

## COMMON FIXED POINT THEOREM FOR SIX WEAKLY-COMPATIBLE MAPPINGS IN INTUITIONISTIC FUZZY METRIC SPACE

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### ABSTRACT

*The Purpose of this paper is to obtain a common fixed point theorem for six weakly compatible mappings in intuitionistic fuzzy metric space. We extend some earlier results.*

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### INTRODUCTION

As a generalization of fuzzy sets introduced by Zadeh [11], Atanassav [2] introduced the concept of intuitionistic fuzzy sets. Recently, using the idea of intuitionistic fuzzy sets, Park [6] introduced the notion of intuitionistic fuzzy metric spaces with the help of continuous t-norms and continuous t-conorms as a generalization of fuzzy metric spaces due to George and Veeramani [3] and introduced the notion of Cauchy sequences in an intuitionistic fuzzy metric space. Turkoglu et al. [9], gave generalization of Jungck's common fixed point theorem [4] to intuitionistic fuzzy metric spaces. Recently, many authors have studied fixed point theory in intuitionistic fuzzy metric spaces (See [1], [5], [6], [9], [10]).

In this paper, we prove a common fixed point theorem for six self maps in intuitionistic fuzzy metric space under the assumption of weak compatibility of maps.

### PRELIMINARIES

**Definition 1[8]:** A binary operation  $*$ :  $[0, 1] \times [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, 1]$  is continuous t-norm if  $*$  is satisfying the following conditions:

- (i)  $*$  is commutative and associative;
- (ii)  $*$  is continuous;
- (iii)  $a * 1 = a$  for all  $a \in [0, 1]$ ;
- (iv)  $a * b \leq c * d$  whenever  $a \leq c$  and  $b \leq d$  for all  $a, b, c, d \in [0, 1]$ .

**Definition 2[8]:** A binary operation  $\diamond$ :  $[0, 1] \times [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, 1]$  is continuous t-conorm if  $\diamond$  is satisfying the following conditions:

- (i)  $\diamond$  is commutative and associative;
- (ii)  $\diamond$  is continuous;
- (iii)  $a \diamond 0 = a$  for all  $a \in [0, 1]$ ;
- (iv)  $a \diamond b \geq c \diamond d$  whenever  $a \leq c$  and  $b \leq d$  for all  $a, b, c, d \in [0, 1]$ .

**Definition 3[1]:** A 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:

- (i)  $M(x, y, t) + N(x, y, t) \leq 1$  for all  $x, y \in X$  and  $t > 0$ ;
- (ii)  $M(x, y, 0) = 0$  for all  $x, y \in X$ ;

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- (iii)  $M(x, y, t) = 1$  for all  $x, y \in X$  and  $t > 0$  if and only if  $x = y$ ;
- (iv)  $M(x, y, t) = M(y, x, t)$  for all  $x, y \in X$  and  $t > 0$ ;
- (v)  $M(x, y, t) * M(y, z, s) \leq M(x, z, t + s)$  for all  $x, y, z \in X$  and  $s, t > 0$ ;
- (vi) For all  $x, y \in X$ ,  $M(x, y, \cdot) : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, 1]$  is continuous;
- (vii)  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} M(x, y, t) = 1$  for all  $x, y \in X$  and  $t > 0$ ;
- (viii)  $N(x, y, 0) = 1$  for all  $x, y \in X$ ;
- (ix)  $N(x, y, t) = 0$  for all  $x, y \in X$  and  $t > 0$  if and only if  $x = y$ ;
- (x)  $N(x, y, t) = N(y, x, t)$  for all  $x, y \in X$  and  $t > 0$ ;
- (xi)  $N(x, y, t) \diamond N(y, z, s) \geq N(x, z, t + s)$  for all  $x, y, z \in X$  and  $s, t > 0$ ;
- (xii) For all  $x, y \in X$ ,  $N(x, y, \cdot) : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, 1]$  is continuous;
- (xiii)  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} N(x, y, t) = 0$  for all  $x, y$  in  $X$ ;

Then  $(M, N)$  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.

**Remark 1:** Every fuzzy metric space  $(X, M, *)$  is an intuitionistic fuzzy metric space of the form  $(X, M, 1-M, *, \diamond)$  such that  $t$ -norm  $*$  and  $t$ -conorm  $\diamond$  are associated as  $x \diamond y = 1 - ((1-x) * (1-y))$  for all  $x, y \in X$ .

**Example 1[6]:** Let  $(x, d)$  be a metric space, define  $t$ -norm  $a * b = \min\{a, b\}$  and  $t$ -conorm  $a \diamond b = \max\{a, b\}$  and for all  $x, y \in X$  and  $t > 0$ ,

$$M_d(x, y, t) = \frac{t}{t + d(x, y)}, N_d(x, y, t) = \frac{d(x, y)}{t + d(x, y)}$$

Then  $(X, M, N, *, \diamond)$  is an intuitionistic fuzzy metric space. We call this intuitionistic fuzzy metric  $(M, N)$  induced by the metric  $d$  the standard intuitionistic fuzzy metric.

**Definition 4[1]:** Let  $(X, M, N, *, \diamond)$  be an intuitionistic fuzzy metric space. Then

- (a) a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $X$  is said to be Cauchy sequence if, for all  $t > 0$  and  $p > 0$ ,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} M(x_{n+p}, x_n, t) = 1, \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} N(x_{n+p}, x_n, t) = 0.$$

- (b) a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $X$  is said to be convergent to a point  $x \in X$  if, for all  $t > 0$ ,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} M(x_n, x, t) = 1, \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} N(x_n, x, t) = 0.$$

Since  $*$  and  $\diamond$  are continuous, the limit is uniquely determined from (v) and (xi) of definition (3), respectively.

**Definition 5[1]:** An intuitionistic fuzzy metric space  $(X, M, N, *, \diamond)$  is said to be Complete if and only if every Cauchy sequence in  $X$  is convergent.

**Definition 6[7]:** Let  $A$  and  $B$  be mappings from an intuitionistic fuzzy metric space  $(X, M, N, *, \diamond)$  into itself. The maps  $A$  and  $B$  are said to be compatible if, for all  $t > 0$ ,

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

whenever  $\{x_n\}$  is a sequence in  $X$  such that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Ax_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Bx_n = x$  for some  $x \in X$ .

**Definition 7[7]:** Let  $A$  and  $B$  be mappings from an intuitionistic fuzzy metric space  $(X, M, N, *, \diamond)$  into itself. The maps  $A$  and  $B$  are said to be semi-compatible if and only if

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} M(ABx_n, Bx, t) = 1 \text{ and } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} N(ABx_n, Bx, t) = 0 \text{ for all } t > 0,$$

whenever  $\{x_n\} \in X$  such that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Ax_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Bx_n = x$ , for all  $x \in X$ .

**Definition 8:** Two self maps  $A$  and  $B$  in a intuitionistic fuzzy metric space  $(X, M, N, *, \diamond)$  is said to be weak compatible if they commute at their coincidence points.

**Lemma 1[1]:** In intuitionistic fuzzy metric space  $X$ ,  $M(x, y, \cdot)$  is non-decreasing and  $N(x, y, \cdot)$  is non-increasing for all  $x, y \in X$ .

**Lemma 2[7]:** Let  $(X, M, N, *, \diamond)$  be an intuitionistic fuzzy metric space. If there exists  $k \in (0, 1)$  such that

$$M(x, y, kt) \geq M(x, y, t) \text{ and } N(x, y, kt) \leq N(x, y, t) \text{ for } x, y \in X. \text{ then } x = y.$$

**Theorem:** Let  $A, B, S, T, P$  and  $Q$  are self maps on a complete intuitionistic fuzzy metric space  $(X, M, N, *, \diamond)$  with  $t$ -norm  $*$  and  $t$ -conorm  $\diamond$  defined by  $a*b = \min\{a, b\}$  and  $a\diamond b = \max\{a, b\}$  for all  $a, b \in [0, 1]$ . Satisfying:

- (i)  $P(X) \subseteq ST(X), Q(X) \subseteq AB(X)$
- (ii)  $AB=BA, ST=TS, PB=BP, QT=TQ$
- (iii) Either  $AB$  or  $P$  is continuous;
- (iv)  $(P, AB)$  is compatible and  $(Q, ST)$  is weakly compatible;
- (v) There exists  $k \in (0, 1)$  such that

$$M(Px, Qy, kt) \geq \text{Min}\{M(ABx, Px, t), M(STy, Qy, t), M(STy, Px, \beta t), M(ABx, Qy, (2-\beta)t), M(ABx, STy, t)\}$$

$$\text{and } N(Px, Qy, kt) \leq \text{Max}\{N(ABx, Px, t), N(STy, Qy, t), N(STy, Px, \beta t), N(ABx, Qy, (2-\beta)t), N(ABx, STy, t)\}$$

For all  $x, y \in X, \beta \in (0, 2)$  and  $x, y > 0$

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

**Proof:** Let  $x_0 \in X$ , from condition (1) there exists  $x_1, x_2 \in X$  such that  $Px_0 = STx_1 = y_0$  and  $Qx_1 = ABx_2 = y_1$ . Inductively we can construct sequences  $\{x_n\}$  and  $\{y_n\}$  in  $X$  such that

$$Px_{2n} = STx_{2n+1} = y_{2n} \text{ and } Qx_{2n+1} = ABx_{2n+2} = y_{2n+1} \text{ for all } n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

**Step 1:** Putting  $x = x_{2n}, y = x_{2n+1}$  for all  $x, y > 0$  and  $\beta = 1 - q$  with  $q \in (0, 1)$  in (5) we get,

$$M(Px_{2n}, Qx_{2n+1}, kt) \geq \text{Min}\{M(ABx_{2n}, Px_{2n}, t), M(STx_{2n+1}, Qx_{2n+1}, t), M(STx_{2n+1}, Px_{2n}, \beta t), M(ABx_{2n}, Qx_{2n+1}, (2-\beta)t), M(ABx_{2n}, STx_{2n+1}, t)\}$$

$$M(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}, kt) \geq \text{Min}\{M(y_{2n-1}, y_{2n}, t), M(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}, t), 1, M(y_{2n-1}, y_{2n+1}, (1+q)t), M(y_{2n-1}, y_{2n}, t)\}$$

$$\geq \text{Min}\{M(y_{2n-1}, y_{2n}, t), M(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}, t), M(y_{2n-1}, y_{2n}, t), M(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}, t)\}$$

$$\geq \text{Min}\{M(y_{2n-1}, y_{2n}, t), M(y_{2n-1}, y_{2n}, t), M(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}, t), M(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}, t)\}$$

$$\text{and } N(Px_{2n}, Qx_{2n+1}, kt) \leq \text{Max}\{N(ABx_{2n}, Px_{2n}, t), N(STx_{2n+1}, Qx_{2n+1}, t), N(STx_{2n+1}, Px_{2n}, \beta t), N(ABx_{2n}, Qx_{2n+1}, (2-\beta)t), N(ABx_{2n}, STx_{2n+1}, t)\}$$

$$N(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}, kt) \leq \text{Max}\{N(y_{2n-1}, y_{2n}, t), N(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}, t), 0, N(y_{2n-1}, y_{2n+1}, (1+q)t), N(y_{2n-1}, y_{2n}, t)\}$$

$$\leq \text{Max}\{N(y_{2n-1}, y_{2n}, t), N(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}, t), N(y_{2n-1}, y_{2n}, t), N(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}, t)\}$$

$$\leq \text{Max}\{N(y_{2n-1}, y_{2n}, t), N(y_{2n-1}, y_{2n}, t), N(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}, t), N(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}, t)\}$$

As  $t$ -norm and  $t$ -conorm are continuous, letting  $q \rightarrow 1$ , we get,

$$M(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}, kt) \geq \text{Min}\{M(y_{2n-1}, y_{2n}, t), M(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}, t), M(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}, t)\}$$

$$\geq \text{Min}\{M(y_{2n-1}, y_{2n}, t), M(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}, t)\}$$

$$\text{and } N(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}, kt) \leq \text{Max}\{N(y_{2n-1}, y_{2n}, t), N(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}, t), N(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}, t)\}$$

$$\leq \text{Max}\{N(y_{2n-1}, y_{2n}, t), N(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}, t)\}$$

$$\text{Hence, } M(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}, kt) \geq \text{Min}\{M(y_{2n-1}, y_{2n}, t), M(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}, t)\}$$

$$\text{and } N(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}, kt) \leq \text{Max}\{N(y_{2n-1}, y_{2n}, t), N(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}, t)\}$$

$$\text{Similarly, } M(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n+2}, kt) \geq \text{Min}\{M(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}, t), M(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n+2}, t)\}$$

$$\text{and } N(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n+2}, kt) \leq \text{Max}\{N(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}, t), N(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n+2}, t)\}$$

Therefore, for all  $n$  even or odd we have,

$$M(y_n, y_{n+1}, kt) \geq \text{Min}\{M(y_{n-1}, y_n, t), M(y_n, y_{n+1}, t)\} \text{ and } N(y_n, y_{n+1}, kt) \leq \text{Max}\{N(y_{n-1}, y_n, t), N(y_n, y_{n+1}, t)\}$$

Consequently,  $M(y_n, y_{n+1}, t) \geq \text{Min}\{M(y_{n-1}, y_n, k^{-1}t), M(y_n, y_{n+1}, k^{-1}t)\}$

and  $N(y_n, y_{n+1}, t) \leq \text{Max}\{N(y_{n-1}, y_n, k^{-1}t), N(y_n, y_{n+1}, k^{-1}t)\}$

by repeated application of inequality, we get,

$$M(y_n, y_{n+1}, t) \geq \text{Min}\{M(y_{n-1}, y_n, k^{-1}t), M(y_n, y_{n+1}, k^{-m}t)\}$$

$$\text{and } N(y_n, y_{n+1}, t) \leq \text{Max}\{N(y_{n-1}, y_n, k^{-1}t), N(y_n, y_{n+1}, k^{-m}t)\}$$

Since  $M(y_n, y_{n+1}, k^{-m}t) \rightarrow 1$  and  $N(y_n, y_{n+1}, k^{-m}t) \rightarrow 0$  as  $m \rightarrow \infty$ , it follows that

$M(y_n, y_{n+1}, kt) \geq M(y_{n-1}, y_n, t)$  and  $N(y_n, y_{n+1}, kt) \leq N(y_{n-1}, y_n, t)$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $x, y \in X$ .

Therefore by lemma (2),  $\{y_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence in  $X$ . which is complete. Hence  $\{y_n\} \rightarrow z \in X$ . Also its subsequences converge as follows.

$$\{Qx_{2n+1}\} \rightarrow z \text{ and } \{STx_{2n+1}\} \rightarrow z \quad (3.1)$$

$$\{Px_{2n}\} \rightarrow z \text{ and } \{ABx_{2n+1}\} \rightarrow z \quad (3.2)$$

**Case I:**  $AB$  is continuous. As  $AB$  is continuous,  $(AB)^2x_{2n} \rightarrow ABz$  and  $(AB)Px_{2n} \rightarrow ABz$ . As  $(P, AB)$  is compatible, we have  $P(AB)x_{2n}$

**Step 2:** Putting  $x = ABx_{2n}$ ,  $y = x_{2n+1}$  with  $\beta = 1$  in condition (5), we get

$$M(PABx_{2n}, Qx_{2n+1}, kt) \geq \text{Min}\{M(ABAx_{2n}, PABx_{2n}, t), M(STx_{2n+1}, Qx_{2n+1}, t), \\ M(STx_{2n+1}, PABx_{2n}, t), M(ABABx_{2n}, Qx_{2n+1}, t), M(ABABx_{2n}, STx_{2n+1}, t)\}$$

$$\text{and } N(PABx_{2n}, Qx_{2n+1}, kt) \leq \text{Max}\{N(ABAx_{2n}, PABx_{2n}, t), N(STx_{2n+1}, Qx_{2n+1}, t), N(STx_{2n+1}, PABx_{2n}, t), \\ N(ABABx_{2n}, Qx_{2n+1}, t), N(ABABx_{2n}, STx_{2n+1}, t)\}$$

Letting  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , we get,

$$M(ABz, z, kt) \geq \text{Min}\{M(ABz, ABz, t), M(z, z, t), M(z, ABz, t), M(ABz, z, t), M(ABz, z, t)\}$$

$$\text{and } N(ABz, z, kt) \leq \text{Max}\{N(ABz, ABz, t), N(z, z, t), N(z, ABz, t), N(ABz, z, t), N(ABz, z, t)\}$$

$$\text{i.e. } M(ABz, z, kt) \geq M(ABz, z, t) \text{ and } N(ABz, z, kt) \leq N(ABz, z, t)$$

Therefore by lemma (2), we get  $ABz = z$ . (3.3)

**Step 3:** Putting  $x = z$ ,  $y = x_{2n+1}$  with  $\beta = 1$  in condition (5), we get,

$$M(Pz, Qx_{2n+1}, kt) \geq \text{Min}\{M(ABz, Pz, t), M(STx_{2n+1}, Qx_{2n+1}, t), M(STx_{2n+1}, Pz, t), M(ABz, Qx_{2n+1}, t), \\ M(ABz, STx_{2n+1}, t)\}$$

$$\text{and } N(Pz, Qx_{2n+1}, kt) \leq \text{Max}\{N(ABz, Pz, t), N(STx_{2n+1}, Qx_{2n+1}, t), N(STx_{2n+1}, Pz, t), N(ABz, Qx_{2n+1}, t), \\ N(ABz, STx_{2n+1}, t)\}$$

Letting  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , we get

$$M(Pz, z, kt) \geq \text{Min}\{M(z, Pz, t), M(z, z, t), M(z, Pz, t), M(Pz, z, t), M(Pz, z, t)\}$$

$$\text{and } N(Pz, z, kt) \leq \text{Max}\{N(z, Pz, t), N(z, z, t), N(z, Pz, t), N(Pz, z, t), N(Pz, z, t)\}$$

$$\text{i.e. } M(Pz, z, kt) \geq M(Pz, z, t) \text{ and } N(Pz, z, kt) \leq N(Pz, z, t)$$

Which gives  $Pz = z$ . Therefore  $ABz = Pz = z$ .

**Step 4:** Putting  $x = Bz$ ,  $y = x_{2n+1}$  with  $\beta = 1$  in condition (5), we get,

$$M(PBz, Qx_{2n+1}, kt) \geq \text{Min}\{M(ABBz, PBz, t), M(STx_{2n+1}, Qx_{2n+1}, t), M(STx_{2n+1}, PBz, t), M(ABBz, Qx_{2n+1}, t)\}$$

$$\text{and } N(PBz, Qx_{2n+1}, kt) \leq \text{Max}\{N(ABBz, PBz, t), N(STx_{2n+1}, Qx_{2n+1}, t), N(STx_{2n+1}, PBz, t), N(ABBz, Qx_{2n+1}, t)\}$$

As  $BP = PB$ ,  $AB = BA$  so we have  $P(Bz) = B(Pz) = Bz$  and  $AB(Bz) = B(ABz) = Bz$ .

Letting  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , we get,  $M(Bz, z, kt) \geq \text{Min}\{M(Bz, z, t), M(z, z, t), M(z, Bz, t), M(Bz, z, t), M(Bz, z, t)\}$

$$\text{and } N(Bz, z, kt) \leq \text{Max}\{N(Bz, z, t), N(z, z, t), N(z, Bz, t), N(Bz, z, t), N(Bz, z, t)\}$$

i.e.  $M(Bz, z, kt) \geq M(Bz, z, t)$  and  $N(Bz, z, kt) \leq N(Bz, z, t)$

which gives  $Bz = z$  and  $ABz = z$  implies  $Az = z$ . Therefore  $Az = Bz = Pz = z$ . (3.4)

**Step 5:**  $P(X) \subseteq ST(X)$ , there exists  $v \in X$  such that  $z = Pz = STv$ . Putting  $x = x_{2n}$ ,  $y = v$  with  $\beta = 1$  in condition (5), we get,

$$M(Px_{2n}, Qv, kt) \geq \text{Min}\{M(ABx_{2n}, Px_{2n}, t), M(STv, Qv, t), M(STv, Px_{2n}, t), M(ABx_{2n}, Qv, t), M(ABx_{2n}, STv, t)\}$$

$$\text{and } N(Px_{2n}, Qv, kt) \leq \text{Max}\{N(ABx_{2n}, Px_{2n}, t), N(STv, Qv, t), N(STv, Px_{2n}, t), N(ABx_{2n}, Qv, t), N(ABx_{2n}, STv, t)\}$$

Letting  $n \rightarrow \infty$  and using eq<sup>n</sup>. (3.2), we get,

$$M(z, Qz, kt) \geq \text{Min}\{M(z, z, t), M(z, Qv, t), M(z, z, t), M(z, Qz, t), M(z, z, t)\}$$

$$\text{and } N(z, Qz, kt) \leq \text{Max}\{N(z, z, t), N(z, Qv, t), N(z, z, t), N(z, Qz, t), N(z, z, t)\}$$

i.e.  $M(z, Qz, kt) \geq M(z, Qz, t)$  and  $N(z, Qz, kt) \leq N(z, Qz, t)$ .

Therefore by lemma (2),  $Qv = z$ . Hence  $STv = Qv$ .

As  $(Q, ST)$  is weakly compatible, we have  $STQv = QSTv$ . Thus  $STz = Qz$ .

**Step 6:** Putting  $x = x_{2n}$ ,  $y = z$  with  $\beta = 1$  in condition (5), we get,

$$M(Px_{2n}, Qz, kt) \geq \text{Min}\{M(ABx_{2n}, Px_{2n}, t), M(STz, Qz, t), M(STz, Px_{2n}, t), M(ABx_{2n}, Qz, t), M(ABx_{2n}, STz, t)\}$$

$$\text{and } N(Px_{2n}, Qz, kt) \leq \text{Max}\{N(ABx_{2n}, Px_{2n}, t), N(STz, Qz, t), N(STz, Px_{2n}, t), N(ABx_{2n}, Qz, t), N(ABx_{2n}, STz, t)\}$$

Letting  $n \rightarrow \infty$  and using eq<sup>n</sup>. (3.1) and Step (5), we get,

$$M(z, Qz, kt) \geq \text{Min}\{M(z, z, t), M(Qz, Qz, t), M(Qz, z, t), M(z, Qz, t), M(z, Qz, t)\}$$

$$\text{and } N(z, Qz, kt) \leq \text{Max}\{N(z, z, t), N(Qz, Qz, t), N(Qz, z, t), N(z, Qz, t), N(z, Qz, t)\}.$$

i.e.  $M(z, Qz, kt) \geq M(z, Qz, t)$  and  $N(z, Qz, kt) \leq N(z, Qz, t)$

Hence  $z = Qz$ .

**Step 7:** Putting  $x = x_{2n}$ ,  $y = z$  with  $\beta = 1$  in condition (5), we get,

$$M(Px_{2n}, QTz, kt) \geq \text{Min}\{M(ABx_{2n}, Px_{2n}, t), M(STTz, QTz, t), M(STTz, Px_{2n}, t), M(ABx_{2n}, QTz, t), M(ABx_{2n}, STTz, t)\}$$

$$\text{and } N(Px_{2n}, QTz, kt) \leq \text{Max}\{N(ABx_{2n}, Px_{2n}, t), N(STTz, QTz, t), N(STTz, Px_{2n}, t), N(ABx_{2n}, QTz, t), N(ABx_{2n}, STTz, t)\}$$

As  $QT = TQ$  and  $ST = TS$  we have  $QTz = TQz = Tz$  and  $ST(Tz) = T(STz) = Tz$ .

Letting  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , we get,

$$M(z, Tz, kt) \geq \text{Min}\{M(z, z, t), M(Tz, Tz, t), M(Tz, z, t), M(z, Tz, t), M(z, Tz, t)\}$$

$$\text{and } N(z, Tz, kt) \leq \text{Max}\{N(z, z, t), N(Tz, Tz, t), N(Tz, z, t), N(z, Tz, t), N(z, Tz, t)\}$$

i.e.  $M(z, Tz, kt) \geq M(z, Tz, t)$  and  $N(z, Tz, kt) \leq N(z, Tz, t)$ . Therefore by lemma (2),  $Tz = z$ .

Now  $STz = Tz = z$  implies  $Sz = z$ . Hence  $Sz = Tz = Qz = z$ . (3.5)

Combining (3.4) and (3.5), we get,  $Az = Bz = Pz = Qz = Tz = Sz = z$ .

Hence, the six self maps have a common fixed point in this case also.

**Case II:** P is continuous. As P is continuous,  $P^2x_{2n} \rightarrow Pz$  and  $P(ABx_{2n}) \rightarrow Pz$ . As (P, AB) is compatible, we have

$$(AB)Px_{2n} \rightarrow Pz.$$

**Step 8:** Putting  $x = Px_{2n}$ ,  $y = x_{2n+1}$  with  $\beta = 1$  in condition (5), we get,

$$M(Px_{2n}, Qx_{2n+1}, kt) \geq \min\{M(ABPx_{2n}, PPx_{2n}, t), M(STx_{2n+1}, Qx_{2n+1}, t), M(STx_{2n+1}, PPx_{2n}, t), \\ M(ABPx_{2n}, Qx_{2n+1}, t), M(ABPx_{2n}, STx_{2n+1}, t)\}$$

$$\text{and } N(Px_{2n}, Qx_{2n+1}, kt) \leq \max\{N(ABPx_{2n}, PPx_{2n}, t), N(STx_{2n+1}, Qx_{2n+1}, t), N(STx_{2n+1}, PPx_{2n}, t), \\ N(ABPx_{2n}, Qx_{2n+1}, t), N(ABPx_{2n}, STx_{2n+1}, t)\}.$$

Letting  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , we get,

$$M(Pz, z, kt) \geq \min\{M(Pz, z, t), M(z, z, t), M(z, Pz, t), M(Pz, z, t), M(Pz, z, t)\}$$

$$\text{and } N(Pz, z, kt) \leq \max\{N(Pz, z, t), N(z, z, t), N(z, Pz, t), N(Pz, z, t), N(Pz, z, t)\}$$

i.e.  $M(Pz, z, kt) \geq M(Pz, z, t)$  and  $N(Pz, z, kt) \leq N(Pz, z, t)$ .

which gives  $Pz = z$ . now using Step (5) and (7) gives us  $Qz = STz = Sz = Tz = z$ .

**Step 9:** As  $Q(X) \subseteq AB(X)$  there exists  $w \in X$  such that  $z = Qz = ABw$ . Putting  $x = w$ ,  $y = x_{2n+1}$  with  $\beta = 1$  in condition (5), we get,

$$M(Pw, Qx_{2n+1}, kt) \geq \min\{M(ABw, Pw, t), M(STx_{2n+1}, Qx_{2n+1}, t), M(STx_{2n+1}, Pw, t), M(ABw, Qx_{2n+1}, t), M(ABw, STx_{2n+1}, t)\}$$

$$\text{and } N(Pw, Qx_{2n+1}, kt) \leq \max\{N(ABw, Pw, t), N(STx_{2n+1}, Qx_{2n+1}, t), N(STx_{2n+1}, Pw, t), N(ABw, Qx_{2n+1}, t), \\ N(ABw, STx_{2n+1}, t)\}$$

Letting  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , we get,

$$M(Pw, z, kt) \geq \min\{M(z, Pw, t), M(z, z, t), M(z, Pw, t), M(z, z, t), M(z, z, t)\}$$

$$\text{and } N(Pw, z, kt) \leq \max\{N(z, Pw, t), N(z, z, t), N(z, Pw, t), N(z, z, t), N(z, z, t)\}$$

i.e.  $M(Pw, z, kt) \geq M(Pw, z, t)$  and  $N(Pw, z, kt) \leq N(Pw, z, t)$

which gives  $Pw = z = ABw$ . As (P, AB) is weakly compatible.

We have  $Pz = ABz$ . Also  $Bz = z$  follows from Step 4.

Thus,  $Az = Bz = Pz = z$  and we obtain that  $z$  is the common fixed point of the six self maps in this case also.

**Step 10:** (Uniqueness) let  $u$  be another common fixed point of A, B, P, Q, S and T.

Then  $Au = Bu = Pu = Tu = Qu = Su = u$ . Putting  $x = z$ ,  $y = u$  with  $\beta = 1$  in condition (5), we get,

$$M(Pz, Qu, kt) \geq \min\{M(ABz, Pz, t), M(STu, Pu, t), M(STu, Au, t), M(ABz, Qu, t), M(ABz, STu, t)\}$$

$$\text{and } N(Pz, Qu, kt) \leq \max\{N(ABz, Pz, t), N(STu, Pu, t), N(STu, Au, t), N(ABz, Qu, t), N(ABz, STu, t)\}$$

i.e.  $M(z, u, kt) \geq M(z, u, t)$  and  $N(z, u, kt) \leq N(z, u, t)$

which gives  $z = u$ . Therefore  $z$  is a unique common fixed point of A, B, P, Q, S and T.

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