

## The Intuitionistic Menger b-Metric Space

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**Abstract:** In this manuscript, we introduce the notion of intuitionistic Menger b-metric space, (IMb-MS) which is the hybrid structure of Menger space and b-metric space. We also prove an example of IMb-MS. In the last section we prove a Banach contraction theorem in the setting of intuitionistic Menger *b*-metric space.

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### Introduction:

The theory of probabilistic metric spaces was initiated by Karl Menger [9] in 1942, where the distance between two points is described by a distribution function instead of a nonnegative real number. This pioneering idea laid the foundation for the study of uncertainty in metric structures. Subsequently, Schweizer and Sklar [10,11] significantly advanced the theory by introducing Menger spaces, which have become an important framework in probabilistic analysis and fixed-point theory.

In 1989, Bakhtin [2] introduced the notion of b-metric spaces as a generalization of metric spaces. Later, Czerwik [6] studied contraction mappings in b-metric spaces and established several fixed-point results. Due to their flexible structure, b-metric spaces have attracted considerable attention in nonlinear analysis and its applications.

The concept of intuitionistic Menger spaces was introduced by Kutukcu et al. [7] by combining intuitionistic fuzzy sets with Menger spaces. Later, Mbarki and Oubrahim [8] introduced b-Menger spaces, extending the classical Menger space framework to b-metric spaces. Several important contributions to fixed-point theory in Menger space have also been made by Choudhary et al. [3–5].

Motivated by these developments, in this paper we introduce the concept of intuitionistic Menger b-metric space with an example. Also, we proved the Banach contraction theorem in this setting.

## 2. Preliminaries

For the reader convenience some definitions and results are recalled.

**Definition 2.1.[10]** A *t*-norm is a function  $*$ :  $[0,1]^2 \rightarrow [0,1]$  which satisfies the following conditions

- (i)  $T(a, 1) = a$  ,  $T(0,0) = 0$ ;
- (ii)  $T(a, b) = T(b, a)$  ;
- (iii)  $T(T(a, b), c) = T(a, T(b, c))$  ;

(iv)  $T(c, d) \geq T(a, b)$  whenever  $c \geq a$  and  $d \geq b$ .

The following defines three basic t-norms:

1. The minimum  $t$ -norm,  $a * b = \min\{a, b\}$
2. The Product  $t$ -norm,  $a * b = ab$
3. The Lukasiewicz  $t$ -norm,  $a * b = \max\{a + b - 1, 0\}$

**Definition 2.2.** [7] A binary operation  $\phi: [0, 1]^2 \rightarrow [0, 1]$  is called a continuous triangular co-norm ( $t$ -conorm) if it satisfies the following conditions:

- (1)  $\phi$  is associative and commutative;
- (2)  $\phi$  is continuous;
- (3)  $a \phi 0 = a, \forall a \in [0, 1]$ ;
- (4)  $a \phi b \leq c \phi d$ , whenever  $a \leq c$  and  $b \leq d \forall a, b, c, d \in [0, 1]$ .

Three basic  $t$ -conorms are given below:

- (1)  $a \diamond_1 b = \min(a + b, 1)$ ,
- (2)  $a \diamond_2 b = (a + b - ab)$ ,
- (3)  $a \diamond_3 b = \max(a, b)$

**Definition 2.3.** [8] Let  $T$  be a continuous  $t$ -norm,  $X$  be a nonempty set, and  $k \geq 1$  be a fixed real number. A mapping from  $X \times X$  into the set of distribution functions is called a Menger  $b$ -metric on  $X$  if and only if the following conditions hold for every  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma \in X$ :

- (i)  $\mathcal{M}_{b(\alpha, \beta)}(0) = 0$
- (ii)  $\mathcal{M}_{b(\alpha, \beta)}(t) = 1, \forall t > 0$  if and only if  $\alpha = \beta$
- (iii)  $\mathcal{M}_{b(\alpha, \beta)}(t) = \mathcal{M}_{b(\beta, \alpha)}(t), \forall t > 0$
- (iv)  $\mathcal{M}_{b(\alpha, \gamma)}(k(t + u)) \geq T\left[\mathcal{M}_{b(\alpha, \beta)}(t), \mathcal{M}_{b(\beta, \gamma)}(u)\right], \forall t, s \geq 0$ .

The quadruple  $(X, \mathcal{M}_b, o, k)$  is said to be a Menger  $b$ -metric space.

**Definition 2.4.** [10] A distance distribution function is a function,  $\mathcal{M}: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$  which is left continuous on  $\mathbb{R}$ , non-decreasing and  $\inf_{t \in \mathbb{R}} \mathcal{M}(t) = 0, \sup_{t \in \mathbb{R}} \mathcal{M}(t) = 1$ . we shall be denoted by  $D$  the family of all distance distribution functions and by  $\mathcal{H}$  a special distance distribution function in  $D$  given by

$$\mathcal{H}(t) = \begin{cases} 1 & , \text{if } t > 0 \\ 0 & , \text{if } t = 0 \end{cases}$$

**Definition 2.5.** [10] A non-distance distribution function is function  $\mathcal{L}: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$  which is left continuous on  $\mathbb{R}$ , non-increasing and  $\inf_{t \in \mathbb{R}} \mathcal{L}(t) = 1, \sup_{t \in \mathbb{R}} \mathcal{L}(t) = 0$ . We shall denote by  $E$  the family of all non-distance distribution functions and by  $G$  a special non distance distribution function in  $E$  given by

$$G(t) = \begin{cases} 1 & , \text{if } t < 0 \\ 0 & , \text{if } t > 0 \end{cases}$$

**Main Results:**

In this section, we introduce the concept of intuitionistic Menger  $b$ -metric space with example.

**Definition 3.1.** The 6-tuple  $(X, \mathcal{M}, \mathcal{L}, *, \diamond, b)$  is said to be an intuitionistic Menger  $b$ -metric space, if  $X$  is an arbitrary set,  $b \geq 1$  is given real number,  $*$  is a continuous  $t$ -norm,  $\diamond$  is continuous  $t$ -co-norm,  $\mathcal{M}$  is a probabilistic distance and  $\mathcal{L}$  is a probabilistic non-distance on  $X$  satisfying the following conditions: for  $\forall \alpha, \beta, \gamma \in X$  and  $t, s \geq 0$

1.  $\mathcal{M}_{(\alpha, \beta)}(t) + \mathcal{L}_{(\alpha, \beta)}(t) \leq 1$ ;
2.  $\mathcal{M}_{(\alpha, \beta)}(0) = 0$ ;
3.  $\mathcal{M}_{(\alpha, \beta)}(t) = \mathcal{H}(t)$ , if and only if  $\alpha = \beta$ ;
4.  $\mathcal{M}_{(\alpha, \beta)}(t) = \mathcal{M}_{(\beta, \alpha)}(t)$ ;
5.  $\mathcal{M}_{(\alpha, \gamma)}(t+u) \geq \mathcal{M}_{(\alpha, \beta)}\left(\frac{t}{b}\right) * \mathcal{M}_{(\beta, \gamma)}\left(\frac{u}{b}\right)$ ;
6.  $\mathcal{L}_{(\alpha, \beta)}(0) = 1$ ;
7.  $\mathcal{L}_{(\alpha, \beta)}(t) = G(t)$  if and only if  $\alpha = \beta$ ;
8.  $\mathcal{L}_{(\alpha, \beta)}(t) = \mathcal{L}_{(\beta, \alpha)}(t)$ ;
9.  $\mathcal{L}_{(\alpha, \gamma)}(t+u) \leq \mathcal{L}_{(\alpha, \beta)}\left(\frac{t}{b}\right) \diamond \mathcal{L}_{(\beta, \gamma)}\left(\frac{u}{b}\right)$ ;

**Definition 3.2.** Let  $(X, \mathcal{M}, \mathcal{L}, *, \diamond, b)$  be an intuitionistic Menger  $b$ -metric space.

- (a) A sequence  $\{\alpha_n\}$  in  $X$  is said to be convergent if there exists  $\alpha \in X$  such that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathcal{M}_{(\alpha_n, \alpha)}(t) = 1$  and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathcal{L}_{(\alpha_n, \alpha)}(t) = 0$ ,  $\forall t > 0$ . In this case  $\alpha$  is called the limit of the sequence  $\{\alpha_n\}$  and we write  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \alpha_n = \alpha$ , or  $\alpha_n \rightarrow \alpha$ .
- (b) A sequence  $\{\alpha_n\}$  in  $(X, \mathcal{M}, \mathcal{L}, *, \diamond, b)$  is said to be a Cauchy sequence if for every  $\alpha_n \in X$ , there exists  $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $\mathcal{M}_{(\alpha_n, \alpha_m)}(t) > 1 - \epsilon$  and  $\mathcal{L}_{(\alpha_n, \alpha_m)}(t) < \epsilon$ ,  $\forall m, n \geq n_0$  and  $t > 0$ .
- (c) The space  $X$  is said to be complete if every Cauchy sequence converges in it.

**Example 3.3.** Let  $X = (0, \infty)$ . Define a CTN  $*$ :  $[0, 1] \times [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, 1]$  by  $g * h = gh$  and a CTCN  $\diamond$ :  $[0, 1] \times [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, 1]$  by  $g \diamond h = \max\{g, h\}$  and also define  $\mathcal{M}_b$  and  $\mathcal{L}_b$  by

$$\mathcal{M}_b(\alpha, \beta)(t) = \begin{cases} [e^{\frac{(\alpha-\beta)^2}{t}}]^{-1}, & t > 0 \\ 0, & t = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_b(\alpha, \beta)(t) = \begin{cases} 1 - [e^{\frac{(\alpha-\beta)^2}{t}}]^{-1}, & t > 0 \\ 1, & t = 0 \end{cases}$$

for all  $\alpha, \beta \in X, t > 0$ . Then it is an intuitionistic Menger  $b$ -metric space.

**Proof.** Now we prove (5) and (9)

$$(\alpha - \gamma)^2 \leq \left(\frac{b(t+s)}{t}\right) (\alpha - \beta)^2 + \left(\frac{b(t+s)}{s}\right) (\beta - \gamma)^2,$$

where  $b$  is an arbitrary integer, we have

$$\frac{(\alpha-\gamma)^2}{b(t+s)} \leq \frac{(\alpha-\beta)^2}{t} + \frac{(\beta-\gamma)^2}{s}.$$

That is,

$$e^{\frac{(\alpha-\gamma)^2}{b(t+s)}} \leq e^{\frac{(\alpha-\beta)^2}{t}} \cdot e^{\frac{(\beta-\gamma)^2}{s}}.$$

Since  $e^e$  is an increasing function, for  $e > 0$ , we have

$$[e^{\frac{(\alpha-\gamma)^2}{b(t+s)}}]^{-1} \geq [e^{\frac{(\alpha-\beta)^2}{t}}]^{-1} \cdot [e^{\frac{(\beta-\gamma)^2}{s}}]^{-1},$$

$$\mathcal{M}_{b(\alpha, \gamma)}(b(t+s)) \geq \mathcal{M}_{b(\alpha, \beta)}(t) * \mathcal{M}_{b(\beta, \gamma)}(s)$$

for all  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma \in X, t, s > 0$ . Hence (5) hold

Since  $(\alpha - \gamma)^2 \geq \max\{(\alpha - \beta)^2, (\beta - \gamma)^2\}$ ,

$$\frac{(\alpha - \gamma)^2}{b(t+s)} \leq \max \left\{ \frac{(\alpha - \beta)^2}{t}, \frac{(\beta - \gamma)^2}{s} \right\},$$

where  $b$  is an arbitrary integer. Since  $e^e$  is an increasing function, for  $e > 0$ , we have

$$e^{\frac{(\alpha - \gamma)^2}{b(t+s)}} \leq \max \left\{ e^{\frac{(\alpha - \beta)^2}{t}}, e^{\frac{(\beta - \gamma)^2}{s}} \right\}.$$

So 
$$\left[ e^{\frac{(\alpha - \gamma)^2}{b(t+s)}} \right]^{-1} \geq \max \left\{ \left[ e^{\frac{(\alpha - \beta)^2}{t}} \right]^{-1}, \left[ e^{\frac{(\beta - \gamma)^2}{s}} \right]^{-1} \right\}$$

That is 
$$1 - \left[ e^{\frac{(\alpha - \gamma)^2}{b(t+s)}} \right]^{-1} \leq \max \left\{ 1 - \left[ e^{\frac{(\alpha - \beta)^2}{t}} \right]^{-1}, 1 - \left[ e^{\frac{(\beta - \gamma)^2}{s}} \right]^{-1} \right\}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{b(\alpha, \gamma)} b(t+s) \leq \mathcal{L}_{b(\alpha, \beta)}(t) * \mathcal{L}_{b(\beta, \gamma)}(s)$$

for all  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma \in X, t, s > 0$ . Hence (9) hold.

### The Banach Contraction Theorem:

In this section, we prove a unique common fixed point theorem which is the extension of Banach contraction theorem in the structure of intuitionistic Menger  $b$ -metric space.

**Theorem 3.4.** Let  $(X, \mathcal{M}, \mathcal{L}, *, \diamond, b)$  be a complete intuitionistic Menger  $b$ -metric space such that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathcal{M}_{b(\alpha, \beta)}(t) = 1, \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathcal{L}_{b(\alpha, \beta)}(t) = 0$  for all  $\alpha, \beta \in X, t > 0$  and  $T: X \rightarrow X$  be a mapping satisfying the conditions

$$\mathcal{M}_{b(T\alpha, T\beta)}(at) \geq \mathcal{M}_{b(\alpha, \beta)}(t) \text{ and } \mathcal{L}_{b(T\alpha, T\beta)}(at) \leq \mathcal{L}_{b(\alpha, \beta)}(t) \dots\dots\dots (3.4.1)$$

for all  $\alpha, \beta \in X, t > 0$ , where  $a \in (0, 1)$ . Then  $T$  has a unique fixed point  $w \in X$  and  $\mathcal{M}_{b(w, w)}(t) = 1, \mathcal{L}_{b(w, w)}(t) = 0$ , for all  $t > 0$ .

**Proof.** Let  $(X, \mathcal{M}, \mathcal{L}, *, \diamond, b)$  be a complete intuitionistic Menger  $b$ -metric space. For a given element  $\alpha_0 \in X$ , define a sequence  $\{\alpha_n\}$  in  $X$  by

$$\alpha_1 = T\alpha_0, \alpha_2 = T^2\alpha_0 = T\alpha_1 \dots\dots\dots, \alpha_n = T^n\alpha_0 = T\alpha_{n-1} \text{ for all } n \in \mathbb{N}$$

If  $\alpha_n = \alpha_{n-1}$  for some  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , then  $\alpha_n$  is a fixed point of  $T$ . We assume that  $\alpha_n \neq \alpha_{n-1}$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . For all  $t > 0$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , we get from (3.4.1) that

$$\mathcal{M}_{b(\alpha_n, \alpha_{n+1})}(t) \geq \mathcal{M}_{b(\alpha_{n+1}, \alpha_n)}(at) = \mathcal{M}_{b(T\alpha_n, T\alpha_{n-1})}(at) \geq \mathcal{M}_{b(\alpha_n, \alpha_{n-1})}(at)$$

and

$$\mathcal{L}_{b(\alpha_n, \alpha_{n+1})}(t) \leq \mathcal{L}_{b(\alpha_{n+1}, \alpha_n)}(at) = \mathcal{L}_{b(T\alpha_n, T\alpha_{n-1})}(at) \leq \mathcal{L}_{b(\alpha_n, \alpha_{n-1})}(at)$$

for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $t > 0$ . Therefore, by applying the above expression, we can deduce that

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{M}_{b(\alpha_{n+1}, \alpha_n)}(t) &\geq \mathcal{M}_{b(\alpha_{n+1}, \alpha_n)}(at) = \mathcal{M}_{b(T\alpha_n, T\alpha_{n-1})}(at) \geq \mathcal{M}_{b(\alpha_n, \alpha_{n-1})}(t) \dots\dots\dots (3.4.2) \\ &= \mathcal{M}_{b(T\alpha_{n-1}, T\alpha_{n-2})}(t) \geq \mathcal{M}_{b(\alpha_{n-1}, \alpha_{n-2})}\left(\frac{t}{a}\right) \geq \dots \geq \mathcal{M}_{b(\alpha_1, \alpha_0)}\left(\frac{t}{a^n}\right) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\mathcal{L}_{b(\alpha_{n+1}, \alpha_n)}(t) \leq \mathcal{L}_{b(\alpha_{n+1}, \alpha_n)}(at) = \mathcal{L}_{b(T\alpha_n, T\alpha_{n-1})}(at) \leq \mathcal{L}_{b(\alpha_n, \alpha_{n-1})}(t) \dots\dots\dots (3.4.3)$$

$$= \mathcal{L}_{b(T\alpha_{n-1}, T\alpha_{n-2})}(t) \leq \mathcal{L}_{b(\alpha_{n-1}, \alpha_{n-2})}\left(\frac{t}{a}\right) \leq \dots \leq \mathcal{L}_{b(\alpha_1, \alpha_0)}\left(\frac{t}{a^n}\right)$$

for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}, p \geq 1$  and  $t > 0$ . Thus, we have

$$\mathcal{M}_{b(\alpha_n, \alpha_{n+1})}(t) \geq \mathcal{M}_{b(\alpha_n, \alpha_{n+1})}\left(\frac{t}{b}\right) * \mathcal{M}_{b(\alpha_{n+1}, \alpha_{n+p})}\left(\frac{t}{b}\right)$$

and

$$\mathcal{L}_{b(\alpha_n, \alpha_{n+1})}(t) \leq \mathcal{L}_{b(\alpha_n, \alpha_{n+1})}\left(\frac{t}{b}\right) \diamond \mathcal{L}_{b(\alpha_{n+1}, \alpha_{n+p})}\left(\frac{t}{b}\right).$$

Continuing in this way, we get

$$\mathcal{M}_{b(\alpha_n, \alpha_{n+p})}(t) \geq \mathcal{M}_{b(\alpha_n, \alpha_{n+1})}\left(\frac{t}{b}\right) * \mathcal{M}_{b(\alpha_{n+1}, \alpha_{n+2})}\left(\frac{t}{b^2}\right) * \dots * \mathcal{M}_{b(\alpha_{n+p-1}, \alpha_{n+p})}\left(\frac{t}{b^{p-1}}\right)$$

and

$$\mathcal{L}_{b(\alpha_n, \alpha_{n+p})}(t) \leq \mathcal{L}_{b(\alpha_n, \alpha_{n+1})}\left(\frac{t}{b}\right) \diamond \mathcal{L}_{b(\alpha_{n+1}, \alpha_{n+2})}\left(\frac{t}{b^2}\right) \diamond \dots \diamond \mathcal{L}_{b(\alpha_{n+p-1}, \alpha_{n+p})}\left(\frac{t}{b^{p-1}}\right)$$

Using (3.4.2) and (3.4.3) in the above inequality, we have

$$\mathcal{M}_{b(\alpha_n, \alpha_{n+p})}(t) \geq \mathcal{M}_{b(\alpha_0, \alpha_1)}\left(\frac{t}{ba^n}\right) * \mathcal{M}_{b(\alpha_0, \alpha_1)}\left(\frac{t}{b^2a^{n+1}}\right) * \dots * \mathcal{M}_{b(\alpha_0, \alpha_1)}\left(\frac{t}{b^{p-1}a^{n+p-1}}\right) \dots \quad (3.4.4)$$

and

$$\mathcal{L}_{b(\alpha_n, \alpha_{n+p})}(t) \leq \mathcal{L}_{b(\alpha_0, \alpha_1)}\left(\frac{t}{ba^n}\right) \diamond \mathcal{L}_{b(\alpha_0, \alpha_1)}\left(\frac{t}{b^2a^{n+1}}\right) \diamond \dots \diamond \mathcal{L}_{b(\alpha_0, \alpha_1)}\left(\frac{t}{b^{p-1}a^{n+p-1}}\right) \dots \quad (3.4.5)$$

Here  $b$  is an arbitrary positive integer.

We know that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathcal{M}_{b(\alpha, \beta)}(t) = 1, \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathcal{L}_{b(\alpha, \beta)}(t) = 0$  for all  $\alpha, \beta \in X, t > 0$ , where  $a \in (0, 1)$ . It follows from (3.4.4) and (3.4.5) that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathcal{M}_{b(\alpha_n, \alpha_{n+p})}(t) = 1 * 1 * \dots * 1 = 1 \text{ for all } t > 0, p \geq 1$$

and

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathcal{L}_{b(\alpha_n, \alpha_{n+p})}(t) = 0 \diamond 0 \diamond \dots \diamond 0 = 0 \text{ for all } t > 0, p \geq 1.$$

Hence  $\{\alpha_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence.

The completeness of the intuitionistic Menger  $b$ -metric space  $(X, \mathcal{M}, \mathcal{L}, *, \diamond, b)$  ensures that there exists  $w \in X$  such that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathcal{M}_{b(\alpha_n, w)}(t) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathcal{M}_{b(\alpha_n, \alpha_{n+p})}(t) = \mathcal{M}_{b(w, w)}(t) = 1, \text{ for all } t > 0, p \geq 1 \dots \quad (3.4.6)$$

and

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathcal{L}_{b(\alpha_n, w)}(t) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathcal{L}_{b(\alpha_n, \alpha_{n+p})}(t) = \mathcal{L}_{b(w, w)}(t) = 0. \text{ for all } t > 0, p \geq 1 \dots \quad (3.4.7)$$

Now, we show that  $w \in X$  is a fixed point of  $T$ . We have

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{M}_{b(w, Tw)}(t) &\geq \mathcal{M}_{b(w, \alpha_{n+p})}\left(\frac{t}{2b}\right) * \mathcal{M}_{b(\alpha_{n+1}, Tw)}\left(\frac{t}{2b}\right) \\ &= \mathcal{M}_{b(w, \alpha_{n+1})}\left(\frac{t}{2b}\right) * \mathcal{M}_{b(T\alpha_n, Tw)}\left(\frac{t}{2b}\right) \\ &\geq \mathcal{M}_{b(w, \alpha_{n+1})}\left(\frac{t}{2b}\right) * \mathcal{M}_{b(\alpha_n, w)}\left(\frac{t}{2ba}\right) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{b(w, Tw)}(t) &\leq \mathcal{L}_{b(w, \alpha_{n+p})}\left(\frac{t}{2b}\right) \diamond \mathcal{L}_{b(\alpha_{n+1}, Tw)}\left(\frac{t}{2b}\right) \\ &= \mathcal{L}_{b(w, \alpha_{n+1})}\left(\frac{t}{2b}\right) \diamond \mathcal{L}_{b(T\alpha_n, Tw)}\left(\frac{t}{2b}\right) \\ &\leq \mathcal{L}_{b(w, \alpha_{n+1})}\left(\frac{t}{2b}\right) \diamond \mathcal{L}_{b(\alpha_n, w)}\left(\frac{t}{2ba}\right) \end{aligned}$$

For all  $t > 0$ . Taking the limit as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , and by (3.4.6) and (3.4.7), we get

$$\mathcal{M}_{b(w, Tw)}(t) = 1 * 1 = 1$$

and

$$\mathcal{L}_{b(w,Tw)}(t) = 0 \diamond 0 = 0.$$

Therefore,  $w$  is a fixed point of  $T$  and  $\mathcal{M}_{b(w,w)}(t) = 1, \mathcal{L}_{b(w,w)}(t) = 0$ , for all  $t > 0$ . Now, we investigate the uniqueness of fixed point. For this, assume that  $v$  and  $w$  are two fixed point of  $T$ . Then by (3.4.1), we have

$$\mathcal{M}_{b(w,v)}(t) = \mathcal{M}_{b(Tw,Tv)}(t) \geq \mathcal{M}_{b(w,v)}\left(\frac{t}{a}\right)$$

and

$$\mathcal{L}_{b(w,v)}(t) = \mathcal{L}_{b(Tw,Tv)}(t) \leq \mathcal{L}_{b(w,v)}\left(\frac{t}{a}\right)$$

for all  $t > 0$ . Thus, we obtain

$$\mathcal{M}_{b(w,v)}(t) \geq \mathcal{M}_{b(w,v)}\left(\frac{t}{a^n}\right) \text{ for all } n \in \mathbb{N}$$

and

$$\mathcal{L}_{b(w,v)}(t) \leq \mathcal{L}_{b(w,v)}\left(\frac{t}{a^n}\right) \text{ for all } n \in \mathbb{N}$$

Taking the limit as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  and using  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathcal{M}_{b(\alpha,\beta)}(t) = 1$ ,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathcal{L}_{b(\alpha,\beta)}(t) = 0$ , we get  $w = v$ . Hence the fixed point is unique.

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