

## 55. Asymptotic Behavior of Iterates of Nonexpansive Mappings in Banach Spaces

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**1. Introduction.** Let  $X$  be a real Banach space and let  $X^*$  be the dual space of  $X$ . The value of  $x^* \in X^*$  at  $x \in X$  will be denoted by  $(x, x^*)$ . The *duality mapping*  $F$  (multi-valued) from  $X$  into  $X^*$  is defined by

$$F(x) = \{x^* \in X^* : (x, x^*) = \|x\|^2 \text{ and } \|x^*\| = \|x\|\} \quad \text{for } x \in X.$$

We say that  $X$  is *smooth*, if  $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} t^{-1}(\|x + ty\| - \|x\|)$  exists for every  $x$  and  $y$  with  $\|x\| = \|y\| = 1$  (i.e., the norm of  $X$  is Gâteaux differentiable). It is shown that  $F$  is single-valued if and only if  $X$  is smooth. The duality mapping  $F$  of a smooth Banach space  $X$  is said to be *weakly continuous* at 0 if  $w\text{-}\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = 0$  in  $X$  implies that  $\{F(x_n)\}$  converges weakly\* to 0 in  $X^*$ , where  $w\text{-}\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n$  denotes the weak limit of  $\{x_n\}$ . It is easily seen that Hilbert space and  $(l^p)$ ,  $1 < p < \infty$ , have this property.

Throughout the rest of this paper we assume that  $X$  is a smooth and uniformly convex real Banach space having the duality mapping  $F$  which is weakly continuous at 0, and  $C$  is a nonempty closed convex subset of  $X$ . A mapping  $T: C \rightarrow C$  is said to be *nonexpansive* on  $C$ , or  $T \in \text{Cont}(C)$  if  $\|Tx - Ty\| \leq \|x - y\|$  for all  $x, y \in C$ . The set of fixed-points of  $T$  will be denoted by  $\mathcal{F}(T)$ , i.e.,  $\mathcal{F}(T) = \{x \in C : Tx = x\}$ .

The purpose of this note is to prove the following

**Theorem.** *Let  $T \in \text{Cont}(C)$  and  $x \in C$ . The following three conditions are mutually equivalent:*

- (i)  $w\text{-}\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} T^n x$  exists;
- (ii)  $\mathcal{F}(T) \neq \emptyset$  and  $\omega_w(x) \subset \mathcal{F}(T)$ ;
- (iii)  $E(x) \neq \emptyset$  and  $\omega_w(x) \subset E(x)$ ;

where  $\omega_w(x)$  denotes the set of weak subsequential limits of  $\{T^n x\}$ , and  $E(x) = \{u \in C : \|T^n x - u\| \text{ converges as } n \rightarrow \infty\}$ . Moreover, if  $w\text{-}\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} T^n x$  exists, then it is the asymptotic center of  $\{T^n x\}$  with respect to  $C$ .

In Hilbert space, the equivalence of (i) and (ii) in Theorem has been established by A. Pazy [5]. As corollaries of Theorem, we have the following:

**Corollary 1** (Z. Opial [4]). *Let  $T \in \text{Cont}(C)$  and  $x \in C$ . If  $\mathcal{F}(T) \neq \emptyset$  and  $\|T^{n+1}x - T^n x\| \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , then the sequence  $\{T^n x\}$  is weakly convergent to an element of  $\mathcal{F}(T)$ .*

**Corollary 2** (R. E. Bruck [2]). *Let  $X$  be a real Hilbert space, and let  $T \in \text{Cont}(C)$  and  $x \in C$ . Then  $w\text{-}\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} T^n x$  exists if and only if  $\mathcal{F}(T) \ni \phi$  and  $w\text{-}\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (T^{n+1}x - T^n x) = 0$ . Moreover,  $w\text{-}\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} T^n x \in \mathcal{F}(T)$  (if the limit exists).*

**2. Proofs.** Let  $\{x_n\}$  be a bounded sequence in  $C$  and set

$$r(x) = \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x_n - x\| \quad \text{for } x \in X.$$

M. Edelstein [3] proved that there is a unique point  $c \in C$  such that

$$r(c) < r(x) \quad \text{for } x \in C \setminus \{c\}.$$

The point  $c$  is called the *asymptotic center* of  $\{x_n\}$  with respect to  $C$ . We start with the following

**Lemma.** *Let  $\{x_n\}$  be a bounded sequence in  $C$ , and let  $c$  be the asymptotic center of  $\{x_n\}$  with respect to  $C$ .*

(a) *Let  $\{x_{n_k}\}$  be a subsequence of  $\{x_n\}$  and let  $w\text{-}\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} x_{n_k} = u$ . If  $\{\|x_n - u\|\}$  is convergent, then  $u = c$ .*

(b) *If  $w\text{-}\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n$  exists, then  $w\text{-}\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = c$ .*

**Proof.** Note that

$$(2.1) \quad \|x_n - c\|^2 \geq \|x_n - z\|^2 + 2(z - c, F(x_n - z)) \quad \text{for } z \in X.$$

To prove (a), let  $w\text{-}\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} x_{n_k} = u$  and  $\{\|x_n - u\|\}$  be convergent. Letting  $n \rightarrow \infty$  in (2.1) with  $z$  replaced by  $u$ , we have

$$r(c)^2 \geq \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x_n - u\|^2 + 2 \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} (u - c, F(x_n - u)).$$

Since  $F$  is weakly continuous at 0,

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} (u - c, F(x_n - u)) \geq \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} (u - c, F(x_{n_k} - u)) = 0.$$

Thus we have that  $r(c)^2 \geq \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x_n - u\|^2$ , i.e.,  $r(c) \geq r(u)$ . Noting  $u \in C$ , it follows from the definition of  $c$  that  $u = c$ . To prove (b), let  $w\text{-}\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = v$ . Letting  $n \rightarrow \infty$  in (2.1) with  $z$  replaced by  $v$ , we have

$$r(c)^2 \geq \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x_n - v\|^2 + 2 \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (v - c, F(x_n - v)) = r(v)^2$$

by the weak continuity of  $F$  at 0. This implies that  $v = c$ . Q.E.D.

**Proof of Theorem.** Put  $x_n = T^n x$  for  $n = 1, 2, \dots$ . Suppose that  $w\text{-}\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n$  exists. Then  $\{x_n\}$  is bounded in  $C$ , and hence the asymptotic center  $c$  of  $\{x_n\}$  with respect to  $C$  exists. It follows from Lemma (b) that  $w\text{-}\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = c$ . Since  $c$  is a fixed-point of  $T$  (see [3, Theorem 1]),  $\omega_w(x) = \{c\} \subset \mathcal{F}(T)$ . Thus (i) implies (ii). Noting that  $\{\|T^n x - u\|\}$  is monotone nonincreasing for every  $u \in \mathcal{F}(T)$ , we have that  $\mathcal{F}(T) \subset E(x)$  and hence (ii) implies (iii). To show that (iii) implies (i), let  $E(x) \ni \phi$  and  $\omega_w(x) \subset E(x)$ . By  $E(x) \ni \phi$ ,  $\{x_n\}$  is a bounded sequence in  $C$  and hence  $\omega_w(x) \ni \phi$ . Let  $u \in \omega_w(x)$ . By  $\omega_w(x) \subset E(x)$ ,  $\{\|x_n - u\|\}$  is convergent. It follows from Lemma (a) that  $u = c$ , where  $c$  is the asymptotic center of  $\{x_n\}$  with respect to  $C$ . This means that  $\omega_w(x) = \{c\}$ , i.e.,  $w\text{-}\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = c$ . Q.E.D.

**Proof of Corollary 1.** By virtue of Theorem, it suffices to show that  $\omega_w(x) \subset \mathcal{F}(T)$ . Let  $y \in \omega_w(x)$ . There exists a subsequence  $\{n_k\}$  of  $\{n\}$  such that  $w\text{-}\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} T^{n_k} x = y$ . Moreover,  $\|(I - T)T^{n_k} x\| \rightarrow 0$  as  $k \rightarrow \infty$  by our assumption. Thus  $y \in \mathcal{F}(T)$ . (For example, see [1, Proposition

1.3].)

Q.E.D.

**Proof of Corollary 2.** By virtue of Theorem, it suffices to show that if  $\mathcal{F}(T) \ni \phi$  and  $w\text{-}\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (T^{n+1}x - T^n x) = 0$  then  $\omega_w(x) \subset E(x)$ . To prove this, let  $u \in \omega_w(x)$  and  $w\text{-}\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} T^{k_j} x = u$ . Now, we want to show that  $\{\|T^n x - u\|\}$  is convergent. To this end, take an  $f \in \mathcal{F}(T)$  and set  $x_n = T^n x - f$ . By  $w\text{-}\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (x_{n+1} - x_n) = w\text{-}\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (T^{n+1}x - T^n x) = 0$ , we have

$$(2.2) \quad w\text{-}\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} (x_{k+m} - x_k) = 0 \quad \text{for every } m = 1, 2, \dots$$

Since

$(x_m - x_n, x_k) = [(x_m, x_{k+m}) - (x_n, x_{k+n})] + [(x_n, x_{k+n} - x_k) - (x_m, x_{k+m} - x_k)]$ ,  
it follows from (2.2) that

$$(2.3) \quad \begin{aligned} (x_m - x_n, u - f) &= (\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} (x_m - x_n, x_{k_j})) \\ &\leq \limsup_{k \rightarrow \infty} (x_m - x_n, x_k) \\ &\leq \limsup_{k \rightarrow \infty} [(x_m, x_{k+m}) - (x_n, x_{k+n})]. \end{aligned}$$

Note that

$\limsup_{m \rightarrow \infty} \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \limsup_{k \rightarrow \infty} [(x_m, x_{k+m}) - (x_n, x_{k+n})] \leq 0$   
(see [2, Proof of Theorem 1.1]). Combining this with (2.3) we have that  
 $\limsup_{m \rightarrow \infty} (x_m, u - f) \leq \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} (x_n, u - f)$ ,

i.e.,  $\{(x_n, u - f)\}$  is convergent. Moreover  $\{\|x_n\|\}$  is convergent. Therefore  $\|T^n x - u\|^2 = \|x_n\|^2 - 2(x_n, u - f) + \|u - f\|^2$  is also convergent.

Q.E.D.

*Added in Proof.* After this paper was submitted for publication the author obtained the following which is an extension of Corollary 2: Let  $X, C, T$  and  $x$  be as in Theorem. Then  $w\text{-}\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} T^n x$  exists if and only if  $\mathcal{F}(T) \ni \phi$  and  $w\text{-}\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (T^{n+1}x - T^n x) = 0$ .

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