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# Common fixed points and best approximations in locally convex spaces

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## Abstract

We extend the main results of Aamri and El Moutawakil and Pant to the weakly compatible or  $R$ -weakly commuting pair  $(T, f)$  of maps, where  $T$  is multivalued. As applications, common fixed point theorems are obtained for new class of maps called  $R$ -subcommuting maps in the setup of locally convex topological vector spaces. We also study some results on best approximation via common fixed point theorems.

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## 1. Introduction and preliminaries

The study of common fixed points of compatible mappings has emerged as an area of vigorous research activity ever since Jungck [1] introduced the notion of compatible mappings. The concept of compatible mappings was introduced as a generalization of commuting mappings. In 1994, Pant [2] introduced the concept of  $R$ -weakly commuting maps which is more general than compatibility of two maps. Several authors discussed various results on coincidence and common fixed point theorem for compatible single-valued and multivalued maps. Among others Kaneko [3] extended well-known result of Nadler [4] to multivalued  $f$ -contraction maps as follows.

**Theorem 1.1.** *Let  $(X, d)$  be a complete metric space and  $f: X \rightarrow X$  be a continuous map. Let  $T$  be closed bounded valued  $f$ -contraction map on  $X$  which commutes with  $f$  and  $T(X) \subseteq f(X)$ . Then,  $f$  and  $T$  have a coincidence point in  $X$ . Suppose moreover that one of the following holds: either (i)  $fx \neq f^2x$  implies  $fx \notin Tx$  or (ii)  $fx \in Tx$  implies  $\lim f^n x$  exists. Then,  $f$  and  $T$  have a common fixed point.*

It is pointed out in [5] that condition (i) in the above result implies condition (ii). A great deal of work has been done on common fixed points for commutative, weakly commutative,  $R$ -weakly commutative and compatible maps (see [1,2,6-11]). The following more general common fixed point theorem for 1-subcommutative maps was proved in [12].

**Theorem 1.2.** *Let  $M$  be a nonempty  $\tau$ -bounded,  $\tau$ -sequentially complete and  $q$ -star-shaped subset of a Hausdorff locally convex space  $(E, \tau)$ . Let  $T$  and  $I$  be selfmaps of  $M$ . Suppose that  $T$  is  $I$ -nonexpansive,  $I(M) = M$ ,  $Iq = q$ ,  $I$  is nonexpansive and affine. If  $T$  and  $I$  are 1-subcommutative maps, then  $T$  and  $I$  have a common fixed point provided*

one of the following conditions holds:

- (i)  $M$  is  $\tau$ -sequentially compact.
- (ii)  $T$  is a compact map.
- (iii)  $M$  is weakly compact in  $(E, \tau)$ ,  $I$  is weakly continuous and  $I - T$  is demiclosed at 0.
- (iv)  $M$  is weakly compact in an Opial space  $(E, \tau)$  and  $I$  is weakly continuous.

In this article, we begin with a common fixed point result for a pair  $(T, f)$  of weakly compatible as well as  $R$ -weakly commuting maps in the setting of a Hausdorff locally convex space. This result provides a nonmetrizable analogue of Theorem 1.2 for weakly compatible as well as  $R$ -weakly commutative pair of maps and improves main results of Davies [13] and Jungck [14]. As applications, we establish some theorems concerning common fixed points of a new class,  $R$ -subcommuting maps, which in turn generalize and strengthen Theorem 1.2 and the results due to Dotson [15], Jungck and Sessa [16], Lami Dozo [17] and Latif and Tweddle [18]. We also extend and unify well-known results on fixed points and common fixed points of best approximation for  $R$ -subcommutative maps.

Throughout this article,  $X$  will denote a complete Hausdorff locally convex topological vector space unless stated otherwise,  $P$  the family of continuous seminorms generating the topology of  $X$  and  $K(X)$  the family of nonempty compact subsets of  $X$ . For each  $p \in P$  and  $A, B \in K(X)$ , we define

$$D_p(A, B) = \max \left\{ \sup_{a \in A} \inf_{b \in B} [p(a - b)], \sup_{b \in B} \inf_{a \in A} [p(a - b)] \right\}.$$

Although  $p$  is only a seminorm,  $D_p$  is a Hausdorff metric on  $K(X)$  (cf. [19]). For any  $u \in X$ ,  $M \subset X$  and  $p \in P$ , let

$$d_p(u, M) = \inf \{p(u - \gamma) : \gamma \in M\}$$

and let  $P_M(u) = \{\gamma \in M : p(\gamma - u) = d_p(u, M), \text{ for all } p \in P\}$  be the set of best  $M$ -approximations to  $u \in X$ . For any mapping  $f : M \rightarrow X$ , we define (cf. [6])

$$C_M^f(u) = \{\gamma \in M : f\gamma \in P_M(u)\} \text{ and } D_M^f(u) = P_M(u) \cap C_M^f(u).$$

Let  $M$  be a nonempty subset of  $X$ . A mapping  $T : M \rightarrow K(M)$  is called multivalued contraction if for each  $p \in P$ , there exists a constant  $k_p$ ,  $0 < k_p < 1$  such that for each  $x, y \in M$ , we have

$$D_p(Tx, Ty) \leq k_p p(x - y).$$

The map  $T$  is called nonexpansive if for each  $x, y \in M$  and  $p \in P$ ,

$$D_p(Tx, Ty) \leq p(x - y).$$

Let  $f : M \rightarrow M$  be a single-valued map. Then,  $T : M \rightarrow K(M)$  is called an  $f$ -contraction if there exists  $k_p$ ,  $0 < k_p < 1$  such that for each  $x, y \in M$  and for each  $p \in P$ , we have

$$D_p(Tx, Ty) \leq k_p p(fx - fy).$$

If we have the Lipschitz constant  $k_p = 1$  for all  $p \in P$ , then  $T$  is called an  $f$ -nonexpansive mapping. The pair  $(T, f)$  is said to be compatible if, whenever there is a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $M$  satisfying  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} fx_n \in \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Tx_n$  (provided  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} fx_n$  exists in  $M$  and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Tx_n$  exists in  $K(M)$ ), then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} D_p(fTx_n, Tfx_n) = 0$ , for all  $p \in P$ . The pair  $(T, f)$  is called  $R$ -weakly commuting, if for each  $x \in M$ ,  $fTx \in K(M)$  and

$$D_p(fTx, Tfx) \leq R d_p(fx, Tx)$$

for some positive real  $R$  and for each  $p \in P$ . If  $R = 1$ , then the pair  $(T, f)$  is called weakly commuting [10]. For  $M = X$  and  $T$  a single-valued, the definitions of compatibility and  $R$ -weak commutativity reduce to those given by Jungck [1] and Pant [2], respectively.

A point  $x$  in  $M$  is said to be a common fixed point (coincidence point) of  $f$  and  $T$  if  $x = fx \in Tx$ . ( $fx \in Tx$ ). We denote by  $F(f)$  and  $F(T)$  the set of fixed points of  $f$  and  $T$ , respectively. A subset  $M$  of  $X$  is said to be  $q$ -starshaped if there exists a  $q \in M$ , called the starcenter of  $M$ , such that for any  $x \in M$  and  $0 \leq \alpha \leq 1$ ,  $\alpha q + (1 - \alpha)x \in M$ .

Shahzad [20] introduced the notion of  $R$ -subcommuting maps and proved that this class of maps contains properly the class of commuting maps.

We extend this notion to the pair  $(T, f)$  of maps when  $T$  is not necessarily single-valued. Suppose  $q \in F(f)$ ,  $M$  is  $q$ -starshaped with  $T(M) \subset M$  and  $f(M) \subset M$ . Then,  $f$  and  $T$  are  $R$ -subcommutative if for each  $x \in M$ ,  $fTx \in K(M)$  and there exists some positive real number  $R$  such that

$$D_p(fTx, Tfx) \leq \frac{R}{h} d_p(hTx + (1 - h)q, fx)$$

for each  $p \in P$ ,  $h \in (0, 1)$  and  $x \in M$ .

Obviously, commutativity implies  $R$ -subcommutativity (which in turn implies  $R$ -weak commutativity) but the converse does not hold as the following example shows.

**Example 1.1.** Consider  $M = [1, \infty)$  with the usual metric of reals. Define

$$Tx = \{4x - 3\}, fx = 2x^2 - 1 \text{ for all } x \in M. \text{ Then, } |Tfx - fTx| = 24(x - 1)^2.$$

Further  $|Tfx - ftx| \leq (R/h)|(hTx + (1 - h)q) - fx|$  for all  $x$  in  $M$ ,  $h \in (0, 1)$  with  $R = 12$  and  $q = 1 \in F(f)$ . Thus,  $f$  and  $T$  are  $R$ -subcommuting but not commuting.

The mapping  $T$  from  $M$  into  $2^X$  (the family of all nonempty subsets of  $X$ ) is said to be demiclosed if for every net  $\{x_\alpha\}$  in  $M$  and any  $y_\alpha \in Tx_\alpha$  such that  $x_\alpha$  converges strongly to  $x$  and  $y_\alpha$  converges weakly to  $y$ , we have  $x \in M$  and  $y \in Tx$ . We say  $X$  satisfies Opial's condition if for each  $x \in X$  and every net  $\{x_\alpha\}$  converging weakly to  $x$ , we have

$$\liminf p(x_\alpha - x) < \liminf p(x_\alpha - y) \text{ for any } y \neq x \text{ and } p \in P.$$

The Hilbert spaces and Banach spaces having a weakly continuous duality mapping satisfy Opial's condition [17].

## 2. Main results

We use a technique due to Latif and Tweddle [18], based on the images of the composition of a pair of maps, to obtain common fixed point results for a new class of maps in the context of a metric space.

**Theorem 2.1.** *Let  $X$  be a metric space and  $f: X \rightarrow X$  be a map. Suppose that  $T: X \rightarrow CB(X)$  is an  $f$ -contraction such that the pair  $(T, f)$  is weakly compatible (or  $R$ -weakly commuting) and  $TX \subset fX$  such that  $fX$  is complete. Then,  $f$  and  $T$  have a common fixed point provided one of the following conditions holds for all  $x \in X$ :*

(i)  $fx \neq f^2x$  implies  $fx \notin Tx$

(ii)  $fx \in Tx$  implies

$$d(fx, f^2x) < \max\{d(fx, Tfx), d(f^2x, Tfx)\}$$

whenever right-hand side is nonzero.

(iii)  $fx \in Tx$  implies

$$d(fx, f^2x) < \max\{d(Tx, Tfx), d(fx, Tfx), d(f^2x, Tfx), d(Tx, f^2x)\}$$

whenever right-hand side is nonzero.

(iv)  $fx \in Tx$  implies

$$d(x, fx) < \max\{d(x, Tx), d(fx, Tx)\}$$

whenever the right-hand side is nonzero.

(v)  $fx \in Tx$  implies

$$d(fx, f^2x) < \max\{d(Tx, Tfx), [d(Tx, fx) + d(f^2x, Tfx)]/2, [d(fx, Tfx) + d(f^2x, Tx)]/2\}$$

whenever the right-hand side is nonzero.

*Proof.* Define  $Jz = Tf^{-1}z$  for all  $z \in fX = G$ . Note that for each  $z \in G$  and  $x, y \in f^{-1}z$ , the  $f$ -contractiveness of  $T$  implies that

$$H(Tx, Ty) \leq kd(fx, fy) = 0.$$

Hence,  $Jz = Ta$  for all  $a \in f^{-1}z$  and  $J$  is multivalued map from  $G$  into  $CB(G)$ . For any  $w, z \in G$ , we have

$$H(Jw, Jz) = H(Tx, Ty)$$

for any  $x \in f^{-1}w$  and  $y \in f^{-1}z$ . But  $T$  is an  $f$ -contraction so there is  $k \in (0, 1)$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} H(Jw, Jz) &= H(Tx, Ty) \\ &\leq kd(fx, fy) = kd(w, z) \end{aligned}$$

which implies that  $J$  is a contraction. It follows from Nadler's fixed point theorem [4] that there exists  $z_0 \in G$  such that  $z_0 \in Jz_0$ . Since  $Jz_0 = Tx_0$  for any  $x_0 \in f^{-1}z_0$ , so  $fx_0 = z_0 \in Jz_0 = Tx_0$ .

Thus, by the weak compatibility of  $f$  and  $T$ ,

$$fTx_0 = Tfx_0 \quad \text{and} \quad f^2x_0 = ffx_0 \in fTx_0 = Tfx_0. \quad (2.1)$$

If the pair  $(T, f)$  is  $R$ -weakly commuting, then

$$H(fTx_0, Tfx_0) \leq Rd(fx_0, Tx_0) = 0,$$

implies that (2.1) holds.

(i) As  $fx_0 \in Tx_0$  so we get by (2.1)

$$fx_0 = f^2x_0 \in fTx_0 = Tfx_0.$$

That is,  $fx_0$  is the required common fixed point of  $f$  and  $T$ .

(ii) Suppose that  $fx_0 \neq f^2x_0$ . Then,

$$\begin{aligned} d(fx_0, f^2x_0) &< \max\{d(fx_0, Tfx_0), d(f^2x_0, Tfx_0)\} \\ &= d(fx_0, Tfx_0) \leq d(fx_0, f^2x_0) \end{aligned}$$

which is a contradiction. Thus,  $fx_0 = f^2x_0$  and result follows from (2.1).

The conditions (iii) and (iv) imply (ii) (see [2] for details).

(v) Suppose that  $fx_0 \neq f^2x_0$ . Then,

$$\begin{aligned} d(fx_0, f^2x_0) &< \max\{d(Tx_0, Tfx_0), [d(fx_0, Tx_0) + d(f^2x_0, Tfx_0)]/2, \\ &\quad [d(f^2x_0, Tx_0) + d(fx_0, Tfx_0)]/2\} \\ &\leq \max\{d(fx_0, f^2x_0), [d(f^2x_0, fx_0) + d(fx_0, f^2x_0)]/2\} \\ &= d(fx_0, f^2x_0) \end{aligned}$$

which is a contradiction. Hence,  $fx_0 = f^2x_0$  and so  $fx_0$  is the required common fixed point of  $f$  and  $T$ .

**Theorem 2.2.** Let  $X$  be a metric space and  $f : X \rightarrow X$  be a map. Suppose that  $T : X \rightarrow C(X)$  is an  $f$ -Lipschitz map such that the pair  $(T, f)$  is weakly compatible (or  $R$ -weakly commuting) and  $cl(TX) \subset fX$  where  $fX$  is complete. If the pair  $(T, f)$  satisfies the property (E. A), then  $f$  and  $T$  have a common fixed point provided one of the conditions (i)-(v) in Theorem 2.1 holds.

*Proof.* As the pair  $(T, f)$  satisfies property (E. A), there exists a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  such that  $fx_n \rightarrow t$  and  $t \in \lim Tx_n$  for some  $t$  in  $X$ . Since  $t \in cl(TX) \subset fX$  so  $t = fx_0$  for some  $x_0$  in  $X$ . Further as  $T$  is  $f$ -Lipschitz, we obtain

$$H(Tx_n, Tx_0) \leq kd(fx_n, fx_0).$$

Taking limit as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , we get  $\lim Tx_n = Tx_0$  and hence  $fx_0 \in Tx_0$ . The weak compatibility or  $R$ -weak commutativity of the pair  $(T, f)$  implies that (2.1) holds. The result now follows as in Theorem 1.2.

**Theorem 2.3.** *Assume that  $X, f$  and  $T$  are as in Theorem 2.2 with the exception that  $T$  being  $f$ -Lipschitz,  $T$  satisfies the following inequality;*

$$H(Tx, Ty) < \max \{ d(fx, fy), [d(Tx, fx) + d(fy, Ty)]/2, [d(fx, Ty) + d(fy, Tx)]/2 \}.$$

*Then, conclusion of Theorem 2.2 holds.*

*Proof.* As the pair  $(T, f)$  satisfies property  $(E, A)$ , there exists a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  such that  $fx_n \rightarrow t$  and  $t \in \lim Tx_n$  for some  $t$  in  $X$ . Since  $t \in cl(TX) \subset fX$  so  $t = fx_0$  for some  $x_0$  in  $X$ . We claim that  $fx_0 \in Tx_0$ . Assume that  $fx_0 \notin Tx_0$ , then we obtain

$$H(Tx_n, Tx_0) < \max \{ d(fx_n, fx_0), [d(Tx_n, fx_n) + d(fx_0, Tx_0)]/2, [d(fx_n, Tx_0) + d(fx_0, Tx_n)]/2 \}.$$

Letting  $n \rightarrow \infty$  yields,

$$\begin{aligned} H(A, Tx_0) &< \max \{ [d(A, fx_0) + d(fx_0, Tx_0)]/2, [d(fx_0, Tx_0) + d(fx_0, A)]/2 \} \\ &= \max \{ d(fx_0, Tx_0)/2, d(fx_0, Tx_0)/2 \} \\ &= d(fx_0, Tx_0)/2. \end{aligned}$$

As  $fx_0 \in A$ , so  $d(fx_0, Tx_0) \leq H(A, Tx_0)$  and hence  $d(fx_0, Tx_0) < d(fx_0, Tx_0)/2$  which is a contradiction. Thus,  $fx_0 \in Tx_0$ . The weak compatibility or  $R$ -weak commutativity of the pair  $(T, f)$  implies that (2.1) holds. The result now follows as in Theorem 1.2.

### 3. Applications

There are plenty of spaces which are not normable (see [[21], p. 113]). So it is natural to consider fixed point and approximation results in the context of a locally convex space. In this section, we show that the problem concerning the existence of common fixed points of  $R$ -subcommuting maps on sets not necessarily convex or compact in locally convex spaces has a solution.

**Remark 3.1.** *Theorem 2.1 (i) holds in the setup of a Hausdorff complete locally convex space  $X$  (the same proof holds with the exception that we take  $T : X \rightarrow K(X)$  and apply Theorem 1 [22] instead of Nadler's fixed point theorem to obtain a fixed point of the multivalued contraction  $J$ ).*

**Theorem 3.1.** *Let  $M$  be a weakly compact subset of a Hausdorff complete locally convex space  $X$  which is starshaped with respect to  $q \in M$ . Let  $f : M \rightarrow M$  be an affine weakly continuous map with  $f(M) = M, f(q) = q, T : M \rightarrow K(M)$  be an  $f$ -nonexpansive map and the pair  $(T, f)$  is  $R$ -subcommutative. Suppose the following conditions hold:*

- (a)  $fx \neq f^2x$  implies  $\lambda fx + (1 - \lambda)q \notin Tx, \lambda \geq 1$  (cf. [23]),
- (b) either  $f - T$  is demiclosed at 0 or  $X$  is an Opial's space.

*Then,  $f$  and  $T$  have a common fixed point.*

*Proof.* For each real number  $h_n$  with  $0 < h_n < 1$  and  $h_n \rightarrow 1$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , we define

$$T_n : M \rightarrow K(M) \text{ by } T_n x = h_n T x + (1 - h_n)q$$

Obviously each  $T_n$  is  $f$ -contraction map. Note that

$$\begin{aligned} D_p(T_n f x, f T_n x) &\leq h_n D_p(T f x, f T x) \\ &\leq h_n (R/h_n) d_p(h_n T x + (1 - h_n)q, f x) \\ &= R d_p(T_n x, f x), \end{aligned}$$

which implies that  $(T_n, f)$  is  $R$ -weakly commutative pair for each  $n$ . Next, we show that if  $f x \neq f^2 x$ , then  $f x \notin T_n x$  for all  $n \geq 1$ . Suppose that  $f x \in T_n x = h_n T x + (1 - h_n)q$ . Then,  $f x = h_n u + (1 - h_n)q$  for some  $u \in T x$  which implies that  $(h_n)^{-1}[f x - (1 - h_n)q] \in T x$  and this contradicts hypothesis (a). By Remark 3.1 each pair  $(T_n, f)$  has a common fixed point. That is, there is  $x_n \in M$  such that

$$x_n = f x_n \in T_n x_n \quad \text{for all } n \geq 1.$$

The set  $M$  is weakly compact, we can find a subsequence still denoted by  $\{x_n\}$  such that  $x_n$  converges weakly to  $x_0 \in M$ . Since  $f$  is weakly continuous so  $f x_n$  converges weakly to  $f x_0$ . Since  $X$  is Hausdorff so  $x_0 = f x_0$ . As  $f x_n \in T_n x_n = h_n T x_n + (1 - h_n)q$  so there is some  $u_n \in T x_n$  such that  $f x_n = h_n u_n + (1 - h_n)q$  which implies that  $f x_n - u_n = ((1 - h_n)/h_n)(q - f x_n)$  converges to 0 as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . Hence, by the demiclosedness of  $f - T$  at 0, we get that  $0 \in (f - T)x_0$ . Thus,  $x_0 = f x_0 \in T x_0$  as required.

In case  $X$  is an Opial's space, Lemma 2.5 [24] or Lemma 3.2 [25] implies that  $f - T$  is demiclosed at 0. The result now follows from the above argument.

If  $T : M \rightarrow M$  is single-valued in Theorems 3.1, we get the following analogue of Theorem 6 [16] for a pair of maps which are not necessarily commutative in the set up of Hausdorff locally convex spaces.

**Theorem 3.2.** *Let  $M$  be a weakly compact subset of a Hausdorff complete locally convex space  $X$  which is starshaped with respect to  $q \in M$ . Suppose  $f$  and  $T$  are  $R$ -subcommutative selfmaps of  $M$ . Assume that  $f$  is continuous in the weak topology on  $M$ ,  $f$  is affine,  $f(M) = M$ ,  $f(q) = q$ ,  $T$  is  $f$ -nonexpansive map and  $f x \neq f^2 x$  implies  $\lambda f x + (1 - \lambda)q \neq T x$  for  $x \in M$  and  $\lambda \geq 1$ . Then, there exists  $a \in M$  such that  $a = f a = T a$  provided that either (i)  $f - T$  is demiclosed at 0, or (ii)  $\times$  satisfies Opial's condition.*

If  $f$  is the identity on  $M$ , then Theorem 3.2 (i) gives the conclusion of Theorem 2 of Dotson [15] for Hausdorff locally convex spaces. A result similar to Theorem 3.2 (ii) for closed balls of reflexive Banach spaces appeared in [8].

Finally, we consider an application of Theorem 3.2 to best approximation theory; our result sets an analogue of Theorem 3.2 [6] for the maps which are not necessarily commuting in the setup of locally convex spaces and extends the corresponding results of Shahzad [20] to locally convex spaces.

**Theorem 3.3.** *Let  $T$  and  $f$  be selfmaps of a Hausdorff complete locally convex space  $X$  and  $M \subset X$  such that  $T(\partial M) \subset M$ , where  $\partial M$  is the boundary of  $M$  in  $X$ . Let  $u \in F(T) \cap F(f)$ ,  $D = D_M^f(u)$  be nonempty weakly compact and starshaped with respect to  $q \in F(f)$ ,  $f$  is affine and weakly continuous,  $f(D) = D$ , and  $f x \neq f^2 x$  implies  $\lambda f x + (1 - \lambda)q \neq T x$  for  $x \in D$  and  $\lambda \geq 1$ . Suppose that  $T$  is  $f$ -nonexpansive on  $D \cup \{u\}$  and  $f$  is*



nonexpansive on  $P_M(u) \cup \{u\}$ . If  $f$  and  $T$  are  $R$ -subcommutative on  $D$ , then  $T, f$  have a common fixed point in  $P_M(u)$  under each one of the conditions (i)-(ii) of Theorem 3.2.

*Proof.* Let  $y \in D$ . Then,  $fy \in D$  because  $f(D) = D$  and hence  $fy \in P_M(u)$ . By the definition of  $D$ ,  $y \in \partial M$  and since  $T(\partial M) \subset M$ , it follows that  $Ty \in M$ . By  $f$ -nonexpansiveness of  $T$  we get

$$p(Ty - u) = p(Ty - Tu) \leq p(fy - fu) \quad \text{for each } p \in P.$$

As  $fu = u$  and  $fy \in P_M(u)$  so for each  $p \in P$ ,  $p(Ty - u) \leq p(fy - u) = d_p(u, M)$  and hence  $Ty \in P_M(u)$ . Further as  $f$  is nonexpansive on  $P_M(u) \cup \{u\}$ , so for every  $p \in P$ , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} p(fTy - u) &= p(fTy - fu) \leq p(Ty - u) = p(Ty - Tu) \leq p(fy - fu) \\ &= p(fy - u) = d_p(u, M). \end{aligned}$$

Thus,  $fTy \in P_M(u)$  and hence  $Ty \in C_M^f(u)$ . Consequently,  $Ty \in D$  and so  $T, f : D \rightarrow D$  satisfy the hypotheses of Theorem 3.2. Thus, there exists  $a \in P_M(u)$  such that  $a = fa = Ta$ .

**Remark 3.2.** (i) *Theorem 3.2 extends Theorem 1.2 to multivalued  $f$ -nonexpansive map  $T$  where the pair  $(T, f)$  is assumed to be  $R$ -subcommutative. Here we have also relaxed the nonexpansiveness of the map  $f$ .*

(ii) *Theorem 3.3 extends Theorem 3.3 [12], which is itself a generalization of several approximation results.*

(iii) *If  $f(P_M(u)) \subseteq P_M(u)$ , then  $PM(u)C_M^f(u)$  and so  $D_M^f(u) = P_M(u)$  (cf. [1]). Thus, Theorem 3.3 holds for  $D = P_M(u)$ . Hence, Theorem 3.1 [12], Theorem 7 [16], Theorem 2.6 [26], Theorem 3 [27], Corollaries 3.1, 3.3, 3.4, 3.6 (i), 3.7 and 3.8 of [28] and many other results are special cases of Theorem 3.3 (see also Remarks 3.2 [12]).*

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