# STRONG CONVERGENCE OF ITERATES OF NONEXPANSIVE MAPPINGS AND APPLICATIONS

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ABSTRACT. In this article, we deal with generalizations of Wittmann's strong convergence theorem for nonexpansive mappings and then study strong convergence theorems for a finite family of nonexpansive mappings in a Banach space. Further, we deal with convergence theorems which are connected with the problem of image recovery. Finally, we consider the problem of finding a common fixed point for a finite commuting family of nonexpansive mappings in a Banach space.

### 1. INTRODUCTION

Let C be a nonempty closed convex subset of a Banach space E. Then, a mapping  $T: C \to C$  is called nonexpansive if  $||Tx - Ty|| \leq ||x - y||$  for all  $x, y \in C$ . We denote by F(T) the set of fixed points of T. Wittmann [28] considered the following iteration scheme in a Hilbert space H:

$$x_1 = x \in C, \ x_{n+1} = \beta_n x + (1 - \beta_n) T x_n$$
 for every  $n = 1, 2, \dots$  (1.1)

and showed that  $\{x_n\}$  converges strongly to the element of F(T) which is nearest to x in F(T) if  $\{\beta_n\}$  satisfies  $0 \leq \beta_n \leq 1$ ,  $\lim_{n\to\infty} \beta_n = 0$ ,  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \beta_k = \infty$  and  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |\beta_{k+1} - \beta_k| < \infty$  (see also [9]). Shioji and Takahashi [19, 20] extended Wittmann's result to a Banach space. See [1, 16, 23, 24, 26] for some results concerning weak convergence of iteration schemes of nonexpansive mappings.

On the other hand, the problem of image recovery in a Hilbert space setting may be stated as follows: The original (unknown) image z is known a priori to belong the intersection  $C_0$  of r well-defined sets  $C_1, C_2, \ldots, C_r$  in a Hilbert space H; given only the metric projections  $P_i$  of H onto  $C_i$   $(i = 1, 2, \ldots, r)$ , recover z by an iterative scheme. In 1991, Crombez [8] proved the following: Let  $T = \alpha_0 I + \sum_{i=1}^r \alpha_i T_i$  with  $T_i = I + \lambda_i (P_i - I)$ for all  $i, 0 < \lambda_i < 2, \alpha_i > 0$  for  $i = 0, 1, 2, \ldots, r, \sum_{i=0}^r \alpha_i = 1$ , where each  $P_i$  is the metric projection of H onto  $C_i$  and  $C_0 = \bigcap_{i=1}^r C_i$  is nonempty. Then starting from an arbitrary

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element x of H,  $\{T^n x\}$  converges weakly to an element of  $C_0$ . Later, Kitahara and Takahashi [11] and Takahashi and Tamura [25] dealt with the problem of image recovery by convex combinations of nonexpansive retractions in a uniformly convex Banach space.

In this article, we first state generalizations of Wittmann's result [28]. We consider an iteration scheme given by a finite family of nonexpansive mappings which is connected with (1.1) and then state a strong convergence theorem for a finite family of nonexpansive mappings in a Banach space which generalizes Shioji and Takahashi's result [19]. Further, we deal with convergence theorems which are connected with the problem of image recovery. Finally, we consider the problem of finding a common fixed point for a finite commuting family of nonexpansive mappings in a Banach space.

### 2. Preliminaries

Throughout this paper, E is a real Banach space and  $E^*$  is the dual space of E. We denote by  $\langle y, x^* \rangle$  the value of  $x^* \in E^*$  at  $y \in E$ . We write  $x_n \to x$  (or  $w - \lim_{n \to \infty} x_n = x$ ) to indicate that the sequence  $\{x_n\}$  of vectors converges weakly to x. Similarly,  $x_n \to x$  (or  $\lim_{n \to \infty} x_n = x$ ) will symbolize strong convergence. For a subset A of E, coA and  $\overline{co}A$  mean the convex hull of A and the closure of the convex hull of A, respectively.

A Banach space *E* is said to be strictly convex if  $\frac{\|x+y\|}{2} < 1$  for  $x, y \in E$  with  $\|x\| = \|y\| = 1$  and  $x \neq y$ . In a strictly convex Banach space, we have that if  $\|x\| = \|y\| = \|(1-\lambda)x + \lambda y\|$  for  $x, y \in E$  and  $\lambda \in (0,1)$ , then x = y. For every  $\varepsilon$  with  $0 \leq \varepsilon \leq 2$ , we define the modulus  $\delta(\varepsilon)$  of convexity of *E* by

$$\delta(\varepsilon) = \inf \left\{ 1 - \frac{\|x+y\|}{2} \mid \|x\| \le 1, \|y\| \le 1, \|x-y\| \ge \varepsilon \right\}.$$

A Banach space E is said to be uniformly convex if  $\delta(\varepsilon) > 0$  for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ . If E is uniformly convex, then for  $r, \varepsilon$  with  $r \ge \varepsilon > 0$ , we have  $\delta\left(\frac{\varepsilon}{r}\right) > 0$  and

$$\left\|\frac{x+y}{2}\right\| \le r\left(1-\delta\left(\frac{\varepsilon}{r}\right)\right)$$

for every  $x, y \in E$  with  $||x|| \leq r$ ,  $||y|| \leq r$  and  $||x - y|| \geq \varepsilon$ . It is well-known that a uniformly convex Banach space is reflexive and strictly convex. A closed convex subset Cof a Banach space E is said to have normal structure if for each bounded closed 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. The following result was proved by Kirk [10]. **Theorem 2.1** ([10]). Let E be a reflexive Banach space and let C be a nonempty bounded closed convex subset of E which has normal structure. Let T be a nonexpansive mapping of C into itself. Then, F(T) is nonempty.

The multi-valued mapping J from E into  $E^*$  defined by

$$J(x) = \{x^* \in E^* : \langle x, x^* \rangle = \|x\|^2 = \|x^*\|^2\} \text{ for every } x \in E$$

is called the duality mapping of E. From the Hahn-Banach theorem, we see that  $J(x) \neq \emptyset$ for all  $x \in E$ . A Banach space E is said to be smooth if

$$\lim_{t \to 0} \frac{\|x + ty\| - \|x\|}{t}$$

exists for each x and y in  $S_1$ , where  $S_1 = \{u \in E : ||u|| = 1\}$ . The norm of E is said to be Fréchet differentiable if for each x in  $S_1$ , this limit is attained uniformly for y in  $S_1$ . And the norm of E is said to be uniformly Gâteaux differentiable if for each y in  $S_1$ , the limit is attained uniformly for x in  $S_1$ . We know that if E is smooth, then the duality mapping is single-valued and norm to weak star continuous and that if the norm of E is uniformly Gâteaux differentiable, then the duality mapping is single-valued and norm to weak star, uniformly continuous on each bounded subset of E. Let C be a nonempty closed convex subset of E and let K be a nonempty subset of C. A mapping P of C onto K is said to be sunny if P(Px + t(x - Px)) = Px for each  $x \in C$  and  $t \ge 0$  with  $Px + t(x - Px) \in C$ . P is a retraction if Px = x for each  $x \in K$ . We know from [5, 15] that if E is smooth, then a retraction P of C onto K is sunny and nonexpansive if and only if

$$\langle x - Px, J(y - Px) \rangle \le 0$$
 for all  $x \in C$  and  $y \in K$ .

Hence, there is at most one sunny nonexpansive retraction of C onto K. If there is a sunny nonexpansive retraction of C onto K, K is said to be a sunny nonexpansive retract of C.

The following theorem related to the existence of nonexpansive retractions was proved by Bruck [6, 7].

**Theorem 2.2** ([6, 7]). Let *E* be a reflexive Banach space, let *C* be a nonempty closed convex subset of *E* and let *T* be a nonexpansive mapping of *C* into itself with  $F(T) \neq \emptyset$ . If *T* has a fixed point in every nonempty bounded closed convex subset of *E* such that *T* leaves invariant, then F(T) is a nonexpansive retract of *C*.

The following theorem related to the existence of sunny nonexpansive retractions was proved by Reich [17] (see also [12, 27]).

**Theorem 2.3** ([17]). Let E be a uniformly convex Banach space with a uniformly Gâteaux differentiable norm, let C be a nonempty closed convex subset of E and let T be a non-expansive mapping of C into itself with  $F(T) \neq \emptyset$ . Then, the set F(T) is a sunny nonexpansive retract of C.

## 3. Strong convergence theorems for a nonexpansive mapping

Let C be a nonempty closed convex subset of a Banach space E and let T be a nonexpansive mapping of C into itself. Halpern [9] studied the convergence of the following iteration scheme:  $x_1 = x \in C$  and

$$x_{n+1} = \beta_n x + (1 - \beta_n) T x_n$$
 for every  $n = 1, 2, \dots$ , (3.1)

where  $\{\beta_n\}$  is a sequence of real numbers such that  $0 \leq \beta_n \leq 1$  and  $\lim_{n\to\infty} \beta_n = 0$ . Reich [17, 18] studied the convergence of the sequence defined by (3.1) and posed the following problem.

**Problem 1** ([18]). Let E be a Banach space. Is there a sequence  $\{\beta_n\}$  of real numbers such that whenever a weakly compact convex subset C of E possessed the fixed point property for nonexpansive mappings, then the sequence  $\{x_n\}$  defined by (3.1) converges strongly to a fixed point of T for all  $x \in C$  and all nonexpansive mapping T of C into itself?

Though Reich [17, 18] obtained a partial result in a Banach space, the problem had been generally open. Later, Wittmann [28] solved the problem in the framework of a Hilbert space.

**Theorem 3.1** ([28]). Let C be a nonempty closed convex subset of a Hilbert space H, let T be a nonexpansive mapping from C into itself with  $F(T) \neq \emptyset$  and let P be the metric projection from C onto F(T). Let  $\{x_n\}$  be a sequence defined by  $x_1 = x \in C$  and

$$x_{n+1} = \beta_n x + (1 - \beta_n) T x_n$$
 for every  $n = 1, 2, ...$ 

If a sequence  $\{\beta_n\}$  of real numbers satisfies  $0 \le \beta_n \le 1$  for every  $n = 1, 2, ..., \lim_{n \to \infty} \beta_n = 0$ ,  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \beta_n = \infty$  and  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |\beta_{n+1} - \beta_n| < \infty$ , then  $\{x_n\}$  converges strongly to  $Px \in F(T)$ .

In Theorem 3.1, if  $\beta_n = \frac{1}{n}$  and T is affine, the following weak convergence theorem which was proved by Baillon [3] is deduced.

**Theorem 3.2** ([3]). Let C be a nonempty closed convex subset of a Hilbert space and let T be a nonexpansive mapping of C into itself with  $F(T) \neq \emptyset$ . 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 a fixed point of T.

Recently Shioji and Takahashi [19] extended Wittmann's result [28] to a Banach space.

**Theorem 3.3** ([19]). Let *E* be a uniformly convex Banach space with a uniformly Gâteaux differentiable norm and let *C* be a closed convex subset of *E*. Let *T* be a nonexpansive mapping of *C* into itself with  $F(T) \neq \emptyset$ . Let  $\{\beta_n\}$  be a sequence of real numbers such that  $0 \leq \beta_n \leq 1$  for every  $n = 1, 2, \ldots$ ,  $\lim_{n \to \infty} \beta_n = 0$ ,  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |\beta_{n+1} - \beta_n| < \infty$  and  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \beta_n = \infty$  and suppose that  $\{x_n\}$  is given by  $x_1 = x \in C$  and

$$x_{n+1} = \beta_n x + (1 - \beta_n) T x_n$$

for every n = 1, 2, ... Then,  $\{x_n\}$  converges strongly to  $Px \in F(T)$ , where P is a unique sunny nonexpansive retraction from C onto F(T).

### 4. Strong convergence theorems for a finite family of mappings

By using ideas of [17, 18, 19, 28], we consider an iteration scheme given by a finite family of nonexpansive mappings which is connected with (3.1) and give strong convergence theorems for a finite family of nonexpansive mappings.

Let C be a nonempty convex subset of a Banach space E. Let  $T_1, T_2, \ldots, T_r$  be finite mappings of C into itself and let  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \ldots, \alpha_r$  be real numbers such that  $0 \leq \alpha_i \leq$ 1 for every  $i = 1, 2, \ldots, r$ . Then, we define a mapping W of C into itself as follows (see [2, 23, 24]).

$$U_{1} = \alpha_{1}T_{1} + (1 - \alpha_{1})I,$$

$$U_{2} = \alpha_{2}T_{2}U_{1} + (1 - \alpha_{2})I,$$

$$\vdots$$

$$U_{r-1} = \alpha_{r-1}T_{r-1}U_{r-2} + (1 - \alpha_{r-1})I,$$

$$W = U_{r} = \alpha_{r}T_{r}U_{r-1} + (1 - \alpha_{r})I.$$
(4.1)

Such a mapping W is called the W-mapping generated by  $T_1, T_2, \ldots, T_r$  and  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \ldots, \alpha_r$ . Let  $\alpha_{n1}, \alpha_{n2}, \ldots, \alpha_{nr}$   $(n = 1, 2, \ldots)$  be real numbers such that  $0 \leq \alpha_{ni} \leq 1$  for every  $i = 1, 2, \ldots, r$ . Let  $W_n (n = 1, 2, \ldots)$  be the W-mappings generated by  $T_1, T_2, \ldots, T_r$  and  $\alpha_{n1}, \alpha_{n2}, \ldots, \alpha_{nr}$ . Now consider the following iteration scheme:

$$x_1 = x \in C$$
,  $x_{n+1} = \beta_n x + (1 - \beta_n) W_n x_n$  for every  $n = 1, 2, ...,$ 

where  $\{\beta_n\}$  is a sequence of real numbers such that  $0 \leq \beta_n \leq 1$  for every n = 1, 2, ... (see [2]). The following lemma is obvious from the definition of (4.1).

Lemma 4.1 ([2]). Let C be a non closed convex subset of a Banach space E. Let  $T_1, T_2, \ldots, T_r$  be nonexpansive mappings of C into itself and let  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \ldots, \alpha_r$  be real numbers such that  $0 \leq \alpha_i \leq 1$  for every  $i = 1, 2, \ldots, r$ . Let  $U_1, U_2, \ldots, U_{r-1}$  and W be the mappings defined by (4.1). Then,  $U_1, U_2, \ldots, U_{r-1}$  and W are also nonexpansive.

To prove the main theorem (Theorem 4.4), we need the following lemma.

Lemma 4.2 ([2]). Let C be a nonempty closed convex subset of a strictly convex Banach space E. Let  $T_1, T_2, \ldots, T_r$  be nonexpansive mappings of C into itself such that  $\bigcap_{i=1}^r F(T_i) \neq \emptyset$  and let  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \ldots, \alpha_r$  be real numbers such that  $0 < \alpha_i < 1$  for every  $i = 1, 2, \ldots, r - 1$  and  $0 < \alpha_r \leq 1$ . Let W be the W-mapping of C into itself generated by  $T_1, T_2, \ldots, T_r$  and  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \ldots, \alpha_r$ . Then,  $F(W) = \bigcap_{i=1}^r F(T_i)$ .

The following theorem which is a generalization of Browder's result [4] plays an important role in the proofs of main theorem (Theorem 4.4) and Theorem 3.3. For the proof of the theorem, see [17, 27].

**Theorem 4.3** ([17, 27]). Let E be a uniformly convex Banach space with a uniformly Gâteaux differentiable norm, let C be a nonempty closed convex subset of E and let Tbe a nonexpansive mapping of C into itself such that  $F(T) \neq \emptyset$ . Then, there is a unique sunny nonexpansive retraction P from C onto F(T). Further, let  $x \in C$  and suppose that  $\{u_k\} \subset C$  is given by

$$u_k = \frac{1}{k}x + \left(1 - \frac{1}{k}\right)Tu_k \quad \text{for every } k = 2, 3, \dots$$
(4.2)

Then,  $\{u_k\}$  converges strongly to  $Px \in F(T)$ .

Now we can state a strong convergence theorem for a finite family of nonexpansive mappings.

Theorem 4.4 ([2]). Let E be a uniformly convex Banach space with a uniformly Gâteaux differentiable norm and let C be a nonempty closed convex subset of E. Let  $\alpha_{n1}, \alpha_{n2}, \ldots, \alpha_{nr}$   $(n = 1, 2, \ldots)$  be real numbers such that  $0 < \alpha_{ni} < 1$  for every  $i = 1, 2, \ldots, r - 1$  and  $0 < \alpha_{nr} \leq 1$  and let  $T_1, T_2, \ldots, T_r$  be finite nonexpansive mappings of C into itself such that  $\bigcap_{i=1}^r F(T_i) \neq \emptyset$ . Let  $W_n(n = 1, 2, \ldots)$  be the W-mappings of C into itself generated by  $T_1, T_2, \ldots, T_r$  and  $\alpha_{n1}, \alpha_{n2}, \ldots, \alpha_{nr}$ . Let  $\{\beta_n\}$  be a sequence of real numbers such that

 $0 \leq \beta_n \leq 1$  for every  $n = 1, 2, ..., \lim_{n \to \infty} \beta_n = 0, \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |\beta_{n+1} - \beta_n| < \infty$  and  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \beta_n = \infty$ and suppose that  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |\alpha_{n+1i} - \alpha_{ni}| < \infty$  for every i = 1, ..., r. If  $\{x_n\}$  is given by  $x_1 = x \in C$  and

$$x_{n+1} = \beta_n x + (1 - \beta_n) W_n x_n$$

for every n = 1, 2, ..., then  $\{x_n\}$  converges strongly to  $Px \in \bigcap_{i=1}^r F(T_i)$ , where P is a unique sunny nonexpansive retraction from C onto  $\bigcap_{i=1}^r F(T_r)$ .

As a direct consequence of Theorem 4.4, we have the following theorem.

Theorem 4.5 ([2]). Let E be a uniformly convex Banach space with a uniformly Gâteaux differentiable norm and let C be a nonempty closed convex subset of E. Let  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \ldots, \alpha_r$  be real numbers such that  $0 < \alpha_i < 1$  for every  $i = 1, 2, \ldots, r-1$  and  $0 < \alpha_r \leq 1$  and let  $T_1, T_2, \ldots, T_r$  be finite nonexpansive mappings of C into itself such that  $\bigcap_{i=1}^r F(T_i) \neq \emptyset$ . Let W be the W-mapping of C into itself generated by  $T_1, T_2, \ldots, T_r$  and  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \ldots, \alpha_r$ . Let  $\{\beta_n\}$  be a sequence of real numbers such that  $0 \leq \beta_n \leq 1$  for every  $n = 1, 2, \ldots$ ,  $\lim_{n \to \infty} \beta_n = 0, \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |\beta_{n+1} - \beta_n| < \infty$  and  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \beta_n = \infty$ . Suppose that  $\{x_n\}$  is given by  $y_1 = x \in C$  and

 $y_{n+1} = \beta_n x + (1 - \beta_n) W y_n$ 

for every n = 1, 2, ... Then,  $\{y_n\}$  converges strongly to  $Px \in F(W) = \bigcap_{i=1}^r F(T_i)$ , where P is a unique sunny nonexpansive retraction from C onto  $F(W) = \bigcap_{i=1}^r F(T_i)$ .

We show that Theorem 3.3 is a direct consequence of Theorem 4.4 (see also [2]). In Theorem 4.5, if  $T_i = I$ ,  $0 < \alpha_i < 1$  for every i = 1, 2..., r - 1,  $\alpha_r = 1$  and  $T_r$  is a nonexpansive mapping T of C into itself, then W = T. So, from Theorem 4.5,  $\{x_n\}$ converges strongly to  $Px \in F(T)$ , where P is a unique sunny nonexpansive retraction from C onto F(T). Hence, Theorems 4.4 and 4.5 are generalizations of Theorem 3.3.

## 5. APPLICATIONS

In this section, we first deal with convergence theorems which are connected with the problem of image recovery in Banach spaces. Secondly, we consider the problem of finding a common fixed point for a finite commuting family of nonexpansive mappings in a Banach space.

The problem of image recovery in a Hilbert space setting may be stated as follows: The original (unknown) image z is known a priori to belong the intersection  $C_0$  of r welldefined sets  $C_1, C_2, \ldots, C_r$  in a Hilbert space H; given only the metric projections  $P_i$  of

H onto  $C_i$  (i = 1, 2, ..., r), recover z by an iterative scheme. In 1991, Crombez [8] proved a weak convergence theorem which is connected with the problem of image recovery in a Hilbert space setting.

**Theorem 5.1** ([8]). Let  $C_1, C_2, \ldots, C_r$  be closed convex subsets of a Hilbert space Hsuch that  $\bigcap_{i=1}^r C_i \neq \emptyset$ . Let  $T = \alpha_0 I + \sum_{i=1}^r \alpha_i T_i$  with  $T_i = I + \lambda_i (P_i - I)$  for all i,  $0 < \lambda_i < 2, \alpha_i > 0$  for  $i = 0, 1, 2, \ldots, r, \sum_{i=0}^r \alpha_i = 1$ , where each  $P_i$  is the metric projection of H onto  $C_i$  and  $C_0 = \bigcap_{i=1}^r C_i$  is nonempty. Then, starting from an arbitrary element x of H,  $\{T^n x\}$  converges weakly to an element of  $C_0$ .

Now we consider convergence theorems which are connected with the problem in a Banach spaces setting. Before stating them, we give a definition. Let C be a closed convex subset of E. A mapping U of C into itself is said to be asymptotically regular if, for each  $x \in C$ ,  $U^n x - U^{n+1} x \to 0$ .

Kitahara and Takahashi [11] dealt with the problem by convex combinations of sunny nonexpansive retractions in uniformly convex Banach spaces. In [11], they proved that a mapping given by convex combinations of sunny nonexpansive retractions in a uniformly convex Banach space is asymptotically regular and the set of fixed points of the mapping is equal to the intersection of the ranges of sunny nonexpansive retractions in a strictly convex Banach space. Further, using the results, they proved a weak convergence theorem for the mapping which is connected with the problem of image recovery.

**Theorem 5.2** ([11]). Let E be a uniformly convex Banach space with a Fréchet differentiable norm and let C be a nonempty closed convex subset of E. Let  $C_1, C_2, \ldots, C_r$  be sunny nonexpansive retracts of C such that  $\bigcap_{i=1}^r C_i \neq \emptyset$ . Let T be a mapping of C into itself given by  $T = \sum_{i=1}^r \alpha_i T_i$ ,  $0 < \alpha_i < 1$ ,  $i = 1, \ldots, r$ ,  $\sum_{i=1}^r \alpha_i = 1$ , such that for each  $i, T_i = (1 - \lambda_i) I + \lambda_i P_i$ ,  $0 < \lambda_i < 1$ , where  $P_i$  is a sunny nonexpansive retraction of C onto  $C_i$ . Then,  $F(T) = \bigcap_{i=1}^r C_i$  and further, for each  $x \in C$ ,  $\{T^n x\}$  converges weakly to an element of  $\bigcap_{i=1}^r C_i$ .

Theorem 5.2 was extended to nonexpansive retracts by Takahashi and Tamura [25]. They dealt with the problem by convex combinations of nonexpansive retractions. They proved the following lemma.

Lemma 5.3 ([25]). Let C be a nonempty convex subset of a Banach space E and let S be a mapping of C into itself given by  $S = \alpha_0 I + \sum_{i=1}^r \alpha_i S_i$ ,  $0 < \alpha_i < 1$ ,  $i = 0, \ldots, r, \sum_{i=1}^r \alpha_i = 1$ , such that for each  $i, S_i$  is a nonexpansive mapping of C into itself and  $\bigcap_{i=1}^r F(S_i) \neq \emptyset$ . Then, S is asymptotically regular.

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Using the lemma, Takahashi and Tamura [25] proved a weak convergence theorem for a mapping given by convex combinations of nonexpansive retractions.

**Theorem 5.4** ([25]). Let E be a uniformly convex Banach space with a Fréchet differentiable norm and let C be a nonempty closed convex subset of E. Let  $C_1, C_2, \ldots, C_r$  be nonexpansive retracts of C such that  $\bigcap_{i=1}^r C_i \neq \emptyset$ . Let T be a mapping of C into itself given by  $T = \sum_{i=1}^r \alpha_i T_i$ ,  $0 < \alpha_i < 1$ ,  $i = 1, \ldots, r$ ,  $\sum_{i=1}^r \alpha_i = 1$ , such that for each  $i, T_i = (1 - \lambda_i) I + \lambda_i P_i$ ,  $0 < \lambda_i < 1$ , where  $P_i$  is a nonexpansive retraction of C onto  $C_i$ . Then,  $F(T) = \bigcap_{i=1}^r C_i$  and further, for each  $x \in C$ ,  $\{T^n x\}$  converges weakly to an element of  $\bigcap_{i=1}^r C_i$ .

Takahashi and Tamura [25] proved another weak convergence theorem. Before stating it, we give a definition. We say that E satisfies Opial's condition [14] if for any sequence  $\{z_n\} \subset E$  with  $z_n \rightarrow x \in E$ , the inequality

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \|z_n - x\| < \lim_{n \to \infty} \|z_n - y\|$$

holds for every  $y \in E$  with  $y \neq x$ .

**Theorem 5.5** ([25]). Let *E* be a reflexive and strictly convex Banach space satisfying Opial's condition and let *C* be a nonempty closed convex subset of *E*. Let  $C_1, C_2, \ldots, C_r$ be nonexpansive retracts of *C* such that  $\bigcap_{i=1}^r C_i \neq \emptyset$ . Let *T* be a mapping of *C* into itself given by  $T = \sum_{i=1}^r \alpha_i T_i$ ,  $0 < \alpha_i < 1$ ,  $i = 1, \ldots, r$ ,  $\sum_{i=1}^r \alpha_i = 1$ , such that for each  $i, T_i = (1 - \lambda_i) I + \lambda_i P_i$ ,  $0 < \lambda_i < 1$ , where  $P_i$  is a nonexpansive retraction of *C* onto  $C_i$ . Then,  $F(T) = \bigcap_{i=1}^r C_i$  and further, for each  $x \in C$ ,  $\{T^n \ x\}$  converges weakly to an element of  $\bigcap_{i=1}^r C_i$ .

On the other hand, we consider the problem by using an iteration scheme which is different from [8, 11, 23, 25, 24]. Using Theorem 4.5, we obtain a *strong convergence* theorem which is connected with the problem of image recovery in a Banach space setting. Before stating it, we give the following lemma.

Lemma 5.6 ([2]). Let C be a nonempty closed convex subset of a Banach space E and let  $C_1, C_2, \ldots, C_r$  be nonexpansive retracts of C such that  $\bigcap_{i=1}^r C_i \neq \emptyset$ . Let W be the Wmapping generated by  $P_1, \ldots, P_r$  and  $\alpha_1, \ldots, \alpha_r$ , where  $P_i$  is a nonexpansive retraction from C onto  $C_i$  and  $0 \le \alpha_i \le 1$  for every  $i = 1, 2, \ldots, r$ . Then,

$$F(W) \supset \bigcap_{i=1}^{r} C_i.$$

If E is strictly convex and  $0 < \alpha_i < 1$  for every i = 1, 2, ..., r-1 and  $0 < \alpha_r \leq 1$ , then

$$F(W) = \bigcap_{i=1}^{r} C_i.$$

As a direct result of Theorem 4.5 and Lemma 5.6, we have the following theorem.

Theorem 5.7 ([2]). Let *E* be a uniformly convex Banach space with a uniformly Gâteaux differentiable norm, let *C* be a nonempty closed convex subset of *E* and let  $C_1, C_2, \ldots, C_r$  be nonexpansive retracts of *C* such that  $\bigcap_{i=1}^r C_i \neq \emptyset$ . Let *W* be the *W*-mapping of *C* into itself generated by  $P_1, P_2, \ldots, P_r$  and  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \ldots, \alpha_r$ , where  $P_i(i = 1, 2, \ldots, r)$  is a nonexpansive retraction from *C* onto  $C_i$  and  $0 < \alpha_i < 1$  for every  $i = 1, 2, \ldots, r-1$  and  $0 < \alpha_r \leq 1$ . Let  $\{\beta_n\}$  be a sequence of real numbers such that  $0 \leq \beta_n \leq 1$  for every  $n = 1, 2, \ldots, \lim_{n \to \infty} \beta_n = 0, \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |\beta_{n+1} - \beta_n| < \infty$  and  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \beta_n = \infty$ . If  $\{y_n\}$  is given by  $y_1 = x \in C$  and

$$y_{n+1} = \beta_n x + (1 - \beta_n) W y_n$$

for every n = 1, 2, ..., then  $\{y_n\}$  converges strongly to  $Px \in F(W) = \bigcap_{i=1}^r C_i$ , where P is a unique sunny nonexpansive retraction from C onto  $F(W) = \bigcap_{i=1}^r C_i$ .

In this section, we finally consider the problem of finding a common fixed point for a finite commuting family of nonexpansive mappings. Kitahara and Takahashi [11] dealt with the problem by convex combinations of sunny nonexpansive retractions in a uniformly convex and uniformly smooth Banach space and they proved a weak convergence theorem.

**Theorem 5.8** ([11]). Let E be a uniformly convex and uniformly smooth Banach space and let C be a nonempty closed convex subset of E. Let  $\{S_1, S_2, \ldots, S_r\}$  be a commuting family of nonexpansive mappings of C into itself with  $F(S_i) \neq \emptyset$  for every  $i = 1, 2, \ldots, r$ . Let T be a mapping of C into itself given by  $T = \sum_{i=1}^{r} \alpha_i T_i$ ,  $0 < \alpha_i < 1$ ,  $i = 1, \ldots, r$ ,  $\sum_{i=1}^{r} \alpha_i = 1$ , such that for each  $i, T_i = (1 - \lambda_i)I + \lambda_i P_i$ ,  $0 < \lambda_i < 1$ , where  $P_i$  is a sunny nonexpansive retraction of C onto  $F(S_i)$ . Then,  $F(T) = \bigcap_{i=1}^{r} F(S_i) \neq \emptyset$ . Further, for each  $x \in C$ ,  $\{T^n x\}$  converges weakly to an element of  $\bigcap_{i=1}^{r} F(S_i)$ .

Takahashi and Tamura [25] dealt with the problem by convex combinations of nonexpansive retractions. They obtained weak convergence theorems which are generalizations of Kitahara and Takahashi's result [11].

**Theorem 5.9** ([25]). Let E be a uniformly convex Banach space with a Fréchet differentiable norm and let C be a nonempty closed convex subset of E. Let  $\{S_1, S_2, \ldots, S_r\}$  be a commuting family of nonexpansive mappings of C into itself such that  $F(S_i) \neq \emptyset$  for every i = 1, 2, ..., r. Let T be a mapping of C into itself given by  $T = \sum_{i=1}^{r} \alpha_i T_i$ ,  $0 < \alpha_i < 1$ , i = 1, ..., r,  $\sum_{i=1}^{r} \alpha_i = 1$ , such that for each  $i, T_i = (1 - \lambda_i) I + \lambda_i P_i$ ,  $0 < \lambda_i < 1$ , where  $P_i$  is a nonexpansive retraction of C onto  $F(S_i)$ . Then,  $F(T) = \bigcap_{i=1}^{r} F(S_i) \neq \emptyset$ . Further, for each  $x \in C$ ,  $\{T^n x\}$  converges weakly to an element of  $\bigcap_{i=1}^{r} F(S_i)$ .

Theorem 5.10 ([25]). Let E be a reflexive and strictly convex Banach space which satisfies Opial's condition and let C be a nonempty closed convex subset of E. Let  $\{S_1, S_2, \ldots, S_r\}$  be a commuting family of nonexpansive mappings of C into itself such that  $F(S_i) \neq \emptyset$  for every  $i = 1, 2, \ldots, r$ . Let T be a mapping of C into itself given by  $T = \sum_{i=1}^r \alpha_i T_i$ ,  $0 < \alpha_i < 1$ ,  $i = 1, \ldots, r$ ,  $\sum_{i=1}^r \alpha_i = 1$ , such that for each i,  $T_i = (1 - \lambda_i)I + \lambda_i P_i$ ,  $0 < \lambda_i < 1$ , where  $P_i$  is a nonexpansive retraction of C onto  $F(S_i)$ . Then,  $F(T) = \bigcap_{i=1}^r F(S_i) \neq \emptyset$  and further, for each  $x \in C$ ,  $\{T^n x\}$  converges weakly to an element of  $\bigcap_{i=1}^r F(S_i)$ .

We consider the problem in a Banach space setting by using an iteration scheme which is different from [11, 25]. Using Theorem 4.5, we obtain a *strong convergence* theorem which is connected with the problem of finding a common fixed point for a finite commuting family of nonexpansive mappings.

Theorem 5.11 ([2]). Let E be a uniformly convex Banach space with a uniformly Gâteaux differentiable norm and let C be a nonempty closed convex subset of E. Let  $\{S_1, S_2, \ldots, S_r\}$  be a commuting finite family of nonexpansive mappings of C into itself such that  $F(S_i) \neq \emptyset$  for every  $i = 1, 2, \ldots, r$ . Let W be the W-mapping generated by  $P_1, P_2, \ldots, P_r$  and  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \ldots, \alpha_r$ , where  $P_i(i = 1, 2, \ldots, r)$  is a unique sunny nonexpansive retraction from C onto  $F(S_i)$  and  $0 < \alpha_i < 1$  for every  $i = 1, 2, \ldots, r-1$  and  $0 < \alpha_r \leq 1$ . Then,  $F(W) = \bigcap_{i=1}^r F(S_i) \neq \emptyset$ . Let  $\{\beta_n\}$  be a sequence of real numbers such that  $0 \leq \beta_n \leq 1$  for every  $n = 1, 2, \ldots, \lim_{n \to \infty} \beta_n = 0$ ,  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |\beta_{n+1} - \beta_n| < \infty$  and  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \beta_n = \infty$ . If  $\{y_n\}$  is given by  $y_1 = x \in C$  and

$$y_{n+1} = \beta_n x + (1 - \beta_n) W y_n$$

for every n = 1, 2, ..., then  $\{y_n\}$  converges strongly to  $Px \in F(W) = \bigcap_{i=1}^r F(S_i)$ , where P is a unique sunny nonexpansive retraction from C onto  $F(W) = \bigcap_{i=1}^r F(S_i)$ .

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