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# NONLINEAR MEAN ERGODIC THEOREMS II

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**Abstract.** The purpose of this paper is to improve the previous results due to the author.

# INTRODUCTION

Throughout this paper, let C be a nonempty subset of a real Hilbert space H and  $T: C \to C$  be a (nonlinear) mapping. The purpose of this paper is to improve the results in [4]. We emphasize that the closedness and convexity of C and the asymptotic nonexpansivity of T are not assumed in this paper.

It is known that if  $\{x_n\}$  is a bounded sequence in H, then there exists a unique element y in H such that  $\overline{\lim}_{n\to\infty} ||x_n - y|| < \overline{\lim}_{n\to\infty} ||x_n - z||$  for every  $z \in H \setminus \{y\}$ . The element y is called the *asymptotic center* of  $\{x_n\}$  (see [2]).

**Definition 0.1.** A sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in H is said to be *strongly* (resp. *weakly*) *almost-convergent* to an element x in H if  $\lim_{n\to\infty}(1/n)\sum_{i=0}^{n-1}x_{i+k} = x$  (resp. w -  $\lim_{n\to\infty}(1/n)\sum_{i=0}^{n-1}x_{i+k} = x$ ) uniformly in  $k = 0, 1, 2, \ldots$ , where  $\lim(\text{resp.} w - \lim)$  denotes the strong (resp. weak) limit.

The set of *fixed points* of T will be denoted by F(T).

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We consider the following conditions in this section.

**Condition**  $(\alpha_2)$ . For every  $u, v \in C$  and integer  $k \geq 0$ , there exists a  $\delta_k(u, v) \geq 0$  with  $\lim_{k\to\infty} \delta_k(u, v) = 0$  such that

(\(\alpha\_2\)) 
$$\|T^k u - T^k v\|^p \le a_k \|u - v\|^p + c[a_k \|u\|^p - \|T^k u\|^p + a_k \|v\|^p - \|T^k v\|^p] + \delta_k(u, v),$$

where  $a_k, c$  and p are nonnegative constants independent of u and v such that  $\lim_{k\to\infty} a_k = 1$  and  $p \ge 1$ .

**Condition** ( $\beta_1$ ). For every bounded set  $B \subset C, v \in C$  and integer  $k \ge 0$ , there exists a  $\delta_k(B, v) \ge 0$  with  $\lim_{k\to\infty} \delta_k(B, v) = 0$  such that

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$$\beta_1$$
)  
$$\|T^k u + T^k v\|^p \le a_k \|u + v\|^p + c[a_k \|u\|^p - \|T^k u\|^p + a_k \|v\|^p - \|T^k v\|^p] + \delta_k(B, v) \text{ for } u \in B,$$

where  $a_k, c$  and p are nonnegative constants independent of B and v such that  $\lim_{k\to\infty} a_k = 1$  and  $p \ge 1$ .

**Condition** ( $\beta_3$ ). For every bounded set  $B \subset C, v \in C$  and integer  $k \ge 0$ , there exists a  $\delta_k(B, v) \ge 0$  with  $\lim_{k\to\infty} \delta_k(B, v) = 0$  such that

(
$$\beta_3$$
)  
 $\|u - v\|^p \le a_k \|T^k u - T^k v\|^p + c[a_k \|T^k u\|^p - \|u\|^p + a_k \|T^k v\|^p - \|v\|^p] + \delta_k(B, v) \text{ for } u \in B,$ 

where  $a_k, c$  and p are the same constants as in  $(\beta_1)$ .

It is easy to see that T satisfies

(1.1) 
$$\lim_{k \to \infty} \|T^k u - T^k v\| \le \|u - v\| \text{ for every } u, v \in C$$

if and only if T satisfies condition  $(\alpha_2)$  with c = 0 and p = 1. (1.1) is a condition of asymptotically nonexpansive type. This condition (1.1) has been considered in [5]. Clearly, condition  $(a_1)$  in [4] implies condition  $(\beta_1)$ above, and conditions  $(a_2)$  and  $(a_3)$  in [4] imply conditions  $(\alpha_2)$  and  $(\beta_3)$ above, respectively. Therefore, Theorem 1.1 improves [4, Theorem 1.1], and Theorems 1.2 and 1.3 improve [4, Theorems 1.2 and 1.3], respectively.

**Theorem 1.1.** Suppose condition  $(\beta_1)$  holds. Then for every  $x \in C$ ,  $\{T^n x\}$  is strongly almost-convergent to its asymptotic center.

Proof. Let  $x \in C$  and n be a nonnegative integer. By condition  $(\beta_1)$  with  $B = \{T^n x\}$  (singleton) and  $v = u = T^n x$ , we get  $\|T^{k+n} x\|^p \leq a_k \|T^n x\|^p + (1/(2^p+2c))\delta_k(\{T^n x\}, T^n x)$  for  $k \geq 0$ . Letting  $k \to \infty$ , we have  $\overline{\lim_{k\to\infty}} \|T^k x\| \leq \|T^n x\|$ , which implies

(1.2) 
$$\{ \|T^n x\| \}$$
 is convergent.

Let  $n > m \ge 0$ . By condition  $(\beta_1)$  with  $B = \{T^{\ell}x; \ell \ge 0\}, u = T^{m+i}x, v = T^m x$  and k = n - m, we have

$$\begin{split} \|T^{n+i}x + T^nx\|^p &\leq a_{n-m} \|T^{m+i}x + T^mx\|^p + c[a_{n-m}\|T^{m+i}x\|^p - \|T^{n+i}x\|^p \\ &+ a_{n-m} \|T^mx\|^p - \|T^nx\|^p] + \delta_{n-m}(B, T^mx) \\ &\leq \|T^{m+i}x + T^mx\|^p + [(2M)^p + 2cM^p]|a_{n-m} - 1| \\ &+ c(\|T^{m+i}x\|^p - \|T^{n+i}x\|^p + \|T^mx\|^p - \|T^nx\|^p) \\ &+ \delta_{n-m}(B, T^mx) \text{ for } i \geq 0, \end{split}$$

where  $M = \sup_{\ell \ge 0} ||T^{\ell}x||$ . Combining this with (1.2) we obtain

$$\lim_{m \to \infty} \lim_{n \to \infty} \sup_{i \ge 0} \left[ \|T^{n+i}x + T^nx\|^p - \|T^{m+i}x + T^mx\|^p \right] \le 0,$$

which implies

$$\lim_{m \to \infty} \lim_{n \to \infty} \sup_{i \ge 0} \left[ \|T^{n+i}x + T^nx\|^2 - \|T^{m+i}x + T^mx\|^2 \right] \le 0.$$

Therefore by [4, Proposition 1.5(I)],  $\{T^n x\}$  is strongly almost-convergent to its asymptotic center.

**Theorem 1.2.** Suppose condition  $(\alpha_2)$  holds. If either  $F(T) \neq 0$  or c > 0 in  $(\alpha_2)$ , and if  $x \in C$  satisfies

(1.3) 
$$\lim_{m \to \infty} \lim_{n \to \infty} \sup_{i \ge 0} \left[ \|T^{m+i}x - T^nx\|^2 - \|T^{n+i}x - T^nx\|^2 \right] \le 0,$$

then  $\{T^n x\}$  is strongly almost-convergent to its asymptotic center.

*Proof.* We first consider the case when c > 0 in  $(\alpha_2)$ . Let  $n \ge 0$  be arbitrarily fixed. By condition  $(\alpha_2)$  with  $u = v = T^n x$ , we have  $||T^{k+n}x||^p \le a_k ||T^n x||^p + \delta_k (T^n x, T^n x)/2c$  for  $k \ge 0$ . Letting  $k \to \infty$ ,  $\overline{\lim}_{k\to\infty} ||T^k x|| \le ||T^n x||$ , which implies that  $\{||T^n x||\}$  is convergent. By virtue of [4, Proposition 1.5(II)],  $\{T^n x\}$  is strongly almost-convergent to its asymptotic center.

Next, let  $F(T) \neq \emptyset$  and c = 0 in  $(\alpha_2)$ , i.e., for every  $u, v \in C$  and integer  $k \ge 0$  there exists a  $\delta_k(u, v) \ge 0$  such that

(1.4) 
$$||T^{k}u - T^{k}v||^{p} \le a_{k}||u - v||^{p} + \delta_{k}(u, v),$$

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where  $a_k$  and p are nonnegative constants independent of u and v such that  $\lim_{k\to\infty} a_k = 1$  and  $p \ge 1$ . Take an  $f \in F(T)$ . Let  $n \ge 0$  be arbitrarily fixed. By (1.4) with  $u = T^n x$  and v = f, we have  $||T^{k+n}x - f||^p \le a_k ||T^n x - f||^p + \delta_k(T^n x, f)$  for  $k \ge 0$ . Letting  $k \to \infty$ , we get  $\overline{\lim_{k\to\infty}} ||T^k x - f|| \le ||T^n x - f||$  and hence  $\{||T^n x - f||\}$  is convergent. Using [4, Proposition 1.5(II)] again, we obtain the conclusion.

**Remarks.** 1) We see that if T satisfies condition  $(\alpha_2)$ , then  $\{||T^{n+i}x - T^ny||\}$  is convergent for every  $x, y \in C$  and  $i \geq 0$ . 2) Suppose T satisfies condition  $(\alpha_2)$  and the following

**Condition**  $(\alpha_1)$ . For every  $u, v \in C$  and integer  $k \geq 0$ , there exists a  $\delta_k(u, v) \geq 0$  with  $\lim_{k\to\infty} \delta_k(u, v) = 0$  such that

$$(\alpha_1) \qquad \qquad \|T^k u + T^k v\|^q \le a_k \|u + v\|^q + d[a_k \|u\|^q - \|T^k u\|^q + a_k \|v\|^q - \|T^k v\|^q] + \delta_k(u, v),$$

where  $a_k, d$  and q are nonnegative constants independent of u and v such that  $\lim_{k\to\infty} a_k = 1$  and  $q \ge 1$ .

Then we see that for every  $x, y \in C$ 

(\*) 
$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \|T^{n+i}x - T^n y\| \text{ exists uniformly in } i \ge 0.$$

(This is an extension of [1, Theorem 2.3].) Clearly, (\*) with y = x satisfies (1.3). So, in this case, for every  $x \in C$ ,  $\{T^n x\}$  is strongly almost-convergent to its asymptotic center.

# **Theorem 1.3.** Suppose condition $(\beta_3)$ holds.

(I) If  $x \in C$  and  $\{||T^nx||\}$  is convergent, then  $\{T^nx\}$  is strongly almost-convergent to its asymptotic center.

(II) If either  $F(T) \neq \emptyset$  or c > 0 in  $(\beta_3)$ , then for every  $x \in C$ , either  $\lim_{n\to\infty} ||T^n x|| = \infty$  or  $\{T^n x\}$  is strongly almost-convergent to its asymptotic center.

*Proof.* (I) Set  $B = \{T^n x; n \ge 0\}$ . Let  $n > m \ge 0$ . By condition  $(\beta_3)$  with  $u = T^{m+i}x, v = T^m x$  and k = n - m, we have

(1.5)  
$$\|T^{m+i}x - T^mx\|^p \le \|T^{n+i}x - T^nx\|^p + [(2M)^p + 2cM^p]|a_{n-m} - 1| + c[\|T^{n+i}x\|^p - \|T^{m+i}x\|^p + \|T^nx\|^p - \|T^mx\|^p] + \delta_{n-m}(B, T^mx)$$

for  $i \ge 0$ , where  $M = \sup_{\ell \ge 0} \|T^{\ell}x\|$ . Since  $\{\|T^nx\|\}$  is convergent, we see from (1.5) that

$$\lim_{m \to \infty} \lim_{n \to \infty} \sup_{i \ge 0} \left[ \|T^{m+i}x - T^mx\|^2 - \|T^{n+i}x - T^nx\|^2 \right] \le 0.$$

By virtue of [4, Proposition 1.5(II)],  $\{T^n x\}$  is strongly almost-convergent to its asymptotic center.

(II) Let  $x \in C$  and suppose  $\underline{\lim}_{n\to\infty} ||T^n x|| < \infty$ . We first consider the case when c > 0 in  $(\beta_3)$ . Let  $n \ge 0$  be arbitrarily fixed. By condition  $(\beta_3)$  with  $B = \{T^n x\}$  (singleton) and  $u = v = T^n x$ , we have  $||T^n x||^p \le a_k ||T^{k+n} x||^p + \delta_k (\{T^n x\}, T^n x)/2c$  for  $k \ge 0$ . Letting  $k \to \infty$ , we obtain  $||T^n x|| \le \underline{\lim}_{k\to\infty} ||T^k x||$ , which implies that  $\{||T^n x||\}$  is convergent. Therefore by part (I),  $\{T^n x\}$  is strongly almost-convergent to its asymptotic center.

Next, let  $F(T) \neq \emptyset$  and c = 0 in  $(\beta_3)$ , i.e., for every bounded set  $B \subset C$ ,  $v \in C$  and integer  $k \ge 0$ , there exists a  $\delta_k(B, v) \ge 0$  with  $\lim_{k\to\infty} \delta_k(B, v) = 0$  such that

(1.6) 
$$||u - v||^{p} \le a_{k} ||T^{k}u - T^{k}v||^{p} + \delta_{k}(B, v) \text{ for } u \in B,$$

where  $a_k$  and p are nonnegative constants independent of B and v such that  $p \ge 1$  and  $\lim_{k\to\infty} a_k = 1$ . Take an  $f \in F(T)$  and let  $n \ge 0$  be arbitrarily fixed. Using (1.6) with  $B = \{T^n x\}, u = T^n x$  and v = f, we have  $||T^n x - f||^p \le a_k ||T^{k+n}x - f||^p + \delta_k(\{T^n x\}, f)$  for  $k \ge 0$ . This implies that  $\{||T^n x - f||\}$  is convergent.

Let  $n > m \ge 0$ . By (1.6) with  $B = \{T^{\ell}x; \ell \ge 0\}, u = T^{m+i}x, v = T^mx$  and k = n - m, we have

$$||T^{m+i}x - T^mx||^p \le ||T^{n+i}x - T^nx||^p + |a_{n-m} - 1|(2M)^p + \delta_{n-m}(B, T^mx)$$

for  $i \ge 0$ , where  $M = \sup_{\ell \ge 0} \|T^{\ell}x\|$ , which implies

$$\lim_{m \to \infty} \lim_{n \to \infty} \sup_{i \ge 0} \left[ \|T^{m+i}x - T^m x\|^2 - \|T^{n+i}x - T^n x\|^2 \right] \le 0.$$

It follows from [4, Proposition 1.5(II)] that  $\{T^n x\}$  is strongly almost-convergent to its asymptotic center.

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We consider the following conditions in this section.

**Condition**  $(\beta_2)$ . For every bounded set  $B \subset C, v \in C$  and integer  $k \ge 0$ , there exists a  $\delta_k(B, v) \ge 0$  with  $\lim_{k\to\infty} \delta_k(B, v) = 0$  such that

(
$$\beta_2$$
)  
$$\|T^k u - T^k v\|^p \le a_k \|u - v\|^p + c[a_k \|u\|^p - \|T^k u\|^p + a_k \|v\|^p - \|T^k v\|^p] + \delta_k(B, v) \text{ for } u \in B,$$

where  $a_k, c$  and p are the same constants as in condition ( $\beta_1$ ).

**Condition** ( $\beta_4$ ). For every bounded set  $B \subset C, v \in C$  and integer  $k \ge 0$ , there exists a  $\delta_k(B, v) \ge 0$  with  $\lim_{k\to\infty} \delta_k(B, v) = 0$  such that

(
$$\beta_4$$
)  
 $\|u+v\|^p \le a_k \|T^k u + T^k v\|^p + c[a_k \|T^k u\|^p - \|u\|^p + a_k \|T^k v\|^p - \|v\|^p] + \delta_k(B,v) \text{ for } u \in B,$ 

where  $a_k, c$  and p are the same constants as in condition  $(\beta_1)$ .

It is easy to see that T satisfies

(2.1) 
$$\lim_{k \to \infty} \sup_{u \in B} (\|T^k u - T^k v\| - \|u - v\|) \le 0$$

for every bounded set  $B \subset C$  and  $v \in C$  if and only if T satisfies condition  $(\beta_2)$  with c = 0 and p = 1. (2.1) is a condition of asymptotically nonexpansive type and this kind of condition has been introduced in [3]. Clearly, conditions  $(a_2)$  and  $(a_4)$  in [4] imply conditions  $(\beta_2)$  and  $(\beta_4)$  above, respectively. Therefore, the following Theorems 2.1 and 2.2 improve [4, Theorems 2.1 and 2.2], respectively.

**Theorem 2.1.** Suppose condition  $(\beta_2)$  holds. If either  $F(T) \neq \emptyset$  or c > 0 in  $(\beta_2)$ , then for every  $x \in C$ ,  $\{T^n x\}$  is weakly almost-convergent to its asymptotic center.

*Proof.* Let  $x \in C$ . We first consider the case when c > 0 in  $(\beta_2)$ . Let  $n \ge 0$  be arbitrarily fixed. By condition  $(\beta_2)$  with  $B = \{T^n x\}$  and  $u = v = T^n x$ , we have  $||T^{k+n}x||^p \le a_k ||T^n x||^p + \delta_k(\{T^n x\}, T^n x)/2c$  for  $k \ge 0$ , which implies that  $\{||T^n x||\}$  is convergent. Using condition  $(\beta_2)$  with  $B = \{T^\ell x; \ell \ge 0\}, u = T^{m+i}x, v = T^m x$  and k = n - m, we see that if  $n > m \ge 0$ , then

$$||T^{n+i}x - T^nx||^p \le ||T^{m+i}x - T^mx||^p + [(2M)^p + 2cM^p]|a_{n-m} - 1|$$
  
+  $c(||T^{m+i}x||^p - ||T^{n+i}x||^p + ||T^mx||^p - ||T^nx||^p)$   
+  $\delta_{n-m}(B, T^mx)$ 

for  $i \ge 0$ , where  $M = \sup_{\ell \ge 0} \|T^{\ell}x\|$ . Since  $\{\|T^nx\|\}$  is convergent, the above inequality shows that

$$\lim_{m \to \infty} \lim_{n \to \infty} \sup_{i \ge 0} \left[ \|T^{n+i}x - T^nx\|^p - \|T^{m+i}x - T^mx\|^p \right] \le 0$$

and then

$$\lim_{m \to \infty} \lim_{n \to \infty} \sup_{i \ge 0} \left[ \|T^{n+i}x - T^nx\|^2 - \|T^{m+i}x - T^mx\|^2 \right] \le 0$$

so that

(2.2) 
$$\lim_{m \to \infty} \lim_{i \to \infty} \lim_{i \to \infty} \left[ \|T^{n+i}x - T^nx\|^2 - \|T^{m+i}x - T^mx\|^2 \right] \le 0.$$

By [4, Proposition 2.3] with  $x_n = T^n x$ ,  $\{T^n x\}$  is weakly almost-convergent to its asymptotic center.

Next, let  $F(T) \neq \emptyset$  and c = 0 in  $(\beta_2)$ , i.e., for every bounded set  $B \subset C$ ,  $v \in C$  and integer  $k \ge 0$ , there exists a  $\delta_k(B, v) \ge 0$  with  $\lim_{k\to\infty} \delta_k(B, v) = 0$  such that

(2.3) 
$$||T^{k}u - T^{k}v||^{p} \le a_{k}||u - v||^{p} + \delta_{k}(B, v) \text{ for } u \in B,$$

where  $a_k$  and p are nonnegative constants independent of B and v such that  $\lim_{k\to\infty} a_k = 1$  and  $p \ge 1$ . Since (2.3) implies (1.4), we see from the proof of Theorem 1.2 that  $\{||T^n x - f||\}$  is convergent, where  $f \in F(T)$ . Using (2.3) with  $B = \{T^{\ell}x; \ell \ge 0\}, u = T^{m+i}x, v = T^m x$  and k = n - m, we have that if  $n > m \ge 0$ , then

$$||T^{n+i}x - T^nx||^p \le ||T^{m+i}x - T^mx||^p + (2M)^p |a_{n-m} - 1| + \delta_{n-m}(B, T^mx)$$

for  $i \ge 0$ , where  $M = \sup_{\ell \ge 0} ||T^{\ell}x||$ . This implies (2.2). Therefore, using [4, Proposition 2.3] with  $x_n = T^n x - f$ , we see that  $\{T^n x - f\}$  is weakly almost-convergent to its asymptotic center z, so that  $\{T^n x\}$  is weakly almost-convergent to its asymptotic center z + f.

**Theorem 2.2.** Suppose condition  $(\beta_4)$  holds. Then for every  $x \in C$ , either  $\lim_{n\to\infty} ||T^n x|| = \infty$  or  $\{T^n x\}$  is weakly almost-convergent to its asymptotic center.

*Proof.* Let  $x \in C$ , and suppose  $\underline{\lim}_{n\to\infty} ||T^n x|| < \infty$ . By condition  $(\beta_4)$  with  $B = \{T^n x\}$  and  $v = u = T^n x$ , we have

$$||T^n x||^p \le a_k ||T^{k+n} x||^p + \delta_k(\{T^n x\}, T^n x)/(2^p + 2c) \text{ for } k, n \ge 0,$$

which implies that  $\{||T^nx||\}$  is convergent.

Let  $n > m \ge 0$ . By condition  $(\beta_4)$  with  $B = \{T^{\ell}x; \ell \ge 0\}, u = T^{m+i}x, v = T^m x$  and k = n - m, we have

$$||T^{m+i}x + T^mx||^p \le ||T^{n+i}x + T^nx||^p + [(2M)^p + 2cM^p]|a_{n-m} - 1| + c(||T^{n+i}x||^p - ||T^{m+i}x||^p + ||T^nx||^p - ||T^mx||^p) + \delta_{n-m}(B, T^mx)$$

for  $i \ge 0$ , where  $M = \sup_{\ell \ge 0} ||T^{\ell}x||$ . Combining this with the convergence of  $\{||T^nx||\}$ , we obtain

$$\lim_{m \to \infty} \lim_{n \to \infty} \sup_{i \ge 0} \left[ \|T^{m+i}x + T^m x\|^p - \|T^{n+i}x + T^n x\|^p \right] \le 0$$

and a fortiori

$$\lim_{m \to \infty} \lim_{n \to \infty} \lim_{i \to \infty} \left[ \|T^{m+i}x + T^m x\|^2 - \|T^{n+i}x + T^n x\|^2 \right] \le 0.$$

So, it follows from [4, Proposition 2.3] that  $\{T^n x\}$  is weakly almost-convergent to its asymptotic center.

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