S})$, define

$$\mathcal{H}(A, B) = \max \left\{ \sup_{a \in A} \sigma(a, B), \sup_{b \in B} \sigma(b, A) \right\}$$

where

$$\sigma(u, A) = \inf_{v \in A} \sigma(u, v).$$

Lemma 1.9. [29] *Let (\mathcal{S}, σ) be a metric space and $A, B \in CB(\mathcal{S})$, then for each $a \in A$,*

$$\sigma(a, B) \leq \mathcal{H}(A, B).$$

In this paper, we obtain common L -fuzzy fixed point theorems for almost Θ -contraction in the setting of complete metric spaces. A significant example is also given to illustrate the validity of main result.

2. Main Results

In this way, we state and prove a common fixed point theorem for L -fuzzy mappings.

Theorem 2.1. *Let (\mathcal{S}, σ) be a complete metric space and $\{\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{Q}\}$ be a pair of L -fuzzy mappings from \mathcal{S} into $\mathfrak{S}_L(\mathcal{S})$ and for each $\alpha_L \in L \setminus \{0_L\}$, $[\mathcal{P}u]_{\alpha_L(u)}$, $[\mathcal{Q}v]_{\alpha_L(v)}$ are nonempty closed bounded subsets of \mathcal{S} . If there exist some $\Theta \in F$, $k \in (0, 1)$ and $L \geq 0$ such that*

$$\mathcal{H}([\mathcal{P}u]_{\alpha_L(u)}, [\mathcal{Q}v]_{\alpha_L(v)}) > 0 \implies \Theta \left(\mathcal{H}([\mathcal{P}u]_{\alpha_L(u)}, [\mathcal{Q}v]_{\alpha_L(v)}) \right) \leq \Theta(\sigma(u, v))^k + Lm(u, v) \quad (2.1)$$

for all $u, v \in \mathcal{S}$, where

$$m(u, v) = \min \left\{ \sigma \left(u, [\mathcal{P}u]_{\alpha_L(u)} \right), \sigma \left(v, [\mathcal{Q}v]_{\alpha_L(v)} \right), \sigma \left(u, [\mathcal{Q}v]_{\alpha_L(v)} \right), \sigma \left(v, [\mathcal{P}u]_{\alpha_L(u)} \right) \right\}. \quad (2.2)$$

Then \mathcal{P} and \mathcal{Q} have a common L -fuzzy fixed point.

Proof . Let u_0 be an arbitrary point in \mathcal{S} , then by hypotheses there exists $\alpha_L(u_0) \in L \setminus \{0_L\}$ such that $[\mathcal{P}u_0]_{\alpha_L(u_0)}$ is a nonempty closed bounded subset of \mathcal{S} and let $u_1 \in [\mathcal{P}u_0]_{\alpha_L(u_0)}$. For this u_1 there exists $\alpha_L(u_1) \in L \setminus \{0_L\}$ such that $[\mathcal{Q}u_1]_{\alpha_L(u_1)}$ is a nonempty, closed and bounded subset of \mathcal{S} . By Lemma 1.9, (Θ_1) and (2.1), we have

$$\Theta(\sigma(u_1, [\mathcal{Q}u_1]_{\alpha_L(u_1)})) \leq \Theta(\mathcal{H}([\mathcal{P}u_0]_{\alpha_L(u_0)}, [\mathcal{Q}u_1]_{\alpha_L(u_1)})) \leq \Theta(\sigma(u_0, u_1))^k + Lm(u_0, u_1) \quad (2.3)$$

where

$$m(u_0, u_1) = \min \left\{ \sigma(u_0, [\mathcal{P}u_0]_{\alpha_L(u_0)}), \sigma(u_1, [\mathcal{Q}u_1]_{\alpha_L(u_1)}), \sigma(u_0, [\mathcal{Q}u_1]_{\alpha_L(u_1)}), \sigma(u_1, [\mathcal{P}u_0]_{\alpha_L(u_0)}) \right\}.$$

From (Θ_4), we know that

$$\Theta(\sigma(u_1, [\mathcal{Q}u_1]_{\alpha_L(u_1)})) = \inf_{v \in [\mathcal{Q}u_1]_{\alpha_L(u_1)}} \Theta(\sigma(u_1, v)).$$

Thus from (2.3), we get

$$\inf_{v \in [\mathcal{Q}u_1]_{\alpha_L(u_1)}} \Theta(\sigma(u_1, v)) \leq \Theta(\sigma(u_0, u_1))^k + \min \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \sigma(u_0, [\mathcal{P}u_0]_{\alpha_L(u_0)}), \sigma(u_1, [\mathcal{Q}u_1]_{\alpha_L(u_1)}), \\ \sigma(u_0, [\mathcal{Q}u_1]_{\alpha_L(u_1)}), \sigma(u_1, [\mathcal{P}u_0]_{\alpha_L(u_0)}) \end{array} \right\} \quad (2.4)$$

Then, from (2.4), there exists $u_2 \in [\mathcal{Q}u_1]_{\alpha_L(u_1)}$ such that

$$\begin{aligned} \Theta(\sigma(u_1, u_2)) &\leq [\Theta(\sigma(u_0, u_1))]^k \\ &\quad + \min \{ \sigma(u_0, u_1), \sigma(u_1, u_2), \sigma(u_0, u_2), \sigma(u_1, u_1) \}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus we have

$$\Theta(\sigma(u_1, u_2)) \leq [\Theta(\sigma(u_0, u_1))]^k. \quad (2.5)$$

For this u_2 there exists $\alpha_L(u_2) \in L \setminus \{0_L\}$ such that $[\mathcal{P}u_2]_{\alpha_L(u_2)}$ is a nonempty closed bounded subset of \mathcal{S} . By Lemma 1.9, (Θ_1) and (2.1), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \Theta(\sigma(u_2, [\mathcal{P}u_2]_{\alpha_L(u_2)})) &\leq \Theta(\mathcal{H}([\mathcal{Q}u_1]_{\alpha_L(u_1)}, [\mathcal{P}u_2]_{\alpha_L(u_2)})) = \Theta(\mathcal{H}([\mathcal{P}u_2]_{\alpha_L(u_2)}, [\mathcal{Q}u_1]_{\alpha_L(u_1)})) \\ &\leq [\Theta(\sigma(u_2, u_1))]^k + Lm(u_2, u_1) \end{aligned}$$

thus we get

$$\Theta(\sigma(u_2, [\mathcal{P}u_2]_{\alpha_L(u_2)})) \leq [\Theta(\sigma(u_2, u_1))]^k + Lm(u_2, u_1) \quad (2.6)$$

where

$$m(u_2, u_1) = \min \left\{ \sigma(u_2, [\mathcal{P}u_2]_{\alpha_L(u_2)}), \sigma(u_1, [\mathcal{Q}u_1]_{\alpha_L(u_1)}), \sigma(u_2, [\mathcal{Q}u_1]_{\alpha_L(u_1)}), \sigma(u_1, [\mathcal{P}u_2]_{\alpha_L(u_2)}) \right\}$$

which further implies that

$$\Theta(\sigma(u_2, [\mathcal{P}u_2]_{\alpha_L(u_2)})) \leq \Theta[\sigma(u_1, u_2)]^k + \min \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \sigma(u_2, [\mathcal{P}u_2]_{\alpha_L(u_2)}), \sigma(u_1, [\mathcal{Q}u_1]_{\alpha_L(u_1)}), \\ \sigma(u_2, [\mathcal{Q}u_1]_{\alpha_L(u_1)}), \sigma(u_1, [\mathcal{P}u_2]_{\alpha_L(u_2)}) \end{array} \right\}. \quad (2.7)$$

From (Θ_4), we know that

$$\Theta[\sigma(u_2, [\mathcal{P}u_2]_{\alpha_L(u_2)})] = \inf_{v_1 \in [\mathcal{P}u_2]_{\alpha_L(u_2)}} \Theta(\sigma(u_2, v_1))$$

$$\inf_{v_1 \in [\mathcal{P}u_2]_{\alpha_L(u_2)}} \Theta(\sigma(u_2, v_1)) \leq \Theta[\sigma(u_1, u_2)]^k + \min \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \sigma(u_2, [\mathcal{P}u_2]_{\alpha_L(u_2)}), \sigma(u_1, [\mathcal{Q}u_1]_{\alpha_L(u_1)}), \\ \sigma(u_2, [\mathcal{Q}u_1]_{\alpha_L(u_1)}), \sigma(u_1, [\mathcal{P}u_2]_{\alpha_L(u_2)}) \end{array} \right\}. \quad (2.8)$$

Then, from (2.8), there exists $u_3 \in [\mathcal{P}u_2]_{\alpha_L(u_2)}$ such that

$$\Theta(\sigma(u_2, u_3)) \leq [\Theta(\sigma(u_1, u_2))]^k + \min \{ \sigma(u_2, u_3), \sigma(u_1, u_2), \sigma(u_2, u_2), \sigma(u_1, u_3) \}.$$

Thus we have

$$\Theta(\sigma(u_2, u_3)) \leq [\Theta(\sigma(u_1, u_2))]^k. \quad (2.9)$$

So, continuing recursively, we obtain a sequence $\{u_n\}$ in \mathcal{S} such that $u_{2n+1} \in [\mathcal{P}u_{2n}]_{\alpha_L(u_{2n})}$ and $u_{2n+2} \in [\mathcal{Q}u_{2n+1}]_{\alpha_L(u_{2n+1})}$ and

$$\Theta(\sigma(u_{2n+1}, u_{2n+2})) \leq [\Theta(\sigma(u_{2n}, u_{2n+1}))]^k \quad (2.10)$$

and

$$\Theta(\sigma(u_{2n+2}, u_{2n+3})) \leq [\Theta(\sigma(u_{2n+1}, u_{2n+2}))]^k \quad (2.11)$$

for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$. From (2.10) and (2.11), we have

$$\Theta(\sigma(u_n, u_{n+1})) \leq [\Theta(\sigma(u_{n-1}, u_n))]^k \quad (2.12)$$

which further implies that

$$\Theta(\sigma(u_n, u_{n+1})) \leq [\Theta(\sigma(u_{n-1}, u_n))]^k \leq [\Theta(\sigma(u_{n-2}, u_{n-1}))]^{k^2} \leq \dots \leq [\Theta(\sigma(u_0, u_1))]^{k^n} \quad (2.13)$$

for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Since $\Theta \in F$, so by taking limit as $n \rightarrow \infty$ in (2.13) we have,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \Theta(\sigma(u_n, u_{n+1})) = 1 \quad (2.14)$$

which implies that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sigma(u_n, u_{n+1}) = 0 \quad (2.15)$$

by (Θ_2) . From the condition (Θ_3) , there exist $0 < r < 1$ and $l \in (0, \infty]$ such that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\Theta(\sigma(u_n, u_{n+1})) - 1}{\sigma(u_n, u_{n+1})^r} = l. \quad (2.16)$$

Suppose that $l < \infty$. In this case, let $\beta = \frac{l}{2} > 0$. From the definition of the limit, there exists $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ such that

$$\left| \frac{\Theta(\sigma(u_n, u_{n+1})) - 1}{\sigma(u_n, u_{n+1})^r} - l \right| \leq \beta$$

for all $n > n_0$. This implies that

$$\frac{\Theta(\sigma(u_n, u_{n+1})) - 1}{\sigma(u_n, u_{n+1})^r} \geq l - \beta = \frac{l}{2} = \beta$$

for all $n > n_0$. Then

$$n\sigma(u_n, u_{n+1})^r \leq \alpha n[\Theta(\sigma(u_n, u_{n+1})) - 1] \quad (2.17)$$

for all $n > n_0$, where $\alpha = \frac{1}{\beta}$. Now we suppose that $l = \infty$. Let $\beta > 0$ be an arbitrary positive number. From the definition of the limit, there exists $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ such that

$$\beta \leq \frac{\Theta(\sigma(u_n, u_{n+1})) - 1}{\sigma(u_n, u_{n+1})^r}$$

for all $n > n_0$. This implies that

$$n\sigma(u_n, u_{n+1})^r \leq \alpha n[\Theta(\sigma(u_n, u_{n+1})) - 1]$$

for all $n > n_0$, where $\alpha = \frac{1}{\beta}$. Thus, in all cases, there exist $\alpha > 0$ and $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ such that

$$n\sigma(u_n, u_{n+1})^r \leq \alpha n[\Theta(\sigma(u_n, u_{n+1})) - 1] \quad (2.18)$$

for all $n > n_0$. Thus by (2.13) and (2.18), we get

$$n\sigma(u_n, u_{n+1})^r \leq \alpha n([\Theta(\sigma(u_0, u_1))]^{r^n} - 1). \quad (2.19)$$

Letting $n \rightarrow \infty$ in the above inequality, we obtain

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n\sigma(u_n, u_{n+1})^r = 0.$$

Thus, there exists $n_1 \in \mathbb{N}$ such that

$$\sigma(u_n, u_{n+1}) \leq \frac{1}{n^{1/r}} \quad (2.20)$$

for all $n > n_1$. Now we prove that $\{u_n\}$ is a Cauchy sequence. For $m > n > n_1$ we have,

$$\sigma(u_n, u_m) \leq \sum_{i=n}^{m-1} \sigma(u_i, u_{i+1}) \leq \sum_{i=n}^{m-1} \frac{1}{i^{1/r}} \leq \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{i^{1/r}}. \quad (2.21)$$

Since, $0 < r < 1$, then $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{i^{1/r}}$ converges. Therefore, $\sigma(u_n, u_m) \rightarrow 0$ as $m, n \rightarrow \infty$. Thus we proved that $\{u_n\}$ is a Cauchy sequence in (\mathcal{S}, σ) . The completeness of (\mathcal{S}, σ) ensures that there exists $u^* \in \mathcal{S}$ such that, $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} u_n \rightarrow u^*$. Now, we prove that $u^* \in [\mathcal{Q}u^*]_{\alpha_L(u^*)}$. We suppose on the contrary that $u^* \notin [\mathcal{Q}u^*]_{\alpha_L(u^*)}$, then there exist a $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ and a subsequence $\{u_{n_k}\}$ of $\{u_n\}$ such that $\sigma(u_{2n_k+1}, [\mathcal{Q}u^*]_{\alpha_L(u^*)}) > 0$ for all $n_k \geq n_0$. Since $\sigma(u_{2n_k+1}, [\mathcal{Q}u^*]_{\alpha_L(u^*)}) > 0$ for all $n_k \geq n_0$, so by (Θ_1) , we have

$$\begin{aligned} 1 &< \Theta \left[\sigma(u_{2n_k+1}, [\mathcal{Q}u^*]_{\alpha_L(u^*)}) \right] \leq \Theta \left[\mathcal{H}([\mathcal{P}u_{2n_k}]_{\alpha_L(u_{2n_k})}, [\mathcal{Q}u^*]_{\alpha_L(u^*)}) \right] \\ &\leq [\Theta(\sigma(u_{2n_k}, u^*))]^k \\ &\quad + \min \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \sigma(u_{2n_k}, [\mathcal{P}u_{2n_k}]_{\alpha_L(u_{2n_k})}), \sigma(u^*, [\mathcal{Q}u^*]_{\alpha_L(u^*)}), \\ \sigma(u_{2n_k}, [\mathcal{Q}u^*]_{\alpha_L(u^*)}), \sigma(u^*, [\mathcal{P}u_{2n_k}]_{\alpha_L(u_{2n_k})}) \end{array} \right\} \\ &\leq [\Theta(\sigma(u_{2n_k}, u^*))]^k \\ &\quad + L \min \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \sigma(u_{2n_k}, u_{2n_k+1}), \sigma(u^*, [\mathcal{Q}u^*]_{\alpha_L(u^*)}), \\ \sigma(u_{2n_k}, [\mathcal{Q}u^*]_{\alpha_L(u^*)}), \sigma(u^*, u_{2n_k+1}) \end{array} \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

Letting $n \rightarrow \infty$, in above inequality and using the continuity of Θ , we have

$$1 < \Theta \left[\sigma(u^*, [\mathcal{Q}u^*]_{\alpha_L(u^*)}) \right] \leq 1$$

which is a contradiction. Hence $u^* \in [\mathcal{Q}u^*]_{\alpha_L(u^*)}$. Similarly, one can easily prove that $u^* \in [\mathcal{P}u^*]_{\alpha_L(u^*)}$. Thus $u^* \in [\mathcal{P}u^*]_{\alpha_L(u^*)} \cap [\mathcal{Q}u^*]_{\alpha_L(u^*)}$. \square

The following result is a direct consequence of above theorem by taking $L = 0$.

Corollary 2.2. *Let (\mathcal{S}, σ) be a complete metric space and $\{\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{Q}\}$ be a pair of L -fuzzy mappings from \mathcal{S} into $\mathfrak{S}_L(\mathcal{S})$ and for each $\alpha_L \in L \setminus \{0_L\}$, $[\mathcal{P}u]_{\alpha_L(u)}$, $[\mathcal{Q}v]_{\alpha_L(v)}$ are nonempty closed bounded subsets of \mathcal{S} . If there exist some $\Theta \in F$ and $k \in (0, 1)$ such that*

$$\mathcal{H}([\mathcal{P}u]_{\alpha_L(u)}, [\mathcal{Q}v]_{\alpha_L(v)}) > 0 \implies \Theta(\mathcal{H}([\mathcal{P}u]_{\alpha_L(u)}, [\mathcal{Q}v]_{\alpha_L(v)})) \leq \Theta(\sigma(u, v))^k$$

for all $u, v \in \mathcal{S}$. Then \mathcal{P} and \mathcal{Q} have a common L -fuzzy fixed point.

If we take a single L -fuzzy mapping, we get the following result.

Corollary 2.3. *Let (\mathcal{S}, σ) be a complete metric space and let \mathcal{P} be L -fuzzy mapping from \mathcal{S} into $\mathfrak{S}_L(\mathcal{S})$ and for each $\alpha_L \in L \setminus \{0_L\}$, $[\mathcal{P}u]_{\alpha_L(u)}$, $[\mathcal{P}v]_{\alpha_L(v)}$ are nonempty closed bounded subsets of \mathcal{S} . If there exist some $\Theta \in F$, $k \in (0, 1)$ and $L \geq 0$ such that*

$$\Theta(\mathcal{H}([\mathcal{P}u]_{\alpha_L(u)}, [\mathcal{P}v]_{\alpha_L(v)})) \leq \Theta(\sigma(u, v))^k + Lm(u, v)$$

where

$$m(u, v) = \min \left\{ \sigma(u, [\mathcal{P}u]_{\alpha_L(u)}), \sigma(v, [\mathcal{P}v]_{\alpha_L(v)}), \sigma(u, [\mathcal{P}v]_{\alpha_L(v)}), \sigma(v, [\mathcal{P}u]_{\alpha_L(u)}) \right\}.$$

for all $u, v \in \mathcal{S}$ with $\mathcal{H}([\mathcal{P}u]_{\alpha_L(u)}, [\mathcal{P}v]_{\alpha_L(v)}) > 0$. Then \mathcal{P} has an L -fuzzy fixed point.

Corollary 2.4. *Let (\mathcal{S}, σ) be a complete metric space and let \mathcal{P} be L -fuzzy mapping from \mathcal{S} into $\mathfrak{S}_L(\mathcal{S})$ and for each $\alpha_L \in L \setminus \{0_L\}$, $[\mathcal{P}u]_{\alpha_L(u)}$, $[\mathcal{P}v]_{\alpha_L(v)}$ are nonempty closed bounded subsets of \mathcal{S} . If there exist some $\Theta \in F$ and $k \in (0, 1)$ such that*

$$\Theta(\mathcal{H}([\mathcal{P}u]_{\alpha_L(u)}, [\mathcal{P}v]_{\alpha_L(v)})) \leq \Theta(\sigma(u, v))^k$$

for all $u, v \in \mathcal{S}$ with $\mathcal{H}([\mathcal{P}u]_{\alpha_L(u)}, [\mathcal{P}v]_{\alpha_L(v)}) > 0$. Then \mathcal{P} has an L -fuzzy fixed point.

L -fuzzy fixed point results are real generalization of fuzzy fixed point theorems. It can be shown in the following Theorem.

Theorem 2.5. *Let (\mathcal{S}, σ) be a complete metric space and let \mathcal{P}, \mathcal{Q} be fuzzy mappings from \mathcal{S} into $\mathfrak{S}(\mathcal{S})$ and for each $\alpha \in (0, 1)$, $[\mathcal{P}u]_{\alpha(u)}$, $[\mathcal{Q}v]_{\alpha(v)}$ are nonempty closed bounded subsets of \mathcal{S} . If there exist some $\Theta \in F$, $k \in (0, 1)$ and $L \geq 0$ such that*

$$\Theta(\mathcal{H}([\mathcal{P}u]_{\alpha(u)}, [\mathcal{Q}v]_{\alpha(v)})) \leq \Theta(\sigma(u, v))^k + Lm(u, v)$$

where

$$m(u, v) = \min \left\{ \sigma(u, [\mathcal{P}u]_{\alpha(u)}), \sigma(v, [\mathcal{Q}v]_{\alpha(v)}), \sigma(u, [\mathcal{Q}v]_{\alpha(v)}), \sigma(v, [\mathcal{P}u]_{\alpha(u)}) \right\}.$$

for all $u, v \in \mathcal{S}$ with $\mathcal{H}([\mathcal{P}u]_{\alpha(u)}, [\mathcal{Q}v]_{\alpha(v)}) > 0$. Then \mathcal{P} and \mathcal{Q} have a common fuzzy fixed point.

Proof . Consider an L -fuzzy mapping $\mathcal{J} : \mathcal{S} \rightarrow \mathfrak{S}_L(\mathcal{S})$ defined by

$$\mathcal{J}u = \chi_{L_{\mathcal{P}(u)}}.$$

Then for $\alpha_L \in L \setminus \{0_L\}$, we have

$$[\mathcal{J}u]_{\alpha_L(u)} = \mathcal{P}u.$$

Hence by Theorem 2.1 we follow the result. \square

Taking $L = 0$ in above result, we have following corollary.

Corollary 2.6. *Let (\mathcal{S}, σ) be a complete metric space and let \mathcal{P}, \mathcal{Q} be fuzzy mappings from \mathcal{S} into $\mathfrak{S}(\mathcal{S})$ and for each $\alpha(u) \in (0, 1]$, $[\mathcal{P}u]_{\alpha(u)}$, $[\mathcal{Q}v]_{\alpha(v)}$ are nonempty closed bounded subsets of \mathcal{S} . If there exist some $\Theta \in F$ and $k \in (0, 1)$ such that*

$$\Theta \left(\mathcal{H} \left([\mathcal{P}u]_{\alpha(u)}, [\mathcal{Q}v]_{\alpha(v)} \right) \right) \leq \Theta(\sigma(u, v))^k$$

for all $u, v \in \mathcal{S}$ with $\mathcal{H} \left([\mathcal{P}u]_{\alpha(u)}, [\mathcal{Q}v]_{\alpha(v)} \right) > 0$. Then \mathcal{P} and \mathcal{Q} have a common fuzzy fixed point.

Example 2.7. *Let $\mathcal{S} = [0, 1]$, $\sigma(u, v) = |u - v|$, whenever $u, v \in \mathcal{S}$. Then (\mathcal{S}, σ) is a complete metric space. Let $L = \{\eta, \omega, \tau, \kappa\}$ with $\eta \preceq_L \omega \preceq_L \kappa$ and $\eta \preceq_L \tau \preceq_L \kappa$, where ω and τ are not comparable, then (L, \preceq_L) is a complete distributive lattice. Define $\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{Q} : \mathcal{S} \rightarrow \mathfrak{S}_L(\mathcal{S})$ as follows:*

$$\mathcal{P}(u)(t) = \begin{cases} \kappa & \text{if } 0 \leq t \leq \frac{u}{6} \\ \omega & \text{if } \frac{u}{6} < t \leq \frac{u}{3} \\ \tau & \text{if } \frac{u}{3} < t \leq \frac{u}{2} \\ \eta & \text{if } \frac{u}{2} < t \leq 1 \end{cases},$$

$$\mathcal{Q}(u)(t) = \begin{cases} \kappa & \text{if } 0 \leq t \leq \frac{u}{12} \\ \eta & \text{if } \frac{u}{12} < t \leq \frac{u}{8} \\ \omega & \text{if } \frac{u}{8} < t \leq \frac{u}{4} \\ \tau & \text{if } \frac{u}{4} < t \leq 1 \end{cases}.$$

Let $\Theta(t) = e^{\sqrt{t}} \in F$ for $t > 0$. And for all $u \in \mathcal{S}$, there exists $\alpha_L(u) = \kappa$, such that

$$[\mathcal{P}u]_{\alpha_L(u)} = \left[0, \frac{u}{6}\right], \quad [\mathcal{Q}u]_{\alpha_L(u)} = \left[0, \frac{u}{12}\right].$$

and all conditions of Theorem 2.1 are satisfied. And 0 is a common fixed point of \mathcal{P} and \mathcal{Q} .

3. Applications to domain of words

Suppose Ω be a nonempty alphabet and Ω^∞ be the collection of all finite and infinite sequences (“words”) over Ω , where we adopt the convention that the empty sequence \emptyset is an element of Ω^∞ . Moreover, on Ω^∞ , we consider the prefix order \preceq given by:

$$u \preceq v \quad \text{if and only if } u \text{ is a prefix of } v.$$

For each nonempty $u \in \Omega^\infty$ denote by $l(u)$ the length of u . Then $l(u) \in [0, \infty]$, whenever $u \neq \emptyset$ and $l(\emptyset) = 0$. For each $u, v \in \Omega^\infty$, let $u \sqcap v$ be the common prefix of u and v . Clearly, $u = v$ if and only if $u \preceq v$ and $v \preceq u$ and $l(u) = l(v)$. Then, the the Baire metric σ_{\preceq} is defined on $\Omega^\infty \times \Omega^\infty$ by

$$\begin{cases} \sigma_{\preceq}(u, v) = 0, & \text{if } u = v \\ \sigma_{\preceq}(u, v) = 2^{-l(u \sqcap v)}, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

such that the metric space $(\Omega^\infty, \sigma_\varphi)$ is complete. Certainly, we assign to the average case time complexity analysis of the Quicksort divide-and-conquer sorting algorithm in [32].

Exactly, we deal with the following recurrence relation:

$$\mathfrak{R}(1) = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \mathfrak{R}(n) = \frac{2(n-1)}{n} + \frac{n+1}{n}\mathfrak{R}(n-1), \quad n \geq 2. \tag{3.1}$$

Consider as an alphabet Ω the set of nonnegative real numbers, i.e., $\Omega = \mathbb{R}^+$. We accomplice to \mathfrak{R} the functional $\Phi : \Omega^\infty \rightarrow \Omega^\infty$ given by

$$(\Phi(u))_1 = \mathfrak{R}(1)$$

and

$$(\Phi(u))_n = \frac{2(n-1)}{n} + \frac{n+1}{n}u_{n-1}$$

for all $n \geq 2$ (if $u \in \Omega^\infty$ has length $n < \infty$, we write $u := u_1u_2\dots u_n$, and if u is an infinite word we write $u := u_1u_2\dots$). It follows by the construction that $l(\Phi(u)) = l(u) + 1$ for all $u \in \Omega^\infty$ and $l(\Phi(u)) = +\infty$ whenever $l(u) = +\infty$. We will prove that the functional Φ has an L -fuzzy fixed point by an application of 2.4. Let $\mathcal{P} : \Omega^\infty \rightarrow \mathfrak{F}(\Omega^\infty)$ be the L -fuzzy mapping given by

$$\mathcal{P}_u = (\Phi(u))_{\alpha_L} \text{ for all } u \in \Omega^\infty \text{ and } \alpha_L \in L \setminus \{\theta_L\}.$$

and analyze the following two cases:

Case 01: If $u = v$, then we have

$$\mathcal{H}_\varphi((\Phi(u))_{\alpha_L}, (\Phi(u))_{\alpha_L}) = 0 = \sigma_\varphi(u, u).$$

Case 02: If $u \neq v$, then we write

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{H}_\varphi((\Phi(u))_{\alpha_L}, (\Phi(v))_{\alpha_L}) &= \sigma_\varphi((\Phi(u))_{\alpha_L}, (\Phi(v))_{\alpha_L}) = 2^{-l(\Phi(u))_{\alpha_L} \sqcap l(\Phi(v))_{\alpha_L}} \\ &\leq 2^{-l(\Phi(u \sqcap v))_{\alpha_L}} = 2^{-l(u \sqcap v) + 1} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} 2^{-l(u \sqcap v)} = \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)^2 \sigma_\varphi(u, v). \end{aligned}$$

It is immediate to achieve that all the assertions of the Corollary 2.4 are satisfied with $\Theta(t) = e^{\sqrt{t}}$ and $k = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$. Consequently, the L -fuzzy mapping \mathcal{P} has a L -fuzzy fixed point $u = u_1u_2\dots \in \Omega^\infty$ that is, $u \in (\mathcal{P}_u)_{\alpha_L}$. Also, in the light of the definition of \mathcal{P} , u is a fixed point of Φ , and hence, u solves the recurrence relation (3.1). We have

$$\begin{aligned} u_1 &= 0, \\ u_n &= \frac{2(n-1)}{n} + \frac{n+1}{n}u_{n-1}, \quad n \geq 2. \end{aligned}$$

4. Conclusions

We proved some common L -fuzzy fixed point results for almost Θ -contraction in the setting of complete metric spaces by using the notion of L -fuzzy mappings. We also presented an application to domain of words which shows the significance of the investigation of this paper.

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