

WEAKLY COMPATIBLE MAPS IN 2-NON-ARCHIMEDEAN MENGER PM-SPACES

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The aim of this paper is to introduce the concept of weakly compatible maps in 2-non-Archimedean Menger probabilistic metric (PM) spaces and to prove a theorem for these mappings without appeal to continuity. We also provide an application.

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1. Introduction. In 1999, Chugh and Sumitra [2] introduced the concept of 2-N.A. Menger PM-space as follows.

DEFINITION 1.1. Let X be any nonempty set and L the set of all left continuous distribution functions. An ordered pair (X, F) is said to be a 2-non-Archimedean probabilistic metric space (briefly 2-N.A. PM-space) if F is a mapping from $X \times X \times X$ into L satisfying the following conditions (where the value of F at $x, y, z \in X \times X \times X$ is represented by $F_{x,y,z}$ or $F(x, y, z)$ for all $x, y, z \in X$):

- (i) $F_{x,y,z}(t) = 1$ for all $t > 0$ if and only if at least two of the three points are equal,
- (ii) $F_{x,y,z} = F_{x,z,y} = F_{z,y,x}$,
- (iii) $F_{x,y,z}(0) = 0$,
- (iv) if $F_{x,y,s}(t_1) = F_{x,s,z}(t_2) = F_{s,y,z}(t_3) = 1$, then $F_{x,y,z}(\max\{t_1, t_2, t_3\}) = 1$.

DEFINITION 1.2. A t -norm is a function $\Delta : [0, 1] \times [0, 1] \times [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, 1]$ which is associative, commutative, nondecreasing in each coordinate and $\Delta(a, 1, 1) = a$ for every $a \in [0, 1]$.

DEFINITION 1.3. A 2-N.A. Menger PM-space is an order triplet (X, F, Δ) where Δ is a t -norm and (X, F) is 2-N.A. PM-space satisfying the following condition:

- (v) $F_{x,y,z}(\max\{t_1, t_2, t_3\}) \geq \Delta(F_{x,y,s}(t_1), F_{x,s,z}(t_2), F_{s,y,z}(t_3))$ for all $x, y, z, s \in X$ and $t_1, t_2, t_3 \geq 0$.

DEFINITION 1.4. Let (X, F, Δ) be a 2-N.A. Menger PM-space and Δ a continuous t -norm, then (X, F, Δ) is a Hausdorff in the topology induced by the family of neighbourhoods of x

$$\{U_x(\epsilon, \lambda, a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n), x, a_i \in X, \epsilon > 0, i = 1, 2, \dots, n, n \in \mathbb{Z}^+\}, \quad (1.1)$$

where \mathbb{Z}^+ is the set of all positive integers and

$$\begin{aligned} U_x(\epsilon, \lambda, a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n) &= \{y \in X; F_{x,y,a_i}(\epsilon) > 1 - \lambda, 1 \leq i \leq n\} \\ &= \bigcap_{i=1}^n \{y \in X; F_{x,y,a_i}(\epsilon) > 1 - \lambda, 1 \leq i \leq n\}. \end{aligned} \quad (1.2)$$

DEFINITION 1.5. A 2-N.A. Menger PM-space (X, F, Δ) is said to be of type $(C)_g$ if there exists a $g \in \Omega$ such that

$$g(F_{x,y,z}(t)) \leq g(F_{x,y,a}(t)) + g(F_{x,a,z}(t)) + g(F_{a,y,z}(t)) \quad (1.3)$$

for all $x, y, z, a \in X$ and $t \geq 0$, where $\Omega = \{g; g : [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, \infty)\}$ is continuous, strictly decreasing, $g(1) = 0$ and $g(0) < \infty$.

DEFINITION 1.6. A 2-N.A. Menger PM-space (X, F, Δ) is said to be of type $(D)_g$ if there exists a $g \in \Omega$ such that

$$g(\Delta(t_1, t_2, t_3)) \leq g(t_1) + g(t_2) + g(t_3) \quad \forall t_1, t_2, t_3 \in [0, 1]. \quad (1.4)$$

DEFINITION 1.7. Let (X, F, Δ) be a 2-N.A. Menger PM-space where Δ is a continuous t -norm and $A, S : X \rightarrow X$ be mappings. The mappings A and S are said to be weakly compatible if they commute at the coincidence point, that is, the mappings A and S are weakly compatible if and only if $Ax = Sx$ implies $ASx = SAX$.

REMARK 1.8. (1) If 2-N.A. PM-space (X, F, Δ) is of type $(D)_g$, then (X, F, Δ) is of type $(C)_g$.

(2) If (X, F, Δ) is a 2-N.A. PM-space and $\Delta \geq \Delta_m$, where $\Delta_m(r, s, t) = \max\{r + s + t - 1, 0, 0\}$, then (X, F, Δ) is of type $(D)_g$ for $g \in \Omega$ defined by $g(t) = 1 - t$.

Throughout this paper, let (X, F, Δ) be a complete 2-N.A. Menger PM-space of type $(D)_g$ with a continuous strictly increasing t -norm Δ .

Let $\phi : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ be a function satisfying the condition (Φ) :

(Φ) ϕ is upper semi-continuous from right and $\phi(t) < t$ for all $t > 0$.

LEMMA 1.9 (see [1]). *If a function $\phi : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ satisfies the condition (Φ) , then*

- (1) *for all $t \geq 0$, $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \phi^n(t) = 0$ where $\phi^n(t)$ is the n th iteration of $\phi(t)$;*
- (2) *if $\{t_n\}$ is a nondecreasing sequence of real numbers and $t_{n+1} \leq \phi(t_n)$, $n = 1, 2, \dots$, then $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} t_n = 0$. In particular, if $t \leq \phi(t)$ for all $t \geq 0$, then $t = 0$.*

LEMMA 1.10 (see [1]). *Let $\{y_n\}$ be a sequence in X such that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} F_{y_n, y_{n+1}, a}(t) = 1$ for all $t > 0$. If the sequence $\{y_n\}$ is not Cauchy sequence in X , then there exist $\epsilon_0 > 0$, $t_0 > 0$, and two sequences $\{m_i\}$ and $\{n_i\}$ of positive integers such that*

- (i) $m_i > n_i + 1$ and $n_i \rightarrow \infty$ as $i \rightarrow \infty$,
- (ii) $F_{y_{m_i}, y_{n_i}, a}(t_0) < 1 - \epsilon_0$ and $F_{y_{m_i-1}, y_{n_i}, a}(t_0) > 1 - \epsilon_0$, $i = 1, 2, \dots$

Chugh and Sumitra [2] proved the following theorem.

THEOREM 1.11. *Let $A, B, S, T : X \rightarrow X$ be mappings satisfying the following conditions:*

- (i) $A(X) \subset T(X)$ and $B(X) \subset S(X)$;
- (ii) *the pairs A, S and B, T are weak compatible of type (A) ;*
- (iii) S and T are continuous;

(iv) for all $a \in X$ and $t > 0$,

$$g(F_{Ax,By,a}(t)) \leq \phi \left(\max \left\{ g(F_{Sx,Ty,a}(t)), g(F_{Sx,Ax,a}(t)), g(F_{Ty,By,a}(t)), \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. \frac{1}{2} (g(F_{Sx,By,a}(t)) + g(F_{Ty,Ax,a}(t))) \right\} \right), \tag{1.5}$$

where a function $\phi : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ satisfies the condition (Φ) .

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

Now we prove the following theorem.

THEOREM 1.12. Let $A, B, S, T : X \rightarrow X$ be mappings satisfying

$$A(X) \subset T(X), \quad B(X) \subset S(X), \tag{1.6}$$

$$\text{the pairs } A, S \text{ and } B, T \text{ are weakly compatible,} \tag{1.7}$$

$$g(F_{Ax,By,a}(t)) \leq \phi \left(\max \left\{ g(F_{Sx,Ty,a}(t)), g(F_{Sx,Ax,a}(t)), g(F_{Ty,By,a}(t)), \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. \frac{1}{2} (g(F_{Sx,By,a}(t)) + g(F_{Ty,Ax,a}(t))) \right\} \right) \tag{1.8}$$

for all $t > 0, a \in X$ where a function $\phi : [0, \infty) \rightarrow (0, \infty)$ satisfies the condition (Φ) . Then $A, B, S,$ and T have a unique common fixed point in X .

PROOF. By (1.6) since $A(X) \subset T(X)$, for any $x_0 \in X$, there exists a point $x_1 \in X$ such that $Ax_0 = Tx_1$. Since $B(X) \subset S(X)$, for this x_1 , we can choose a point $x_2 \in X$ such that $Bx_1 = Sx_2$ and so on, inductively, we can define a sequence $\{y_n\}$ in X such that

$$y_{2n} = Ax_{2n} = Tx_{2n+1}, \quad y_{2n+1} = Bx_{2n+1} = Sx_{2n+2}, \quad \text{for } n = 0, 1, 2, \dots \tag{1.9}$$

□

First we prove the following lemma.

LEMMA 1.13. Let $A, B, S, T : X \rightarrow X$ be mappings satisfying conditions (1.6) and (1.8), then the sequence $\{y_n\}$ defined by (1.9), such that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} g(F_{y_n, y_{n+1}, a}(t)) = 0$ for all $t > 0, a \in X$, is a Cauchy sequence in X .

PROOF. Since $g \in \Omega$, it follows that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (F_{y_n, y_{n+1}, a}(t)) = 0$ for all $a \in X$ and $t > 0$ if and only if $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} g(F_{y_n, y_{n+1}, a}(t)) = 0$ for all $a \in X$ and $t > 0$. By Lemma 1.10, if $\{y_n\}$ is not a Cauchy sequence in X , there exist $\epsilon_0 > 0, t_0 > 0$, and two sequences $\{m_i\}, \{n_i\}$ of positive integers such that

- (A) $m_i > n_i + 1$ and $n_i \rightarrow \infty$ as $i \rightarrow \infty$,
- (B) $g(F_{y_{m_i}, y_{n_i}, a}(t_0)) > g(1 - \epsilon_0)$ and $g(F_{y_{m_i-1}, y_{n_i}, a}(t_0)) \leq g(1 - \epsilon_0), i = 1, 2, \dots$

Thus we have

$$g(1 - \epsilon_0) < g(F_{y_{m_i}, y_{n_i}, a}(t_0)) \leq g(F_{y_{m_i}, y_{n_i}, y_{m_i-1}}(t_0)) \\ + g(F_{y_{m_i}, y_{m_i-1}, a}(t_0)) + g(F_{y_{m_i-1}, y_{n_i}, a}(t_0)) \\ \leq g(F_{y_{m_i}, y_{n_i}, y_{m_i-1}}(t_0)) + g(F_{y_{m_i}, y_{m_i-1}, a}(t_0)) + g(1 - \epsilon_0). \tag{1.10}$$

Letting $i \rightarrow \infty$ in (1.10), we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} g(F_{y_{m_i}, y_{n_i}, a}(t_0)) = g(1 - \epsilon_0). \tag{1.11}$$

On the other hand, we have

$$\begin{aligned} g(1 - \epsilon_0) &< g(F_{y_{m_i}, y_{n_i}, a}(t_0)) \leq g(F_{y_{m_i}, y_{n_i}, y_{n_i+1}}(t_0)) \\ &\quad + g(F_{y_{m_i}, y_{n_i+1}, a}(t_0)) + g(F_{y_{n_i+1}, y_{n_i}, a}(t_0)). \end{aligned} \quad (1.12)$$

Now, consider $g(F_{y_{m_i}, y_{n_i+1}, a}(t_0))$ in (1.12), without loss of generality, assume that both n_i and m_i are even.

Then by (1.8), we have

$$\begin{aligned} g(F_{y_{m_i}, y_{n_i+1}, a}(t_0)) &= g(F_{Ax_{m_i}, Bx_{n_i+1}, a}(t_0)) \\ &\leq \phi \left(\max \left\{ g(F_{Sx_{m_i}, Tx_{n_i+1}, a}(t_0)), \right. \right. \\ &\quad g(F_{Sx_{m_i}, Ax_{m_i}, a}(t_0)), g(F_{Tx_{n_i+1}, Bx_{n_i+1}, a}(t_0)), \\ &\quad \left. \left. \frac{1}{2} (g(F_{Sx_{m_i}, Bx_{n_i+1}, a}(t_0)) + g(F_{Tx_{n_i+1}, Ax_{m_i+1}, a}(t_0))) \right\} \right) \\ &= \phi \left(\max \left\{ g(F_{y_{m_i}, -1, y_{n_i}, a}(t_0)), \right. \right. \\ &\quad g(F_{y_{m_i}, -1, y_{m_i}, a}(t_0)), g(F_{y_{n_i}, y_{n_i+1}, a}(t_0)), \\ &\quad \left. \left. \frac{1}{2} (g(F_{y_{m_i}, -1, y_{n_i+1}, a}(t_0)) + g(F_{y_{n_i}, y_{m_i}, a}(t_0))) \right\} \right). \end{aligned} \quad (1.13)$$

By (1.11), (1.12), and (1.13), letting $i \rightarrow \infty$ in (1.13), we have

$$g(1 - \epsilon_0) \leq \phi(\max\{g(1 - \epsilon_0), 0, 0, g(1 - \epsilon_0)\}) = \phi(g(1 - \epsilon_0)) < g(1 - \epsilon_0) \quad (1.14)$$

which is a contradiction. Therefore, $\{y_n\}$ is a Cauchy sequence in X . \square

Now, we are ready to prove our main theorem.

If we prove $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} g(F_{y_n, y_{n+1}, a}(t)) = 0$ for all $a \in X$ and $t > 0$, then by Lemma 1.13, the sequence $\{y_n\}$ defined by (1.9) is a Cauchy sequence in X . First we prove that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} g(F_{y_n, y_{n+1}, a}(t)) = 0$ for all $a \in X$ and $t > 0$. In fact, by (1.8) and (1.9), we have

$$\begin{aligned} g(F_{y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}, a}(t)) &= g(F_{Ax_{2n}, Bx_{2n+1}, a}(t)) \\ &\leq \phi \left(\max \left\{ g(F_{Sx_{2n}, Tx_{2n+1}, a}(t)), \right. \right. \\ &\quad g(F_{Sx_{2n}, Ax_{2n}, a}(t)), g(F_{Tx_{2n+1}, Bx_{2n+1}, a}(t)), \\ &\quad \left. \left. \frac{1}{2} (g(F_{Sx_{2n}, Bx_{2n+1}, a}(t)) + g(F_{Tx_{2n+1}, Ax_{2n}, a}(t))) \right\} \right) \\ &= \phi \left(\max \left\{ g(F_{y_{2n-1}, y_{2n}, a}(t)), g(F_{y_{2n-1}, y_{2n}, a}(t)), \right. \right. \\ &\quad g(F_{y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}, a}(t)), \frac{1}{2} (g(F_{y_{2n-1}, y_{2n+1}, a}(t)) + g(1)) \left. \right\} \right) \\ &\leq \phi \left(\max \left\{ g(F_{y_{2n-1}, y_{2n}, a}(t)), g(F_{y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}, a}(t)), \right. \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left. \frac{1}{2} (g(F_{y_{2n-1}, y_{2n}, a}(t)) + g(F_{y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}, a}(t))) \right\} \right). \end{aligned} \quad (1.15)$$

If $g(F_{y_{2n-1}, y_{2n}, a}(t)) \leq g(F_{y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}, a}(t))$ for all $t > 0$, then by (1.8),

$$g(F_{y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}, a}(t)) \leq \phi(g(F_{y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}, a}(t))) \quad (1.16)$$

and thus, by Lemma 1.9, $g(F_{y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}, a}(t)) = 0$ for all $a \in X$ and $t > 0$. Similarly, we have $g(F_{y_{2n+1}, y_{2n+2}, a}(t)) = 0$, thus we have $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} g(F_{y_n, y_{n+1}, a}(t)) = 0$ for all $a \in X$ and $t > 0$. On the other hand, if $g(F_{y_{2n-1}, y_{2n}, a}(t)) \geq g(F_{y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}, a}(t))$, then by (1.8), we have

$$g(F_{y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}, a}(t)) \leq \phi(g(F_{y_{2n-1}, y_{2n}, a}(t))) \quad \forall a \in X, t > 0. \quad (1.17)$$

Similarly, $g(F_{y_{2n+1}, y_{2n+2}, a}(t)) \leq \phi(g(F_{y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}, a}(t)))$ for all $a \in X$ and $t > 0$. Thus we have $g(F_{y_n, y_{n+1}, a}(t)) \leq \phi(g(F_{y_{n-1}, y_n, a}(t)))$ for all $a \in X$ and $t > 0$ and $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$, therefore by Lemma 1.9, $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} g(F_{y_n, y_{n+1}, a}(t)) = 0$ for all $a \in X$ and $t > 0$, which implies that $\{y_n\}$ is a Cauchy sequence in X by Lemma 1.13. Since (X, F, Δ) is complete, the sequence $\{y_n\}$ converges to a point $z \in X$ and so the subsequences $\{Ax_{2n}\}$, $\{Bx_{2n+1}\}$, $\{Sx_{2n}\}$, $\{Tx_{2n+1}\}$ of $\{y_n\}$ also converge to the limit z . Since $B(X) \subset S(X)$, there exists a point $u \in X$ such that $z = Su$.

Now

$$g(F_{Au, z, a}(t)) \leq g(F_{Au, Bx_{2n+1}, z}(t)) + g(F_{Bx_{2n+1}, z, a}(t)) + g(F_{Au, Bx_{2n+1}, a}(t)). \quad (1.18)$$

From (1.8), we have

$$g(F_{Au, Bx_{2n+1}, a}(t)) \leq \phi \left(\max \left\{ g(F_{Su, Tx_{2n+1}, a}(t)), g(F_{Su, Au, a}(t)), g(F_{Tx_{2n+1}, Bx_{2n+1}, a}(t)), \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. \frac{1}{2} (g(F_{Su, Bx_{2n+1}, a}(t)) + g(F_{Tx_{2n+1}, Au, a}(t))) \right\} \right). \quad (1.19)$$

From (1.18) and (1.19), letting $n \rightarrow \infty$, we have

$$g(F_{Au, z, a}(t)) \leq \phi \left(\max \left\{ g(F_{Su, z, a}(t)), g(F_{Su, Au, a}(t)), g(F_{z, z, a}(t)), \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. \frac{1}{2} (g(F_{Su, z, a}(t)) + g(F_{z, Au, a}(t))) \right\} \right) \\ = \phi(g(F_{z, Au, a}(t))) \quad \forall a \in X, t > 0, \quad (1.20)$$

which means $z = Au = Su$. Since $A(X) \subset T(X)$, there exists a point $v \in X$ such that $z = Tv$. Then, again using (1.8), we have

$$g(F_{z, Bv, a}(t)) = g(F_{Au, Bv, a}(t)) \\ \leq \phi \left(\max \left\{ g(F_{Su, Tv, a}(t)), g(F_{Su, Au, a}(t)), g(F_{Tv, Bv, a}(t)), \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. \frac{1}{2} (g(F_{Su, Bv, a}(t)) + g(F_{Tv, Au, a}(t))) \right\} \right) \\ = \phi(g(F_{z, Bv, a}(t))), \quad \forall a \in X, t > 0, \quad (1.21)$$

which implies that $Bv = z = Tv$.

Since pairs of maps A and S are weakly compatible, then $ASu = SAu$, that is, $Az = Sz$. Now we show that z is a fixed point of A . If $Az \neq z$, then by (1.8),

$$\begin{aligned} g(F_{Az,z,a}(t)) &= g(F_{Az,Bv,a}(t)) \\ &\leq \phi \left(\max \left\{ g(F_{Sz,Tv,a}(t)), g(F_{Sz,Az,a}(t)), g(F_{Tv,Bv,a}(t)), \right. \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left. \frac{1}{2} (g(F_{Sz,Bv,a}(t)) + g(F_{Tv,Az,a}(t))) \right\} \right) \\ &= \phi(\max \{g(F_{Az,z,a}(t))\}), \quad \text{implies } Az = z. \end{aligned} \tag{1.22}$$

Similarly, pairs of maps B and T are weakly compatible, we have $Bz = Tz$. Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} g(F_{Az,z,a}(t)) &= g(F_{Az,Bz,a}(t)) \\ &\leq \phi \left(\max \left\{ g(F_{Sz,Tz,a}(t)), g(F_{Sz,Az,a}(t)), g(F_{Tz,Bz,a}(t)), \right. \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left. \frac{1}{2} (g(F_{Sz,Bz,a}(t)) + g(F_{Tz,Az,a}(t))) \right\} \right) \\ &= \phi(\max \{g(F_{z,Tz,a}(t))\}). \end{aligned} \tag{1.23}$$

Thus we have $Bz = Tz = z$.

Therefore, $Az = Bz = Sz = Tz$ and z is a common fixed point of A, B, S , and T . The uniqueness follows from (1.8).

2. Application

THEOREM 2.1. *Let (X, F, Δ) be a complete 2-N.A. Menger PM-space and A, B, S , and T be the mappings from the product $X \times X$ to X such that*

$$\begin{aligned} A(X \times \{y\}) &\subseteq T(X \times \{y\}), & B(X \times \{y\}) &\subseteq (X \times \{y\}), \\ g(F_{A(T(x,y),y),T(A(x,y),y),a}(t)) &\leq g(F_{A(x,y),T(x,y),a}(t)), \\ g(F_{B(S(x,y),y),S(B(x,y),y),a}(t)) &\leq g(F_{B(x,y),S(x,y),a}(t)) \end{aligned} \tag{2.1}$$

for all $a \in X$ and $t > 0$ and

$$\begin{aligned} g(F_{A(x,y),B(x',y'),a}(t)) \\ \leq \phi \left(\max \left\{ g(F_{S(x,y),T(x',y'),a}(t)), g(F_{S(x,y),A(x,y),a}(t)), g(F_{T(x',y'),B(x',y'),a}(t)), \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. \frac{1}{2} (g(F_{S(x,y),B(x',y'),a}(t)) + g(F_{T(x',y'),A(x,y),a}(t))) \right\} \right) \end{aligned} \tag{2.2}$$

for all $a \in X, t > 0$, and x, y, x', y' in X , then there exists only one point b in X such that

$$A(b, y) = S(b, y) = B(b, y) = T(b, y) \quad \forall y \text{ in } X. \tag{2.3}$$

PROOF. By (2.2),

$$\begin{aligned} g(F_{A(x,y),B(x',y')}(t)) \\ \leq \phi \left(\max \left\{ g(F_{S(x,y),T(x',y'),a}(t)), g(F_{S(x,y),A(x,y),a}(t)), g(F_{T(x',y'),B(x',y'),a}(t)), \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. \frac{1}{2} (g(F_{S(x,y),B(x',y'),a}(t)) + g(F_{T(x',y'),A(x,y),a}(t))) \right\} \right) \end{aligned} \tag{2.4}$$

for all $a \in X$ and $t > 0$; therefore by [Theorem 1.12](#), for each y in X , there exists only one $x(y)$ in X such that

$$A(x(y), y) = S(x(y), y) = B(x(y), y) = T(x(y), y) = x(y) \quad (2.5)$$

for every y, y' in X ,

$$\begin{aligned} & g(F_{x(y), x(y'), a}(t)) \\ &= g(F_{A(x(y), y), A(x(y'), y'), a}(t)) \\ &\leq \phi \left(\max \left\{ g(F_{A(x, y), A(x', y'), a}(t)), g(F_{A(x, y), A(x, y), a}(t)), g(F_{T(x', y'), A(x', y'), a}(t)), \right. \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left. \frac{1}{2} (g(F_{A(x, y), A(x', y'), a}(t)) + g(F_{A(x', y'), A(x, y), a}(t))) \right\} \right) \\ &= g(F_{x(y), x(y'), a}(t)). \end{aligned} \quad (2.6)$$

This implies $x(y) = x(y')$ and hence $x(y)$ is some constant $b \in X$ so that

$$A(b, y) = b = T(b, y) = S(b, y) = B(b, y) \quad \forall y \text{ in } X. \quad (2.7)$$

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