

# WEAK CONVERGENCE AND NON-LINEAR ERGODIC THEOREMS FOR REVERSIBLE SEMIGROUPS OF NONEXPANSIVE MAPPINGS

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Let  $S$  be a semitopological semigroup. Let  $C$  be a closed convex subset of a uniformly convex Banach space  $E$  with a Fréchet differentiable norm and  $\mathcal{S} = \{T_a; a \in S\}$  be a continuous representation of  $S$  as nonexpansive mappings of  $C$  into  $C$  such that the common fixed point set  $F(\mathcal{S})$  of  $\mathcal{S}$  in  $C$  is nonempty. We prove in this paper that if  $S$  is right reversible (i.e.  $S$  has finite intersection property for closed right ideals), then for each  $x \in C$ , the closed convex set  $W(x) \cap F(\mathcal{S})$  consists of at most one point, where  $W(x) = \bigcap \{K_s(x); s \in S\}$ ,  $K_s(x)$  is the closed convex hull of  $\{T_t x; t \geq s\}$  and  $t \geq s$  means  $t = s$  or  $t \in \overline{Ss}$ . This result is applied to study the problem of weak convergence of the net  $\{T_s x; s \in S\}$ , with  $S$  directed as above, to a common fixed point of  $\mathcal{S}$ . We also prove that if  $E$  is uniformly convex with a uniformly Fréchet differentiable norm,  $S$  is reversible and the space of bounded right uniformly continuous functions on  $S$  has a right invariant mean, then the intersection  $W(x) \cap F(\mathcal{S})$  is nonempty for each  $x \in C$  if and only if there exists a nonexpansive retraction  $P$  of  $C$  onto  $F(\mathcal{S})$  such that  $PT_s = T_s P = P$  for all  $s \in S$  and  $P(x)$  is in the closed convex hull of  $\{T_s(x); s \in S\}$ ,  $x \in C$ .

**1. Introduction.** Let  $S$  be a semitopological semigroup i.e.  $S$  is a semigroup with a Hausdorff topology such that for each  $s \in S$  the mappings  $s \rightarrow a \cdot s$  and  $s \rightarrow s \cdot a$  from  $S$  to  $S$  are continuous.  $S$  is called *right reversible* if any two closed left ideals of  $S$  has non-void intersection. In this case,  $(S, \leq)$  is a directed system when the binary relation “ $\leq$ ” on  $S$  is defined by  $a \leq b$  if and only if  $\{a\} \cup \overline{Sa} \supseteq \{b\} \cup \overline{Sb}$ ,  $a, b \in S$ . Right reversible semitopological semigroups include all commutative semigroups and all semitopological semigroups which are right amenable as discrete semigroups (see [13, p. 335]). Left reversibility of  $S$  is defined similarly.  $S$  is called *reversible* if it is both left and right reversible.

Let  $E$  be a uniformly convex Banach space and  $\mathcal{S} = \{T_s; s \in S\}$  be a continuous representation of  $S$  as nonexpansive mappings on a closed convex subset  $C$  of  $E$  into  $C$  i.e.  $T_{ab}(x) = T_a T_b(x)$ ,  $a, b \in S$ ,  $x \in C$  and the mapping  $(s, x) \rightarrow T_s(x)$  from  $S \times C$  into  $C$  is continuous when  $S \times C$  has the product topology. Let  $F(\mathcal{S})$  denote the set  $\{x \in C; T_s(x) = x \text{ for all } s \in S\}$  of common fixed points of  $\mathcal{S}$  in  $C$ . Then, as is

well known,  $F(\mathcal{S})$  (possibly empty) is a closed convex subset of  $C$  (see [2, Theorem 8]).

Recently Lau [15] considers the problem of weak convergence of the net  $\{T_s(x); s \in S\}$ ,  $x \in C$ , to a common fixed point of  $\mathcal{S}$  when  $S$  is right reversible and  $C$  is a closed convex subset of a Hilbert space. When  $T$  is a nonexpansive mapping of  $C$  into  $C$  and  $\mathcal{S} = \{T^n; n = 1, 2, \dots\}$ , this problem is equivalent to that of weak convergence of the sequence  $\{T^n(x); n = 1, 2, \dots\}$  to a fixed point of  $T$  considered by Z. Opial in [18] and A. Pazy in [19]. However, the proofs employed by Lau [15] (Lemma 2.1, Lemma 2.2 and Theorem 2.3) do not extend beyond uniformly convex Banach spaces satisfying Opial's condition (see [18, Lemma 1] and [15, Lemma 2.1]).

In §3 of this paper, we prove that (Theorem 1) if  $E$  is uniformly convex with a Fréchet differentiable norm and  $S$  is right reversible, then for each  $x \in C$ , the closed convex set  $W(x) = \bigcap \{K_s(x); s \in S\}$ , where  $K_s(x)$  is the closed convex hull of  $\{T_t(x); t \geq s\}$ , contains at most one common fixed point of  $\mathcal{S}$ . This result is used to prove that (Theorem 3) if  $\|T_{gs}(x) - T_s(x)\| \rightarrow 0$  for each fixed  $g$  in a generating set of  $S$ , then the net  $\{T_s(x); s \in S\}$  converges weakly to an element in  $F(\mathcal{S})$ . We also prove that (Theorem 7) if  $E$  is uniformly convex with a uniformly Fréchet differentiable norm,  $S$  is reversible and the space of bounded right uniformly continuous functions on  $S$  has a right invariant mean, then the intersection  $W(x) \cap F(\mathcal{S})$  is nonempty for each  $x \in C$  if and only if there exists a nonexpansive retraction  $P$  of  $C$  onto  $F(\mathcal{S})$  such that  $T_s P = P T_s = P$  and  $P(x)$  is in the closed convex hull of  $\{T_s x; s \in S\}$  for all  $x \in C$ . This improves an ergodic Theorem of Hirano-Takahashi [12, Theorem 2] for discrete amenable semigroups. Our proofs employ the methods of Hirano-Takahashi [12], Bruck [3], [4], Lau [15], Pazy [19], Reich [21] and Takahashi [24].

If  $1 < p < 2$  and  $2 < p < +\infty$ , then none of the Banach space  $L_p[0, 2\pi]$  satisfy Opial's condition (see [18, p. 596]). However, they are uniformly convex with Fréchet differentiable norm.

The first nonlinear ergodic theorem for nonexpansive mappings was established in 1975 by Baillon [1]: Let  $C$  be a closed convex subset of a Hilbert space and  $T$  a nonexpansive mapping of  $C$  into itself. If the set  $F(T)$  of fixed points of  $T$  is nonempty, then for each  $x \in C$ , the Cesàro means

$$S_n(x) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} T^k x$$

converge weakly to some  $y \in F(T)$ . In this case, putting  $y = Px$  for each  $x \in C$ ,  $P$  is a nonexpansive retraction of  $C$  onto  $F(T)$  such that  $PT = TP = P$  and  $Px \in \overline{\text{co}}\{T^n x: n = 1, 2, \dots\}$  for each  $x \in C$ , where  $\overline{\text{co}}A$  is the closure of the convex hull of  $A$ . In [24], Takahashi proved the existence of such a retraction for an amenable semigroup of nonexpansive mappings in a Hilbert space. Recently, Hirano-Takahashi [12] extended this result to a Banach space.

**2. Preliminaries.** Throughout this paper, we assume that a Banach space is real. We also denote by  $\mathbf{R}$  the set of all real numbers.

Let  $E$  be a Banach space and  $E^*$  its dual. Then, the value of  $f \in E^*$  at  $x \in E$  will be denoted by  $\langle x, f \rangle$ . With each  $x \in E$ , we associate the set

$$J(x) = \left\{ f \in E^*: \langle x, f \rangle = \|x\|^2 = \|f\|^2 \right\}.$$

Using the Hahn-Banach theorem, it is immediately clear that  $J(x) \neq \emptyset$  for each  $x \in E$ . The multivalued operator  $J: E \rightarrow E^*$  is called the duality mapping of  $E$ . Let  $B = \{x \in E: \|x\| = 1\}$  be the unit sphere of  $E$ . Then the norm of  $E$  is said to be *Gâteaux differentiable* (and  $E$  is said to be *smooth*) if

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \frac{\|x + ry\| - \|x\|}{r}$$

exists for each  $x$  and  $y$  in  $B$ . It is said to be *Fréchet differentiable* if for each  $x$  in  $B$ , this limit is attained uniformly for  $y$  in  $B$ . Finally, it is said to be *uniformly Fréchet differentiable* (and  $E$  is said to be *uniformly smooth*) if the limit is attained uniformly for  $(x, y)$  in  $B \times B$ . It is well known that if  $E$  is smooth, then the duality mapping  $J$  is single value. It is also known that if  $E$  has a Fréchet differentiable norm, then  $J$  is norm to norm continuous. (See [2] or [7] for more details.) Let  $K$  be a subset of  $E$ . Then we denote by  $d(K)$  the diameter of  $K$ . A point  $x \in K$  is a diametral point of  $K$  provided

$$\sup\{\|x - y\|: y \in K\} = d(K).$$

A closed convex subset  $C$  of a Banach space  $E$  is said to have *normal structure*, if for each closed bounded convex subset  $K$  of  $C$ , which contains at least two points, there exists an element of  $K$  which is not a diametral point of  $K$ . It is well known that a closed convex subset of a uniformly convex Banach space has normal structure and a compact convex subset of a Banach space has normal structure.

If  $A$  is a subset of a Banach space  $E$ , then  $\overline{\text{co}}A$  will denote its closed convex hull in  $E$ . When  $\{x_\alpha\}$  is a net in  $E$ , then  $x_\alpha \rightarrow x$  (resp.  $x_\alpha \rightharpoonup x$ ) will denote *norm* (resp. *weak*) *convergence* of the net  $\{x_\alpha\}$  to  $x$ .

**3. Weak convergence of  $\{T_s x: s \in S\}$ .** Unless other specified,  $S$  denotes a semitopological semigroup and  $\mathcal{S} = \{T_a: a \in S\}$  a continuous representation of  $S$  as nonexpansive mappings from a nonempty closed convex subset  $C$  of a Banach space  $E$  into  $C$ . If  $S$  is right reversible and  $S$  is directed as in §1, then for each  $x \in C$ , let  $\omega(x)$  denote the set of all weak limit points of subnets of the net  $\{T_a x: a \in S\}$ .

**LEMMA 1.** *Let  $C$  be a closed convex subset of a uniformly convex Banach space  $E$  and assume that  $F(\mathcal{S}) \neq \emptyset$ . Let  $x \in C$ ,  $f \in F(\mathcal{S})$ ,  $0 < \alpha \leq \beta < 1$  and  $r = \inf_{a \in S} \|T_a x - f\|$ . Then, for any  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there is a positive number  $d$  such that*

$$\|T_a(\lambda T_b x + (1 - \lambda)f) - (\lambda T_a T_b x + (1 - \lambda)f)\| < \varepsilon$$

for all  $b \in S$  with  $\|T_b x - f\| \leq r + d$ ,  $a \in S$  and  $\lambda \in \mathbf{R}$  with  $\alpha \leq \lambda \leq \beta$ .

*Proof.* Let  $r > 0$ . Then we can choose  $d > 0$  so small that

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

where  $\delta$  is the modulus of convexity of the norm and

$$c = \min\{2\lambda(1 - \lambda): \alpha \leq \lambda \leq \beta\}.$$

Suppose that  $\|T_a(\lambda T_b x + (1 - \lambda)f) - (\lambda T_a T_b x + (1 - \lambda)f)\| \geq \varepsilon$  for some  $b$  with  $\|T_b x - f\| \leq r + d$ ,  $a \in S$  and  $\lambda \in \mathbf{R}$  with  $\alpha \leq \lambda \leq \beta$ . Put  $u = (1 - \lambda)(T_a z - f)$  and  $v = \lambda(T_a T_b x - T_a z)$ , where  $z = \lambda T_b x + (1 - \lambda)f$ . Then  $\|u\| \leq (1 - \lambda)\|z - f\| = \lambda(1 - \lambda)\|T_b x - f\|$  and  $\|v\| \leq \lambda\|T_b x - z\| = \lambda(1 - \lambda)\|T_b x - f\|$ . We also have that  $\|u - v\| = \|T_a z - (\lambda T_a T_b x + (1 - \lambda)f)\| \geq \varepsilon$  and  $\lambda u + (1 - \lambda)v = \lambda(1 - \lambda) \cdot (T_a T_b x - f)$ . So by using the Lemma in [9], we have

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda(1 - \lambda)\|T_a T_b x - f\| &= \|\lambda u + (1 - \lambda)v\| \\ &\leq \lambda(1 - \lambda)\|T_b x - f\| \left(1 - 2\lambda(1 - \lambda)\delta\left(\frac{\varepsilon}{\|T_b x - f\|}\right)\right) \\ &\leq \lambda(1 - \lambda)(r + d)\left(1 - c\delta\left(\frac{\varepsilon}{r + d}\right)\right) < \lambda(1 - \lambda)r \end{aligned}$$

and hence  $\|T_a T_b x - f\| < r$ . This contradicts  $r = \inf_{a \in S} \|T_a x - f\|$ . In the case when  $r = 0$ , for any  $a, b \in S$ ,  $f \in F(\mathcal{S})$  and  $\lambda \in \mathbf{R}$  with  $0 \leq \lambda \leq 1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} & \|T_a(\lambda T_b x + (1 - \lambda)f) - (\lambda T_a T_b x + (1 - \lambda)f)\| \\ & \leq \lambda \|T_a(\lambda T_b x + (1 - \lambda)f) - T_a T_b x\| \\ & \quad + (1 - \lambda) \|T_a(\lambda T_b x + (1 - \lambda)f) - f\| \\ & \leq \lambda \|\lambda T_b x + (1 - \lambda)f - T_b x\| + (1 - \lambda) \|\lambda T_b x + (1 - \lambda)f - f\| \\ & = 2\lambda(1 - \lambda) \|T_b x - f\|. \end{aligned}$$

So, we obtain the desired result.

**LEMMA 2.** *Let  $C$  be a closed convex subset of a uniformly convex Banach space  $E$ ,  $S$  right reversible and  $F(\mathcal{S}) \neq \emptyset$ . Let  $x \in C$ ,  $f \in F(\mathcal{S})$  and  $0 < \alpha \leq \beta < 1$ . Then for any  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there is  $b_0 \in S$  such that*

$$\|T_a(\lambda T_b x + (1 - \lambda)f) - (\lambda T_a T_b x + (1 - \lambda)f)\| < \varepsilon$$

for all  $b \in S$  with  $b \geq b_0$ ,  $a \in S$  and  $\lambda \in \mathbf{R}$  with  $\alpha \leq \lambda \leq \beta$ .

*Proof.* Let  $r = \inf_{s \in S} \|T_s x - f\|$ . Then, we have

$$r = \inf_a \sup_{a \leq b} \|T_b x - f\|.$$

In fact, for any  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there is  $a_0 \in S$  such that  $\|T_{a_0} x - f\| \leq r + \varepsilon$ . Let  $b \geq a_0$ . Then, since  $b \in \{a_0\} \cup Sa_0$ , we may assume  $b \in Sa_0$ . Let  $\{s_\alpha\}$  be a net in  $S$  such that  $s_\alpha a_0 \rightarrow b$ . Then, for each  $\alpha$ ,

$$\|T_{s_\alpha a_0} x - f\| = \|T_{s_\alpha}(T_{a_0} x) - T_{s_\alpha} f\| \leq \|T_{a_0} x - f\|.$$

Hence,  $\|T_b x - f\| \leq \|T_{a_0} x - f\|$ . So, we have  $\sup_{a_0 \leq b} \|T_b x - f\| < r + \varepsilon$  and hence

$$\inf_a \sup_{a \leq b} \|T_b x - f\| < r + \varepsilon.$$

Since  $\varepsilon > 0$  is arbitrary, we have

$$\inf_a \sup_{a \leq b} \|T_b x - f\| \leq r = \inf_a \|T_a x - f\|.$$

The reverse inequality is obvious. Since  $r = \inf_a \sup_{a \leq b} \|T_b x - f\|$ , for any positive number  $d$ , there is  $a_0 \in S$  such that

$$\sup_{a_0 \leq b} \|T_b x - f\| < r + d.$$

So, by using Lemma 1, we obtain Lemma 2.

Let  $x$  and  $y$  be elements of a Banach space  $E$ . Then we denote by  $[x, y]$  the set  $\{\lambda x + (1 - \lambda)y : 0 \leq \lambda \leq 1\}$ .

**LEMMA 3.** *Let  $C$  be a closed convex subset of a Banach space  $E$  with a Fréchet differentiable norm and  $\{x_\alpha\}$  a bounded net in  $C$ . Let  $z \in \bigcap_{\beta} \overline{\text{co}}\{x_\alpha : \alpha \geq \beta\}$ ,  $y \in C$  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  $y = z$ .*

*Proof.* Since  $J$  is single-valued, it follows from Theorem 2.5 in [8] that  $\langle u - y_\alpha, J(y_\alpha - z) \rangle \geq 0$  for all  $u \in [y, x_\alpha]$ . Putting  $u = x_\alpha$ , we have

$$(1) \quad \langle x_\alpha - y_\alpha, J(y_\alpha - z) \rangle \geq 0.$$

Since  $y_\alpha \rightarrow y$  and  $\{x_\alpha\}$  is bounded, there exist  $K > 0$  and  $\alpha_0$  such that  $\|x_\alpha - y\| \leq K$  and  $\|y_\alpha - z\| \leq K$  for all  $\alpha \geq \alpha_0$ . Let  $\varepsilon > 0$  and choose  $\delta > 0$  so small that  $2\delta K < \varepsilon$ . Since the norm of  $E$  is Fréchet differentiable, we can choose  $\alpha_1 \geq \alpha_0$  such that  $\|y_\alpha - y\| \leq \delta$  and  $\|J(y_\alpha - z) - J(y - z)\| \leq \delta$  for all  $\alpha \geq \alpha_1$ . Since for  $\alpha \geq \alpha_1$

$$\begin{aligned} & |\langle x_\alpha - y_\alpha, J(y_\alpha - z) \rangle - \langle x_\alpha - y, J(y - z) \rangle| \\ &= |\langle x_\alpha - y_\alpha, J(y_\alpha - z) \rangle - \langle x_\alpha - y, J(y_\alpha - z) \rangle \\ &\quad + \langle x_\alpha - y, J(y_\alpha - z) \rangle - \langle x_\alpha - y, J(y - z) \rangle| \\ &\leq \|y_\alpha - z\| \|y_\alpha - y\| + \|x_\alpha - y\| \|J(y_\alpha - z) - J(y - z)\| \\ &\leq 2\delta K < \varepsilon, \end{aligned}$$

by using (1), we have

$$\langle x_\alpha - y, J(y - z) \rangle \geq \langle x_\alpha - y_\alpha, J(y_\alpha - z) \rangle - \varepsilon \geq 0 - \varepsilon = -\varepsilon.$$

Since  $z \in \bigcap_{\beta} \overline{\text{co}}\{x_\alpha : \alpha \geq \beta\}$ , we have  $\langle z - y, J(y - z) \rangle \geq -\varepsilon$ . This implies  $-\|z - y\|^2 \geq 0$  and hence  $z = y$ .

By using Lemmas 2 and 3, we can prove the following:

**LEMMA 4.** *Let  $C$  be a closed convex subset of a uniformly convex Banach space  $E$  with a Fréchet differentiable norm,  $S$  right reversible, and  $F(\mathcal{S}) \neq \emptyset$ . Let  $x \in C$ . Then for any  $z \in \bigcap_{s \in S} \overline{\text{co}}\{T_t x : t \geq s\} \cap F(\mathcal{S})$  and  $y \in F(\mathcal{S})$ , there is  $t_0 \in S$  such that*

$$\langle T_t x - y, J(y - z) \rangle \leq 0$$

*for every  $t \geq t_0$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $z \in \bigcap_{s \in S} \overline{\text{co}}\{T_t x : t \geq s\} \cap F(\mathcal{S})$  and  $y \in F(\mathcal{S})$ . If  $y = z$ , Lemma 4 is obvious. So, let  $y \neq z$ . For any  $t \in S$ , define a unique element  $y_t$  such that  $y_t \in [y, T_t x]$  and  $\|y_t - z\| = \min\{\|u - z\| : u \in [y, T_t x]\}$ . Then since  $y \neq z$ , by Lemma 3 we have  $y_t \rightarrow y$ . So, we obtain  $c > 0$  such that for any  $t \in S$ , there is  $t' \in S$  with  $t' \geq t$  and  $\|y_{t'} - y\| \geq c$ . Setting

$$y_{t'} = a_{t'} T_{t'} x + (1 - a_{t'}) y, \quad 0 \leq a_{t'} \leq 1,$$

we also obtain  $c_0 > 0$  so small that  $a_{t'} \geq c_0$ . (In fact, since  $T_{t'}$  are nonexpansive and  $y \in F(\mathcal{S})$ , we have

$$c \leq \|y_{t'} - y\| = a_{t'} \|T_{t'} x - y\| \leq a_{t'} \|x - y\|.$$

So, put  $c_0 = c/\|x - y\|$ .) Since the limit of  $\|T_t x - y\|$  exists as in the proof of Lemma 2, putting  $k = \lim \|T_t x - y\|$ , we have  $k > 0$ . If not, we have  $T_t x \rightarrow y$  and hence  $y_t \rightarrow y$ , which contradicts  $y_t \rightarrow y$ .

Now, choose  $\varepsilon > 0$  so small that

$$(R + \varepsilon) \left( 1 - \delta \left( \frac{c_0 k}{R + \varepsilon} \right) \right) < R,$$

where  $\delta$  is the modulus of convexity of the norm and  $R = \|z - y\|$ . Then by Lemma 2, there exists  $t_0 \in S$  such that

$$(2) \quad \|T_s(c_0 T_t x + (1 - c_0)y) - (c_0 T_s T_t x + (1 - c_0)y)\| < \varepsilon$$

for all  $s \in S$  and  $t \geq t_0$ . Fix  $t' \in S$  with  $t' \geq t_0$  and  $\|y_{t'} - y\| \geq c$ . Then since  $a_{t'} \geq c_0$ , we have

$$c_0 T_{t'} x + (1 - c_0)y \in [y, a_{t'} T_{t'} x + (1 - a_{t'}) y] = [y, y_{t'}].$$

Hence

$$\|c_0 T_{t'} x + (1 - c_0)y - z\| \leq \max\{\|z - y\|, \|z - y_{t'}\|\} = \|z - y\| = R.$$

By using (2), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \|c_0 T_s T_{t'} x + (1 - c_0)y - z\| &\leq \|T_s(c_0 T_{t'} x + (1 - c_0)y) - z\| + \varepsilon \\ &\leq \|c_0 T_{t'} x + (1 - c_0)y - z\| + \varepsilon \leq R + \varepsilon \end{aligned}$$

for all  $s \in S$ . On the other hand, since  $\|y - z\| = R < R + \varepsilon$  and

$$\|c_0 T_s T_{t'} x + (1 - c_0)y - y\| = c_0 \|T_s T_{t'} x - y\| \geq c_0 k$$

for all  $s \in S$ , we have, by uniform convexity,

$$\begin{aligned} &\left\| \frac{1}{2} ((c_0 T_s T_{t'} x + (1 - c_0)y - z) + (y - z)) \right\| \\ &\leq (R + \varepsilon) \left( 1 - \delta \left( \frac{c_0 k}{R + \varepsilon} \right) \right) < R \end{aligned}$$

and hence

$$\left\| \frac{c_0}{2} T_s T_{t'} x + \left(1 - \frac{c_0}{2}\right) y - z \right\| < R$$

for all  $s \in S$ . This implies that if

$$u_s = \frac{c_0}{2} T_s T_{t'} x + \left(1 - \frac{c_0}{2}\right) y,$$

then

$$\|u_s + \alpha(y - u_s) - z\| \geq \|y - z\|$$

for all  $\alpha \geq 1$ . By Theorem 2.5 in [8], we have

$$\langle u_s + \alpha(y - u_s) - y, J(y - z) \rangle \geq 0$$

and hence  $\langle u_s - y, J(y - z) \rangle \leq 0$ . Then  $\langle c_0 T_s T_{t'} x - c_0 y, J(y - z) \rangle \leq 0$ . Therefore

$$\langle T_s T_{t'} x - y, J(y - z) \rangle \leq 0 \quad \text{for all } s \in S.$$

Let  $t \geq t'$ . Then, since there exists a net  $\{s_\alpha\}$  in  $S$  with  $s_\alpha t' \rightarrow t$ , we obtain

$$\langle T_t x - y, J(y - z) \rangle \leq 0 \quad \text{for all } t \geq t'.$$

We are now ready to prove one of our main theorems.

**THEOREM 1.** *Let  $C$  be a closed convex subset of a uniformly convex Banach space  $E$  with a Fréchet differentiable norm,  $S$  right reversible, and  $F(\mathcal{S}) \neq \emptyset$ . Let  $x \in C$ . Then, the set*

$$\bigcap_{s \in S} \overline{\text{co}}\{T_t x : t \geq s\} \cap F(\mathcal{S})$$

*consists of at most one point.*

*Proof.* Let  $y, z \in F(\mathcal{S}) \cap \bigcap_{s \in S} \overline{\text{co}}\{T_t x : t \geq s\}$ . Then, since  $(y + z)/2 \in F(\mathcal{S})$ , it follows from Lemma 4 that there is  $t_0 \in S$  such that

$$\left\langle T_t x - \frac{y + z}{2}, J\left(\frac{y + z}{2} - z\right) \right\rangle \leq 0$$

for every  $t \geq t_0$ . Since  $y \in \overline{\text{co}}\{T_t x : t \geq t_0\}$ , we have

$$\left\langle y - \frac{y + z}{2}, J\left(\frac{y + z}{2} - z\right) \right\rangle \leq 0$$

and hence  $\langle y - z, J(y - z) \rangle \leq 0$ . This implies  $y = z$ .



By using Theorem 1, we now study the problem of the weak convergence of  $\{T_a x: a \in S\}$ .

**THEOREM 2.** *Let  $C$  be a closed convex subset of a uniformly convex Banach space with Fréchet differentiable norm,  $S$  right reversible and  $F(\mathcal{S}) \neq \emptyset$ . Let  $x \in C$ . If  $\omega(x) \subseteq F(\mathcal{S})$ , then the net  $\{T_a x: a \in S\}$  converges weakly to some  $y \in F(\mathcal{S})$ .*

*Proof.* Since  $F(\mathcal{S}) \neq \emptyset$ ,  $\{T_a x: a \in S\}$  is bounded. So,  $\{T_a x: a \in S\}$  must contain a subnet  $\{T_{a_\alpha} x\}$  which converges weakly to some  $z \in C$ . Since  $\omega(x) \subseteq F(\mathcal{S})$  and  $z \in \bigcap_{s \in S} \overline{\text{co}}\{T_t x: t \geq s\}$ , we obtain

$$z \in F(\mathcal{S}) \cap \bigcap_{s \in S} \overline{\text{co}}\{T_t x: t \geq s\}.$$

Therefore, it follows from Theorem 1 that  $\{T_a x: a \in S\}$  converges weakly to  $z \in F(\mathcal{S})$ .

A subset  $G$  of  $S$  is called a *generating set* if elements of the form  $g_1 g_2 \cdots g_m$ ,  $g_1, g_2, \dots, g_n \in G$ , is dense in  $S$ .

**COROLLARY.** *Let  $C$  be a closed convex subset of a Hilbert space,  $S$  right reversible, and  $F(\mathcal{S}) \neq \emptyset$ . Let  $x \in C$ . Then  $T_a x \rightarrow y \in C$  if and only if  $T_{g_\alpha} x - T_a x \rightarrow 0$  for all  $g$  in a generating set  $G$  of  $S$ .*

*Proof.* We need only prove the “if” part. Let  $\{T_{a_\alpha} x\}$  be a subnet of  $\{T_a x; a \in S\}$  with  $T_{a_\alpha} x \rightarrow z$ . If  $u \in F(\mathcal{S})$ , then we have

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \|T_{a_\alpha} x - z\|^2 - \|T_{g_{a_\alpha}} x - T_g z\|^2 \\ &= \|T_{a_\alpha} x - u\|^2 + 2\langle T_{a_\alpha} x - u, u - z \rangle + \|u - z\|^2 - \|T_{g_{a_\alpha}} x - u\|^2 \\ &\quad - 2\langle T_{g_{a_\alpha}} x - u, u - T_g z \rangle - \|u - T_g z\|^2 \\ &= \|T_{a_\alpha} x - u\|^2 - \|T_{g_{a_\alpha}} x - u\|^2 + 2\langle T_{a_\alpha} x - u, T_g z - z \rangle \\ &\quad + 2\langle T_{a_\alpha} x - T_{g_{a_\alpha}} x, u - T_g z \rangle + \|u - z\|^2 - \|u - T_g z\|^2, \end{aligned}$$

and hence by letting  $\alpha$  tend to infinity

$$0 \leq 2\langle z - u, T_g z - z \rangle + \|u - z\|^2 - \|u - T_g z\|^2 = -\|z - T_g z\|^2$$

(note that  $\|T_a x - u\|^2$  is a decreasing net and hence

$$\lim_{\alpha} \|T_{a_\alpha} x - u\|^2 = \lim_{\alpha} \|T_{g_{a_\alpha}} x - u\|^2 = \lim \|T_a x - u\|^2).$$

Consequently  $z \in F(\mathcal{S})$  and  $\omega(x) \subseteq F(\mathcal{S})$ . By Theorem 2, the net  $\{T_a x: a \in S\}$  converges weakly to some  $y \in F(\mathcal{S})$ .

The following theorem is a generalization of Lau’s result ([15, Theorem 2.3]), which has been proved in the case when  $E$  is a Hilbert space. Note that Lau’s proof does not apply beyond Banach spaces for which Opial’s condition is valid (e.g.  $L_p[0, 1]$ ,  $1 < p < 2$  and  $2 < p < \infty$ ). See [18, p. 596].

**THEOREM 3.** *Let  $C$  be a closed convex subset of a uniformly convex Banach space with a Fréchet differentiable norm,  $S$  right reversible and  $F(\mathcal{S}) \neq \emptyset$ . Let  $x \in C$ . If  $\lim_a \|T_{g_a} x - T_a x\| = 0$  for all  $g$  in a generating set  $G$  of  $S$ , then the net  $\{T_a x: a \in S\}$  converges weakly to some  $y \in F(\mathcal{S})$ .*

*Proof.* By Theorem 2, it suffices to show that  $\omega(x) \subseteq F(\mathcal{S})$ . Let  $\{T_{a_\alpha} x\}$  be a subnet of  $\{T_a x; a \in S\}$  converging weakly to some  $y \in C$ . Let  $g \in G$  and  $T = T_g$ . Write  $x_\alpha = T_{a_\alpha} x$ . Then  $\|Tx_\alpha - x_\alpha\| \rightarrow 0$ . For each  $n$ , choose  $\alpha_n$  such that  $\|Tx_{\alpha_n} - x_{\alpha_n}\| \leq 1/n$  for all  $\alpha \geq \alpha_n$ . Since  $y \in \bigcap_\alpha \overline{\text{co}}\{x_\beta; \alpha \leq \beta\}$ , there is  $x_n \in \text{co}\{x_\beta; \alpha_n \leq \beta\}$  such that  $\|y - x_n\| \leq 1/n$ . Let  $x_n = \sum_{i=1}^m a_i x_{\beta_i}$ ,  $\beta_i \geq \alpha_n$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|Tx_n - x_n\| &\leq \left\|Tx_n - \sum_{i=1}^m a_i Tx_{\beta_i}\right\| + \left\|\sum_{i=1}^m a_i Tx_{\beta_i} - x_n\right\| \\ &\leq r^{-1}\left(\frac{2}{n}\right) + \frac{1}{n} \end{aligned}$$

where  $r: \mathbf{R}^+ \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  is a continuous, strictly increasing, convex function with  $r(0) = 0$  such that for any  $\{u_1, \dots, u_k\} \subseteq C$  and  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_k \geq 0$  with  $\sum_{i=1}^k \lambda_i = 1$ ,

$$r\left(\left\|T\left(\sum_{i=1}^k \lambda_i u_i\right) - \sum_{i=1}^k \lambda_i Tu_i\right\|\right) \leq \max_{1 \leq i, j \leq k} (\|u_i - u_j\| - \|Tu_i - Tu_j\|)$$

(the existence of such an  $r$  follows from Theorem 2.1 of Bruck [6].) In fact

$$\begin{aligned} \left\|\sum_{i=1}^m a_i Tx_{\beta_i} - x_n\right\| &= \left\|\sum_{i=1}^m a_i Tx_{\beta_i} - \sum_{i=1}^m a_i x_{\beta_i}\right\| \\ &\leq \sum_{i=1}^m a_i \|Tx_{\beta_i} - x_{\beta_i}\| \leq \frac{1}{n} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \left\|Tx_n - \sum_{i=1}^m a_iTx_{\beta_i}\right\| &\leq r^{-1}\left(\max_{1\leq i, j\leq m}\left(\|x_{\beta_i} - x_{\beta_j}\| - \|Tx_{\beta_i} - Tx_{\beta_j}\|\right)\right) \\ &\leq r^{-1}\left(\max_{1\leq i, j\leq m}\left(\|x_{\beta_i} - Tx_{\beta_i}\| + \|Tx_{\beta_j} - x_{\beta_j}\|\right)\right) \\ &\leq r^{-1}\left(\frac{2}{n}\right). \end{aligned}$$

Since  $r^{-1}$  is continuous and  $r^{-1}(0) = 0$ , we have  $r^{-1}(2/n) + 1/n \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . Therefore,  $\|Tx_n - x_n\| \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . Since  $\|x_n - y\| \rightarrow 0$ , we have  $y = Ty$ . Since  $G$  is a generating set of  $S$  and  $g \in G$  is arbitrary,  $y \in F(\mathcal{S})$ . This implies  $\omega(x) \subseteq F(\mathcal{S})$ .

The next result is also a generalization of Lau’s result [15, Proposition 2.4].

**THEOREM 4.** *Let  $C$  be a closed convex subset of a uniformly convex Banach space  $E$ ,  $S$  right reversible, and  $F(\mathcal{S}) \neq \emptyset$ . Let  $P$  be the metric projection on  $E$  onto  $F(\mathcal{S})$ . Then, for each  $x \in C$ , the net  $\{PT_a x; a \in S\}$  converges in norm to some  $z \in F(\mathcal{S})$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $x \in C$ . Observe that

$$\|PT_a x - T_a x\| \leq \|PT_b x - T_a x\|$$

for any  $a, b \in S$ . If  $a \geq b$  and  $a \neq b$ , let  $\{s_\alpha b\}$  be a net converging to  $a$ . Then for each  $\alpha$ ,

$$\|PT_b x - T_{s_\alpha b} x\| = \|T_{s_\alpha} PT_b x - T_{s_\alpha} T_b x\| \leq \|PT_b x - T_b x\|.$$

So, if  $a \geq b$ , we have

$$(3) \quad \|PT_b x - T_a x\| \leq \|PT_b x - T_b x\|.$$

Hence, if  $a \geq b$ , then  $\|PT_a x - T_a x\| \leq \|PT_b x - T_b x\|$ . This implies that the limit  $\|PT_a x - T_a x\|$  exists. Now, we show that  $\{PT_a x: a \in S\}$  is a Cauchy net in  $C$ . Let  $r = \lim_a \|PT_a x - T_a x\|$ . If  $r = 0$ , then for  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there is  $c \in S$  such that  $\|PT_a x - T_a x\| < \varepsilon/4$  for  $a \geq c$ . So, if  $a, b \geq c$ , then by (3)

$$\begin{aligned} \|PT_a x - PT_b x\| &\leq \|PT_a x - PT_c x\| + \|PT_c x - PT_b x\| \\ &\leq \|PT_a x - T_a x\| + \|T_a x - PT_c x\| \\ &\quad + \|PT_b x - T_b x\| + \|T_b x - PT_c x\| \\ &\leq \|PT_a x - T_a x\| + \|T_c x - PT_c x\| \\ &\quad + \|PT_b x - T_b x\| + \|T_c x - PT_c x\| < \varepsilon. \end{aligned}$$

This implies that  $\{PT_a x: a \in S\}$  is a Cauchy net in the case when  $r = 0$ . Let  $r > 0$ . Then  $\{PT_a x: a \in S\}$  is also a Cauchy net. If not, there exists  $\varepsilon > 0$  such that for any  $s \in S$ , there are  $a, b \in S$  with  $\|PT_a x - PT_b x\| \geq \varepsilon$  and  $a, b \geq s$ . Choose  $d > 0$  so small that

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

and  $s_0 \in S$  so large that

$$r \leq \|PT_t x - T_t x\| < r + d$$

for all  $t \geq s_0$ . For this  $s_0 \in S$ , there are  $a, b \in S$  with  $\|P_a x - PT_b x\| \geq \varepsilon$  and  $a, b \geq s_0$ . Since  $(S, \geq)$  is a directed system, there is  $c \in S$  with  $c \geq a$  and  $c \geq b$ . For this  $c \in S$ , we have by (3)

$$\|PT_a x - T_c x\| \leq \|PT_a x - T_a x\| < r + d$$

and

$$\|PT_b x - T_c x\| \leq \|PT_b x - T_b x\| < r + d.$$

Since  $E$  is uniformly convex, we have

$$\begin{aligned} r &\leq \|PT_c x - T_c x\| \leq \left\| \frac{PT_a x + PT_b x}{2} - T_c x \right\| \\ &\leq (r + d)\left(1 - \delta\left(\frac{\varepsilon}{r + d}\right)\right) < r, \end{aligned}$$

which is a contradiction.

**4. Nonexpansive retraction.** Let  $\mathcal{S} = \{T_a; a \in S\}$  be a continuous representation of a semitopological semigroup  $S$  as nonexpansive mappings from a nonempty closed convex subset  $C$  of a Banach space  $E$  into  $C$ . We study in this section the existence of a nonexpansive “ergodic” retraction of  $C$  onto the common fixed point set  $F(\mathcal{S})$  of  $\mathcal{S}$  in  $C$ . We begin with the following simple observation:

**LEMMA 5.** *Let  $C$  be a nonempty closed convex subset of a reflexive Banach space  $E$ . Let  $\{W_\alpha: \alpha \in I\}$  be a decreasing net of subsets contained in a bounded set of  $E$ . Let  $A$  be the asymptotic center of  $\{W_\alpha: \alpha \in I\}$  with respect to  $C$ , i.e.,  $A = \{x \in C: r(x) = r\}$ , where  $r(x) = \inf\{r_\alpha(x): \alpha \in I\}$ ,  $r_\alpha(x) = \sup\{\|y - x\|: y \in W_\alpha\}$  and  $r = \inf\{r(x): x \in C\}$ . Then  $A$  is nonempty, bounded, convex and closed.*

*Proof.* That  $A$  is closed and convex follows from Lim [16]. To see that  $A$  is nonempty, we observe that

$$A_n = \left\{ x \in C: r(x) \leq r + \frac{1}{n} \right\}$$

is a nonempty weakly compact convex subset of  $E$ . Indeed, it suffices to show that  $A_n$  is bounded. Let  $x \in A_n$ , then for some  $\alpha_0$ ,  $r_{\alpha_0}(x) \leq r + 2/n$ . Hence  $\|y - x\| \leq r + 2/n$  for each  $y \in W_{\alpha_0}$ , i.e.,  $\|x\| \leq r + 2/n + \|y\|$  for each  $y \in W_{\alpha_0}$ . It is obvious that  $A = \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n$ .

**THEOREM 5.** *Let  $C$  be a closed convex subset of a reflexive Banach space with normal structure and  $S$  left reversible. If there exists  $x_0 \in C$  such that  $\{T_a x_0: a \in S\}$  is bounded, then*

(a)  *$C$  contains a common fixed point of  $\mathcal{S}$ .*

(b) *There is a nonexpansive retraction  $r$  of  $C$  onto  $F(\mathcal{S})$  for which any  $\mathcal{S}$ -invariant closed convex subset of  $C$  is  $r$ -invariant.*

*Proof.* (a) For each  $s \in S$ , let  $W_s = \overline{T_s \mathcal{S} x_0}$ . Then  $\{W_s: s \in S\}$  is a directed set with  $s \leq t$  meaning  $sS \supseteq tS$  and each  $W_s$ ,  $s \in S$  is bounded. Let  $A$  be the asymptotic center of  $\{W_s: s \in S\}$  with respect to  $C$ . Then by Lemma 5  $A$  is bounded, closed, convex and nonempty. Also  $A$  is  $\mathcal{S}$ -invariant. Indeed, if  $x \in A$ ,  $s \in S$ , given  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists  $t \in S$  such that  $T_t \mathcal{S} x_0 \subset W_t \subset B(x, r + \varepsilon)$ , where  $B(z, r) = \{x \in E; \|z - x\| \leq r\}$ . So,  $W_{st} \subset B(T_s x, r + \varepsilon)$ . It follows that  $r(T_s x) \leq r_{st}(T_s x) \leq r + \varepsilon$ . So  $T_s x \in A$ . Since  $A$  has normal structure, it follows from Theorem 3 in [16] that  $A$  contains a common fixed point of  $\mathcal{S}$ .

(b) We follow an idea of Bruck in [5]. Let  $G = \{s: s \text{ is a nonexpansive mapping of } C \text{ into itself, } F(s) \supseteq F(\mathcal{S}) \text{ and every } \mathcal{S}\text{-invariant closed convex subset of } C \text{ is } s\text{-invariant}\}$ . Then,  $G$  is a semigroup and compact in the topology of pointwise weak convergence on  $C$ . We shall show that  $Gx \cap F(G) \neq \emptyset$  for  $x \in C$ . In fact, since  $Gx$  is an  $\mathcal{S}$ -invariant bounded closed convex subset of  $C$  and has normal structure, by Theorem 3 in [16]  $Gx$  contains a common fixed point of  $\mathcal{S}$  and hence a common fixed point of  $G$ . By Theorem 3(a) in [5], there exists a retraction  $r \in G$  of  $C$  onto  $F(G) = F(\mathcal{S})$ .

Let  $S$  be a semitopological semigroup. Let  $C(S)$  be the Banach algebra of all continuous bounded real valued functions on  $S$  with the supremum norm. Then, for each  $s \in S$  and  $f \in C(S)$ , we can define  $r_s f$  in  $C(S)$  by  $r_s f(t) = f(ts)$  for all  $t \in S$ . Let  $\text{RUC}(S)$  be the space of bounded right uniformly continuous functions on  $S$ , i.e.,  $\text{RUC}(S)$  is the set of all  $f \in C(S)$  such that the mapping:  $s \rightarrow r_s f$  is continuous. Then  $\text{RUC}(S)$  is a closed translation invariant subalgebra of  $C(S)$  containing constants; see [17] for more details.

A linear functional  $m$  on  $\text{RUC}(S)$  is called a *right invariant mean* if  $\|m\| = m(1) = 1$  and  $m(r_s f) = m(f)$  for all  $f \in \text{RUC}(S)$ ,  $s \in S$ . In general,  $S$  need not be right reversible even when the space of bounded continuous functions on  $S$  has a right invariant mean unless  $S$  is normal. See [13, p. 335] for details.

LEMMA 6. *Let  $C$  be a closed convex subset of a reflexive Banach space  $E$  and  $S$  be a semitopological semigroup for which  $\text{RUC}(S)$  has a right invariant mean. Suppose that there is an element in  $C$  with bounded orbit. Then there exists a nonexpansive mapping  $Q$  of  $C$  into itself such that  $Qx \in \overline{\text{co}}\mathcal{S}x$  for each  $x \in C$  and  $QT_s = Q$  for all  $s \in S$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $x \in C$  and observe that if  $f \in E^*$ , then  $h(t) = \langle T_t x, f \rangle$  is in  $\text{RUC}(S)$ . In fact, if  $s_\alpha \rightarrow s$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} |h(ts_\alpha) - h(ts)| &\leq \left| \langle T_{ts_\alpha} x - T_{ts} x, f \rangle \right| \\ &\leq \|T_{ts_\alpha} x - T_{ts} x\| \|f\| \leq \|T_{s_\alpha} x - T_s x\| \|f\| \rightarrow 0 \end{aligned}$$

uniformly in  $t$ . So, let  $\mu$  be a right invariant mean on  $\text{RUC}(S)$  and consider a functional  $F$  on  $E^*$  given by

$$F(f) = \mu_t \langle T_t x, f \rangle$$

for every  $f \in E^*$ . Then  $F$  is bounded and linear. Since  $E$  is reflexive, there is an  $x_0 \in E$  such that

$$\mu_t \langle T_t x, f \rangle = \langle x_0, f \rangle$$

for every  $f \in E^*$ . Put  $Qx = x_0$ . We shall show that  $Q$  has the desired properties. That  $QT_s = Q$  follows from the right invariance of  $\mu$ . Let  $u_\alpha = \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i \delta_{t_i}$  be a net of convex combinations of point evaluations converging to  $\mu$  in the weak\*-topology of  $\text{RUC}(S)^*$ , then for each  $f \in E^*$ ,  $\langle Qx, f \rangle = \lim_\alpha \langle \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i T_{t_i} x, f \rangle$  i.e.  $Qx \in \overline{\text{co}}\mathcal{S}(x)$ . Also if  $x, y \in C$ ,  $f \in E^*$ ,  $\|f\| \leq 1$ , then

$$|\langle Qx - Qy, f \rangle| = \lim_\alpha \left| \left\langle \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i T_{t_i} x - \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i T_{t_i} y, f \right\rangle \right| \leq \|x - y\|.$$

Hence  $\|Qx - Qy\| \leq \|x - y\|$ .

The following Theorem improves a result of Hirano-Takahashi [12, Theorem 1].

THEOREM 6. *Let  $C$  be a closed convex subset of a reflexive Banach space with normal structure and  $S$  left reversible. If  $\text{RUC}(S)$  has a right invariant mean and there exists an element in  $C$  with bounded orbit, then there exists a*

nonexpansive retraction  $P$  of  $C$  onto  $F(\mathcal{S})$  such that  $PT_t = T_tP = P$  for every  $t \in S$  and every  $\mathcal{S}$ -invariant closed convex subset of  $C$  is  $P$ -invariant.

*Proof.* Let  $r$  be a nonexpansive retraction obtained in Theorem 5 and  $Q$  a nonexpansive mapping obtained in Lemma 6. Then  $P = rQ$  is a nonexpansive retraction satisfying the conclusion of Theorem 6.

Similarly, we can prove the following theorem which generalizes Theorem 2 in [12].

**THEOREM 7.** *Let  $C$  be a closed convex subset of a uniformly convex Banach space with a uniformly Fréchet differentiable norm and  $S$  a reversible semitopological semigroup. If  $\text{RUC}(S)$  has a right invariant mean, then the following are equivalent:*

- (a)  $\bigcap_{s \in S} \overline{\text{co}}\{T_t x : t \geq s\} \cap F(\mathcal{S}) \neq \emptyset$ , for each  $x \in C$ ;
- (b)  $F(\mathcal{S})$  is nonempty and there is a nonexpansive retraction  $P$  of  $C$  onto  $F(\mathcal{S})$  such that  $PT_t = T_tP = P$  for every  $t \in S$  and  $Px \in \overline{\text{co}}\{T_t x : t \in S\}$  for every  $x \in C$ .

*Proof.* (b)  $\Rightarrow$  (a). Let  $x \in C$ . Then  $Px \in F(\mathcal{S})$ . Also  $Px \in \bigcap_s \overline{\text{co}}\{T_t x : t \geq s\}$ . In fact,

$$Px = PT_s x \in \overline{\text{co}}\{T_t T_s x : t \in S\} \subset \overline{\text{co}}\{T_t x : t \geq s\}$$

for every  $s \in S$ .

(a)  $\Rightarrow$  (b). By Theorem 5, there exists a nonexpansive retraction of  $C$  onto  $F(\mathcal{S})$ . Then from [23, Theorem 4.1] or [26, Theorem 1], there is a sunny nonexpansive retraction  $r$  of  $C$  onto  $F(\mathcal{S})$ . Let  $Q$  be as in Lemma 6 and  $P = rQ$ . Then  $P$  is a nonexpansive retraction of  $C$  onto  $F(\mathcal{S})$  such that  $PT_t = T_tP = P$  for all  $t \in S$ . Let  $x \in C$ . Then since  $r$  is sunny, we have by [22, Lemma 2.7]

$$(4) \quad \langle Qx - Px, J(Px - v) \rangle \geq 0$$

for every  $v \in F(\mathcal{S})$ . On the other hand, if

$$z \in \bigcap_{s \in S} \overline{\text{co}}\{T_t x : t \geq s\} \cap F(\mathcal{S}),$$

from Lemma 4, there is  $t_0 \in S$  such that

$$\left\langle T_{t_0} x - \frac{Px + z}{2}, J\left(\frac{Px + z}{2} - z\right) \right\rangle \leq 0$$

for every  $t \in S$ . Hence

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\langle Qx - \frac{Px + z}{2}, J\left(\frac{Px + z}{2} - z\right) \right\rangle \\ &= \mu_t \left\langle T_t x - \frac{Px + z}{2}, J\left(\frac{Px + z}{2} - z\right) \right\rangle \\ &= \mu_t \left\langle T_{tt_0} x - \frac{Px + z}{2}, J\left(\frac{Px + z}{2} - z\right) \right\rangle \\ &\leq \sup_t \left\langle T_{tt_0} x - \frac{Px + z}{2}, J\left(\frac{Px + z}{2} - z\right) \right\rangle \leq 0. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore by using (4) we have

$$\langle z - Px, J(Px - z) \rangle \geq 0$$

and hence  $z = Px$ . This completes the proof.

**THEOREM 8.** *Let  $S$  be right reversible and  $C$  be a closed convex subset of a uniformly convex Banach space with Fréchet differentiable norm. The following are equivalent:*

- (a)  $\bigcap_{s \in S} \overline{\text{co}}\{T_t x; t \geq s\} \cap F(\mathcal{S}) \neq \emptyset$  for each  $x \in C$ .
- (b) There exists a retraction  $P$  of  $C$  onto  $F(\mathcal{S})$  such that  $PT_t = T_t P = P$  for every  $t \in S$  and  $Px \in \overline{\text{co}}\{T_t x; t \in S\}$  for every  $x \in C$ .

*Proof.* (b)  $\Rightarrow$  (a). Same as Theorem 8.

(a)  $\Rightarrow$  (b). In this case, by Theorem 1, for each  $x \in C$ ,  $\bigcap_{s \in S} \overline{\text{co}}\{T_t x; t \geq s\} \cap F(\mathcal{S})$  contains exactly one point  $P(x)$ . Clearly  $T_t P = P$  for each  $t \in S$ . Let  $t_0 \in S$  be fixed. We shall show that

$$(5) \quad \bigcap_{s \in S} \overline{\text{co}}\{T_{tt_0} x; t \geq s\} \supseteq \bigcap_{s \in S} \overline{\text{co}}\{T_t x; t \geq s\}.$$

When this is proved, then

$$\bigcap_{s \in S} \overline{\text{co}}\{T_{tt_0} x; t \geq s\} \cap F(\mathcal{S}) = \bigcap_{s \in S} \overline{\text{co}}\{T_t x; t \geq s\} \cap F(\mathcal{S}).$$

In particular  $P(T_{t_0} x) = P(x)$ .

Let  $s \in S$  be fixed. Then  $\{T_u x; u \geq st_0\} \supseteq \{T_{tt_0} x; t \geq s\}$  (since if  $t \geq s$ ,  $t \in \{s\} \cup \overline{Ss}$ ; hence  $tt_0 \in \{st_0\} \cup \overline{Sst_0}$  i.e.  $tt_0 \geq st_0$ ) i.e.  $\overline{\{T_u x; u \geq st_0\}} \supseteq \overline{\{T_{tt_0} x; t \geq s\}}$ . On the other hand, if  $u \geq st_0$ , then  $u \in \{st_0\} \cup \overline{Sst_0}$ . If  $u = st_0$ , then  $T_u(x) = T_{st_0}(x) \in \overline{\{T_{tt_0}(x); t \geq s\}}$ . If  $u \in \overline{Sst_0}$ ,  $u = \lim_\alpha a_\alpha st_0$  for some net  $\{a_\alpha\} \subseteq S$ . So  $T_u(x) = \lim_\alpha T_{a_\alpha st_0}(x)$  i.e.  $T_u(x) \in \overline{\{T_{tt_0}(x); t \geq s\}}$ . Hence  $T_u(x) \in \overline{\{T_{tt_0}(x); t \geq s\}}$  also. Consequently

$$\overline{\text{co}}\{T_u x; u \geq st_0\} = \overline{\text{co}}\{T_{tt_0} x; t \geq s\}.$$



Now if  $y \in \bigcap_{s \in S} \overline{\text{co}}\{T_t x; t \geq s\}$ , then  $y \in \bigcap_{s \in S} \overline{\text{co}}\{T_u x; u \geq st_0\} = \bigcap_{s \in S} \overline{\text{co}}\{T_{tt_0} x; t \geq s\}$  i.e. (5) holds.

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