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Abstract. In the present note, using specific uniformly convex Banach spaces techniques of asymptotic center we consider a necessary and sufficient condition for the weak convergence of trajectories of asymptotically nonexpansive mappings. The main result of this paper is contained in the following Theorem: Let E be a uniformly convex Banach space satisfying the Opial's condition, C a closed convex subset of E , $T : C \rightarrow C$ an asymptotically nonexpansive mapping and $x \in C$. Then $\{T^n x\}$ converges weakly to a fixed point of T iff $T^{n+1}x - T^n x \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow +\infty$.

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1. Preliminaries and notations. Let E be a uniformly convex Banach space (see e.g. [5]), $\{x_n\}$ be a bounded sequence in E and let C be a closed convex subset of E . Consider the functional

$$r : E \rightarrow [0, +\infty)$$

defined by

$$r(x) = \overline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x_n - x\|, \quad x \in E.$$

The infimum of $r(\cdot)$ over C is called asymptotic radius of $\{x_n\}$ with respect to C and is denoted by $r(C, \{x_n\})$. A point z in C is said to be an asymptotic center of the sequence $\{x_n\}$ with respect to C if

$$r(z) = \min\{r(x) : x \in C\}.$$

The set of all asymptotic centers is denoted by $A(C, \{x_n\})$.

Lemma 1. [5]. *Every bounded sequence $\{x_n\}$ in a uniformly convex Banach space E has a unique asymptotic center with respect to any closed convex subset C of E , i.e. $A(C, \{x_n\}) = \{z\}$ and*

$$\bigwedge_{z \neq x} \overline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x_n - x\| < \overline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x_n - z\|.$$

Lemma 2. [2]. *Let $\{x_n\}$ be a bounded sequence in a closed convex subset C of a uniformly convex Banach space E , and $A(C, \{x_n\}) = \{z\}$. Then*

$$(\{y_m\} \subset C \text{ and } r(y_m) \rightarrow r(C, \{x_n\}) \text{ as } m \rightarrow +\infty) \Rightarrow (y_m \rightarrow z \text{ as } m \rightarrow \infty).$$

The weak convergence of sequence will be denoted by $x_n \rightharpoonup x$, while the strong convergence by $x_n \rightarrow x$. The set of fixed points of a mapping T will be denoted by $F(T)$.

2. A fixed point theorem. Let E be a Banach space and $C \subset E$. A mapping $T : C \rightarrow C$ is called asymptotically nonexpansive on C [4] if there exists a sequence $\{k_i\}$ of real constants such that $k_i \downarrow 1$ as $i \rightarrow +\infty$ and for which

$$\|T^i x - T^i y\| \leq k_i \cdot \|x - y\|, \quad x, y \in C, i = 1, 2, \dots$$

Thus every nonexpansive mapping is asymptotically nonexpansive and the class of asymptotically nonexpansive mappings is essentially wider than the class of nonexpansive mappings [4].

Theorem 1. *Let C be a closed convex (but not necessarily bounded) subset of a uniformly convex Banach space. If an asymptotically nonexpansive mapping, then the following statements are equivalent:*

- (a) T has a fixed point;
- (b) There is a point $x_0 \in C$ such that the sequence of iterates $\{T^n x_0\}$ is bounded;
- (c) There is a bounded sequence $\{y_n\} \subset C$ such that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|y_n - T y_n\| = 0.$$

PROOF : (a) \Rightarrow (b) and (a) \Rightarrow (c) follow easily. (b) \Rightarrow (a). Assume $x_0 \in C$ is such that the sequence $\{x_n = T^n x_0\}$ is bounded, and let $A(C, \{x_n\}) = \{z\}$. Let $\{y_m = T^m z\}$. We shall show

$$r(y_m) = \overline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x_n - y_m\| \rightarrow r(C, \{x_n\}) \quad \text{as } m \rightarrow +\infty.$$

By Lemma 2, this would imply $y_m \rightarrow z$ as $m \rightarrow +\infty$, and because T is continuous

$$Tz = T\left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} T^m z\right) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} T^{m+1} z = z.$$

For two integers $n > m \geq 1$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|x_n - y_m\| &= \|T^m x_{n-m} - T^m z\| \leq \\ &\leq k_m \cdot \|x_{n-m} - z\|, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$r(y_m) \leq k_m \cdot r(z), \quad \text{where } k_m \downarrow 1 \text{ as } m \rightarrow +\infty.$$

This shows that $r(y_m) \rightarrow r(C, \{x_n\})$ as $m \rightarrow +\infty$. (c) \Rightarrow (a). Let $\{y_n\}$ be a bounded sequence such that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|y_n - T y_n\| = 0$ and $A(C, \{y_n\}) = \{z\}$. We consider a sequence $\{x_m = T^m z\}$. For two integers $m, n \geq 1$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|x_m - y_n\| &\leq \|T^m z - T^m y_n\| = \|T^m y_n - T^{m-1} y_n\| + \dots + \|T y_n - y_n\| \leq \\ &\leq k_m \cdot \|z - y_n\| + \|T y_n - y_n\| \cdot (k_{m-1} + k_{m-2} + \dots + k_1 + 1). \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$r(x_m) \leq k_m \cdot r(z), \quad \text{where } k_m \downarrow 1 \text{ as } m \rightarrow +\infty.$$

This shows that $r(x_m) \rightarrow r(C, \{y_n\})$ as $m \rightarrow +\infty$. By Lemma 2 and by the continuity of T , z will be the fixed point of T . \blacksquare

Remark 1. Recently the present author and M.Krüppel proved (b) \Rightarrow (a) in a more general situation, see the paper: Fixed points of uniformly Lipschitzian mappings, Bull.Polish Acad.Sci., Math.(in Print).

3. Banach spaces satisfying the Opial's condition. We say that a Banach space E satisfies the Opial's condition [8] if for each sequence $\{x_n\} \subset E$ weakly convergent to a point x , and for all $y \neq x$

$$(1) \quad \underline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x_n - x\| < \underline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x_n - y\|.$$

It is known that (1) is equivalent to the analogous condition obtained by replacing $\underline{\lim}$ with $\overline{\lim}$.

Examples of Banach spaces which satisfy the Opial's condition are Hilbert spaces and all spaces l^p ($1 < p < +\infty$). On the other hand $L^p[0, 2\pi]$ with $1 < p \neq 2$ fails to satisfy the Opial's condition [8].

Lemma 3. *Let C be a closed convex subset of a uniformly convex Banach space satisfying the Opial's condition. If a sequence $\{x_n\} \subset C$ converges weakly to a point x , then x is the asymptotic center of $\{x_n\}$ in C .*

Lemma 4. *(Demiclosedness principle). Let E be a uniformly convex Banach space satisfying the Opial's condition, C a closed convex subset of E , $T : C \rightarrow C$ an asymptotically nonexpansive mapping. If $\{x_n\} \subset C$ is a weakly convergent sequence with the weak limit x and if $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x_n - Tx_n\| = 0$, then $Tx = x$.*

PROOF : From Lemma 3 the asymptotic center of $\{x_n\}$ in C is x . We consider a sequence $\{y_m = T^m x\}$ and analogously as above $x \in F(T)$. ■

Remark 2. Recently M.Krüppel [7], using a more complicate method, proved that the demiclosedness principle is true in any uniformly convex Banach space for asymptotically nonexpansive mappings.

Lemma 5. [1]. *Let C be a closed convex subset of a uniformly convex Banach space satisfying the Opial's condition and $T : C \rightarrow C$ an asymptotically nonexpansive mapping. Suppose z is the asymptotic center of the bounded sequence $\{T^n x\}$ for some $x \in C$. If the weak limit x_0 of a subsequence $\{T^{n_i} x\}$ is a fixed point of T , then x_0 coincides with z .*

The concept of asymptotic regularity is due to Browder and Petryshyn [3]: a mapping $T : C \rightarrow C$ is said to be (weakly) asymptotically regular at $x \in C$ if $T^{n+1}x - T^n x \rightarrow 0$ (weakly) as $n \rightarrow +\infty$.

The next Theorem generalizes the result of I.Miyadera (see [6, Theorem 3.1.]).

Theorem 2. *Let E be a uniformly convex Banach space satisfying the Opial's condition and C be a closed convex (but not necessarily bounded) subset of E , and $T : C \rightarrow C$ is a asymptotically nonexpansive mapping, $x \in C$. Then $\{T^n x\}$ converges weakly to a fixed point of T iff T is weakly asymptotically regular at x .*

PROOF : Let us assume that $T^n x \rightarrow p$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. We can show that $p \in F(T)$. By Lemma 3, $A(C, \{T^n x\}) = \{p\}$ and analogously as in Theorem 1, $p \in F(T)$. From

$T^n x \rightarrow p$ as $n \rightarrow +\infty$ we get $T^{n+1}x - T^n x \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow +\infty$. Now we are going to show the implication in the opposite way. From the assumption $T^{n+1}x - T^n x \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow +\infty$ we have $T^{(n_i+m)}x \rightarrow y$ as $i \rightarrow +\infty$ for $m = 0, 1, \dots$. By Lemma 3, $A(C, \{T^{(n_i+m)}x\}) = \{y\}$ for $m = 0, 1, 2, \dots$. Let $\{y_s = T^s y\}$. For integers $m > s \geq 1$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|y_s - T^{n_i+m}x\| &= \|T^s y - T^s(T^{n_i+m-s}x)\| \leq \\ &\leq k_s \|y - T^{n_i+m-s}x\| \end{aligned}$$

and

$$r(y_s) \leq k_s \cdot r(y), \text{ where } k_s \downarrow 1 \text{ as } s \rightarrow +\infty.$$

By Lemma 2, $T^s y \rightarrow y$ as $s \rightarrow +\infty$ and by the continuity of T , $Ty = y$. Let $\omega_w(x)$ denote the set of weak limits of subsequences of a sequence $\{T^n x\}$. From this part of the proof we get $\omega_w(x) \subset F(T)$. By Lemma 5, the point $y \in \omega_w(x)$. This proves that $\omega_w(x) = \{z\}$, so $T^n x \rightarrow z$ as $n \rightarrow +\infty$. Thus the proof is complete. ■

Theorem 2 gives the following Corollary analogously to the result of Opial [8, Theorem 2] and Bose [1].

Corollary 1. *Let C be a closed convex subset of a uniformly convex Banach space E satisfying the Opial's condition. Assume that $T : C \rightarrow C$ is an asymptotically nonexpansive, weakly asymptotically regular and $F(T) \neq \emptyset$. Then for any $x \in C$, the sequence of iterates $\{T^n x\}$ is weakly convergent to a fixed point of T .*

Problem. Is Theorem 2 true in all Banach spaces satisfying the Opial's condition? (For a nonexpansive mapping see: T.Kuczumov, Proc.Amer.Math.Soc. 93(1985), 430-432).

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