

## *L*-FUZZY MAPPINGS AND COMMON FIXED POINT THEOREMS

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**Abstract.** The aim of this paper is to develop a new common fixed point theorem of *L*-fuzzy mappings under generalized  $\Theta$ -contraction in the context of complete metric space. We also provide an example to show the significance of the investigation of this paper.

### 1. INTRODUCTION AND PRELIMINARIES

Solving real-world problems becomes apparently easier with the introduction of fuzzy set theory in 1965 by Zadeh [32], as it helps in making the description of vagueness and imprecision clear and more precise. Later in 1967, Goguen [16] extended this idea to *L*-fuzzy set theory by replacing the interval  $[0, 1]$ . There are basically two understandings of the meaning of *L*, one is when *L* is a complete lattice equipped with a multiplication  $*$  operator satisfying certain conditions as shown in the initial paper [16] and the second understanding of the meaning of *L* is that *L* is a completely distributive complete lattice with an order-reversing involution.

In 2014, Rashid et al. [25] introduced the notion of  $\beta_{F_L}$ -admissible for a pair of *L*-fuzzy mappings and utilized it to prove a common *L*-fuzzy fixed point theorem. For more details on this direction, we refer the reader to [1, 9, 26].

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Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space and  $CB(X)$  be the family of nonempty, closed and bounded subsets of  $X$ . For  $A, B \in CB(X)$ , define

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

where

$$d(x, A) = \inf_{y \in A} d(x, y).$$

**Definition 1.1.** ([16]) A partially ordered set  $(L, \lesssim_L)$  is called

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

**Definition 1.2.** ([16]) Let  $L$  be a lattice with top element  $1_L$  and bottom element  $0_L$  and let  $a, b \in L$ . Then  $b$  is called a complement of  $a$ , if  $a \vee b = 1_L$ , and  $a \wedge b = 0_L$ .

If  $a \in L$  has a complement element, then it is unique. It is denoted by  $\acute{a}$ .

**Definition 1.3.** ([16]) A  $L$ -fuzzy set  $A$  on a nonempty set  $X$  is a function  $A : X \rightarrow L$ , where  $L$  is complete distributive lattice with  $1_L$  and  $0_L$ .

**Remark 1.4.** The class of  $L$ -fuzzy sets is larger than the class of fuzzy sets as an  $L$ -fuzzy set is a fuzzy set if  $L = [0, 1]$ .

The  $\alpha_L$ -level set of  $L$ -fuzzy set  $A$ , is denoted by  $A_{\alpha_L}$ , and is defined as follows

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

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

Here  $cl(B)$  and  $\mathfrak{S}_L(Y)$  denote the closure of the set  $B$  and  $L$ -fuzzy set on  $Y$ , respectively.

We denote and define the characteristic function  $\chi_{L_A}$  of a  $L$ -fuzzy set  $A$  as follows:

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

**Definition 1.5.** Let  $X$  be an arbitrary set and  $Y$  be a metric space. A mapping  $T$  is called  $L$ -fuzzy mapping if  $T$  is a mapping from  $X$  into  $\mathfrak{S}_L(Y)$ . A  $L$ -fuzzy mapping  $T$  is a  $L$ -fuzzy subset on  $X \times Y$  with membership function  $T(x)(y)$ . The function  $T(x)(y)$  is the grade of membership of  $y$  in  $T(x)$ .

**Definition 1.6.** Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space and  $S, T$  be  $L$ -fuzzy mappings from  $X$  into  $\mathfrak{S}_L(X)$ . A point  $z \in X$  is called a  $L$ -fuzzy fixed point of  $T$  if  $z \in [Tz]_{\alpha_L}$ , where  $\alpha_L \in L \setminus \{0_L\}$ . The point  $z \in X$  is called a common  $L$ -fuzzy

fixed point of  $S$  and  $T$  if  $z \in [Sz]_{\alpha_L} \cap [Tz]_{\alpha_L}$ . When  $\alpha_L = 1_L$ , it is called a common fixed point of  $L$ -fuzzy mappings.

Very recently, Jleli and Samet [20] introduced a new type of contraction called  $\Theta$ -contraction and established some new fixed point theorems for such contraction in the context of generalized metric spaces.

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

- ( $\Theta_1$ )  $\Theta$  is nondecreasing;
- ( $\Theta_2$ ) for each sequence  $\{\alpha_n\} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^+$ ,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \Theta(\alpha_n) = 1$  if and only if  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \alpha_n = 0$ ;
- ( $\Theta_3$ ) there exists  $0 < h < 1$  and  $l \in (0, \infty]$  such that  $\lim_{\alpha \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\Theta(\alpha)-1}{\alpha^h} = l$ .

A mapping  $S : X \rightarrow X$  is said to be  $\Theta$ -contraction if there exist the function  $\Theta$  satisfying ( $\Theta_1$ )-( $\Theta_3$ ) and a constant  $k \in (0, 1)$  such that for all  $x, y \in X$ ,

$$d(Sx, Sy) > 0 \implies \Theta(d(Sx, Sy)) \leq [\Theta(d(x, y))]^k. \tag{1.1}$$

**Theorem 1.8.** ([20]) *Let  $(X, d)$  be a complete metric space and  $S : X \rightarrow X$  be a  $\Theta$ -contraction, Then  $S$  has a unique fixed point.*

They showed that any Banach contraction is a particular case of  $\Theta$ -contraction while there are  $\Theta$ -contractions which are not Banach contractions. To be consistent with Samet *et al.* [20], we denote by the  $\Psi$  set of all functions  $\Theta : (0, \infty) \rightarrow (1, \infty)$  satisfying the above conditions ( $\Theta_1$ )-( $\Theta_3$ ).

Later on Altune *et al.* [17] modified the above definitions by adding a general condition ( $\Theta_4$ ) which is given in this way:

- ( $\Theta_4$ )  $\Theta(\inf A) = \inf \Theta(A)$  for all  $A \subset (0, \infty)$  with  $\inf A > 0$ .

Following Altune *et al.* [17], we represent the set of all continuous functions  $\Theta : \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  satisfying ( $\Theta_1$ ) – ( $\Theta_4$ ) conditions by  $\Omega$ .

For more details on  $\Theta$ -contraction, we refer the reader to [3, 4, 19, 21, 23, 30].

In this paper, we use a generalized  $\Theta$ -contraction to obtain common fixed points for  $L$ -fuzzy mappings in the setting of metric spaces.

For the sake of convenience, we first state some known results for subsequent use in the next section.

**Lemma 1.9.** *Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space and  $A, B \in CB(X)$ . Then for each  $a \in A$ , we have*

$$d(a, B) \leq H(A, B).$$

## 2. MAIN RESULTS

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

**Theorem 2.1.** *Let  $(X, d)$  be a complete metric space,  $S, T$  be  $L$ -fuzzy mappings from  $X$  into  $\mathfrak{S}_L(X)$ , and for each  $\alpha_L \in L \setminus \{0_L\}$ ,  $[Sx]_{\alpha_L(x)}$ ,  $[Ty]_{\alpha_L(y)}$  be nonempty closed bounded subsets of  $X$ . If there exist some  $\Theta \in \Omega$  and  $k \in (0, 1)$  such that*

$$\Theta \left( H \left( [Sx]_{\alpha_L(x)}, [Ty]_{\alpha_L(y)} \right) \right) \leq \Theta(M(x, y))^k \quad (2.1)$$

for all  $x, y \in X$  with  $H \left( [Sx]_{\alpha_L(x)}, [Ty]_{\alpha_L(y)} \right) > 0$ , where

$$M(x, y) = \max \left\{ d(x, y), d(x, [Sx]_{\alpha_L(x)}), d(y, [Ty]_{\alpha_L(y)}), \frac{1}{2} [d(x, [Ty]_{\alpha_L(y)}) + d(y, [Sx]_{\alpha_L(x)})] \right\}. \quad (2.2)$$

Then  $S$  and  $T$  have a common  $L$ -fuzzy fixed point.

*Proof.* Let  $x_0$  be an arbitrary point in  $X$ , then by hypotheses there exists  $\alpha_L(x_0) \in L \setminus \{0_L\}$  such that  $[Sx_0]_{\alpha_L(x_0)}$  is a nonempty closed bounded subset of  $X$  and let  $x_1 \in [Sx_0]_{\alpha_L(x_0)}$ . For this  $x_1$ , there exists  $\alpha_L(x_1) \in L \setminus \{0_L\}$  such that  $[Tx_1]_{\alpha_L(x_1)}$  is a nonempty, closed and bounded subset of  $X$ . By Lemma 1.9,  $(\Theta_1)$  and (2.1), we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \Theta(d(x_1, [Tx_1]_{\alpha_L(x_1)})) \\ & \leq \Theta \left( H \left( [Sx_0]_{\alpha_L(x_0)}, [Tx_1]_{\alpha_L(x_1)} \right) \right) \\ & \leq \Theta(M(x_0, x_1))^k \\ & = \left[ \Theta \left( \max \left\{ d(x_0, x_1), d(x_0, [Sx_0]_{\alpha_L(x_0)}), d(x_1, [Tx_1]_{\alpha_L(x_1)}), \frac{1}{2} [d(x_0, [Tx_1]_{\alpha_L(x_1)}) + d(x_1, [Sx_0]_{\alpha_L(x_0)})] \right\} \right) \right]^k \\ & = \left[ \Theta \left( \max \left\{ d(x_0, x_1), d(x_0, [Sx_0]_{\alpha_L(x_0)}), d(x_1, [Tx_1]_{\alpha_L(x_1)}), \frac{1}{2} d(x_0, [Tx_1]_{\alpha_L(x_1)}) \right\} \right) \right]^k. \end{aligned} \quad (2.3)$$

By triangle inequality and  $(\Theta_1)$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} & \Theta(d(x_1, [Tx_1]_{\alpha_L(x_1)})) \\ & \leq \left[ \Theta \left( \max \left\{ d(x_0, x_1), d(x_0, [Sx_0]_{\alpha_L(x_0)}), d(x_1, [Tx_1]_{\alpha_L(x_1)}), \right. \right. \right. \\ & \quad \left. \left. \left. \frac{1}{2} (d(x_0, x_1) + d(x_1, [Tx_1]_{\alpha_L(x_1)})) \right\} \right) \right]^k \\ & \leq \left[ \Theta \left( \max \left\{ d(x_0, x_1), d(x_1, [Tx_1]_{\alpha_L(x_1)}) \right\} \right) \right]^k. \end{aligned}$$

If  $\max \{d(x_0, x_1), d(x_1, [Tx_1]_{\alpha_L(x_1)})\} = d(x_1, [Tx_1]_{\alpha_L(x_1)})$ . Then from (2.3), we get

$$\begin{aligned} \Theta(d(x_1, [Tx_1]_{\alpha_L(x_1)})) & \leq \left[ \Theta(d(x_1, [Tx_1]_{\alpha_L(x_1)})) \right]^k \\ & \leq \left[ \Theta(d(x_1, [Tx_1]_{\alpha_L(x_1)})) \right], \end{aligned}$$

which is a contradiction. So,  $\max \{d(x_0, x_1), d(x_1, [Tx_1]_{\alpha_L(x_1)})\} = d(x_0, x_1)$ . Then

$$\Theta(d(x_1, [Tx_1]_{\alpha_L(x_1)})) \leq [\Theta(d(x_0, x_1))]^k. \tag{2.4}$$

From  $(\Theta_4)$ , we know that

$$\Theta(d(x_1, [Tx_1]_{\alpha_T(x_1)})) = \inf_{y \in [Tx_1]_{\alpha_L(x_1)}} \Theta(d(x_1, y)).$$

Thus, from (2.4), we get

$$\inf_{y \in [Tx_1]_{\alpha_L(x_1)}} \Theta(d(x_1, y)) \leq [\Theta(d(x_0, x_1))]^k. \tag{2.5}$$

Then, from (2.5), there exists  $x_2 \in [Tx_1]_{\alpha_L(x_1)}$  such that

$$\Theta(d(x_1, x_2)) \leq [\Theta(d(x_0, x_1))]^k. \tag{2.6}$$

For this  $x_2$ , there exists  $\alpha_L(x_2) \in L \setminus \{\theta_L\}$  such that  $[Sx_2]_{\alpha_L(x_2)}$  is a nonempty closed bounded subset of  $X$ . By Lemma 1.9,  $(\Theta_1)$  and (2.1), we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \Theta \left( d \left( x_2, [Sx_2]_{\alpha_L(x_2)} \right) \right) \\ & \leq \Theta \left( H \left( [Tx_1]_{\alpha_L(x_1)}, [Sx_2]_{\alpha_L(x_2)} \right) \right) = \Theta \left( H \left( [Sx_2]_{\alpha_L(x_2)}, [Tx_1]_{\alpha_L(x_1)} \right) \right) \\ & \leq \Theta \left( M(x_2, x_1) \right)^k \\ & = \left[ \Theta \left( \max \left\{ d(x_2, x_1), d \left( x_2, [Sx_2]_{\alpha_L(x_2)} \right), d \left( x_1, [Tx_1]_{\alpha_L(x_1)} \right), \right. \right. \right. \\ & \quad \left. \left. \left. \frac{1}{2} \left[ d \left( x_2, [Tx_1]_{\alpha_L(x_1)} \right) + d \left( x_1, [Sx_2]_{\alpha_L(x_2)} \right) \right] \right\} \right) \right]^k \\ & = \left[ \Theta \left( \max \left\{ d(x_2, x_1), d \left( x_2, [Sx_2]_{\alpha_L(x_2)} \right), d(x_1, x_2), \right. \right. \right. \\ & \quad \left. \left. \left. \frac{1}{2} d \left( x_1, [Sx_2]_{\alpha_L(x_2)} \right) \right\} \right) \right]^k. \end{aligned}$$

By triangle inequality and  $(\Theta_1)$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} & \Theta \left( d \left( x_2, [Sx_2]_{\alpha_L(x_2)} \right) \right) \\ & \leq \left[ \Theta \left( \max \left\{ d(x_1, x_2), d \left( x_2, [Sx_2]_{\alpha_L(x_2)} \right), \right. \right. \right. \\ & \quad \left. \left. \left. \frac{1}{2} \left( d(x_1, x_2) + d \left( x_2, [Sx_2]_{\alpha_L(x_2)} \right) \right) \right\} \right) \right]^k, \end{aligned}$$

which further implies that

$$\Theta \left( d \left( x_2, [Sx_2]_{\alpha_L(x_2)} \right) \right) \leq \left[ \Theta \left( \max \left\{ d(x_1, x_2), d \left( x_2, [Sx_2]_{\alpha_L(x_2)} \right) \right\} \right) \right]^k. \quad (2.7)$$

If  $\max \left\{ d(x_1, x_2), d \left( x_2, [Sx_2]_{\alpha_L(x_2)} \right) \right\} = d \left( x_2, [Sx_2]_{\alpha_L(x_2)} \right)$ . Then from (2.7), we get

$$\Theta \left[ d \left( x_2, [Sx_2]_{\alpha_L(x_2)} \right) \right] \leq \Theta \left[ d \left( x_2, [Sx_2]_{\alpha_L(x_2)} \right) \right]^k \leq \Theta \left[ d \left( x_2, [Sx_2]_{\alpha_L(x_2)} \right) \right]$$

which is a contradiction. So,  $\max \left\{ d(x_1, x_2), d \left( x_2, [Sx_2]_{\alpha_L(x_2)} \right) \right\} = d(x_1, x_2)$ .

Then

$$\Theta \left[ d \left( x_2, [Sx_2]_{\alpha_L(x_2)} \right) \right] \leq \Theta \left[ d(x_1, x_2) \right]^k. \quad (2.8)$$

From  $(\Theta_4)$ , we know that

$$\Theta \left[ d \left( x_2, [Sx_2]_{\alpha_L(x_2)} \right) \right] = \inf_{y_1 \in [Sx_2]_{\alpha_L(x_2)}} \Theta(d(x_2, y_1)).$$

Thus

$$\inf_{y_1 \in [Sx_2]_{\alpha_L(x_2)}} \Theta(d(x_2, y_1)) \leq \Theta \left[ d(x_1, x_2) \right]^k. \quad (2.9)$$

Then, from (2.9), there exists  $x_3 \in [Sx_2]_{\alpha_L(x_2)}$  such that

$$\Theta(d(x_2, x_3)) \leq [\Theta(d(x_1, x_2))]^k. \tag{2.10}$$

So, continuing recursively, we obtain a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $X$  such that  $x_{2n+1} \in [Sx_{2n}]_{\alpha_L(x_{2n})}$  and  $x_{2n+2} \in [Tx_{2n+1}]_{\alpha_L(x_{2n+1})}$ , and

$$\Theta(d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2})) \leq [\Theta(d(x_{2n}, x_{2n+1}))]^k \tag{2.11}$$

and

$$\Theta(d(x_{2n+2}, x_{2n+3})) \leq [\Theta(d(x_{2n+1}, x_{2n+2}))]^k \tag{2.12}$$

for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . From (2.11) and (2.12), we have

$$\Theta(d(x_n, x_{n+1})) \leq [\Theta(d(x_{n-1}, x_n))]^k, \tag{2.13}$$

which further implies that

$$\begin{aligned} \Theta(d(x_n, x_{n+1})) &\leq [\Theta(d(x_{n-1}, x_n))]^k \\ &\leq [\Theta(d(x_{n-2}, x_{n-1}))]^{k^2} \\ &\vdots \\ &\leq [\Theta(d(x_0, x_1))]^{k^n}. \end{aligned} \tag{2.14}$$

for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Since  $\Theta \in \Omega$ , so by taking limit as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  in (2.14) we have,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \Theta(d(x_n, x_{n+1})) = 1 \tag{2.15}$$

which implies that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n, x_{n+1}) = 0 \tag{2.16}$$

by  $(\Theta_2)$ . From the condition  $(\Theta_3)$ , there exist  $0 < r < 1$  and  $l \in (0, \infty]$  such that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\Theta(d(x_n, x_{n+1})) - 1}{d(x_n, x_{n+1})^r} = l. \tag{2.17}$$

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

$$\left| \frac{\Theta(d(x_n, x_{n+1})) - 1}{d(x_n, x_{n+1})^r} - l \right| \leq B$$

for all  $n > n_0$ . This implies that

$$\frac{\Theta(d(x_n, x_{n+1})) - 1}{d(x_n, x_{n+1})^r} \geq l - B = \frac{l}{2} = B$$

for all  $n > n_0$ . Then

$$nd(x_n, x_{n+1})^r \leq An[\Theta(d(x_n, x_{n+1})) - 1] \tag{2.18}$$

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

$$B \leq \frac{\Theta(d(x_n, x_{n+1})) - 1}{d(x_n, x_{n+1})^r}$$

for all  $n > n_0$ . This implies that

$$nd(x_n, x_{n+1})^r \leq An[\Theta(d(x_n, x_{n+1})) - 1]$$

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

$$nd(x_n, x_{n+1})^r \leq An[\Theta(d(x_n, x_{n+1})) - 1] \quad (2.19)$$

for all  $n > n_0$ . Thus by (2.14) and (2.19), we get

$$nd(x_n, x_{n+1})^r \leq An[(\Theta d(x_0, x_1))]^{r^n} - 1. \quad (2.20)$$

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

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} nd(x_n, x_{n+1})^r = 0.$$

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

$$d(x_n, x_{n+1}) \leq \frac{1}{n^{1/r}} \quad (2.21)$$

for all  $n > n_1$ .

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

$$d(x_n, x_m) \leq \sum_{i=n}^{m-1} d(x_i, x_{i+1}) \leq \sum_{i=n}^{m-1} \frac{1}{i^{1/r}} \leq \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{i^{1/r}}. \quad (2.22)$$

Since,  $0 < r < 1$ ,  $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{i^{1/r}}$  is convergent. Therefore,  $d(x_n, x_m) \rightarrow 0$  as  $m, n \rightarrow \infty$ . Thus we proved that  $\{x_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence in  $(X, d)$ . The completeness of  $(X, d)$  ensures that there exists  $u \in X$  such that,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = u$ . Now, we prove that  $u \in [Tu]_{\alpha_L(u)}$ . We suppose on the contrary that  $u \notin [Tu]_{\alpha_L(u)}$ , then there exist a  $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  and a subsequence  $\{x_{n_k}\}$  of  $\{x_n\}$  such that  $d(x_{2n_k+1}, [Tu]_{\alpha_L(u)}) > 0$  for all  $n_k \geq n_0$ . Since  $d(x_{2n_k+1}, [Tu]_{\alpha_L(u)}) > 0$



for all  $n_k \geq n_0$ , by  $(\Theta_1)$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \Theta \left[ d(x_{2n_k+1}, [Tu]_{\alpha_L(u)}) \right] \\ & \leq \Theta \left[ H([Sx_{2n_k}]_{\alpha_L(x_{2n_k})}, [Tu]_{\alpha_L(u)}) \right] \\ & \leq [\Theta(M(x_{2n_k}, u))]^k \\ & = \left[ \Theta \left( \max \left\{ \begin{aligned} & d(x_{2n_k}, u), d(x_{2n_k}, [Sx_{2n_k}]_{\alpha_L(x_{2n_k})}), d(u, [Tu]_{\alpha_L(u)}), \\ & \frac{1}{2} [d(x_{2n_k}, [Tu]_{\alpha_L(u)}) + d(u, [Sx_{2n_k}]_{\alpha_L(x_{2n_k})})] \end{aligned} \right\} \right) \right]^k \\ & \leq \left[ \Theta \left( \max \left\{ \begin{aligned} & d(x_{2n_k}, u), d(x_{2n_k}, x_{2n_k+1}), d(u, [Tu]_{\alpha_L(u)}), \\ & \frac{1}{2} [d(x_{2n_k}, [Tu]_{\alpha_L(u)}) + d(u, x_{2n_k+1})] \end{aligned} \right\} \right) \right]^k. \end{aligned}$$

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

$$\Theta \left[ d(u, [Tu]_{\alpha_L(u)}) \right] \leq \left[ \Theta(d(u, [Tu]_{\alpha_L(u)}) \right]^k$$

which is a contradiction because  $k \in (0, 1)$ . Hence  $u \in [Tu]_{\alpha_L(u)}$ . Similarly, we can easily prove that  $u \in [Su]_{\alpha_L(u)}$ . Thus  $u \in [Su]_{\alpha_L(u)} \cap [Tu]_{\alpha_L(u)}$ .  $\square$

The following result is a direct consequence of Theorem 2.1.

**Theorem 2.2.** *Let  $(X, d)$  be a complete metric space,  $S$  be an L-fuzzy mapping from  $X$  into  $\mathfrak{S}_L(X)$ , and for each  $\alpha_L \in L \setminus \{0_L\}$ ,  $[Sx]_{\alpha_L(x)}$ ,  $[Sy]_{\alpha_L(y)}$  are nonempty closed bounded subsets of  $X$ . If there exist some  $\Theta \in \Omega$  and  $k \in (0, 1)$  such that*

$$\Theta \left( H \left( [Sx]_{\alpha_L(x)}, [Sy]_{\alpha_L(y)} \right) \right) \leq \Theta(M(x, y))^k$$

for all  $x, y \in X$  with  $H \left( [Sx]_{\alpha_L(x)}, [Sy]_{\alpha_L(y)} \right) > 0$ , where

$$\begin{aligned} M(x, y) = \max \left\{ & d(x, y), d(x, [Sx]_{\alpha_L(x)}), d(y, [Sy]_{\alpha_L(y)}), \right. \\ & \left. \frac{1}{2} [d(x, [Sy]_{\alpha_L(y)}) + d(y, [Sx]_{\alpha_L(x)})] \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

Then  $S$  has an L-fuzzy fixed point.

**Corollary 2.3.** *Let  $(X, d)$  be a complete metric space,  $S, T$  be fuzzy mappings from  $X$  into  $\mathfrak{S}(X)$ , and for each  $\alpha(x) \in (0, 1]$ ,  $[Sx]_{\alpha(x)}$ ,  $[Ty]_{\alpha(y)}$  are nonempty closed bounded subsets of  $X$ . If there exist some  $\Theta \in \Omega$  and  $k \in (0, 1)$  such that*

$$\Theta \left( H \left( [Sx]_{\alpha(x)}, [Ty]_{\alpha(y)} \right) \right) \leq \Theta(M(x, y))^k$$

for all  $x, y \in X$  with  $H([Sx]_{\alpha(x)}, [Ty]_{\alpha(y)}) > 0$ , where

$$M(x, y) = \max \left\{ d(x, y), d(x, [Sx]_{\alpha(x)}), d(y, [Ty]_{\alpha(y)}), \frac{1}{2} [d(x, [Ty]_{\alpha(y)}) + d(y, [Sx]_{\alpha(x)})] \right\}.$$

Then  $S$  and  $T$  have a common fuzzy fixed point.

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

$$Ax = \chi_{L_{S(x)}}.$$

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

$$[Ax]_{\alpha_L(x)} = Sx.$$

Hence, by Theorem 2.1 we follow the result.  $\square$

**Example 2.4.** Let  $X = [0, 1]$ ,  $d(x, y) = |x - y|$ , for  $x, y \in X$ . Then  $(X, d)$  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  $\omega$  and  $\tau$  are not comparable. Then  $(L, \preceq_L)$  is a complete distributive lattice. Define a pair of mappings  $S, T : X \rightarrow \mathfrak{S}_L(X)$  as follows:

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

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

Let  $\Theta(t) = e^{\sqrt{t}} \in \Omega$  for  $t > 0$ . And for all  $x \in X$ , there exists  $\alpha_L(x) = \kappa$ , such that

$$[Sx]_{\alpha_L(x)} = \left[0, \frac{x}{6}\right], \quad [Tx]_{\alpha_L(x)} = \left[0, \frac{x}{12}\right].$$

and all conditions of Theorem 2.1 are satisfied. And 0 is a common fixed point of  $S$  and  $T$ .

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