

# Existence of Unique Fixed-Point Results in Fuzzy Metric Spaces and Its Utilization



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## Abstract:

The study of fixed-point theorems within fuzzy metric spaces is pivotal due to its extensive applications across various scientific and engineering disciplines. This paper investigates the existence and uniqueness of fixed-point results in fuzzy metric spaces, addressing a significant gap in current mathematical literature. We present several new theorems that establish conditions under which fixed points exist and are unique, thereby extending and generalizing existing results. Utilizing rigorous mathematical analysis and advanced techniques in fuzzy mathematics, we provide comprehensive proofs to support our findings. The significance of these results lies in their potential applications, which span areas such as systems engineering, computer algorithms, and economic modeling. By demonstrating how these theorems can be applied in practical scenarios, we highlight their utility in solving real-world problems, thereby underscoring the broader impact of our work.

**Keywords:** Fuzzy metric spaces, fixed-point theory, unique fixed-point results, utilization, fuzzy mathematics.

## 1. Introduction:

### 1.1 Background:

Fuzzy metric spaces are a generalization of traditional metric spaces, incorporating the concept of fuzziness to handle uncertainty and imprecision, which are inherent in many real-world phenomena. Introduced by Kramosil and Michalek in the 1970s, fuzzy metric spaces extend the classical notion of distance by defining a metric that assigns a fuzzy number to each pair of points, rather than a single real number. This framework allows for more flexible modeling of complex systems where interactions and distances cannot be precisely quantified.

Fixed-point theory, a cornerstone of mathematical analysis and topology, revolves around the principle that under certain conditions, a function will map at least one point within its domain to itself. In other words, for a function  $f$ , there exists a point  $x$  such that  $f(x)=x$ . Fixed-point theorems have profound implications and applications across various fields, including economics, computer science, engineering, and biology, facilitating the analysis and solution of equations and systems of equations that arise in these domains.

The intersection of fuzzy metric spaces and fixed-point theory forms a rich area of research, offering powerful tools for addressing problems characterized by uncertainty and complexity. This paper aims to contribute to this field by exploring the conditions under which unique fixed points exist in fuzzy metric spaces, thereby enhancing our understanding and expanding the applicability of these mathematical constructs.

### 1.2 Problem Statement:

Despite the extensive development of fixed-point theory in classical metric spaces, the exploration of

fixed-point results in fuzzy metric spaces remains relatively nascent. Traditional fixed-point theorems often fail to account for the inherent uncertainties and imprecisions present in many practical problems. Consequently, there is a pressing need to extend these foundational theorems into the realm of fuzzy metric spaces, where the added complexity of fuzziness can be rigorously addressed.

The core research problem of this paper is to establish the existence and uniqueness of fixed points in fuzzy metric spaces. Specifically, we seek to identify the conditions under which a function operating within a fuzzy metric space will map a point to itself uniquely. This problem is critical for several reasons:

i. **Enhanced Modeling Capabilities:** Many real-world systems, such as those found in engineering, computer science, and economics, exhibit behaviors that cannot be precisely captured by traditional metrics. By developing fixed-point theorems within fuzzy metric spaces, we can better model and analyze these systems.

ii. **Broad Applicability:** Fixed-point results are foundational tools used in a variety of applications, including solving differential equations, optimization problems, and game theory scenarios. Extending these results to fuzzy metric spaces opens new avenues for application in areas where uncertainty and imprecision are significant factors.

iii. **Theoretical Advancement:** Addressing this problem contributes to the theoretical advancement of fuzzy mathematics, enriching the field with new insights and methodologies that can be applied to other areas of mathematical research. By tackling this research problem, this paper aims to bridge the gap between classical fixed-point theory and the needs of modern, complex systems,

thereby providing a more robust framework for both theoretical exploration and practical application.

### 1.3 Literature Review:

The study of fixed-point theorems in fuzzy metric spaces has garnered increasing attention over the past few decades, as researchers seek to generalize classical results to accommodate the fuzziness inherent in many real-world systems. The seminal work by Kramosil and Michalek laid the foundation for fuzzy metric spaces, introducing a framework that extended classical metric concepts to handle uncertainty and imprecision.

Following this foundational work, several researchers have contributed to the development of fixed-point theory within fuzzy metric spaces. Notably, Grabiec (1988) extended Banach's fixed-point theorem to fuzzy metric spaces, demonstrating that under certain contractive conditions, fixed points exist similarly to their classical counterparts. This extension provided a crucial link between classical and fuzzy metric fixed-point results, paving the way for further exploration.

Subsequent studies have focused on refining these initial results and exploring new types of contractive conditions. For example, Vasuki (2003) and others examined fixed-point theorems for multi-valued mappings in fuzzy metric spaces, highlighting the applicability of fuzzy metric concepts in broader contexts. Moreover, the introduction of new types of fuzzy contractive mappings by Mihet (2004) and others has expanded the scope of fixed-point theorems, allowing for more general and flexible conditions under which fixed points can be established.

Researchers have also explored the uniqueness of fixed points in fuzzy metric spaces, with significant contributions from Popa and colleagues. Their work has provided essential insights into the conditions necessary for ensuring that fixed points are unique, which is critical for applications requiring precise and unambiguous solutions.

Despite these advancements, several gaps and open questions remain. Many existing results are limited to specific types of fuzzy contractive conditions, and there is a need for more general theorems that can accommodate a wider range of functions and mappings. Additionally, the practical applications of these theoretical results are often underexplored, highlighting the need for studies that bridge the gap between theory and real-world applications.

This paper aims to address these gaps by presenting new fixed-point theorems in fuzzy metric spaces, focusing on both the existence and uniqueness of fixed points. By building on the existing literature and introducing more general conditions, we aim to provide a more comprehensive understanding of fixed-point results in fuzzy metric spaces and

demonstrate their practical utility across various domains.

### 1.4 Objectives:

The primary objective of this paper is to advance the understanding of fixed-point theorems within fuzzy metric spaces by establishing new results that address both the existence and uniqueness of fixed points under generalized conditions. Specifically, this paper aims to:

- i. **Develop New Fixed-Point Theorems:** Formulate and prove new fixed-point theorems for functions operating in fuzzy metric spaces. These theorems will extend existing results by introducing more generalized and flexible conditions under which fixed points exist.
- ii. **Ensure Uniqueness of Fixed Points:** Identify conditions that guarantee the uniqueness of fixed points in fuzzy metric spaces. Ensuring uniqueness is crucial for applications that require precise and unambiguous solutions.
- iii. **Provide Rigorous Mathematical Proofs:** Present comprehensive and rigorous mathematical proofs to support the new theorems, ensuring that the results are robust and reliable.
- iv. **Illustrate Practical Applications:** Demonstrate the practical applications of the new fixed-point theorems in various fields such as engineering, computer science, and economics. By providing specific examples and case studies, we aim to show how these theoretical results can be utilized to solve real-world problems characterized by uncertainty and imprecision.
- v. **Compare with Existing Literature:** Conduct a comparative analysis with existing fixed-point results in fuzzy metric spaces, highlighting the advantages and improvements offered by the new theorems.
- vi. **Identify Future Research Directions:** Suggest potential areas for future research based on the findings of this paper. This includes identifying open problems and possible extensions of the current work that could further advance the field of fuzzy mathematics.

By achieving these objectives, this paper seeks to make a significant contribution to the field of fuzzy metric spaces and fixed-point theory, providing a robust framework for both theoretical exploration and practical application.

### 1.5 Contributions:

This paper makes several unique contributions to the field of fixed-point theory in fuzzy metric spaces, advancing both theoretical understanding and practical applicability. The key contributions of this paper are as follows:

- i. **Generalized Fixed-Point Theorems:** We develop new fixed-point theorems that extend the classical results by introducing more generalized and

flexible conditions. These theorems encompass a broader range of functions and mappings, thereby enhancing the applicability of fixed-point theory in fuzzy metric spaces.

- ii. **Uniqueness Conditions:** We establish new conditions that ensure the uniqueness of fixed points in fuzzy metric spaces. These conditions are critical for applications requiring precise and unambiguous solutions, addressing a significant gap in the existing literature.
- iii. **Rigorous Mathematical Proofs:** The paper provides comprehensive and rigorous mathematical proofs for the proposed theorems, ensuring that the results are robust and reliable. These proofs contribute to the theoretical foundation of fixed-point theory in fuzzy metric spaces.
- iv. **Practical Illustrations:** We demonstrate the practical utility of the new fixed-point theorems through specific examples and case studies in various fields such as engineering, computer science, and economics. These illustrations highlight how the theoretical results can be applied to solve real-world problems characterized by uncertainty and imprecision.
- v. **Comparative Analysis:** The paper includes a detailed comparative analysis with existing fixed-point results in fuzzy metric spaces. This analysis highlights the improvements and advantages offered by the new theorems, providing a clear understanding of their significance and impact.
- vi. **Future Research Directions:** We identify potential areas for future research based on the findings of this paper. By outlining open problems and possible extensions of the current work, we provide a roadmap for further advancements in the field of fuzzy mathematics.

By making these contributions, this paper not only enhances the theoretical framework of fixed-point theory in fuzzy metric spaces but also demonstrates its practical relevance and applicability. These unique contributions aim to bridge the gap between theoretical exploration and practical implementation, providing valuable insights for both researchers and practitioners.

## 2. Preliminaries:

### 2.1 Definitions:

To provide a clear understanding of the fixed-point results discussed in this paper, we begin by defining several key concepts essential to our study: fuzzy sets, fuzzy metric spaces, and fixed points.

#### Fuzzy Sets

Fuzzy sets, introduced by Lotfi A. Zadeh in 1965, extend the classical notion of sets by allowing elements to have degrees of membership. Unlike a classical set where an element either belongs or does not belong to the set, a fuzzy set assigns a

membership value between 0 and 1 to each element, indicating the degree to which the element belongs to the set.

**Definition 2.1.1:** A fuzzy set  $A$  in a universe of discourse  $X$  is characterized by a membership function  $\mu_A: X \rightarrow [0,1]$ . For each element  $x \in X$ ,  $\mu_A(x)$  represents the degree of membership of  $x$  in the fuzzy set  $A$ .

#### Fuzzy Metric Spaces

Fuzzy metric spaces generalize classical metric spaces by incorporating fuzzy sets to handle uncertainty in measuring distances between points.

**Definition 2.1.2:** A fuzzy metric space is a triplet  $(X, M, *)$ , where  $X$  is a non-empty set,  $M: X \times X \times [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0,1]$  is a fuzzy set (called a fuzzy metric) satisfying the following conditions for all  $x, y, z \in X$  and  $t, s \geq 0$ :

1.  $M(x, y, 0) = 0$  if and only if  $x = y$ ,
  2.  $M(x, y, t) = M(y, x, t)$ ,
  3.  $M(x, y, t) * M(y, z, s) \leq M(x, z, t + s)$ ,
  4.  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} M(x, y, t) = 1$  for all  $x, y \in X$ ,
- where  $*$  is a continuous t-norm, a type of binary operation used in fuzzy logic.

#### Fixed Points

In the context of fuzzy metric spaces, a fixed point is a point that is mapped to itself by a given function. The concept of fixed points is crucial in various mathematical and applied disciplines.

**Definition 2.1.3:** Let  $(X, M, *)$  be a fuzzy metric space and  $f: X \rightarrow X$  be a function. A point  $x \in X$  is called a fixed point of  $f$  if  $f(x) = x$ .

By establishing these definitions, we lay the foundation for exploring the existence and uniqueness of fixed points within fuzzy metric spaces. These concepts are pivotal in understanding the results and applications presented in this paper.

## 2.2 Previous Results: Summarize Relevant Existing Fixed-Point Theorems

To contextualize the new fixed-point theorems presented in this paper, it is essential to review the relevant existing fixed-point results in fuzzy metric spaces. The following summarizes key theorems and contributions that have shaped the development of this field.

### Banach's Fixed-Point Theorem in Fuzzy Metric Spaces

One of the foundational results in classical fixed-point theory is Banach's Fixed-Point Theorem. This theorem has been extended to fuzzy metric spaces by several researchers, providing a cornerstone for further exploration.

**Theorem 2.2.1 (Grabiec, 1988):** Let  $(X, M, *)$  be a complete fuzzy metric space and  $f: X \rightarrow X$  be a contraction mapping, i.e., there exists a constant  $c \in [0,1)$  such that for all  $x, y \in X$  and  $t >$

$0, M(f(x), f(y), t) \geq M(x, y, ct)$ . Then  $f$  has a unique fixed point.

This theorem extends the classical Banach's Fixed-Point Theorem by accommodating the fuzziness in the metric, ensuring that under contraction conditions, a unique fixed point exists.

### Fixed-Point Theorems for Multi-Valued Mappings

Research has also explored fixed-point results for multi-valued mappings in fuzzy metric spaces, broadening the applicability of these theorems.

**Theorem 2.2.2 (Vasuki, 2003):** Let  $(X, M, *)$  be a complete fuzzy metric space and  $F: X \rightarrow 2^X$  be a multi-valued mapping with a closed graph such that for all  $x, y \in X$  and  $t > 0$ ,  $\sup\{M(u, v, t): u \in F(x), v \in F(y)\} \geq M(x, y, ct)$  where  $c \in [0, 1]$ . Then  $F$  has a fixed point.

This theorem demonstrates the existence of fixed points for multi-valued mappings, which are crucial in various applications where functions may map to sets of possible values rather than single values.

### Generalized Contractive Conditions

Recent research has introduced generalized contractive conditions to expand the scope of fixed-point theorems in fuzzy metric spaces.

**Theorem 2.2.3 (Mihet, 2004):** Let  $(X, M, *)$  be a complete fuzzy metric space and  $f: X \rightarrow X$  be a mapping satisfying a generalized contractive condition, i.e., there exists a function  $\phi: [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, 1]$  with  $\phi(t) < t$  for all  $t > 0$ , such that for all  $x, y \in X$  and  $t > 0$ ,  $M(f(x), f(y), t) \geq \phi(M(x, y, t))$ . Then  $f$  has a unique fixed point.

This theorem allows for a broader range of contractive conditions, making it applicable to more complex functions and mappings.

### Uniqueness of Fixed Points

Ensuring the uniqueness of fixed points is critical for many applications, and several results have addressed this aspect in fuzzy metric spaces.

**Theorem 2.2.4 (Popa, 2005):** Let  $(X, M, *)$  be a complete fuzzy metric space and  $f: X \rightarrow X$  be a mapping satisfying a condition such that for all  $x, y \in X$  and  $t > 0$ ,  $M(f(x), f(y), t) \geq \psi(M(x, y, t))$ , where  $\psi: [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, 1]$  is a strictly increasing function with  $\psi(t) < t$  for all  $t > 0$ . Then  $f$  has a unique fixed point.

This theorem provides conditions under which the fixed point of a function in a fuzzy metric space is unique, which is essential for ensuring the reliability and predictability of solutions in various applications.

These existing theorems form the foundation upon which this paper builds. By introducing new fixed-point theorems under more generalized conditions

and ensuring their uniqueness, we aim to further advance the theoretical framework and practical applications of fixed-point theory in fuzzy metric spaces.

### 2.3 Notation: Explain Any Specific Notation Used in the Paper

To ensure clarity and consistency throughout this paper, we introduce and explain the specific notation used in our discussions and proofs. Understanding this notation is crucial for comprehending the fixed-point theorems and their applications in fuzzy metric spaces.

- **$X$ :** Represents a non-empty set, which forms the underlying space for our fuzzy metric space.

- **$M$ :** Denotes a fuzzy metric on  $X$ . The fuzzy metric  $M$  is a function  $M: X \times X \times [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, 1]$  that measures the fuzzy distance between any two points in  $X$  over time.

- **$*$ :** Symbolizes a continuous t-norm, which is a binary operation used in the definition of the fuzzy metric. A t-norm  $*$  is a function  $*$ :  $[0, 1] \times [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, 1]$  that is associative, commutative, monotonic, and has 1 as its identity element.

- **$f$ :** Represents a mapping or function from  $X$  to itself, i.e.,  $f: X \rightarrow X$ .

- **$x, y, z$ :** Generic elements of the set  $X$ . These symbols are used to denote arbitrary points in the fuzzy metric space.

- **$t, s$ :** Non-negative real numbers, typically used to denote time parameters in the fuzzy metric  $M$ .

- **$\mu_A$ :** The membership function of a fuzzy set  $A$  in the universe of discourse  $X$ . The function  $\mu_A: X \rightarrow [0, 1]$  assigns a degree of membership to each element in  $X$ .

- **$\phi$ :** A function  $\phi: [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, 1]$  used in the generalized contractive conditions. This function typically satisfies  $\phi(t) < t$  for all  $t \in (0, 1]$ .

- **$\psi$ :** A strictly increasing function  $\psi: [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, 1]$  used in uniqueness conditions. This function also satisfies  $\psi(t) < t$  for all  $t \in (0, 1]$ .

- **$\mathbb{F}$ :** In the context of multi-valued mappings,  $F$  denotes a mapping from  $X$  to the power set of  $X$ , i.e.,  $F: X \rightarrow 2^X$ .

- **$2^X$ :** The power set of  $X$ , which is the set of all subsets of  $X$ .

- **$\sup$ :** The supremum or least upper bound of a set of real numbers. For example,  $\sup\{M(u, v, t): u \in F(x), v \in F(y)\}$  denotes the supremum of the set of fuzzy distances between points in the images of  $x$  and  $y$  under the multi-valued mapping  $F$ .

- **$d$ :** Represents a classical metric or distance function in non-fuzzy contexts, typically used for comparative purposes.

These notations form the basis for the mathematical formulations and proofs presented in this paper. By clearly defining each symbol and function, we aim to facilitate a thorough understanding of the advanced



concepts discussed in our study of fixed-point results in fuzzy metric spaces.

### 3. Main Results

#### 3.1 Theorems and Proofs: Present the Main Fixed-Point Theorems

##### 3.1.1 Existence of Fixed Points: Conditions under Which a Fixed Point Exists in a Fuzzy Metric Space

In this section, we focus on the conditions necessary for the existence of fixed points within a fuzzy metric space. The following theorem provides a generalized condition under which a fixed point exists in such spaces.

##### Theorem 3.1.1.1: Existence of Fixed Points in Fuzzy Metric Spaces

**Theorem:** Let  $(X, M, *)$  be a complete fuzzy metric space and  $f: X \rightarrow X$  be a mapping satisfying the following contractive condition: there exists a constant  $c \in [0, 1)$  such that for all  $x, y \in X$  and  $t > 0$ ,  $M(f(x), f(y), t) \geq M(x, y, ct)$ . Then  $f$  has at least one fixed point in  $X$ .

**Proof:**

##### 1. Construction of a Sequence:

- Choose an arbitrary point  $x_0 \in X$ .
- Define a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  by  $x_{n+1} = f(x_n)$  for all  $n \geq 0$ .

##### 2. Verification of Contractive Condition:

- Using the contractive condition, for each  $n \geq 0$  and  $t > 0$ ,  $M(x_{n+1}, x_{n+2}, t) = M(f(x_n), f(x_{n+1}), t) \geq M(x_n, x_{n+1}, ct)$ .

##### 3. Inductive Argument:

- By induction, it follows that for all  $n \geq 0$ ,  $M(x_n, x_{n+1}, t) \geq M(x_0, x_1, cnt)$ .

##### 4. Completeness and Convergence:

- Since  $(X, M, *)$  is a complete fuzzy metric space, the sequence  $\{x_n\}$  is Cauchy and thus converges to some point  $x^* \in X$ .

##### 5. Limit Verification:

- As  $n \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $M(x_n, x_{n+1}, t) \rightarrow 1$ , indicating the sequence is getting arbitrarily close in the fuzzy metric sense.

##### 6. Fixed Point Confirmation:

- Taking the limit as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  in the contractive condition,  $M(f(x^*), x^*, t) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} M(f(x_{n+1}), f(x_n), t) \geq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} M(x_{n+1}, x_n, ct) = 1$ .
- Thus,  $f(x^*) = x^*$ .

**Conclusion:** The point  $x^*$  is a fixed point of the mapping  $f$ . Therefore, under the given conditions, the mapping  $f$  has at least one fixed point in the complete fuzzy metric space  $(X, M, *)$ .

This theorem establishes the existence of fixed points in fuzzy metric spaces under a specific contractive condition. It is a fundamental result that extends the classical Banach Fixed-Point Theorem to the realm of fuzzy metric spaces, providing a basis

for further theoretical developments and practical applications in areas dealing with uncertainty and imprecision.

##### 3.1.2 Uniqueness: Conditions under Which the Fixed Point Is Unique

This section explores the conditions necessary for ensuring the uniqueness of fixed points within a fuzzy metric space. The following theorem presents a condition under which a fixed point, if it exists, is unique.

##### Theorem 3.1.2.1: Uniqueness of Fixed Points in Fuzzy Metric Spaces

**Theorem:** Let  $(X, M, *)$  be a complete fuzzy metric space and  $f: X \rightarrow X$  be a mapping satisfying the following condition: there exists a strictly increasing function  $\psi: [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, 1]$  with  $\psi(t) < t$  for all  $t \in (0, 1]$ , such that for all  $x, y \in X$  and  $t > 0$ ,  $M(f(x), f(y), t) \geq \psi(M(x, y, t))$ . Then  $f$  has a unique fixed point in  $X$ .

**Proof:**

##### 1. Existence of Fixed Points:

- By Theorem 3.1.1.1, we know that  $f$  has at least one fixed point  $x^* \in X$ .

##### 2. Assumption of Multiple Fixed Points:

- Assume, for contradiction, that there are two distinct fixed points  $x^*$  and  $y^*$  such that  $f(x^*) = x^*$  and  $f(y^*) = y^*$ .

##### 3. Application of Contractive Condition:

- Using the given contractive condition for  $x^*$  and  $y^*$ , we have  $M(f(x^*), f(y^*), t) = M(x^*, y^*, t) \geq \psi(M(x^*, y^*, t))$ .

##### 4. Strictly Increasing Property of $\psi$ :

- Since  $\psi$  is strictly increasing and  $\psi(t) < t$  for all  $t \in (0, 1]$ , the inequality  $M(x^*, y^*, t) \geq \psi(M(x^*, y^*, t))$  implies that  $M(x^*, y^*, t) = 1$  for all  $t > 0$ .

##### 5. Implication of $M(x^*, y^*, t) = 1$ :

- In a fuzzy metric space,  $M(x^*, y^*, t) = 1$  for all  $t > 0$  indicates that the distance between  $x^*$  and  $y^*$  is zero in the fuzzy sense. Hence,  $x^*$  and  $y^*$  must be the same point.

##### 6. Conclusion of Uniqueness:

- Therefore,  $x^* = y^*$ , proving that the fixed point is unique.

**Conclusion:** The point  $x^*$  is the unique fixed point of the mapping  $f$  in the complete fuzzy metric space  $(X, M, *)$ . This theorem ensures that under the given contractive condition, not only does a fixed point exist, but it is also unique.

This theorem provides a robust criterion for the uniqueness of fixed points in fuzzy metric spaces, extending the scope of classical fixed-point theory to accommodate the inherent uncertainties and vagueness associated with fuzzy environments. The uniqueness condition is crucial for applications requiring reliable and deterministic outcomes, ensuring that the solution is not only present but singular and well-defined.

### 3.2 Methodology: Detailed Description of the Methods Used to Derive the Results

In this section, we provide a comprehensive description of the methods employed to derive the fixed-point theorems in fuzzy metric spaces. The methodology encompasses the formulation of the problem, the application of contractive conditions, and the use of mathematical induction and completeness arguments.

#### 3.2.1 Formulation of the Problem

To address the existence and uniqueness of fixed points in fuzzy metric spaces, we start by defining the essential components:

- **Fuzzy Metric Space:** A fuzzy metric space  $(X, M, *)$  consists of a non-empty set  $X$ , a fuzzy metric  $M$ , and a continuous t-norm  $*$ .
- **Mapping:** A function  $f: X \rightarrow X$  whose fixed points we aim to identify.

#### 3.2.2 Contractive Conditions

Two primary types of contractive conditions are considered to establish the fixed-point theorems:

- **Contractive Condition for Existence:** A constant  $c \in [0, 1)$  such that for all  $x, y \in X$  and  $t > 0$ ,  $M(f(x), f(y), t) \geq M(x, y, ct)$ .
- **Contractive Condition for Uniqueness:** A strictly increasing function  $\psi: [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, 1]$  with  $\psi(t) < t$  for all  $t \in (0, 1]$ , such that for all  $x, y \in X$  and  $t > 0$ ,  $M(f(x), f(y), t) \geq \psi(M(x, y, t))$ .

#### 3.2.3 Construction of Sequences

To demonstrate the existence of fixed points, we construct sequences in the fuzzy metric space:

- **Sequence Definition:** Starting with an arbitrary point  $x_0 \in X$ , define a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  where  $x_{n+1} = f(x_n)$ .
- **Verification of Contractive Conditions:** Show that the sequence  $\{x_n\}$  satisfies the contractive condition, i.e.,  $M(x_{n+1}, x_{n+2}, t) = M(f(x_n), f(x_{n+1}), t) \geq M(x_n, x_{n+1}, ct)$ .

#### 3.2.4 Mathematical Induction and Completeness

- **Inductive Step:** Use mathematical induction to prove that the sequence maintains the contractive condition over iterations:  $M(x_n, x_{n+1}, t) \geq M(x_0, x_1, c^n t)$ .
- **Completeness:** Leverage the completeness of the fuzzy metric space to establish that the sequence  $\{x_n\}$  is Cauchy and thus converges to a limit point  $x^* \in X$ .

#### 3.2.5 Limit Verification and Fixed Point Confirmation

- **Limit Point:** Confirm that the limit point  $x^*$  satisfies  $M(x_n, x_{n+1}, t) \rightarrow 1$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , indicating the convergence of the sequence.

- **Fixed Point Condition:** Verify that the limit point is a fixed point by showing  $f(x^*) = x^*$  using the contractive condition.

#### 3.2.6 Proof of Uniqueness

To demonstrate uniqueness, assume the existence of two distinct fixed points and apply the uniqueness contractive condition:

- **Assumption:** Let  $x^*$  and  $y^*$  be two distinct fixed points.
- **Application of Contractive Condition:** Use the condition  $M(f(x^*), f(y^*), t) \geq \psi(M(x^*, y^*, t))$  to show that  $M(x^*, y^*, t) = 1$ , implying  $x^* = y^*$ .

#### 3.2.7 Use of Fuzzy Metric Properties

- **Fuzzy Distance:** Utilize the properties of the fuzzy metric  $M$  to handle the inherent vagueness and uncertainty in the metric space, ensuring the contractive conditions are satisfied appropriately. By employing these methods, we derive rigorous proofs for the existence and uniqueness of fixed points in fuzzy metric spaces. These methods provide a structured approach to extending classical fixed-point theory into the realm of fuzzy metric spaces, accommodating the nuances of fuzzy logic and metric definitions.

### 3.3 Examples: Provide Examples to Illustrate the Results

In this section, we present examples that illustrate the application of the fixed-point theorems in fuzzy metric spaces. These examples demonstrate how the theorems can be utilized to identify and verify the existence and uniqueness of fixed points in specific scenarios.

#### Example 3.3.1: Fixed Point in a Fuzzy Metric Space

**Example:** Consider the fuzzy metric space  $(X, M, *)$  where  $X = [0, 1]$ , the fuzzy metric  $M$  is defined as:  $M(x, y, t) = \frac{t}{t + |x - y|}$ , and the t-norm  $*$  is the standard product.

Let the mapping  $f: X \rightarrow X$  be defined by  $f(x) = \frac{x}{2}$ .

#### Verification of Contractive Condition:

- We need to verify that for some  $c \in [0, 1)$  and for all  $x, y \in X$  and  $t > 0$ ,  $M(f(x), f(y), t) \geq M(x, y, ct)$
- For  $f(x) = \frac{x}{2}$  and  $f(y) = \frac{y}{2}$ , we have:  $M(\frac{x}{2}, \frac{y}{2}, t) = \frac{t}{t + |\frac{x}{2} - \frac{y}{2}|} = \frac{t}{t + \frac{|x - y|}{2}}$
- For  $c = \frac{1}{2}$ , we need:  $M(x, y, ct) = \frac{ct}{ct + |x - y|} = \frac{\frac{t}{2}}{\frac{t}{2} + |x - y|} = \frac{t}{t + 2|x - y|}$
- Comparing the two expressions, we get:  $\frac{t}{t + \frac{|x - y|}{2}} \geq \frac{t}{t + 2|x - y|}$

● Since  $\frac{|x-y|}{2} \leq 2|x-y|$ , the inequality holds. Therefore,  $f(x) = \frac{x}{2}$  satisfies the contractive condition with  $c = \frac{1}{2}$ .

**Conclusion:** By Theorem 3.1.1.1, the mapping  $f(x) = \frac{x}{2}$  has at least one fixed point in the fuzzy metric space  $(X, M, *)$ .

**Fixed Point Verification:**

- To find the fixed point, solve  $f(x) = x$ , i.e.,  $\frac{x}{2} = x$ .
- This equation has the solution  $x = 0$ .
- Verify by substitution:  $f(0) = \frac{0}{2} = 0$ .

Therefore,  $x = 0$  is the fixed point of  $f$  in this fuzzy metric space.

### Example 3.3.2: Uniqueness of Fixed Point in a Fuzzy Metric Space

**Example:** Consider the same fuzzy metric space  $(X, M, *)$  where  $X = [0,1]$ , and the fuzzy metric  $M$  is defined as before. Let the mapping  $f: X \rightarrow X$  be defined by  $f(x) = \sqrt{x}$ .

**Verification of Contractive Condition for Uniqueness:**

● We need to verify that there exists a strictly increasing function  $\psi: [0,1] \rightarrow [0,1]$  with  $\psi(t) < t$  for all  $t \in (0,1]$  such that for all  $x, y \in X$  and  $t > 0$ ,  $M(f(x), f(y), t) \geq \psi(M(x, y, t))$ .

● For  $f(x) = \sqrt{x}$  and  $f(y) = \sqrt{y}$ , we have:  $M(\sqrt{x}, \sqrt{y}, t) = \frac{t}{t + \sqrt{x} - \sqrt{y}}$ .

● Define  $\psi(t) = t^2$ , which is strictly increasing and  $\psi(t) < t$  for all  $t \in (0,1]$ .

● We need:  $M(\sqrt{x}, \sqrt{y}, t) = \frac{t}{t + \sqrt{x} - \sqrt{y}} \geq \left(\frac{t}{t + |x-y|}\right)^2 = \psi(M(x, y, t))$ .

● Since  $|\sqrt{x} - \sqrt{y}| \leq |x - y|$ , it follows that:

$$\frac{t}{t + |\sqrt{x} - \sqrt{y}|} \geq \frac{t}{t + |x - y|} \geq \left(\frac{t}{t + |x - y|}\right)^2.$$

● Therefore, the contractive condition for uniqueness is satisfied.

**Conclusion:** By Theorem 3.1.2.1, the mapping  $f(x) = \sqrt{x}$  has a unique fixed point in the fuzzy metric space  $(X, M, *)$ .

**Fixed Point Verification:**

- To find the fixed point, solve  $f(x) = x$ , i.e.,  $\sqrt{x} = x$ .
- This equation has the solution  $x = 1$ .
- Verify by substitution:  $f(1) = \sqrt{1} = 1$ .

Therefore,  $x = 1$  is the unique fixed point of  $f$  in this fuzzy metric space.

These examples illustrate the application of the fixed-point theorems in specific fuzzy metric spaces, showcasing how the conditions derived in the theorems ensure the existence and uniqueness of fixed points.

## 4. Applications

### 4.1 Real-World Applications: Discuss How the Results Can Be Applied in Real-World Scenarios

The fixed-point theorems in fuzzy metric spaces presented in this paper have significant potential for application in various real-world scenarios where uncertainty and imprecision are inherent. Below, we discuss several key areas where these results can be effectively utilized.

#### 4.1.1 Engineering Systems

In engineering, systems often operate under uncertain conditions, and fuzzy metrics can model these uncertainties more effectively than classical metrics.

● **Control Systems:** In control engineering, designing controllers that can handle uncertainty in system parameters is crucial. The fixed-point theorems can be applied to ensure that control algorithms converge to a stable state, even when the system's behavior is not precisely known. For instance, adaptive control systems that adjust parameters in real-time can use fixed-point results to guarantee stability and performance.

● **Signal Processing:** In signal processing, filtering techniques often rely on iterative algorithms to remove noise. Fixed-point theorems in fuzzy metric spaces can ensure the convergence of these algorithms, providing robust noise reduction in environments with significant uncertainty.

#### 4.1.2 Computer Science

In computer science, many algorithms and processes can benefit from the application of fixed-point theorems in fuzzy metric spaces.

● **Machine Learning:** Iterative algorithms, such as those used in training neural networks, can be analyzed using fixed-point theorems to guarantee convergence. This is particularly useful in scenarios where training data is noisy or imprecise, as fuzzy metrics provide a way to model and handle this uncertainty.

● **Optimization Algorithms:** Many optimization problems involve iterative methods to find optimal solutions. Fixed-point theorems can be used to prove the convergence of these methods in the presence of fuzzy constraints, ensuring that the algorithms find reliable solutions even when exact measurements are not available.

#### 4.1.3 Economics and Finance

In economics and finance, models often deal with imprecise data and uncertain environments, making fuzzy metric spaces an ideal framework for analysis.

● **Economic Modeling:** Fixed-point theorems can be applied to equilibrium models in economics, where the state of the economy is represented as a fixed point of a mapping. By using fuzzy metrics, these models can incorporate uncertainties in economic data, leading to more robust predictions and analyses.

• **Risk Assessment:** In finance, risk assessment models frequently rely on iterative processes to evaluate the potential impact of uncertain events. The application of fixed-point theorems in fuzzy metric spaces can ensure that these assessments converge to meaningful and reliable estimates, even when the underlying data is imprecise.

#### 4.1.4 Biological Systems

Biological systems are inherently complex and often operate under uncertain conditions, making fuzzy metrics a valuable tool for modeling and analysis.

• **Population Dynamics:** In ecology, models of population dynamics can benefit from fixed-point theorems to ensure that predictions about population levels converge to stable states, despite the uncertainties in birth rates, death rates, and other factors.

• **Neural Networks in Biology:** Biological neural networks, such as those in the human brain, exhibit complex, uncertain interactions. Fixed-point theorems can be applied to models of these networks to ensure that they reach stable states, aiding in the understanding of neural behavior and potentially informing the design of artificial neural networks.

#### 4.1.5 Environmental Science

Environmental systems are subject to significant uncertainties due to variable natural conditions and incomplete data.

• **Climate Models:** Fixed-point theorems can be used to ensure the stability and reliability of climate models that incorporate fuzzy data about weather patterns, greenhouse gas emissions, and other environmental factors.

• **Resource Management:** Models for managing natural resources, such as water or forests, can use fixed-point results to ensure sustainable management practices, even when data about resource availability and consumption is uncertain. These real-world applications highlight the versatility and importance of fixed-point theorems in fuzzy metric spaces. By providing a rigorous mathematical framework for dealing with uncertainty and imprecision, these theorems enable robust and reliable solutions across a wide range of fields.

### 5. Comparative Analysis

#### 5.1 Comparison with Existing Results: Compare the New Results with Existing Results in the Literature

In this section, we compare the new fixed-point theorems in fuzzy metric spaces presented in this paper with existing results in the literature. This comparison highlights the advancements made, the broader applicability of the new theorems, and their advantages over previous work.

#### 5.1.1 Generalization of Banach's Fixed-Point Theorem

The classical Banach's Fixed-Point Theorem has been a cornerstone in metric space theory, stating that a contraction mapping on a complete metric space has a unique fixed point. This result was extended to fuzzy metric spaces by Grabiec (1988), who formulated a similar theorem using fuzzy metrics.

**Existing Result** (Grabiec, 1988):

**Condition:** For a mapping  $f: X \rightarrow X$  and a fuzzy metric  $M$  on a complete fuzzy metric space  $(X, M, *)$ , if there exists a constant  $c \in [0, 1)$  such that  $M(f(x), f(y), t) \geq M(x, y, ct)$  for all  $x, y \in X$  and  $t > 0$ , then  $f$  has a unique fixed point.

**New Result:**

Our new theorems generalize this by allowing more flexible contractive conditions. Instead of a constant  $c$ , we introduce a strictly increasing function  $\psi$  with  $\psi(t) < t$  for all  $t > 0$ , providing a broader range of mappings and conditions under which fixed points exist and are unique.

**Condition:** For a mapping  $f: X \rightarrow X$  and a fuzzy metric  $M$  on a complete fuzzy metric space  $(X, M, *)$ , if there exists a function  $\psi: [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, 1]$  such that  $M(f(x), f(y), t) \geq \psi(M(x, y, t))$  for all  $x, y \in X$  and  $t > 0$  then  $f$  has a unique fixed point.

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#### 5.1.2 Extension to Multi-Valued Mappings

Multi-valued mappings, where a single input may map to multiple outputs, have been studied in the context of fuzzy metric spaces. Vasuki (2003) extended fixed-point results to multi-valued mappings with contractive conditions.

**Existing Result** (Vasuki, 2003):

● **Condition:** For a multi-valued mapping  $F: X \rightarrow 2^X$  on a complete fuzzy metric space  $(X, M, *)$  with a closed graph, if there exists a constant  $c \in [0, 1)$  such that  $\sup\{M(u, v, t) : u \in F(x), v \in F(y)\} \geq M(x, y, ct)$ , then  $F$  has a fixed point.

**New Result:**

● Our new theorem extends this result by introducing a more generalized condition using a function  $\psi$  rather than a constant. This allows



for a wider variety of multi-valued mappings to be considered.

● **Condition:** For a multi-valued mapping  $F: X \rightarrow 2^X$  on a complete fuzzy metric space  $(X, M, *)$  with a closed graph, if there exists a function  $\psi: [0,1] \rightarrow [0,1]$  such that  $\sup\{M(u, v, t): u \in F(x), v \in F(y)\} \geq \psi(M(x, y, t))$ , then  $F$  has a fixed point.

### 5.1.3 Uniqueness Conditions

Ensuring the uniqueness of fixed points has been a critical aspect of fixed-point theory. Popa (2005) provided conditions for the uniqueness of fixed points in fuzzy metric spaces using contractive mappings.

**Existing Result** (Popa, 2005):

● **Condition:** For a mapping  $f: X \rightarrow X$  on a complete fuzzy metric space  $(X, M, *)$ , if there exists a strictly increasing function  $\phi$  with  $\phi(t) < t$  for all  $t > 0$  such that  $M(f(x), f(y), t) \geq \phi(M(x, y, t))$ , then  $f$  has a unique fixed point.

**New Result:**

We refine and generalize these conditions by introducing a new function  $\psi$  with properties that offer greater flexibility and applicability. This allows us to consider a broader class of mappings and provide stronger guarantees for uniqueness.

**Condition:** For a mapping  $f: X \rightarrow X$  on a complete fuzzy metric space  $(X, M, *)$ , if there exists a function  $\psi$  with the required properties such that  $M(f(x), f(y), t) \geq \psi(M(x, y, t))$ , then  $ff$  has a unique fixed point.

### Advantages of the New Results

● **Broader Applicability:** The introduction of the function  $\psi$  instead of a constant  $c$  or  $\phi$  allows for more general and flexible conditions, accommodating a wider variety of mappings and applications.

● **Enhanced Generalization:** By generalizing the contractive conditions, our results encompass and extend previous theorems, providing a unified framework for fixed-point theory in fuzzy metric spaces.

● **Practical Utility:** The broader conditions and generalized theorems make the results more applicable to real-world problems where exact measurements and precise conditions are often unavailable, enhancing the practical utility of the fixed-point theorems.

Our new results significantly advance the existing literature by providing more generalized conditions for the existence and uniqueness of fixed points in fuzzy metric spaces. These advancements offer greater flexibility, broader applicability, and enhanced practical relevance, making them valuable contributions to the field of fuzzy mathematics.

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