

## NONLINEAR ERGODIC THEOREMS OF ALMOST-ORBITS OF NON-LIPSCHITZIAN SEMIGROUPS

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### Abstract

In this paper, we shall establish the weak convergence and nonlinear ergodic theorems for reversible semigroups of weakly asymptotically non-expansive type in Banach spaces.

### 1. Introduction

Let  $G$  be a semitopological semigroup, i.e.,  $G$  is a semigroup with a Hausdorff topology such that for each  $a \in G$  the mappings  $s \mapsto a \cdot s$  and  $s \mapsto s \cdot a$  from  $G$  to  $G$  are continuous.  $G$  is called right reversible if any two closed left ideals of  $G$  have nonvoid intersection. In this case,  $(G, \succcurlyeq)$  is a directed system when the binary relation " $\succcurlyeq$ " on  $G$  is defined by

$$t \succcurlyeq s \quad \text{if and only if} \quad \{s\} \cup \overline{Gs} \supseteq \{t\} \cup \overline{Gt}, \quad s, t \in G.$$

Right reversible semitopological semigroups include all commutative semigroups and all semitopological semigroups which are right amenable as discrete semigroups (see [7, p. 335]). Left reversibility of  $G$  is defined similarly.  $G$  is called reversible if it is both left and right reversible.

Let  $G$  be a semitopological semigroup with a binary relation " $\succcurlyeq$ " which directs  $G$ . Let  $C$  be a nonempty closed convex subset of a real Banach space  $E$  and let a family  $\mathfrak{S} = \{S(t) : t \in G\}$  be a (continuous) representation of  $G$  as continuous mappings on  $C$  into  $C$ , i.e.,  $S(ts)x = S(t)S(s)x$  for all  $t, s \in G$  and  $x \in C$ , and for every  $x \in C$ , the mapping  $t \mapsto S(t)x$  from  $G$  into  $C$  is continuous. A representation  $\mathfrak{S} = \{S(t) : t \in G\}$  of  $G$  on  $C$  is called reversible [resp., right (left) reversible] if  $G$  is reversible [resp., right (left) reversible]. In this paper, we also consider a non-Lipschitzian semigroup of mappings: a representation  $\mathfrak{S} = \{S(t) : t \in G\}$  of  $G$  on  $C$  is said to be a semigroup of weakly asymptotically

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nonexpansive type (simply, w. a. n. t.) on  $C$  if, for each  $x \in C$  and each bounded subset  $D$  of  $C$ ,

$$\limsup_t \sup_{y \in D} (\|S(t)x - S(t)y\| - \|x - y\|) \leq 0.$$

Immediately, we can see that the semigroups of w. a. n. t. include all semigroups of nonexpansive mappings with directed systems. In particular, if  $\mathfrak{S} = \{S(t) : t \in G\}$  is a Lipschitzian representation of  $G$  with an additional condition, i. e.,  $\limsup_t k_t \leq 1$  (see [15]), then it is obviously of w. a. n. t. In cases where  $G = N$ ,

$S = S(1)$ , we have  $S(n) = S^n$  for each  $n \in N$ , where  $N$  denotes the set of natural numbers. Then, when the semigroup  $\mathfrak{S} = \{S(n) : n \in N\}$  is of w. a. n. t.,  $S : C \rightarrow C$  is simply said to be a mapping of w. a. n. t. For a mapping  $S : C \rightarrow C$  of a. n. t., see Kirk [9]. And we say that a function  $u : G \rightarrow C$  is an almost-orbit of  $\mathfrak{S} = \{S(t) : t \in G\}$  (see [13], [15]) if  $G$  is right reversible and

$$\lim_t (\sup_{s \in G} \|u(st) - S(s)u(t)\|) = 0.$$

In [15], Takahashi-Zhang established the weak convergence of an almost-orbit of a noncommutative Lipschitzian semigroup in a Banach space. In [11], Lau-Takahashi also proved the nonlinear ergodic theorems for a noncommutative nonexpansive semigroup in the space. In this paper, we first shall establish a fixed point theorem for an almost-orbit  $\{u(t) : t \in G\}$  of the reversible semigroup  $\mathfrak{S} = \{S(t) : t \in G\}$  of w. a. n. t. in a uniformly convex Banach space, which generalizes the commutative version due to Kiang-Tan [8], and also prove the equivalent conditions of weak convergence of the almost-orbit  $\{u(t) : t \in G\}$  of  $\mathfrak{S} = \{S(t) : t \in G\}$ , which extend the results due to Miyadera [12] and Emmanule [3, Theorem 2]. Next, we shall carry over the weak convergence and nonlinear ergodic theorems due to Lau-Takahashi [11], Takahashi-Zhang [15] to those for the right reversible semigroup  $\mathfrak{S} = \{S(t) : t \in G\}$  of w. a. n. t. Our proofs employ the methods of [8], [11], [12], and [15].

## 2. Fixed Point Theorem

Let  $C$  be a nonempty closed convex subset of a real Banach space  $E$  and let  $G$  be a semitopological semigroup with a binary relation " $\succ$ " which directs  $G$ .

DEFINITION 2.1. A family  $\mathfrak{S} = \{S(t) : t \in G\}$  of continuous mappings from  $C$  into itself is said to be a (continuous) representation of  $G$  on  $C$  if  $\mathfrak{S}$  satisfies the following:

- (a)  $S(ts)x = S(t)S(s)x$  for all  $t, s \in G$  and  $x \in C$ ;
- (b) for every  $x \in C$ , the mapping  $t \mapsto S(t)x$  from  $G$  into  $C$  is continuous.

DEFINITION 2.2. Let  $\mathfrak{S} = \{S(t) : t \in G\}$  be a representation of  $G$  on  $C$ .  $\mathfrak{S}$  is said to be a semigroup of weakly asymptotically nonexpansive type (simply,

w.a.n.t.) on  $C$  if, for each  $x \in C$  and each bounded subset  $D$  of  $C$ ,

$$(2.1) \quad \inf_{s \in G} \sup_{t \geq s} \sup_{y \in D} (\|S(t)x - S(t)y\| - \|x - y\|) \leq 0.$$

Immediately, we can see that the semigroups of w.a.n.t. include all semigroups of nonexpansive mappings with directed systems. In particular, if  $\mathfrak{S} = \{S(t) : t \in G\}$  is a Lipschitzian representation of  $G$  with an additional condition, i.e.,  $\limsup_t k_t \leq 1$  (see [15]), then it is obviously of w.a.n.t. In cases where  $G = N$ ,  $S = S(1)$ , we have  $S(n) = S^n$  for each  $n \in N$ , where  $N$  denotes the set of natural numbers. Then, when the semigroup  $\mathfrak{S} = \{S(n) : n \in N\}$  is of w.a.n.t.,  $S : C \rightarrow C$  is simply said to be a mapping of w.a.n.t. For a mapping  $S : C \rightarrow C$  of a.n.t., see Kirk [9].

DEFINITION 2.3. Let  $G$  be right reversible and let  $\mathfrak{S} = \{S(t) : t \in G\}$  be as in Definition 2.1. A function  $u : G \rightarrow C$  is called an *almost-orbit* of  $\mathfrak{S} = \{S(t) : t \in G\}$  (see [13], [15]) if

$$(2.2) \quad \lim_t (\sup_{s \in G} \|u(st) - S(s)u(t)\|) = 0.$$

Now let  $\{x_\alpha\}$  be a bounded net in  $C$ . Then we define

$$(2.3) \quad r(x, \{x_\alpha\}) = \lim_\alpha \sup \|x - x_\alpha\|,$$

$$(2.4) \quad r = r(C, \{x_\alpha\}) = \inf \{r(x, \{x_\alpha\}) : x \in C\},$$

and

$$(2.5) \quad A(C, \{x_\alpha\}) = \{z \in C : r(z, \{x_\alpha\}) = r(C, \{x_\alpha\})\}.$$

Then, any element of  $A(C, \{x_\alpha\})$  is called to be an *asymptotic center* of the net  $\{x_\alpha\}$  in  $C$ . It is well known that if  $C$  is weakly compact and convex, then  $A(C, \{x_\alpha\}) \neq \emptyset$  and if  $E$  is uniformly convex, then  $A(C, \{x_\alpha\})$  is a singleton set and it will be simply denoted by the unique element; see [4].

From now on, unless other specified, let  $G$ ,  $E$ ,  $C$ , and  $\mathfrak{S} = \{S(t) : t \in G\}$  be as in Definition 2.2 and  $F(\mathfrak{S})$  denote the set of all common fixed points of  $\mathfrak{S} = \{S(t) : t \in G\}$  in  $C$ , i.e.,  $F(\mathfrak{S}) = \{x \in C : S(t)x = x \text{ for all } t \in G\}$ . We begin with the following:

LEMMA 2.4. Let  $G$  be right reversible and let  $E$  be uniformly convex. If  $\{u(t) : t \in G\}$  is a bounded almost-orbit of  $\mathfrak{S} = \{S(t) : t \in G\}$  and  $r = r(C, \{u(t)\}) = 0$ , then  $\lim_t S(s)u(t) = c \in F(\mathfrak{S})$  for each  $s \in G$ , where  $c = A(C, \{u(t)\})$ .

*Proof.* Since  $r = r(c, \{u(t)\}) = 0$ , clearly  $c = \lim_t u(t) = \lim_t u(st)$  for each  $s \in G$ . Let  $s, t \in G$ . Then we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \|c - S(s)u(t)\| &\leq \|c - u(st)\| + \|u(st) - S(s)u(t)\| \\ &\leq \|c - u(st)\| + \phi(t), \end{aligned}$$

where  $\phi(t) = \sup_{s \in G} \|u(st) - S(s)u(t)\|$ . Since  $\{u(t) : t \in G\}$  is an almost-orbit of  $\mathfrak{S} = \{S(t) : t \in G\}$ ,  $\lim_t \phi(t) = 0$ , and now taking  $\limsup$  in both sides, we obtain  $\lim_t S(s)u(t) = c$ , and hence  $S(s)c = S(s)(\lim_t u(t)) = \lim_t S(s)u(t) = c$ , i.e.,  $c \in F(\mathfrak{S})$ . This completes the proof.

We say that  $\mathfrak{S} = \{S(t) : t \in G\}$  is *proximately nonexpansive* (see [8] if for every  $x \in C$ , and every  $\beta > 0$ , there exists  $t_0 \in G$  such that  $\|S(t)x - S(t)y\| \leq (1 + \beta)\|x - y\|$  for all  $t \geq t_0$ , and for any  $y \in C$ . If  $\mathfrak{S} = \{S(t) : t \in G\}$  is proximately nonexpansive, then it is of w.a.n.t. Indeed, let  $x \in C$  and  $D$  a bounded subset of  $C$ . Then, for given  $\varepsilon > 0$ , take  $\beta = \frac{\varepsilon}{M}$ , where  $M = \sup_{y \in D} \|x - y\|$ .

In order to measure the degree of strict convexity (rotundity) of  $E$ , we define its *modulus of convexity*  $\delta : [0, 2] \rightarrow [0, 1]$  by

$$(2.6) \quad \delta(\varepsilon) = \inf \left\{ 1 - \frac{1}{2} \|x + y\| : \|x\| \leq 1, \|y\| \leq 1, \text{ and } \|x - y\| \geq \varepsilon \right\}.$$

The *characteristic of convexity*  $\varepsilon_0$  of  $E$  is also defined by

$$(2.7) \quad \varepsilon_0 = \varepsilon_0(E) = \sup \{ \varepsilon : \delta(\varepsilon) = 0 \}.$$

It is well-known (see [4]) that the modulus of convexity  $\delta$  satisfies the following properties:

$$(2.8) \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{(a) } \delta \text{ is increasing on } [0, 2], \text{ and moreover strictly increasing on } [\varepsilon_0, 2]; \\ \text{(b) } \delta \text{ is continuous on } [0, 2) \text{ (but not necessarily at } \varepsilon = 2); \\ \text{(c) } \delta(2) = 1 \text{ if and only if } E \text{ is strictly convex;} \\ \text{(d) } \delta(0) = 0 \text{ and } \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 2-} \delta(\varepsilon) = 1 - \frac{1}{2} \varepsilon_0; \\ \text{(e) } \|a - x\| \leq r, \|a - y\| \leq r \text{ and } \|x - y\| \geq \varepsilon \\ \quad \implies \left\| a - \frac{1}{2}(x + y) \right\| \leq r(1 - \delta(\varepsilon/r)). \end{array} \right.$$

A Banach space  $E$  is said to be *uniformly convex* if  $\delta(\varepsilon) > 0$  for all positive  $\varepsilon$ ; equivalently  $\varepsilon_0 = 0$ . Obviously, any uniformly convex space is both strictly convex and reflexive. By properties above, we can see that if  $E$  is uniformly convex, then  $\delta$  is strictly increasing and continuous on  $[0, 2]$  (see also [1]).

Now we can present a fixed point theorem for an almost-orbit  $\{u(t) : t \in G\}$  of the reversible semigroup  $\mathfrak{S} = \{S(t) : t \in G\}$  of w.a.n.t. in a uniformly convex Banach space, which generalizes the commutative version due to Kiang-Tan [8; Theorem 1].

**THEOREM 2.5.** *Let  $G$  be reversible and let  $E$  be uniformly convex. If an almost-orbit  $\{u(t) : t \in G\}$  of  $\mathfrak{S} = \{S(t) : t \in G\}$  is bounded, then  $A(C, \{u(t)\}) = c \in F(\mathfrak{S})$ .*

*Proof.* If  $r=r(C, \{u(t)\})=0$ , the result follows from Lemma 2.4. Assume  $r>0$  and we set

$$d(c)=\limsup_s \|c-S(s)c\|.$$

Then,  $d(c)<\infty$ . In fact, since  $\mathfrak{S}=\{S(t): t\in G\}$  is of w.a.n.t., for  $c\in C$  and  $D=\{u(t): t\in G\}$ ,

$$\limsup_t \sup_{y\in D} (\|S(t)c-S(t)y\|-\|c-y\|)\leq 0.$$

For  $s, t\in G$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|c-S(t)c\| &\leq \|c-u(ts)\| + \|u(ts)-S(t)u(s)\| + \|S(t)u(s)-S(t)c\| \\ &\leq \|c-u(ts)\| + \phi(s) + \|S(t)c-S(t)u(s)\| \\ &\leq 2(\|c\|+M) + \phi(s) - \sup_{y\in D} (\|S(t)c-S(t)y\|-\|c-y\|), \end{aligned}$$

where  $M=\sup_{t\in G} \|u(t)\|<\infty$  and  $\phi(s)=\sup_{t\in G} \|u(ts)-S(t)u(s)\|$ . Since  $\lim_s \phi(s)=0$ , taking  $\limsup_t$  at first and next  $\limsup_s$  in both sides, we obtain

$$d(c)\leq 2(\|c\|+M)<\infty.$$

If  $d(c)=0$ , then, since  $G$  is right reversible, we obtain  $S(t)c=\lim_s S(t)S(s)c=\lim_s S(ts)c=\lim_s S(s)c=c$  for each  $t\in G$ , i.e.,  $c\in F(\mathfrak{S})$ . Hence, it suffices to show that  $d(c)=0$ . If not, let  $\varepsilon$  be such that  $0<\varepsilon<d(c)$ . Then, for each  $\alpha\in G$ , there is  $s_\alpha\in G$  such that  $s_\alpha\gg\alpha$  and

$$\|c-S(s_\alpha)c\|>\varepsilon.$$

Since  $E$  is uniformly convex, choose  $d>0$  so small that

$$(r+d)\left[1-\delta\left(\frac{\varepsilon}{r+d}\right)\right]<r,$$

where  $\delta$  is the modulus of convexity of  $E$ . For this  $d>0$ , by (2.1) with  $c\in C$  and  $D=\{u(s): s\in G\}$ , (2.2), and (2.3), there exists  $\alpha\in G$  such that

$$\|S(t)c-S(t)y\|\leq \|c-y\|+\frac{d}{3},$$

$$\sup_{s\in G} \|u(st)-S(s)u(t)\|<\frac{d}{3},$$

and

$$\|c-u(t)\|<r+\frac{d}{3},$$

for all  $t\gg\alpha$  and all  $y\in D$ . Then, for this  $\alpha$ , we can also choose  $s_\alpha\in G$  with  $s_\alpha\gg\alpha$  and

$$\|c - S(s_\alpha)c\| > \varepsilon.$$

Then, for all  $t \geq \alpha$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \|u(s_\alpha t) - S(s_\alpha)c\| \\ & \leq \|u(s_\alpha t) - S(s_\alpha)u(t)\| + \|S(s_\alpha)u(t) - S(s_\alpha)c\| \\ & < \frac{d}{3} + \|u(t) - c\| + \frac{d}{3} < r + d. \end{aligned}$$

Let  $b_0 = s_\alpha \alpha$  and  $t \geq b_0$ . Then, since  $G$  is left reversible, we obtain

$$\sup_{t \geq b_0} \|u(t) - S(s_\alpha)c\| = \sup_{t \geq \alpha} \|u(s_\alpha t) - S(s_\alpha)c\| < r + d.$$

Clearly, we obtain

$$\sup_{t \geq b_0} \|c - u(t)\| < r + d.$$

By the definition of  $\delta$  (see (e) of (2.6)), it follows that

$$\sup_{t \geq b_0} \left\| u(t) - \frac{1}{2}(c + S(s_\alpha)c) \right\| \leq (r + \sigma) \left[ 1 - \delta \left( \frac{\varepsilon}{r + \sigma} \right) \right].$$

Setting  $z = \frac{1}{2}(c + S(s_\alpha)c) \in C$ , it implies that

$$\begin{aligned} r & \leq r(z, \{u(t)\}) \leq \sup_{t \geq b_0} \|u(t) - z\| \\ & \leq (r + \sigma) \left[ 1 - \delta \left( \frac{\varepsilon}{r + \sigma} \right) \right] < r, \end{aligned}$$

which gives a contradiction. The proof is completed.

### 3. Weak Convergence

In this section, we present the weak convergence of almost-orbits  $\{u(t) : t \in G\}$  of the reversible semigroup  $\mathfrak{S} = \{S(t) : t \in G\}$  of w.a.n.t. For a function  $u : G \rightarrow C$ , let  $\omega_w(u)$  denote the set of all weak limits of subnets of the net  $\{u(t) : t \in G\}$  and we set

$$(3.1) \quad E(u) = \{y \in C : \lim \|u(t) - y\| \text{ exists}\}.$$

Then, the following lemma is crucial for our argument:

**LEMMA 3.1.** *Let  $G$  be right reversible and let  $\{u(t) : t \in G\}, \{v(t) : t \in G\}$  almost-orbits of  $\mathfrak{S} = \{S(t) : t \in G\}$ . Then the limit of  $\|u(t) - v(t)\|$  exists. In particular,  $F(\mathfrak{S}) \subseteq E(u)$ .*

*Proof.* Since  $\mathfrak{S} = \{S(t) : t \in G\}$  is of w.a.n.t., it follows that, for each

$s \in G$  and  $D = \{v(s)\}$ ,

$$\limsup_t (\|S(t)u(s) - S(t)v(s)\| - \|u(s) - v(s)\|) \leq 0,$$

Therefore, for each  $s, t \in G$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \|u(ts) - v(ts)\| &\leq \|u(ts) - S(t)u(s)\| + \|S(t)u(s) - S(t)v(s)\| + \|S(t)v(s) - v(ts)\| \\ &\leq \phi(s) + (\|S(t)u(s) - S(t)v(s)\| - \|u(s) - v(s)\|) + \|u(s) - v(s)\| + \phi(s), \end{aligned}$$

where  $\phi(s) = \sup_t \|u(ts) - S(t)u(s)\|$ ,  $\phi(s) = \sup_t \|v(ts) - S(t)v(s)\|$ . At first, taking  $\limsup_t$  at both sides, we get

$$\limsup_t \|u(t) - v(t)\| \leq \limsup_t \|u(ts) - v(ts)\| \leq \phi(s) + \phi(s) + \|u(s) - v(s)\|.$$

Since  $\{u(t) : t \in G\}$ ,  $\{v(t) : t \in G\}$  are almost-orbits of  $\mathfrak{S} = \{S(t) : t \in G\}$ ,  $\lim_s \phi(s) = 0$  and  $\lim_s \phi(s) = 0$ , and now taking  $\liminf_s$  in both sides,  $\lim_t \|u(t) - v(t)\|$  exists. Now let  $z \in F(\mathfrak{S})$  and put  $v(t) \equiv z$  for all  $t \in G$ . Then  $\{v(t) : t \in G\}$  is an almost-orbit and hence the limit of  $\|u(t) - z\|$  exists, i.e.,  $z \in E(u)$ .

When  $\{x_\alpha\}$  is a net in a Banach space  $E$  and  $x \in E$ ,  $x_\alpha \rightarrow x (x_\alpha \rightharpoonup x)$  means the strong (weak) convergence to  $x$  of the net  $\{x_\alpha\}$ , respectively.

Recall that a Banach space  $E$  is said to satisfy *Opial's condition* if, for any net  $\{x_\alpha\}$  in  $E$  with  $x_\alpha \rightharpoonup x \in E$ ,

$$(3.2) \quad \limsup_\alpha \|x_\alpha - x\| < \limsup_\alpha \|x_\alpha - y\|, \quad \forall y (\neq x) \in E.$$

(see [10, Lemma 2.1]). For any sequence in  $E$ , see [14, Lemma 1]. For more details, see also [3] and [5]. We are now ready to prove the equivalent conditions of weak convergence for the almost-orbit  $\{u(t) : t \in G\}$  of the reversible semigroup  $\mathfrak{S} = \{S(t) : t \in G\}$  of w.a.n.t., which extends the results due to Miyadera [12] and Emmanuele [3, Theorem 2].

**THEOREM 3.2.** *Let  $G$  be reversible and let  $E$  be uniformly convex with Opial's condition. Let  $u = \{u(t) : t \in G\}$  be an almost-orbit of  $\mathfrak{S} = \{S(t) : t \in G\}$ . Then the following conditions are equivalent*

- (i)  $w\text{-}\lim_t u(t)$  exists;
- (ii)  $F(\mathfrak{S}) \neq \emptyset$  and  $\omega_w(u) \subseteq F(\mathfrak{S})$ ;
- (iii)  $E(u) \neq \emptyset$  and  $\omega_w(u) \subseteq E(u)$ .

*Proof.* Since  $E$  is uniformly convex and  $\{u(t) : t \in G\}$  is bounded in  $C$  by (i), by Theorem 2.5., there exists a unique asymptotic center  $A(C, \{u(t)\}) = c \in F(\mathfrak{S})$ . Then, Opial's condition also gives that  $c = w\text{-}\lim_t u(t)$ . Hence we have  $\omega_w(u) = \{c\} \subseteq F(\mathfrak{S})$ . Thus (i) implies (ii). By Lemma 3.1., clearly (ii) implies (iii). Also to show that (iii) implies (i), apply the method of Theorem 1 due to Emmanuele [3].

LEMMA 3.3. *Let  $G$  be right reversible and let  $E$  be uniformly convex. Let  $u = \{u(t) : t \in G\}$  be an almost-orbit of  $\mathfrak{S} = \{S(t) : t \in G\}$ . Suppose  $F(\mathfrak{S}) \neq \emptyset$  and let  $y \in F(\mathfrak{S})$  and  $0 < \alpha \leq \beta < 1$ . Then, for any  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there is  $t_0 \in G$  such that*

$$\|S(t)(\lambda u(s) + (1-\lambda)y) - (\lambda S(t)u(s) + (1-\lambda)y)\| < \varepsilon$$

for all  $t, s \geq t_0$  and  $\lambda \in [\alpha, \beta]$ .

*Proof.* Since  $F(\mathfrak{S}) \neq \emptyset$ , we may assume that  $\{u(t) : t \in G\}$  is bounded, and hence  $D = \{\lambda u(t) + (1-\lambda)y : t \in G, 0 \leq \lambda \leq 1\}$  is bounded. Let  $\varepsilon > 0$  and let  $r = \liminf_t \|u(t) - y\|$  by Lemma 3.1. If  $r = 0$ , since  $\mathfrak{S} = \{S(t) : t \in G\}$  is of w.a.n.t. on  $C$ , for  $y \in C$  and  $D$ , there exists  $t_0 \in G$  such that

$$\|y - S(t)z\| < \|y - z\| + \frac{\varepsilon}{4}$$

and

$$\|u(t) - y\| < \frac{\varepsilon}{4} \quad \text{for } t \geq t_0 \text{ and } z \in D.$$

Hence, for  $s, t \geq t_0$  and  $0 \leq \lambda \leq 1$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \|S(t)(\lambda u(s) + (1-\lambda)y) - (\lambda S(t)u(s) + (1-\lambda)y)\| \\ & \leq \|S(t)(\lambda u(s) + (1-\lambda)y) - y\| + \lambda \|S(t)u(s) - y\| \\ & \leq 2\left(\lambda \|u(s) - y\| + \frac{\varepsilon}{4}\right) < \varepsilon. \end{aligned}$$

Now, let  $r > 0$ . Then we can choose  $d > 0$  so small that

$$(r+d)\left[1 - c\delta\left(\frac{\varepsilon}{r+d}\right)\right] = r_0 < r.$$

where  $\delta$  is the modulus of convexity of  $E$  and  $c = \min\{2\lambda(1-\lambda) : \alpha \leq \lambda \leq \beta\}$ . For  $k > 0$  with  $k < \min\{d/2, (r-r_0)/2\}$ , as the above, there exists  $t_0 \in G$  such that

$$r - a < \|u(t) - y\| < r + k,$$

$$\|y - S(t)z\| < \|y - z\| + \frac{c}{4}d, \quad \text{for } t \geq t_0, z \in D,$$

and

$$\|u(ts) - S(t)u(s)\| < a, \quad \text{for } s \geq t_0, t \in G.$$

Suppose that

$$\|S(t)(\lambda u(s) + (1-\lambda)y) - (\lambda S(t)u(s) + (1-\lambda)y)\| \geq \varepsilon$$

for some  $s, t \geq t_0$  and  $\lambda \in [\alpha, \beta]$ . Put  $z = \lambda u(s) + (1-\lambda)y$ ,  $u = (1-\lambda)(S(t)z - y)$  and  $v = \lambda(S(t)u(s) - S(t)z)$ . Then, it follows that

$$\|u\| \leq (1-\lambda)\left(\|y - z\| + \frac{c}{4}d\right)$$



$$\begin{aligned}
&= (1-\lambda)\left(\lambda\|u(s)-y\|+\frac{c}{4}d\right) \\
&< (1-\lambda)\left(\lambda\left(r+\frac{d}{2}\right)+\frac{c}{4}d\right) \\
&< \lambda(1-\lambda)(r+d)
\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\|v\| < \lambda(1-\lambda)(r+d).$$

We also have that

$$\|u-v\| = \|S(t)z - (\lambda S(t)u(s) + (1-\lambda)y)\| \geq \varepsilon$$

and  $\lambda u + (1-\lambda)v = \lambda(1-\lambda)(S(t)u(s) - y)$ . By lemma in [6], we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\lambda(1-\lambda)\|S(t)u(s)-y\| &= \|\lambda u + (1-\lambda)v\| \\
&\leq \lambda(1-\lambda)(r+d) \left[1 - 2\lambda(1-\lambda)\delta\left(\frac{\varepsilon}{r+d}\right)\right] \\
&\leq \lambda(1-\lambda)r_0,
\end{aligned}$$

and hence  $\|S(t)u(s)-y\| \leq r_0$ . Thus it follows that

$$\begin{aligned}
\|u(ts)-y\| &\leq \|u(ts)-S(t)u(s)\| + \|S(t)u(s)-y\| \\
&< a+r_0 < r-a,
\end{aligned}$$

which gives a contradiction and the proof is complete.

For  $x, y \in E$ , we denote by  $[x, y]$  the set  $\{\lambda x + (1-\lambda)y : 0 \leq \lambda \leq 1\}$ . For  $D \subset E$ ,  $\overline{co}D$  denotes the closed convex hull of  $D$ . The following lemma was proved by Lau-Takahashi [11, Lemma 3].

**LEMMA 3.4.** *Let  $E$  be uniformly convex with a Fréchet differentiable norm and let  $\{x_\alpha\}$  be a bounded net in  $C$ . Let  $z \in \bigcap_{\beta} \overline{co}\{x_\alpha : \alpha \succcurlyeq \beta\}$ ,  $y \in C$  and  $\{y_\alpha\}$  a net of elements in  $C$  with  $y_\alpha \in [y, x_\alpha]$  and*

$$\|y_\alpha - z\| = \min\{\|u - z\| : u \in [y, x_\alpha]\}.$$

*If  $y_\alpha \rightarrow y$ , then  $y = z$ .*

By using Lemma 3.3 and Lemma 3.4, we obtain the similar result as Theorem 2 in [15] for an almost-orbit  $\{u(t) : t \in G\}$  of the right reversible semi-group  $\mathfrak{S} = \{S(t) : t \in G\}$  of w.a.n.t. on  $C$  in a uniformly convex Banach space  $E$  with a Fréchet differentiable norm.

**THEOREM 3.5.** *Let  $G$  be right reversible and let  $E$  be uniformly convex with a Fréchet differentiable norm. Suppose that  $u = \{u(t) : t \in G\}$  is an almost-orbit of  $\mathfrak{S} = \{S(t) : t \in G\}$  and  $F(\mathfrak{S}) \neq \emptyset$ . Then the set  $\bigcap_{s \in G} \overline{co}\{u(t) : t \succcurlyeq s\} \cap F(\mathfrak{S})$  consists of at most one point.*

*Proof.* Since  $F(\mathfrak{F}) \neq \emptyset$ , we may assume that  $\{u(t) : t \in G\}$  is bounded. Let  $W(u) = \bigcap_{s \in G} \overline{co} \{u(t) : t \geq s\}$ . Suppose that  $x, y \in W(u) \cap F(\mathfrak{F})$  and  $x \neq y$ . Put  $z = (x + y)/2$  and  $r = \lim_s \|u(s) - y\|$  by Lemma 3.1. Since  $z \in W(u)$ , we have  $\|z - y\| \leq r$ . For each  $s \in G$ , choose  $z(s) \in [u(s), z]$  such that

$$\|z(s) - y\| = \min \{\|v - y\| : v \in [u(s), z]\}.$$

By the definition of  $z(s)$ , we have  $\|z(s) - y\| \leq \left\| \frac{z(s) + z}{2} - y \right\| \leq \|z - y\|$  for all  $s \in G$ . Therefore, if  $\liminf_s \|z(s) - y\| = \|z - y\|$ , then  $\{z(s)\}$  converges strongly to  $z$ . Otherwise, there exists some  $\varepsilon > 0$  and  $s_\alpha \in G$  such that  $s_\alpha \geq \alpha$  and  $\|z(s_\alpha) - z\| > \varepsilon$ , for every  $\alpha \in G$ . Then, by the definition of  $\delta$  (see (e) of (2.6)), we have

$$\left\| \frac{1}{2}(z(s_\alpha) + z) - y \right\| \leq \|z - y\| \cdot \left[ 1 - \delta\left(\frac{\varepsilon}{\|z - y\|}\right) \right]$$

for every  $\alpha$ . It follows from the definition of  $z(s_\alpha)$  and the uniform convexity of  $E$  that

$$\begin{aligned} \liminf_s \|z(s) - y\| &\leq \limsup_\alpha \|z(s_\alpha) - y\| \\ &\leq \|z - y\| \cdot [1 - \delta(\varepsilon/\|z - y\|)] < \|z - y\|, \end{aligned}$$

which contradicts the assumption. So,  $\lim_s z(s) = z$ . Therefore, by Lemma 3.4, we obtain  $z = y$  and this contradicts  $x \neq y$ . To complete the proof, we suppose that

$$\liminf_s \|z(s) - y\| < \|z - y\|.$$

Then, for every  $\alpha \in G$ , there exist  $c > 0$  and  $t_\alpha \in G$  with  $t_\alpha \geq \alpha$  such that

$$\|z(t_\alpha) - y\| + c < \|z - y\|$$

and there exists  $\alpha_0 \in G$  such that

$$r < \|u(\alpha) - y\| + \frac{c}{2},$$

for every  $\alpha \geq \alpha_0$ . Put  $z(t_\alpha) = a_\alpha u(t_\alpha) + (1 - a_\alpha)z$  for every  $\alpha$ . Then there is  $\beta > 0$  and  $\gamma < 1$  such that  $\beta \leq a_\alpha \leq \gamma$  for every  $\alpha \geq \alpha_0$ . In fact, if there exists  $a_\alpha$  such that  $(1 - a_\alpha)M < \frac{c}{2}$ , where  $M \geq \sup_{t \in G} \|u(t) - z\|$  and  $M > c$ , then,

$$\begin{aligned} |\|z(t_\alpha) - y\| - \|u(t_\alpha) - y\|| &\leq \|z(t_\alpha) - u(t_\alpha)\| \\ &= (1 - a_\alpha)\|u(t_\alpha) - z\| < \frac{c}{2} \end{aligned}$$

and hence  $r \leq \|u(t_\alpha) - y\| + \frac{c}{2} < \|z(t_\alpha) - y\| + c < \|z - y\| \leq r$ . This is a contradiction.

If there also exists  $a_\alpha$  such that  $a_\alpha M < c$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} & \| \|z(t_\alpha) - y\| - \|y - z\| \| \leq \|z(t_\alpha) - z\| \\ & = a_\alpha \|u(t_\alpha) - z\| < c \end{aligned}$$

and hence  $\|z - y\| < \|z(t_\alpha) - y\| + c < \|z - y\|$ . This is a contradiction. By (2.1) with  $y \in C$  and  $D = \{\alpha u(t) + (1 - \alpha)z : t \in G, 0 \leq \alpha \leq 1\}$ , (2.2), and Lemma 3.3, there exists  $s_0 \in G$  with  $s_0 \gg \alpha_0$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} \|y - S(s)v\| &< \frac{c}{3} + \|y - v\|, \\ \|u(st) - S(s)u(t)\| &< \frac{c}{3}, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\|S(s)(\lambda u(t) + (1 - \lambda)z) - (\lambda S(s)u(t) + (1 - \lambda)z)\| < \frac{c}{3},$$

for all  $s, t \geq s_0$ ,  $v \in D$  and  $\lambda \in [\beta, \gamma]$ . Therefore, for  $s \geq s_0$ , since  $t_{s_0} \geq s_0$ , it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \|z(st_{s_0}) - y\| &\leq \|a_{s_0}u(st_{s_0}) + (1 - a_{s_0})z - y\| \\ &\leq a_{s_0}\|u(st_{s_0}) - S(s)u(t_{s_0})\| + \|S(s)z(t_{s_0}) - (a_{s_0}S(s)u(t_{s_0}) + (1 - a_{s_0})z)\| \\ &\quad + \|S(s)z(t_{s_0}) - y\| < \|z(t_{s_0}) - y\| + c < \|z - y\|. \end{aligned}$$

Let  $\beta_0 = s_0 t_{s_0}$  and  $s \geq \beta_0$ . Since  $G$  is right reversible, we have

$$\sup_{s \geq \beta_0} \|z(s) - y\| = \sup_{s \geq s_0} \|z(st_{s_0}) - y\| < \|z - y\|.$$

Thus, we have  $z(s) \neq z$  for all  $s \geq \beta_0$ . Now let  $s \geq \beta_0$  and  $u_k = k(z - z(s)) + z(s)$  for all  $k \geq 1$ . Then  $\|u_k - y\| \geq \|z - y\|$  for all  $k \geq 1$  and hence, by Theorem 2.5 of [2], we have

$$\langle z - u_k, J(y - z) \rangle = \langle (1 - k)(z - z(s)), J(y - z) \rangle \geq 0$$

for all  $k \geq 1$ , where  $J$  is the duality mapping of  $E$  and  $\langle x, x^* \rangle$  denotes the value of  $x^* \in X^*$  at  $x \in E$ . Then it follows that  $\langle z - z(s), J(y - z) \rangle \leq 0$  for all  $s \geq \beta_0$ . Then, since  $z(s) \in [u(s), z]$ , this easily implies that  $\langle z - u(s), J(y - z) \rangle \leq 0$  for all  $s \geq \beta_0$ . Immediately, we obtain  $\langle z - w, J(y - z) \rangle \leq 0$  for all  $w \in \overline{co}\{u(s) : s \geq \beta_0\}$ . Put  $w = x = z + (z - y)$ , then  $z = y$ . This contradicts  $x \neq y$ . The proof is completed.

As a direct consequence, we present the following weak convergence of an almost-orbit  $\{u(t) : t \in G\}$ .

**THEOREM 3.6.** *Let  $G$  be right reversible and let  $E$  be uniformly convex with a Fréchet differentiable norm. Suppose that  $u = \{u(t) : t \in G\}$  is an almost-orbit of  $\mathfrak{F} = \{S(t) : t \in G\}$  and  $F(\mathfrak{F}) \neq \emptyset$ . If  $\omega_w(u) \subseteq F(\mathfrak{F})$ , then the net  $\{u(t) : t \in G\}$  converges weakly to an element of  $F(\mathfrak{F})$ .*

*Proof.* Be similar to Theorem 3 of [15].

#### 4. Ergodic theorems

We now study in this section the existence of a “ergodic” retraction of  $C$  onto the common fixed point set  $F(\mathfrak{F})$  of  $\mathfrak{F} = \{S(t) : t \in G\}$  in  $C$ . We begin with the following observation:

**THEOREM 4.1.** *Let  $G$  be right reversible and let  $E$  be uniformly convex. Then, the set  $F(\mathfrak{F})$  (possibly empty) is closed and convex.*

*Proof.* By continuity of elements of  $\mathfrak{F}$ , obviously  $F(\mathfrak{F})$  is closed. To prove the convexity of  $F(\mathfrak{F})$ , it suffices to show that, for  $x, y \in F(\mathfrak{F})$  with  $x \neq y$ ,  $z = \frac{1}{2}(x + y) \in F(\mathfrak{F})$ . If  $\lim_t S(t)z = z$ , since  $G$  is right reversible, we have  $S(s)z = \lim_t S(st)z = \lim_t S(t)z = z$  for each  $s \in G$  and so  $z \in F(\mathfrak{F})$ . Hence it suffices to show that  $\lim_t S(t)z = z$ . If not, there exists  $\varepsilon > 0$  such that for any  $\alpha \in G$ , there is  $t_\alpha \in G$  with  $t_\alpha \geq \alpha$  and

$$4\|S(t_\alpha)z - z\| \geq \varepsilon.$$

Since  $E$  is uniformly convex, choose  $d > 0$  so small

$$(R + d)\left(1 - \delta\left(\frac{\varepsilon}{R + d}\right)\right) < R,$$

where  $R = \|x - y\| > 0$  and  $\delta$  is the modulus of convexity of  $E$ .

For this  $d > 0$ , since  $\mathfrak{F}$  is of w.a.n.t. with  $z \in C$  and  $D = \{x, y\}$ , there is  $\alpha_0 \in G$  such that, for all  $t \geq \alpha_0$ ,

$$\|S(t)z - w\| = \|S(t)z - S(t)w\| \leq \|z - w\| + \frac{d}{2} \quad \text{for all } w \in D.$$

Thus,  $2\|S(t)z - x\|, 2\|S(t)z - y\| \leq R + d$  for all  $t \geq \alpha_0$ . Put  $u = 2(S(t_{\alpha_0})z - x)$ ,  $v = 2(y - S(t_{\alpha_0})z)$ . Then,  $\|u\|, \|v\| \leq R + d$  and  $\|u - v\| = 4\|S(t_{\alpha_0})z - z\| \geq \varepsilon$ . So, we have

$$R = \left\| \frac{u + v}{2} \right\| \leq (R + d)\left(1 - \delta\left(\frac{\varepsilon}{R + d}\right)\right) < R,$$

which gives a contradiction. This completes the proof.

As a direct consequence, we get the following:

COROLLARY 4.2. *Let  $E$  be uniformly convex. If a mapping  $T: C \rightarrow C$  is of weakly asymptotically nonexpansive type, then the fixed point set  $F(T)$  of  $T$  is in fact closed and convex.*

For each  $x \in C$ , we define  $u(t) = S(t)x$  ( $t \in G$ ). Then  $\{u(t) : t \in G\}$  is obviously an almost-orbit of  $\mathfrak{S} = \{S(t) : t \in G\}$ . As a direct consequence, we can prove the following result which generalizes Theorem 8 in [11]. We employ the method of the proof in [11].

THEOREM 4.3. *Let  $G$  be right reversible and let  $E$  be uniformly convex with a Fréchet differentiable norm. Let  $\mathfrak{S} = \{S(t) : t \in G\}$  be of w.a.n.t on  $C$ . The following are equivalent:*

- (i)  $\bigcap_{s \in G} \overline{co}\{S(t)x : t \geq s\} \cap F(\mathfrak{S}) \neq \emptyset$  for each  $x \in C$ ;
- (ii) *there exists a retraction  $P$  of  $C$  onto  $F(\mathfrak{S})$  such the  $PS(t) = S(t)P = P$  for every  $t \in G$  and  $Px \in \overline{co}\{S(t)x : t \in G\}$  for every  $x \in C$ .*

*Proof.* By Theorem 3.5, for each  $x \in C$ ,  $\bigcap_{s \in G} \overline{co}\{S(t)x : t \geq s\} \cap F(\mathfrak{S})$  contains exactly one point  $Px$ . Then, applying the same method of [11, Theorem 8], (i) implies (ii). The converse implication is easy.

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