Abstract—In this paper, we introduce the notions of E.A. property and common limit in range of g (CLRg) property for coupled mappings and prove a common coupled fixed point theorems without exploiting the notion of continuity, completeness of the whole space or any of its range spaces. Our theorems generalize the result of [5] and [10-14]. We also find an affirmative answer in fuzzy metric space to the problem of Rhoades [2]. Illustrative examples supporting our results have also been cited.

Index Terms—Coupled fixed point, weakly compatible maps, E.A. property and (CLRg) property.

I. INTRODUCTION

As fuzzy mathematics is the hottest area of research now-a-days and new concepts are emerging very rapidly in this field and consequently it has opened a new venue for many mathematicians. See [1], [2], [4], [5], [6], [7], [8] etc.

Recently, Bhaskar and Lakshmikantham [3] introduced the concepts of coupled fixed points and mixed monotone property and illustrated these results by proving the existence and uniqueness of the solution for a periodic boundary value problem. Later on these results were extended and generalized by Sedghi et al. [7], Fang [4] and Xin-Qi Hu [5] etc.

In the study of common fixed points of compatible mappings we often require assumption on completeness of the space or continuity of mappings involved besides some contractive condition but the study of fixed points of non compatible mappings can be extend to the class of non expansive or Lipschitz type mapping pairs even without assuming the continuity of the mappings involved or completeness of the space. Aamri and El Moutawakil [1] generalized the concepts of non comapatibility by defining the notion of (E.A) property and proved common fixed point theorems under strict contractive condition. Although E.A property is generalization of the concept of non compatible maps yet it requires either completeness of the whole space or any of the range space or continuity of maps. But on contrary, the new notion of CLR(g) property recently given by Sintunavarat and Kuman [8]does not impose such conditions. The importance of CLRg property ensures that one does not require the closeness of range subspaces.

The intent of this paper is to establish the concept of E.A. property and (CLRg) property for coupled mappings and an affirmative answer of question raised by Rhoades[2] whether, by using the concept of non comapatibility or its generalized notion , can we find equally interesting results in fuzzy metric space also ?

So, our improvement in this paper is four fold as
1) Relaxed continuity of maps completely
2) Completeness of the whole space or any of its range space removed.
3) Minimal type contractive condition used.
4) The condition \( \lim_{t \to \infty} M(x, y, t) = 1 \) is not used.

II. DEFINITIONS AND PRELIMINARIES

A. Definition 2.1[9].
A binary operation \( * : [0,1] \times [0,1] \to [0,1] \) is a continuous t-norm if \([0,1], *\) is a topological abelian monoid with unit 1 s.t. \( a \ast b \leq c \ast d \) whenever \( a \leq c \) and \( b \leq d \ , \forall a, b, c, d \in [0,1] \).

B. Definition 2.2[9].
The 3-tuple \((X, M, *)\) is called a fuzzy metric space if \(X\) is an arbitrary set, \( *\) is a continuous t-norm and \( M\) is a fuzzy set on \(X^2 \times [0,\infty)\) satisfying the following conditions:

\[
\begin{align*}
\text{(FM-1)} & \quad M(x, y, 0) > 0, \\
\text{(FM-2)} & \quad M(x, y, t) = 1 \quad \text{iff} \quad x = y, \\
\text{(FM-3)} & \quad M(x, y, t) = M(y, x, t), \\
\text{(FM-4)} & \quad M(x, y, t) \ast M(y, z, s) \leq M(x, z, t+s), \\
\text{(FM-5)} & \quad M(x, y, t) : (0,\infty) \to [0,1] \text{ is continuous for all } x, y, z \in X \text{ and } t > 0.
\end{align*}
\]

C. Definition 2.3[6].
An element \((x, y) \in X \times X\) is called a

(i) coupled fixed point of the mapping \(f: X \times X \to X\) if \(f(x, y) = x, f(y, x) = y\).

(ii) coupled coincidence point of the mappings \(f, g: X \times X \to X\) and \(g: X \to X\) if \(f(x, y) = g(x), f(y, x) = g(y)\).

(iii) common coupled fixed point of the mappings \(f, g: X \times X \to X\) if \(x = f(x, y) = x, y = f(y, x) = y\).

D. Definition 2.4[5].
An element \(x \in X\) is called a common fixed point of the mappings \(f, g: X \times X \to X\) if \(x = f(x, x) = x = g(x)\).

E. Definition 2.5.
Let \(A, B : X \times X \to X\) and \(S, T : X \to X\) be four mappings. Then, the pair of maps \((B, S)\) and \((A, T)\) are said to have Common Coupled Coincidence Point if there exist \(a, b \in X\) such that

\[
B(a, b) = S(a) = T(a) = A(a, b) \text{ and } B(b, a) = S(b) = T(b) = A(b, a).
\]
F. Definition 2.6.

The mappings \( f: X \times X \to X \) and \( g: X \to X \) are called weakly compatible maps if

\[
f(x, y) = g(x), f(y, x) = g(y) \quad \text{implies} \quad g(f(x, y)) = f(g(x, y)), g(f(y, x)) = f(g(y, x)) \quad \text{for all} \quad x, y \in X.
\]

Now, we fuzzify the newly defined concepts of E.A Property introduced by Aamri and Moutawakil [1] and (CLRg) property given by Sintunavarat and Kuman [7] for coupled maps as follows.

G. Definition 2.7

Let \((X, M, *)\) be a FM space. Two maps \( f: X \times X \to X \) and \( g: X \to X \) are said to satisfy E.A property if there exist sequences \( \{x_n\} \) and \( \{y_n\} \) in \( X \) such that

\[
limit_{n \to \infty} (f(x_n, y_n)) = \lim_{n \to \infty} g(x_n) = x \quad \text{and} \quad \lim_{n \to \infty} (f(y_n, x_n)) = \lim_{n \to \infty} g(y_n) = y,
\]

for some \( x, y \in X \).

H. Definition 2.8

Let \((X, M, *)\) be a FM space. Two maps \( f: X \times X \to X \) and \( g: X \to X \) are said to satisfy (CLRg) property if there exist sequences \( \{x_n\} \) and \( \{y_n\} \) in \( X \) such that

\[
limit_{n \to \infty} M(f(x_n, y_n), g(x_n), t) = x = g(p) \quad \text{and} \quad \lim_{n \to \infty} M(f(y_n, x_n), g(y_n), t) = y = g(q),
\]

for some \( p, q \in X \).

1) Example 2.1.

Let \((X, M, *)\) be a fuzzy metric space, * being a continuous t-norm with \( a * b = a b \), \( \forall a, b \in [0, 1] \). Let \( A, B: X \times X \to X \) and \( S, T: X \to X \) be four mappings satisfying following conditions:

1) The pairs \((A, S)\) and \((B, T)\) satisfy CLR(g) property

\[
M(A(x, y), B(u, v)) \geq \phi(M(S(x, u), T(x, t)) \times M(A(x, y), S(x, t)) \times M(B(u, v), T(u, t)))
\]

\[
\forall x, y, u, v \in X, k \in (0, 1) \quad \text{and} \quad \phi: [0, 1] \to [0, 1]
\]

such that \( \phi(t) > t \) for \( 0 < t < 1 \). Then \((A,S)\) and \((B,T)\) have point of coincidence. Moreover if the pairs \((A, S)\) and \((B, T)\) are weakly compatible, then there exists unique \( x \) in \( X \) such that \( A(x, x) = T(x) = B(x, x) = S(x) = x \).

2) Proof

Since the pairs \((A, S)\) and \((B, T)\) satisfy CLRg property, there exist sequences \( \{x_n\}, \{y_n\}\) \( \{x_n^j\} \) and \( \{y_n^j\}\) in \( X \) such that

\[
\lim_{n \to \infty} A(x_n, y_n) = \lim_{n \to \infty} S(x_n) = Sa,
\]

\[
\lim_{n \to \infty} A(y_n, x_n) = \lim_{n \to \infty} S(y_n) = Sv \quad \text{and} \quad \lim_{n \to \infty} B(x_n^j, y_n^j) = \lim_{n \to \infty} B(T(x_n^j), x_n^j) = \lim_{n \to \infty} B(T(y_n^j), x_n^j) = \lim_{n \to \infty} B(T(y_n^j), x_n^j) = Tb^j,
\]

for some \( a, b, d, b' \) in \( X \).

Step 1: We now show that the pairs \((A, S)\) and \((B, T)\) have common coupled coincidence point. We first show that \( Sa = Td^j \). Using (3.2), we have

\[
M(A(x_n, y_n), B(x_n, y_n), k) \geq \phi(M(S(x_n), T(x_n), t) \times M(A(x_n, y_n), S(x_n), t) \times M(B(x_n, y_n), T(x_n), t))
\]

Taking \( n \to \infty \), we get

\[
M(Sa, Td^j, k) \geq \phi(M(Sa, Td^j, t) \times 1 \times 1) \geq \phi(M(Sa, Td^j, t)) \geq \phi(M(Sa, Td^j, t))
\]

i.e \( M(Sa, Td^j, k) \geq M(Sa, Td^j, t) \Rightarrow Sa = Td^j \), similarly we can have \( Sb = Td^j \).

Also,

\[
M(A(x_n, y_n), B(x_n, y_n), k) \geq \phi(M(S(x_n), T(x_n), t) \times M(A(x_n, y_n), S(x_n), t) \times M(B(x_n, y_n), T(x_n), t))
\]

i.e \( M(Sb, Td^j, k) \geq M(Sb, Td^j, t) \Rightarrow Sb = Td^j \).

Hence \( Sb = Td^j = Sa = Td^j \). Now, for all \( t > 0 \), using condition (3.2), we have
\[ M(a(x,y), B(a', b'), kt) \geq \phi(M(Sx, Ta'), t) \times M(a(x,y), Sx, t) \times M(B(a', b'), Ta', t) \]

Taking \( n \to \infty \), we get,

\[ M(Sa, B(a', b'), kt) \geq M(Sa, B(a', b'), t) \Rightarrow Sa = B(a', b'). \]

Similarly, we can get that \( Sb = B(b', a') \). In a similar fashion, we can have \( Td' = A(a, b) \) and \( Tb' = A(b, a) \).

Thus, \( B(a', b') = Sa = Td' = A(a, b) \) and \( B(b', a') = Sb = Tb' = A(b, a) \). Thus the pairs \((A, S)\) and \((B, T)\) have coincidence points.

Let \( Sa = A(a, b) = B(a', b') = Td' = x \) and \( Sb = A(b, a) = B(b', a') = Tb' = y. \) Since \((A, S)\) and \((B, T)\) are weakly compatible, so

\[ Sx = SA(a, b) = A(Sa, Sb) = A(x, y) \]

and

\[ Sy = SA(b, a) = A(Sb, Sa) = A(y, x). \]

\[ Tx = TB(a', b') = B(Ta', Tb') = B(x, y) \]

and

\[ Ty = TB(b', a') = B(Tb', Ta') = B(y, x). \]

Step 2: We next show that \( x = y \). From (3.2),

\[ M(x, y, kt) = M(A(x, y), B(y, x), kt) \geq \phi(M(Sx, Txy, t)) \times M(A(x, y), Sx, t) \times M(B(y, x), Ty, t) \]

Thus, \( x = y \).

Step 3: Now, we prove that \( Sx = Tx \), using (3.2) again

\[ M(Sx, Tx, kt) = M(A(x, y), B(y, x), kt) \geq \phi(M(Sx, Txy, t)) \times M(A(x, y), Sx, t) \times M(B(y, x), Ty, t) \]

i.e \( M(Sx, Tx, kt) \geq M(Sx, Ty, t) \Rightarrow Sx = Tx = Ty \).

Step 4: Lastly, we prove that \( Sx = x \)

\[ M(Sx, x, kt) = M(A(x, y), B(y, x), kt) \geq \phi(M(Sx, Txy, t)) \times M(A(x, y), Sx, t) \times M(B(y, x), Tx, t) \]

Hence \( x = Sx = Tx = A(x, x) = B(x, x) \). This shows that \( A, B, S, T \) have a common fixed point and uniqueness of \( x \) follows easily from (3.2).

Next, we give an example in support of theorem 3.1

3) Example 3.1.

Let \( X = [-2, 2], a \ast b = ab \) for all \( a, b \in [0, 1] \) and

\[ M(x, y, t) = \begin{cases} t, & t \neq 0 \\ 0, & t = 0 \end{cases} \]

Then \((X, M, *)\) is a Fuzzy Metric space. Define the mappings \( A, B : X \times X \rightarrow X \) and \( S, T : X \rightarrow X \) as follows

\[ A(x, y) = \begin{cases} x + y, & x, y \in [0, 2], \\ 1, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \]

and

\[ B(x, y) = \begin{cases} x - y, & x, y \in [0, 2], \\ 2, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \]

\[ S(x) = \begin{cases} x, & x \in [0, 2], \\ 1, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \]

and

\[ T(x) = \begin{cases} y, & x \in [0, 2], \\ 2, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \]

Consider the sequences,

\[ x_n = \frac{1}{n}, y_n = \frac{-1}{n}, x'_n = \frac{1+\frac{1}{n}}{n}, y'_n = \frac{1-\frac{1}{n}}{n}, \]

\[ n \in N \]

then the pairs \( (A, S) \) and \( (B, T) \) are weak compatible and satisfying CLR(\( g \)). So, all the conditions of our theorem are satisfied. Thus \( A, B, S \) and \( T \) have a unique common coupled fixed point in \( X \). Indeed, \( x = 0 \) is the unique common fixed point which is also a point of discontinuity and thus we find out an answer in fuzzy metric spaces to the problem of Rhoades[2].

IV. APPLICATION

1) Theorem 3.2.

Let \((X, M, *)\) be a Fuzzy Metric Space, \(*\) being continuous \( t\)-norm with \( a \ast b \geq ab, \forall a, b \in [0, 1] \). Let \( A, B : X \times X \rightarrow X \) and \( S, T : X \rightarrow X \) be four mappings satisfying the following conditions:

1) The pairs \((A, S)\) and \((B, T)\) satisfy E.A property

2) \( A(X \times X) \subseteq T(X), B(X \times X) \subseteq S(X) \)

3) \( S(X) \) and \( T(X) \) are closed subsets of \( X \).

4) \( M(A(x, y), B(u, v), kt) \geq \phi(M(Sx, Ta, t)) \times M(A(x, y), Sx, t) \)

\[ \forall x, y, u, v \in X, k \in (0, 1) \text{ and } \phi : [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, 1] \text{ such that } \phi(t) > t \text{ for } 0 < t < 1. \text{ Then } (A, S) \text{ and } (B, T) \text{ have point of coincidence. Moreover if the pairs } (A, S) \text{ and } (B, T) \text{ are weakly compatible, then there exists unique } x \in X \text{ such that } A(x, x) = T(x) = B(x, x) = S(x) = x. \]
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