

Semi Compatibility and Weak Compatibility in Fuzzy Metric Space and Fixed Point Theorems

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For all $x, y, z \in X$ and $s, t > 0$,

$$(FM-1) \quad M(x, y, 0) = 0,$$

$$(FM-2) \quad M(x, y, t) = 1 \text{ if and only if } x = y,$$

$$(FM-3) \quad M(x, y, t) = M(y, x, t),$$

$$(FM-4) \quad M(x, y, t) * M(y, z, s) \leq M(x, z, t+s),$$

$$(FM-5) \quad M(x, y, \cdot) : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, 1] \text{ is left continuous,}$$

$$(FM-6) \quad \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} M(x, y, t) = 1$$

Abstract: The Main object of this paper is to establish some common fixed point theorems, for six maps with the concept of semi-compatibility and weak-compatibility, which generalizes the results of Vasuki^[10] and Singh and Jain^[9].

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I. INTRODUCTION

The tenant of fuzzy sets was introduced by Zadeh^[11] in 1965. Kramosil and Michalek^[5] initiated the concept of fuzzy metric space and it is modified by George and Veeramani^[2]. Banach Contraction Principle in the setting of fuzzy metric space established by Grebies^[3], which is milestone to developing fixed point theorems. Vasuki^[10] defined R-weakly commutativity of fuzzy metric spaces. In 1977, Singh and Chauhan^[7] introduce the notion of compatible maps in fuzzy metric spaces and then proved some fixed point theorems. An important fact about R-weakly commutativity and compatibility is that each pair of R-weakly commuting self-maps is compatible. Weak Compatibility has been introduced by Jungck and Rhoads^[4]. According to them two self-maps are weakly compatible if they commute their coincidence points. An idea of semi-compatibility in d-topological spaces has been investigated by Cho et.al.^[1]. They defined a pair of self-maps (S, T) to be semi-compatible if (i) $Sy = Ty \Rightarrow Sty = TSy$ and (ii) for sequence $\{x_n\} \in X$ and $x \in X$, $STx_n \rightarrow Tx$ whenever $\{Tx_n\}$ and $\{Sx_n\} \rightarrow x$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. However, (ii) implies (i) by taking $x_n = y$ and $x = Sy = Ty$. After a while B. Singh and S. Jain^[10] defined semi-compatible pair of self-maps in fuzzy metric spaces by condition (ii) only. In this paper, we prove some common fixed point theorems for six self-maps through semi-compatibility and weak-compatibility.

II. PRELIMINARIES

Definition 2.1 : A binary operation $*$: $[0, 1] \times [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, 1]$ is called a *t-norm* if $([0, 1], *)$ is an abelian topological manoid with unit 1 such that $a * b \leq c * d$ whenever $a \leq c$ and $b \leq d$ for a, b, c and d are in $[0, 1]$. For example $a * b = ab$ and $ab = \min\{a, b\}$ are t-norm.

Definition 2.2^[10] : The three tuple $(X, M, *)$ is said to be fuzzy metric space if X is an arbitrary set, $*$ is a continuous t-norm and M is a fuzzy set in $X^2 \times [0, \infty)$ satisfying the following conditions :

Note that $M(x, y, t)$ can be considered as the degree of nearness between x and y with respect to t . we identify $x = y$ with $M(x, y, t) = 1$ for all $t > 0$. The following example shows that every metric space induces a fuzzy metric space.

Example 2.1^[2] : Let (X, d) be a metric space. Define a $*$ $b = \min\{a, b\}$ and

$$M(x, y, t) = \frac{t}{t + d(x, y)}$$

for all $x, y \in X$ and all $t > 0$. Then $(X, M, *)$ is a fuzzy metric space induced by d .

Definition 2.3^[6] : A sequence $\{x_n\}$ is said to converge to a point $x \in X$ if and only if for each $\varepsilon > 0, t > 0$, there exists $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ such that

$$M(x_n, x, t) > 1 - \varepsilon \text{ for all } n \geq n_0.$$

The sequence $\{x_n\}$ in a fuzzy metric space $(X, M, *)$ is said to be a *Cauchy sequence* if and only if for each $\varepsilon > 0, t > 0$, there exists $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $M(x_n, x_m, t) > 1 - \varepsilon$ for all $n, m \geq n_0$.

A fuzzy metric space $(X, M, *)$ is said to be *complete* if every Cauchy sequence in it converges to a point in it.

Definition 2.4^[10] : Two self-maps A and B in a fuzzy metric space $(X, M, *)$ are said to be *weakly commuting* if for each $x \in X$,

$$M(ABx, BAx, t) \geq M(Ax, Bx, t) \text{ for all } t > 0.$$

Definition 2.5^[10] : Two self-maps A and B in a fuzzy metric space $(X, M, *)$ are said to be *R-weakly commuting* if there exists a positive real number R such that for each $x \in X$,

$$M(ABx, BAx, Rt) \geq M(Ax, Bx, t) \text{ for all } t > 0.$$

Definition 2.6^[6] : Let A and B be two self-maps of a fuzzy metric space (X, M, *). Then A and B are said to be compatible if and only if

$M(ABx_n, BAx_n, t) \rightarrow 1$ for all $t > 0$, whenever $\{x_n\}$ is a sequence in X such that $Ax_n, Bx_n \rightarrow p$ for some p in X as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

Definition 2.7^[9] : Let A and B be two maps from a fuzzy metric space (X, M, *) into itself. Then A and B are said to be weak-compatible if they commute their coincidence points, that is,

$$Ax = Bx \Rightarrow ABx = BAx.$$

Proposition 2.1^[1] : If two self-maps A and B of a fuzzy metric space (X, M, *) are compatible then they are weak-compatible.

The following example shows that a pair of self-maps (A, B) is not compatible though it is weak compatible.

Example 2.2 : Let (X, M, *) be a fuzzy metric space where $X = [0, 16]$. t-norm is defined by

$$a * b = \min\{a, b\} \text{ for all } a, b \in X \text{ and}$$

$$M(x, y, t) = e^{-\frac{|x-y|}{t}} \text{ for all } x, y \in X.$$

Define self-maps A and B on X as follows:

$$Ax = \begin{cases} 16-x & \text{if } 0 \leq x < 8 \\ 16 & \text{if } 8 \leq x \leq 16 \end{cases} \text{ and } Bx = \begin{cases} x & \text{if } 0 \leq x < 8 \\ 16 & \text{if } 8 \leq x \leq 16 \end{cases}.$$

Taking $x_n = 8 - \frac{1}{n}$; $n = 1, 2, 3 \dots$

Then $x_n \rightarrow 8$, $x_n < 8$ and $16 - x_n > 8$ for all n.

Also $Ax_n, Bx_n \rightarrow 8$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. Now

$$M(ABx_n, BAx_n, t) = e^{-\frac{|ABx_n - BAx_n|}{t}} = e^{-\frac{8}{t}} \neq 1 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

Hence the pair (A, B) is not compatible.

Definition 2.8^[9] : A pair (A, B) of self-maps A and B of a fuzzy metric space (X, M, *) is called semi-compatible if $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} ABx_n = Bx$, whenever $\{x_n\}$ is a sequence such that

that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Ax_n = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} Bx_n = x \in X.$$

Proposition 2.2^[9] : Let A and B be two self-maps on a fuzzy metric space (M, X, *). Assume that B is continuous. Then (A, B) is semi-compatible if and only if (A, B) is compatible.

According to proposition-2.2 compatibility implies semi-compatibility. We have a counter example of it. Also, this example shows that the semi-compatibility of the pair (A,

B) need not imply the semi-compatibility of the pair (B, A).

Example 2.3 : Let $X = [0, 4]$ and (X, M, t) be an induced fuzzy metric space with $(x, y, t) = \frac{t}{t + |x - y|}$. Define

self-map A on X as follows :

$$Ax = \begin{cases} x & \text{if } 0 \leq x < 2 \\ 4 & \text{if } x \geq 2 \end{cases}$$

Let I be the identity map on X and $x_n = 2 - (1/n)$. Then $\{Ix_n\} = \{x_n\} \rightarrow 2$ and $\{Ax_n\} \rightarrow 2 \neq A(2)$ (because $A(2) = 4$). Thus (I, A) is not semi-compatible.

For a sequence $\{x_n\}$ in X, such that $\{x_n\} \rightarrow x$ and $\{Ax_n\} \rightarrow x$, we have $\{AIx_n\} = \{Ax_n\} \rightarrow x = Ix$. Thus (A, I) is semi-compatible.

In 1999, Vasuki^[10] proved the following theorem for R-weakly commuting pair of self-maps :

Theorem 2.1^[10] : Let f, g be R-weakly commuting self-maps on a complete metric space (X, M, *) such that

$$M(fx, fy, t) \geq r(M(gx, gy, t))$$

Where $r : [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, 1]$ is a continuous function such that $r(t) > t$ for each $0 < t < 1$. If $f(X) \subset g(X)$ and either f or g is continuous then f and g have a unique common fixed point.

In 2005, Singh and Jain^[9] generalized the result of Vasuki^[10] and proved the following theorem for four self-maps using the concept of semi and weak-compatibilities :

Theorem 2.2^[9] : Let A, B, S, T be self maps on a complete fuzzy metric space (X, M, *) with continuous t-norm * defined by $a * b = \min\{a, b\}$ satisfying the following conditions :

- (i) $A(X) \subset T(X)$, $B(X) \subset S(X)$,
- (ii) One of A and S is continuous,
- (iii) [A, S] is compatible and [B, T] is weak-compatible and
- (iv) For all x, y in X and $t > 0$

$$M(Ax, By, t) \geq r(M(Sx, Ty, t))$$

Where $r : [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, 1]$ is a continuous function such that $r(t) > t$ for each $0 < t < 1$. Then A, B, S and T have a unique common fixed point.

III. MAIN RESULTS

Theorem 3.1 : Let A, B, S, T, P and Q be self-maps on a complete fuzzy metric space (X, M, *) satisfying the following conditions:

- (1) $P(X) \subset ST(X)$, $Q(X) \subset AB(X)$;
- (2) $AB = BA$, $PB = BP$, $ST = TS$, $QT = TQ$;
- (3) Either P or AB is continuous;
- (4) (P, AB) is semi-compatible, (Q, ST) is weak-compatible and
- (5) for all $x, y \in X$ and $t > 0$

$$M(Px, Qy, t) \geq r(M(ABx, STy, t));$$

Where $r : [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, 1]$ is a continuous function such that $r(t) > t$ for each $0 < t < 1$. Then A, B, S, T, P and Q have a unique common fixed point.

Proof : Let $(X, M, *)$ be a complete fuzzy metric space and A, B, S, T, P and Q be six self-maps define on it. Now we prove the theorem in three steps.

Step – I : In this step we construct a Cauchy sequence in X and prove that it is convergent in X. For this let x_0 is an arbitrary point in X. From (1) there exists $x_1, x_2 \in X$ such that

$$Px_0 = STx_1 \text{ and } Qx_1 = ABx_2 = y_1.$$

Inductively, we construct sequence $\{y_n\}$ and $\{x_n\}$ in X such that for $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$

$$Px_{2n} = STx_{2n+1} = y_{2n} \text{ and } Qx_{2n+1} = ABx_{2n+2} = y_{2n+1}.$$

With $x = x_{2n}$ and $y = x_{2n+1}$ in (5), we get

$$M(Px_{2n}, Qx_{2n+1}, t) \geq r(M(ABx_{2n}, STx_{2n+1}, t))$$

$$M(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}, t) \geq r(M(y_{2n-1}, y_{2n}, t)) > M(y_{2n-1}, y_{2n}, t)$$

$$\text{i.e., } M(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}, t) > M(y_{2n-1}, y_{2n}, t)$$

Similarly,

$$M(y_{2n+1}, y_{2n+2}, t) > M(y_{2n}, y_{2n+1}, t)$$

In general,

$$M(y_{n+1}, y_n, t) > M(y_n, y_{n-1}, t).$$

Thus $\{M(y_{n+1}, y_n, t)\}$ is an increasing sequence of positive real numbers in $[0, 1]$ and tends to a limit $l \leq 1$. If $l = 1$ then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} M(y_{n+1}, y_n, t) = l > r(l) > 1.$$

Which is a contradiction and so $l = 1$.

Now let p be any positive integer such that

$$M(y_n, y_{n+p}, t) \geq M(y_n, y_{n+1}, t/p) * M(y_{n+1}, y_{n+2}, t/p) * \dots * M(y_{n+p-1}, y_{n+p}, t/p)$$

taking limit as $n \rightarrow \infty$, we get

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} M(y_n, y_{n+p}, t) \geq 1 * 1 * \dots * 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} M(y_n, y_{n+p}, t) = 1$$

Thus $\{y_n\}$ is a Cauchy sequence in X and also $\{y_n\}$ is converges to z in X because of completeness of x. Hence

$$Px_{2n} \rightarrow z, ABx_{2n} \rightarrow z, Qx_{2n+1} \rightarrow z, STx_{2n+1} \rightarrow z \tag{1.1}$$

Step – II : Now we prove that z in X is a common fixed point of six self-maps A, B, S, T, P and Q.

When P is Continuous

Since P is Continuous and (P, AB) is semi-compatible, we get

$$PABx_{2n} \rightarrow Pz, ABPx_{2n} \rightarrow ABz$$

Since the limit in fuzzy metric space is unique, we get

$$Pz = ABz \tag{1.2}$$

[I]. First we prove that $Pz = z$. Put $x = z$ and $y = x_{2n+1}$ in (5) and suppose on the contrary that $Pz \neq z$.

$$M(Pz, Qx_{2n+1}, t) \geq r(M(ABz, STx_{2n+1}, t)),$$

taking limit as $n \rightarrow \infty$, using (1.1) & (1.2), we get

$$M(Pz, z, t) \geq r(M(Pz, z, t)) > M(Pz, z, t)$$

Which is a contradiction, therefore $Pz = z$.

[II]. Since $P(X) \subset ST(X)$, there exists $u \in X$ such that $Z = Pz = STu$. Put $x = x_{2n}$ and $y = u$ in (5), we get

$$M(Px_{2n}, Qu, t) \geq r(M(ABx_{2n}, STu, t)),$$

taking limit as $n \rightarrow \infty$, we get and using (1.1), we get

$$M(z, Qu, t) \geq r(M(z, z, t)) = r(1) = 1.$$

Thus $z = Qu$, which gives $z = Qu = STu$ and the weak-compatibility of (Q, ST) implies that

$$(ST)Qu = Q(ST)u$$

$$\text{i.e. } STz = Qz.$$

[III]. We now show that $Pz = Qz$. Suppose on the contrary that $Pz \neq Qz$ and put $x = y = z$ in (5) such that

$$M(Pz, Qz, t) \geq r(M(ABz, STz, t))$$

Then by an obvious relation we have

$$M(Pz, Qz, t) \geq r(M(Pz, Qz, t)) > M(Pz, Qz, t)$$

Which is a contradiction and so $Pz = Qz$.

[IV]. Now we show that $Bz = z$. For this put $x = Bz$ and $y = x_{2n+1}$ in (5), and let $Bz \neq z$, then

$$M(PBz, Qx_{2n+1}, t) \geq r(M(ABBz, STx_{2n+1}, t))$$

Or $M(BPz, Qx_{2n+1}, t) \geq r(M(BABz, STx_{2n+1}, t))$

Since $PB = BP$ and $AB = BA$. Now taking limit as $n \rightarrow \infty$, using (1.1) and above relations, we get

$$M(Bz, z, t) \geq r(M(Bz, z, t)) > M(Bz, z, t)$$

Which is a contradiction and so $Bz = z$.

Also $ABz = z$ and $Bz = z$ implies $Az = z$. Thus we have

$$Az = Bz = Pz = Qz = z. \quad (1.3)$$

[V]. Now let $Tz \neq z$ and put $x = x_{2n}$ & $y = Tz$ in (5), we get

$$M(Px_{2n}, QTz, t) \geq r(M(ABx_{2n}, STTz, t))$$

Or $M(Px_{2n}, TQz, t) \geq r(M(ABx_{2n}, TSTz, t))$

Since $QT = TQ$ and $ST = TS$. By taking limit as $n \rightarrow \infty$, using above results and from (1.1), we obtain

$$M(z, Tz, t) \geq r(M(z, Tz, t)) > M(z, Tz, t)$$

Which is not possible and so $Tz = z$. Also $STz = z$ and $Tz = z$ implies $Sz = z$. Thus we have

$$Tz = Sz = z \quad (1.4)$$

From (1.3) and (1.4), we have

$$z = Az = Bz = Sz = Tz = Pz = Qz.$$

Hence, z is a common fixed point of six self-maps A, B, S, T, P and Q .

When AB is Continuous

Suppose AB is continuous and (P, AB) is semi-compatible. Thus we have

$$ABPx_{2n} \rightarrow ABz, (AB)^2x_{2n} \rightarrow ABz, PABx_{2n} \rightarrow ABz \quad (1.5)$$

[VI]. We first prove that $ABz = z$. Suppose on the contrary that $ABz \neq z$ and put $x = ABx_{2n}$ and $y = x_{2n+1}$ in (5), we get

$$M(PABx_{2n}, Qx_{2n+1}, t) \geq r(M(ABABx_{2n}, STx_{2n+1}, t))$$

By taking limit as $n \rightarrow \infty$ and using equations (1.1) & (1.5), we get

$$M(ABz, z, t) \geq r(M(ABz, z, t)) > M(ABz, z, t)$$

Which is a contradiction and therefore $ABz = z$.

[VII]. Now since $Q(X) \subset AB(X)$, there exists w in X such that $z = Qz = ABw$. Now put $x = w$ and $y = x_{2n+1}$ in (5), we get

$$M(Pw, Qx_{2n+1}, t) \geq r(M(ABw, STx_{2n+1}, t))$$

taking limit as $n \rightarrow \infty$ and using equation (1.1), we get

$$M(Pw, z, t) \geq r(M(z, z, t)) = r(1) = 1.$$

Thus $Pw = z$. Since $ABw = z$ and hence $Pw = ABw$. As (P, AB) is semi-compatible and hence (P, AB) is compatible according to preposition. Then we have

$$Pz = ABz = z.$$

Also all the remaining relation are from [II], [III], [IV] and [V]. Hence, we conclude that

$$z = Az = Bz = Sz = Tz = Pz = Qz.$$

Finally, $z \in X$ is a common fixed point of six self-maps A, B, S, T, P & Q in both the conditions.

Step – III : Uniqueness : we finally show that fixed point z of six self-maps A, B, S, T, P & Q is unique.

Suppose $v \in X$ be another common fixed point of A, B, S, T, P & Q , then we have

$$v = Av = Bv = Sv = Tv = Pv = Qv.$$

Put $x = z$ and $y = v$ in (5), we get

$$M(Pz, Qv, t) \geq r(M(ABz, STv, t))$$

$$\Rightarrow M(z, v, t) \geq r(M(z, v, t)) > M(z, v, t)$$

Which is a contradiction and thus $z = v$. Hence common fixed point z is unique for A, B, S, T, P and Q in both the condition. This completes the proof. ■

Theorem 3.2 : Let A, B, S, T, P and Q be self-maps on a complete fuzzy metric space $(X, M, *)$ satisfying the following conditions :

- (6) $P(X) \subset ST(X), Q(X) \subset AB(X)$;
- (7) $AB = BA, PB = BP, ST = TS, QT = TQ$;
- (8) Either P or AB is continuous;
- (9) (P, AB) is compatible, (Q, ST) is weak-compatible and
- (10) for all $x, y \in X$ and $t > 0$

$$M(Px, Qy, t) \geq r(M(ABx, STy, t));$$

Where $r : [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, 1]$ is a continuous function such that $r(t) > t$ for each $0 < t < 1$. Then A, B, S, T, P and Q have a unique common fixed point.

Proof : In the view of proposition-2.2 and theorem-3.1, it suffice to prove the theorem when P is continuous. As the proof of theorem-3.1, construct a sequence $\{y_n\}$ which is a Cauchy sequence in X and hence converges to some $z \in X$ and (6) is true. Since P is continuous and (P, AB) is compatible, we get

$$PABx_{2n} \rightarrow Pz, (Px_{2n})^2 \rightarrow ABz, ABPx_{2n} \rightarrow Pz \tag{1.6}$$

[I]. We first we prove that $Pz = z$. Let $Pz \neq z$. Now put $x = Px_{2n}$ and $y = x_{2n+1}$ in (10), we get

$$M(PPx_{2n}, Qx_{2n+1}, t) \geq r(M(ABPx_{2n}, STx_{2n+1}, t))$$

taking limit as $n \rightarrow \infty$ and using (1.6) & (1.1), we obtain

$$M(Pz, z, t) \geq r(M(Pz, z, t)) > M(Pz, z, t)$$

Which is a contradiction, therefore $Pz = z$.

[III]. Since $P(X) \subset ST(X)$, there exists $u \in X$ such that $z = Pz = STu$. Put $x = x_{2n}$ and $y = u$ in (10), we get

$$M(Px_{2n}, Qu, t) \geq r(M(ABx_{2n}, STu, t)),$$

taking limit as $n \rightarrow \infty$, we get and using (1.1), we get

$$M(z, Qu, t) \geq r(M(z, z, t)) = r(1) = 1.$$

Thus $z = Qu$, which gives $z = Qu = STu$ and the weak compatibility of (Q, ST) implies that

$$(ST)Qu = Q(ST)u. \quad STz = Qz.$$

[III]. Now since $z = Qu$ and $Q(X) \subset AB(X)$, there exists v in X such that $z = Qz = ABv$. Now put $x = v$ and $y = u$ in (10), we get

$$M(Pv, Qu, t) \geq r(M(ABv, STu, t))$$

$$= r(M(z, z, t)) = r(1) = 1.$$

Thus $Pv = Qu$. Since $z = ABv = Pv$. Again since (P, AB) is semi-compatible (according to proposition-1), we obtained $PABv = ABPv$ and thus $Pz = ABz = z$.

[IV]. We now show that $Pz = Qz$. Suppose on the contrary that $Pz \neq Qz$ and put $x = y = z$ in (10) such that

$$M(Pz, Qz, t) \geq r(M(ABz, STz, t))$$

$$\Rightarrow M(Pz, Qz, t) \geq r(M(Pz, Qz, t)) > M(Pz, Qz, t)$$

Which is a contradiction and so $Pz = Qz$.

According to theorem-3.1 (when P is continuous) we get

$$Bz = z \text{ and } Tz = z, \text{ and since } ABz = z \Rightarrow Az = z.$$

Again since $STz = z \Rightarrow Sz = z$. Therefore we have

$$z = Az = Bz = Sz = Tz = Pz = Qz.$$

That $z \in X$ is a common fixed point of six self-maps A, B, S, T, P & Q and the uniqueness of z follows as in the theorem-3.1. This completes the proof. ■

By assuming $P = Q = f, A = S = g$ and $B = T = 1$ in theorem-3.2, we obtain the following result :

Theorem 3.3 : Let f and g be compatible self-maps on a complete fuzzy metric space $(X, M, *)$ satisfying

$$M(fx, fy, t) \geq r(M(gx, gy, t))$$

Where $r : [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, 1]$ is a continuous function such that $r(t) > t$ for each $0 < t < 1$. If $f(X) \subset g(X)$ and either f or g is continuous then f and g have a unique common fixed point.

IV. CONCLUSION

The existence of a fixed point is nothing but the existence of a solution of a particular equation. It is often an important piece of information. It will help to a qualitative understanding of the mathematical models. In addition to that, here, we developed some fixed point theorems. Theorem-3.3 generalizes the result of Vasuki^[10] by assuming only compatibility of the pair (f, g) in the place of its R-weakly commutativity. Thus theorem-3.3 for six self-maps is a quite better generalization of a result of Vasuki^[10]. Also theorem-3.1 and 3.2 for six self-maps

also generalizes the results of Singh and Jain^[9], whenever $B = T = I$.

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