# A NONLINEAR STRONG ERGODIC THEOREM FOR FAMILIES OF ASYMPTOTICALLY NONEXPANSIVE MAPPINGS WITH COMPACT DOMAINS

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ABSTRACT. In this paper, we prove a nonlinear strong ergodic theorem for families of asymptotically nonexpansive mappings from a compact convex subset of a strictly convex Banach space into itself.

#### 1. INTRODUCTION

The first nonlinear ergodic theorem for nonexpansive mappings with bounded domains in a Hilbert space was proved by Baillon [3]. Baillon and Brezis [4] also proved the following nonlinear ergodic theorem for nonexpansive semigroups in a Hilbert space : Let C be a nonempty closed convex subset of a Hilbert space and let  $S = \{S(t) | t \ge 0\}$  be a nonexpansive semigroup on C with  $F(S) \neq \emptyset$ . Then, for every  $x \in C$ ,  $\frac{1}{t} \int_0^t S(\tau) x d\tau$  converges weakly to some  $y \in F(S)$ . Hirano and Takahashi [8] extended Baillon and Brezis's theorem to an asymptotically nonexpansive semigroup. Hirano and Takahashi's theorem was extended to a uniformly convex Banach space whose norm is Fréchet differentiable by Tan and Xu [11]. On the other hand, Atsushiba and Takahashi [2] obtained a nonlinear ergodic theorem for nonexpansive semigroups with compact domains in a Banach space which generalizes Dafermos and Slemrod's result [7] : Let C be a nonempty compact convex subset of a strictly convex Banach space and let  $S = \{S(t) | t \ge 0\}$  be a nonexpansive semigroup on C. Then, for every  $x \in C$ ,  $\frac{1}{t} \int_0^t S(\tau + h)xd\tau$  converges strongly to some  $y \in F(S)$  uniformly in  $h \ge 0$ .

In this paper, we extend Atsushiba and Takahashi's theorem to an asymptotically nonexpansive semigroup by using the methods employed in Atsushiba and Takahashi [1, 2], Bruck [5, 6] and Shioji and Takahashi [10].

#### 2. Preliminaries and Lemmas

Throughout this paper, a Banach space is real and we denote by N and  $R^+$ , the set of all positive integers and the set of all nonnegative real numbers, respectively. We denote by  $\Delta^n$  the set  $\{\lambda = (\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \ldots, \lambda_n) | \lambda_i \ge 0, \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i = 1\}$  for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Let E be a Banach space and let r > 0. We denote by  $D_r(x)$  the open ball in E with center x and radius r. For a subset C of E, we denote by coC the convex hull of C. E is said to be strictly convex if  $\frac{\|x+y\|}{2} < 1$  for  $x, y \in E$  with  $\|x\| = \|y\| = 1$  and  $x \ne y$ . Let C be a subset of E, let T be a mapping from C into itself and let  $\varepsilon > 0$ . By  $F_{\varepsilon}(T)$ , we mean the set  $\{x \in C \mid \|x - Tx\| \le \varepsilon\}$ . Let K > 0. We denote by Lip(C, K), the set of all mappings from C into itself satisfying  $\|Tx - Ty\| \le K \|x - y\|$  for each  $x, y \in C$ . We denote by  $\Gamma$  the set of

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all strictly increasing, continuous convex functions  $\gamma: \mathbb{R}^+ \longmapsto \mathbb{R}^+$  with  $\gamma(0) = 0$ . Let C be a nonempty subset of E. C is said to satisfy the convex approximation property if for any  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists  $m \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $coM \subset co_m M + D_{\varepsilon}(0)$  for every subset M of C, where  $co_m M = \{\sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i x_i \mid x_i \in M, \lambda_i \ge 0, \sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i = 1\}.$ 

A family  $S = \{S(t) | t \ge 0\}$  is said to be an asymptotically nonexpansive semigroup on C with Lipschitz constants  $\{k(t) | t \ge 0\}$  if

- (i) for each  $t \ge 0$ , S(t) is a mapping from C into itself and  $||S(t)x S(t)y|| \le k(t)||x y||$  for each  $x, y \in C$ ;
- (ii) S(t+s)x = S(t)S(s)x for each  $t, s \ge 0$  and  $x \in C$ ;
- (iii) S(0)x = x for each  $x \in C$ ;
- (iv) for each  $x \in C$ , the mapping  $t \mapsto S(t)x$  is continuous.
- (v)  $t \mapsto k(t)$  is continuous mapping from the set of nonnegative real numbers into itself; (vi)  $\limsup_{t\to\infty} k(t) \leq 1$ .

S is said to be a nonexpansive semigroup on C if k(t) = 1 for all  $t \ge 0$ . We denote by F(S), the set of common fixed points of  $S = \{S(t) \mid t \ge 0\}$ , i.e.,  $\cap_{t\ge 0}\{x \in C \mid S(t)x = x\}$ . The following lemmas was obtained by Bruck [5, 6].

**Lemma 2.1.** Let C be a nonempty compact convex subset of a strictly convex Banach space. Then, there exists  $\gamma \in \Gamma$  such that for each K > 0 and  $T \in Lip(C, K)$ ,

$$||T(\lambda x + (1 - \lambda)y) - (\lambda Tx + (1 - \lambda)Ty)|| \le K\gamma^{-1} \left( ||x - y|| - \frac{1}{K} ||Tx - Ty|| \right)$$

holds for every  $x, y \in C$  and  $\lambda \in [0, 1]$ .

**Lemma 2.2.** Let C be a nonempty compact convex subset of a strictly convex Banach space. Then, for each  $p \in \mathbf{N}$ , there exists  $\gamma_p \in \Gamma$  such that for each K > 0 and  $T \in Lip(C, K)$ ,

$$\left\| T\left(\sum_{i=1}^{p} \lambda_{i} x_{i}\right) - \sum_{i=1}^{p} \lambda_{i} T x_{i} \right\| \leq K \gamma_{p}^{-1} \left(\max_{1 \leq i, j \leq p} \left\{ \left\| x_{i} - x_{j} \right\| - \frac{1}{K} \left\| T x_{i} - T x_{j} \right\| \right\} \right)$$

holds for every  $x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_p$  in C and  $\lambda = (\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \ldots, \lambda_p) \in \Delta^p$ .

Following ideas in Atsushiba and Takahashi [1, 2], we can show the following lemma.

**Lemma 2.3.** Let *C* be a nonempty compact convex subset of a strictly convex Banach space and let  $S = \{S(t) \mid t \ge 0\}$  be an asymptotically nonexpansive semigroup on *C*. Let  $x \in C$  and t > 0. Then, for each  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exist  $l_0 = l_0(t, \varepsilon) \ge 0$  and  $m_0 = m_0(t, \varepsilon) \ge 0$  such that

$$\left\| \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t S(l+m+\tau) x \, d\tau - S(l) \left( \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t S(m+\tau) x \, d\tau \right) \right\| < \varepsilon$$

for every  $l \ge l_0$  and  $m \ge m_0$ .

*Proof.* Let  $x \in C$ , t > 0 and  $\varepsilon > 0$ . Let  $\{k(t) | t \ge 0\}$  be Lipschitz constants of S. Put  $\sup\{k(t) | t \ge 0\} = M_0$ . Since  $\{k(t) | t \ge 0\}$  is bounded,  $M_0 < \infty$  holds. From the assumption of S, we have

$$\left\| \frac{1}{t} \int_{0}^{t} S(l+m+\tau) x \, d\tau - \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} S\left(l+m+\frac{t}{n}i\right) x \right\|$$
  
$$\leq \frac{1}{t} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \int_{\frac{i-1}{n}t}^{\frac{i}{n}t} \left\| S(l+m+\tau) x - S\left(l+m+\frac{t}{n}i\right) x \right\| d\tau$$

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$$\leq \frac{M_0}{t} \sum_{i=1}^n \int_{\frac{i-1}{n}t}^{\frac{i}{n}t} \left\| S(\tau)x - S\left(\frac{t}{n}i\right)x \right\| d\tau$$

$$\leq \frac{M_0}{t} \sum_{i=1}^n \left\{ M_0 \cdot \frac{t}{n} \left( \sup_{0 \leq \tau \leq \frac{t}{n}} \left\| S(\tau)x - S\left(\frac{t}{n}\right)x \right\| \right) \right\}$$

$$= M_0^2 \cdot \sup_{0 \leq \tau \leq \frac{t}{n}} \left\| S(\tau)x - S\left(\frac{t}{n}\right)x \right\| \longrightarrow 0 ,$$

as  $n \to \infty$ , uniformly in  $l, m \ge 0$ . Similarly, we have

$$\left\| S(l)\left(\frac{1}{t}\int_0^t S(m+\tau)x\,d\tau\right) - S(l)\left(\frac{1}{n}\sum_{i=1}^n S\left(m+\frac{t}{n}i\right)x\right) \right\| \longrightarrow 0\,,$$

as  $n \to \infty$ , uniformly in  $l, m \ge 0$ . So, there exists  $N_1 \in \mathbf{N}$  such that

$$\left\| \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t S(l+m+\tau) x \, d\tau - \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n S\left(l+m+\frac{t}{n}i\right) x \right\| < \frac{\varepsilon}{3}$$

 $\operatorname{and}$ 

$$\left\| S(l)\left(\frac{1}{t}\int_0^t S(m+\tau)x\,d\tau\right) - S(l)\left(\frac{1}{n}\sum_{i=1}^n S\left(m+\frac{t}{n}i\right)x\right) \right\| < \frac{\varepsilon}{3}$$

for every  $n \ge N_1$  and  $l, m \ge 0$ . Hence we get

$$(1) \qquad \left\| \frac{1}{t} \int_{0}^{t} S(l+m+\tau) x \, d\tau - S(l) \left( \frac{1}{t} \int_{0}^{t} S(m+\tau) x \, d\tau \right) \right\| \\ \leq \left\| \frac{1}{t} \int_{0}^{t} S(l+m+\tau) x \, d\tau - \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} S\left( l+m+\frac{t}{n}i \right) x \right\| \\ + \left\| \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} S\left( l+m+\frac{t}{n}i \right) x - S(l) \left( \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} S\left(m+\frac{t}{n}i \right) x \right) \right\| \\ + \left\| S(l) \left( \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} S\left(m+\frac{t}{n}i \right) x \right) - S(l) \left( \frac{1}{t} \int_{0}^{t} S(m+\tau) x \, d\tau \right) \right\| \\ \leq \frac{2}{3} \varepsilon + \left\| \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} S\left( l+m+\frac{t}{n}i \right) x - S(l) \left( \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} S\left(m+\frac{t}{n}i \right) x \right) \right\|$$

for every  $n \ge N_1$  and  $l, m \ge 0$ . Fix  $n \in \mathbf{N}$  with  $n \ge N_1$ . Without loss of generality, we assume that k(l) > 0 for all  $l \in \mathbb{R}^+$ . From Lemma 2.2, there exists  $\gamma_n \in \Gamma$  such that

(2) 
$$\left\| \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} S\left(l+m+\frac{t}{n}i\right)x - S\left(l\right)\left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} S\left(m+\frac{t}{n}i\right)x\right) \right\|$$
$$\leq k(l)\gamma_{n}^{-1}\left(\max_{1\leq i,j\leq n}\left\{ \left\| S\left(m+\frac{t}{n}i\right)x - S\left(m+\frac{t}{n}j\right)x \right\| -\frac{1}{k(l)} \left\| S\left(l+m+\frac{t}{n}i\right)x - S\left(l+m+\frac{t}{n}j\right)x \right\| \right\}\right)$$

for every  $l, m \geq 0$ . ¿From  $\gamma_n \in \Gamma$ , there exists  $\delta > 0$  such that

(3) 
$$k(l)\gamma_n^{-1}(\delta) < \frac{\varepsilon}{3}$$

for every  $l \ge 0$ . For  $1 \le i, j \le n$ , we set  $r_{i,j} = \inf_{m \ge 0} \left\| S\left(m + \frac{t}{n}i\right)x - S\left(m + \frac{t}{n}j\right)x \right\|$ . There exists  $m_1 \ge 0$  such that  $\left\| S\left(m_1 + \frac{t}{n}i\right)x - S\left(m_1 + \frac{t}{n}j\right)x \right\| < r_{i,j} + \frac{\delta}{4}$ . By  $\limsup_{l \to \infty} k(l) \le 1$ , there exists  $l_1 > 0$  such that

$$k(l) \le \frac{r_{i,j} + \frac{\delta}{2}}{\|S(m_1 + \frac{t}{n}i)x - S(m_1 + \frac{t}{n}j)x\| + \frac{\delta}{4}}$$

for every  $l \geq l_1$ . So, we have

$$S\left(l+m_{1}+\frac{t}{n}i\right)x-S\left(l+m_{1}+\frac{t}{n}j\right)x\parallel$$

$$\leq k(l)\parallel S\left(m_{1}+\frac{t}{n}i\right)x-S\left(m_{1}+\frac{t}{n}j\right)x\parallel \leq r_{i,j}+\frac{\delta}{2}$$

for every  $l \ge l_1$ . Put  $m_2 = m_2(i, j) = l_1 + m_1$ . Then, there holds

$$\left\| S\left(m + \frac{t}{n}i\right)x - S\left(m + \frac{t}{n}j\right)x \right\| \le r_{i,j} + \frac{\delta}{2}$$

for every  $m \ge m_2$ . Similarly, there exists  $l_2 = l_2(i, j) \ge 0$  such that

$$r_{i,j} - \frac{\delta}{2} \le \frac{1}{k(l)} \| S\left(l + m + \frac{t}{n}i\right)x - S\left(l + m + \frac{t}{n}j\right)x \|$$

for every  $l \ge l_2$  and  $m \ge m_2$ . Let

 $l_0 = \max\{l_2(i,j) \mid 1 \le i, j \le n\}$  and  $m_0 = \max\{m_2(i,j) \mid 1 \le i, j \le n\}.$ 

Then, we have

(4) 
$$0 \leq \max_{1 \leq i,j \leq n} \left\{ \left\| S\left(m + \frac{t}{n}i\right)x - S\left(m + \frac{t}{n}j\right)x \right\| - \frac{1}{k(l)} \left\| S\left(l + m + \frac{t}{n}i\right)x - S\left(l + m + \frac{t}{n}j\right)x \right\| \right\} \leq \delta$$

for every  $l \ge l_0$  and  $m \ge m_0$ . So, it follows from (1), (2), (3) and (4) that

$$\left| \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t S(l+m+\tau) x \, d\tau - S(l) \left( \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t S(m+\tau) x \, d\tau \right) \right|$$
  
$$\leq \frac{2}{3} \varepsilon + k(l) \gamma_n^{-1}(\delta) \leq \frac{2}{3} \varepsilon + \frac{\varepsilon}{3} = \varepsilon$$

for every  $l \ge l_0$  and  $m \ge m_0$ .

The following lemma was obtained by Atsushiba and Takahashi [1].

**Lemma 2.4.** Let C be a nonempty compact subset of a Banach space. Then, C satisfies the convex approximation property.

The following lemmas were obtained by Nakajo and Takahashi [9].

**Lemma 2.5.** Let C be a nonempty compact convex subset of a strictly convex Banach space. For each  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists  $\delta > 0$  such that  $\overline{co}F_{\delta}(T) \subset F_{\varepsilon}(T)$  holds for every  $T \in Lip(C, 1 + \delta)$ , where  $\overline{co} A$  is the closure of the convex hull of A.

**Lemma 2.6.** Let C be a nonempty closed bounded convex subset of a Banach space. Let  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ ,  $L \geq 1$  and  $T \in Lip(C, L)$  such that

$$||T(\lambda x + (1 - \lambda)y) - (\lambda Tx + (1 - \lambda)Ty)|| \le L\gamma^{-1} \left( ||x - y|| - \frac{1}{L} ||Tx - Ty|| \right)$$

for all  $x, y \in C$  and  $\lambda \in [0, 1]$ . Let  $\{x_n\}$  and  $\{y_n\}$  be sequences in C such that  $\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n ||x_{i+1} - x_{i+1}|| = 1$ 

 $Tx_i \| \leq a_n$  and  $\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \|y_{i+1} - Ty_i\| \leq a_n$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , where  $\{a_n\}$  is a sequence in  $R^+$ . Then, for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $\lambda \in [0, 1]$ ,

$$\frac{1}{n}\sum_{i=1}^{n} \|\lambda x_{i+1} + (1-\lambda)y_{i+1} - T(\lambda x_i + (1-\lambda)y_i)\| \le L\gamma^{-1} \left(\frac{R}{n} + (L-1)R + 2a_n\right) + a_n,$$
where  $R = diam C$ 

**Lemma 2.7.** Let *C* be a nonempty compact convex subset of a strictly convex Banach space. Then, for any  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exist  $\delta > 0$  and  $N_0 \in \mathbf{N}$  such that for every  $T \in Lip(C, 1 + \delta)$  and  $\{x_n\}$  in *C* satisfying  $||x_{n+1} - Tx_n|| \leq \delta$  for all  $n \in \mathbf{N} \cup \{0\}$ , there holds  $\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} x_i \in F_{\varepsilon}(T)$  for every  $n \geq N_0$ .

**Lemma 2.8.** Let *C* be a nonempty compact convex subset of a strictly convex Banach space. Then, for each  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exist  $\delta > 0$  and  $N_0 \in \mathbf{N}$  such that for every  $l \in \mathbf{N}$  and mapping *T* from *C* into itself satisfying  $T^l \in Lip(C, 1 + \delta)$ , there holds

$$\left\|\frac{1}{m}\sum_{i=0}^{m-1}T^{i}x - T^{l}\left(\frac{1}{m}\sum_{i=0}^{m-1}T^{i}x\right)\right\| \leq \varepsilon$$

for all  $m \in \mathbf{N}$  with  $m - 1 \ge lN_0$  and  $x \in C$ .

As in the proof of [10], we have the following lemma. However, for the sake of completeness, we give the proof.

**Corollary 2.9.** Let C be a nonempty compact convex subset of a strictly convex Banach space and let  $S = \{S(t) \mid t \ge 0\}$  be an asymptotically nonexpansive semigroup on C. Then,

$$\limsup_{l \to \infty} \limsup_{t \to \infty} \sup_{x \in C} \left\| \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t S(\tau) x \, d\tau - S(l) \left( \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t S(\tau) x \, d\tau \right) \right\| = 0$$

Proof. Let  $\{k(t) \mid t \ge 0\}$  be Lipschitz constants of S. Let  $\varepsilon > 0$ . There exist  $\delta > 0$  and  $N_0 \in \mathbf{N}$  which satisfy the condition in Lemma 2.8. From  $\limsup_{l\to\infty} k(l) \le 1$ , there exists  $l_0 \ge 0$  such that  $k(l) < 1 + \delta$  for every  $l \ge l_0$ . Let  $l > l_0$ . Then, there exists  $t_l > 0$  such that  $\frac{1}{N_0} \ge \frac{l}{t}$  for all  $t \ge t_l$ . Let  $t \ge t_l$ . For each  $n \in \mathbf{N}$ , let  $j_n$  be the nonnegative integer which satisfies  $t \cdot \frac{j_n}{n} \le l < t \cdot \frac{j_n+1}{n}$ . Then,  $n \ge j_n N_0$  for every  $n \in \mathbf{N}$  and by  $l > l_0$ , there exists  $n_0 \in \mathbf{N}$  such that  $t \cdot \frac{j_n}{n} \ge l_0$  for all  $n \ge n_0$ . Hence, from Lemma 2.8 we get

$$\left\| \frac{1}{n+1} \sum_{i=0}^{n} S\left(\frac{t}{n}i\right) x - S\left(\frac{t}{n}j_{n}\right) \left(\frac{1}{n+1} \sum_{i=0}^{n} S\left(\frac{t}{n}i\right) x\right) \right\| < \varepsilon$$

for every  $n \ge n_0$  and  $x \in C$ . So, we have

$$\left\| \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t S(\tau) x \, d\tau - S(l) \left( \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t S(\tau) x \, d\tau \right) \right\|$$
  
$$\leq \quad \left\| \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t S(\tau) x \, d\tau - \frac{1}{n+1} \sum_{i=0}^n S\left(\frac{t}{n}i\right) x \right\|$$

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$$+ \left\| \frac{1}{n+1} \sum_{i=0}^{n} S\left(\frac{t}{n}i\right) x - S\left(\frac{t}{n}j_{n}\right) \left(\frac{1}{n+1} \sum_{i=0}^{n} S\left(\frac{t}{n}i\right) x\right) \right\|$$

$$+ \left\| S\left(\frac{t}{n}j_{n}\right) \left(\frac{1}{n+1} \sum_{i=0}^{n} S\left(\frac{t}{n}i\right) x\right) - S\left(\frac{t}{n}j_{n}\right) \left(\frac{1}{t} \int_{0}^{t} S(\tau) x \, d\tau\right) \right\|$$

$$+ \left\| S\left(\frac{t}{n}j_{n}\right) \left(\frac{1}{t} \int_{0}^{t} S(\tau) x \, d\tau\right) - S(l) \left(\frac{1}{t} \int_{0}^{t} S(\tau) x \, d\tau\right) \right\|$$

$$\leq (2+\delta) \left\| \frac{1}{t} \int_{0}^{t} S(\tau) x \, d\tau - \frac{1}{n+1} \sum_{i=0}^{n} S\left(\frac{t}{n}i\right) x \right\|$$

$$+ \varepsilon + \left\| S\left(\frac{t}{n}j_{n}\right) \left(\frac{1}{t} \int_{0}^{t} S(\tau) x \, d\tau\right) - S(l) \left(\frac{1}{t} \int_{0}^{t} S(\tau) x \, d\tau\right) \right\|$$

for every  $n \ge n_0$  and  $x \in C$ . Tending n to infinity, we get

$$\left\| \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t S(\tau) x \, d\tau - S(l) \left( \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t S(\tau) x \, d\tau \right) \right\| \le \varepsilon$$

for every  $x \in C$ . So, we have

$$\limsup_{l \to \infty} \limsup_{t \to \infty} \sup_{x \in C} \left\| \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t S(\tau) x \, d\tau - S(l) \left( \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t S(\tau) x \, d\tau \right) \right\| \le \varepsilon$$

Since  $\varepsilon > 0$  is arbitrary, we obtain the conclusion.

**Remark.** We can obtain  $F(S) \neq \emptyset$ . In fact, let  $x \in C$  and put  $x_t = \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t S(\tau) x d\tau$  for every t > 0. Since C is compact, there exists a subnet  $\{x_{t_\alpha}\}$  of  $\{x_t\}$  such that  $x_{t_\alpha}$  converges strongly to some  $x_0$  in C. So, we have

$$0 = \limsup_{l \to \infty} \limsup_{t \to \infty} \|x_t - S(l)x_t\|$$
  
= 
$$\limsup_{l \to \infty} \limsup_{\alpha} \|x_{t_{\alpha}} - S(l)x_{t_{\alpha}}\| = \limsup_{l \to \infty} \|x_0 - S(l)x_0\|$$

and hence

$$\begin{aligned} \|x_0 - S(s)x_0\| &\leq \limsup_{l \to \infty} \|x_0 - S(l)x_0\| + \limsup_{l \to \infty} \|S(l)x_0 - S(s)x_0\| \\ &\leq 0 + k(s) \cdot 0 = 0 \end{aligned}$$

for every  $s \geq 0$ . Therefore  $x_0 \in F(\mathcal{S})$ .

## 3. Strong ergodic theorem

The following is crucial to prove our theorem.

**Lemma 3.1.** Let *C* be a nonempty compact convex subset of a strictly convex Banach space and let  $S = \{S(t) \mid t \ge 0\}$  be an asymptotically nonexpansive semigroup on *C*. Let  $x \in C$ . Then, there exists a net  $\{i_t\}_{t\ge 0} \subset R^+$  such that  $\lim_{t\to\infty} \left\| \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t S(\tau + i_t) x \, d\tau - z \right\|$  exists for every  $z \in F(S)$ .

*Proof.* We use the methods employed in Atsushiba and Takahashi [1, 2]. ¿From Lemma 2.3, there exist nets  $\{i_t\}_{t\geq 0}$  in  $R^+$  and  $\{l_t\}_{t\geq 0}$  in  $R^+$  such that

(5) 
$$\left\| \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t S(l+i+\tau) x \, d\tau - S(l) \left( \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t S(i+\tau) x \, d\tau \right) \right\| < \frac{1}{t}$$

for every  $t > 0, i \ge i_t$  and  $l \ge l_t$ . Let  $z \in F(\mathcal{S})$ . For every s, t > 0, consider

$$\begin{split} I &= \left\| \frac{1}{s} \int_{0}^{s} S(i_{s} + i_{t} + \tau) x \, d\tau - z \right\| \\ &= \left\| \frac{1}{s} \int_{0}^{s} \left( \frac{1}{t} \int_{0}^{t} S(\tau + \sigma + i_{s} + i_{t}) x \, d\sigma \right) d\tau \\ &+ \frac{1}{st} \int_{0}^{t} (t - \tau) \{ S(\tau + i_{s} + i_{t}) x - S(s + \tau + i_{s} + i_{t}) x \} \, d\tau - z \, \right\|, \\ I_{1} &= \left\| \frac{1}{st} \int_{0}^{t} (t - \tau) \{ S(\tau + i_{s} + i_{t}) x - S(s + \tau + i_{s} + i_{t}) x \} \, d\tau \, \right\|, \\ I_{2} &= \left\| \frac{1}{s} \int_{0}^{s} \left( \frac{1}{t} \int_{0}^{t} S(\tau + \sigma + i_{s} + i_{t}) x \, d\sigma \right) d\tau \\ &- \frac{1}{s} \int_{0}^{s} S(\tau + i_{s}) \left( \frac{1}{t} \int_{0}^{t} S(\sigma + i_{t}) x \, d\sigma \right) d\tau \, \right\| \end{split}$$

 $\operatorname{and}$ 

$$I_3 = \left\| \frac{1}{s} \int_0^s S(\tau + i_s) \left( \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t S(\sigma + i_t) x \, d\sigma \right) d\tau - z \right\|.$$

Then, we have  $I \leq I_1 + I_2 + I_3$ . Fix t > 0 and put  $R = \operatorname{diam} C$ . We have

$$I_1 \le \frac{1}{st} \int_0^t (t-\tau) R \, d\tau = \frac{t}{2s} R$$

for every s > 0. It follows from (5) that

$$I_2 \leq \frac{1}{s} \int_0^s \left\| \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t S(\tau + \sigma + i_s + i_t) x \, d\sigma - S(\tau + i_s) \left( \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t S(\sigma + i_t) x \, d\sigma \right) \right\| d\tau$$
  
$$\leq \frac{1}{s} \int_0^s \frac{1}{t} \, d\tau = \frac{1}{t}$$

for every s > 0 with  $i_s \ge l_t$ . By  $z \in F(\mathcal{S})$ , we obtain

$$I_{3} \leq \frac{1}{s} \int_{0}^{s} \left\| S(\tau + i_{s}) \left( \frac{1}{t} \int_{0}^{t} S(\sigma + i_{t}) x \, d\sigma \right) - z \right\| d\tau$$
  
$$\leq \frac{1}{s} \int_{0}^{s} k(\tau + i_{s}) \left\| \frac{1}{t} \int_{0}^{t} S(\sigma + i_{t}) x \, d\sigma - z \right\| d\tau$$
  
$$= \left\{ \frac{1}{s} \int_{0}^{s} k(\tau + i_{s}) \, d\tau \right\} \cdot \left\| \frac{1}{t} \int_{0}^{t} S(\sigma + i_{t}) x \, d\sigma - z \right\|$$

for every s > 0, where  $\{k(t) | t \ge 0\}$  is Lipschitz constants of S. Therefore, since  $\lim_{s \to \infty} I_1 = 0$ and  $\{k(t) | t \ge 0\}$  is Lipschitz constants of S, we have

$$\begin{split} \limsup_{s \to \infty} \left\| \frac{1}{s} \int_0^s S(\tau + i_s) x \, d\tau - z \right\| \\ &= \limsup_{s \to \infty} \left\| \frac{1}{s} \int_0^s S(\tau + i_s + i_t) x \, d\tau - z \right\| \\ &= \limsup_{s \to \infty} I \le \limsup_{s \to \infty} (I_1 + I_2 + I_3) \\ &\le \frac{1}{t} + \left\| \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t S(\sigma + i_t) x \, d\sigma - z \right\| \cdot \limsup_{s \to \infty} \frac{1}{s} \int_0^s k(\tau + i_s) \, d\tau \end{split}$$

$$\leq \quad \frac{1}{t} + \left\| \begin{array}{c} \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t S(\sigma + i_t) x \, d\sigma - z \end{array} \right|$$

for every t > 0. So, we get

$$\lim_{s \to \infty} \sup_{s \to \infty} \left\| \frac{1}{s} \int_0^s S(\tau + i_s) x \, d\tau - z \right\| \le \liminf_{t \to \infty} \left\| \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t S(\sigma + i_t) x \, d\sigma - z \right\|$$
  
Hence, 
$$\lim_{t \to \infty} \left\| \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t S(\tau + i_t) x \, d\tau - z \right\|$$
 exists.

**Remark.** In Lemma 3.1, take a net  $\{i'_t\}_{t\geq 0}$  in  $R^+$  such that  $i'_t \geq i_t$  for every  $t \geq 0$ . Then, we can get

$$\lim_{t \to \infty} \left\| \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t S(\tau + i_t) x \, d\tau - z \right\| = \lim_{t \to \infty} \left\| \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t S(\tau + i'_t) x \, d\tau - z \right\|$$

for every  $z \in F(\mathcal{S})$ .

**Theorem 3.2.** Let C be a nonempty compact convex subset of a strictly convex Banach space and let  $S = \{S(t) \mid t \ge 0\}$  be an asymptotically nonexpansive semigroup on C. Let  $x \in C$ . Then,  $\frac{1}{t} \int_0^t S(\tau + h)x \, d\tau$  converges strongly to a common fixed point of S uniformly in  $h \ge 0$ . In this case, if  $Qx = \lim_{t\to\infty} \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t S(\tau)x \, d\tau$  for every  $x \in C$ , then Q is a nonexpansive mapping from C onto F(S) such that QS(t) = S(t)Q = Q for every  $t \ge 0$  and  $Qx \in \overline{co}\{S(t)x \mid t \ge 0\}$  for every  $x \in C$ .

*Proof.* ¿From Lemma 3.1, there exists a net  $\{i_t\}_{t>0}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^+$  such that

(6) 
$$\lim_{t \to \infty} \left\| \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t S(\tau + i_t) x \, d\tau - z \right\|$$

exists for every  $z \in F(S)$ . Set  $\Phi_t = \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t S(\tau + i_t) x \, d\tau$ . As in the Remark of Corollary 2.9, there exists a subnet  $\{\Phi_{t_\alpha}\}$  of  $\{\Phi_t\}$  such that  $\Phi_{t_\alpha}$  converges strongly to a common fixed point  $y_0$  of S. So it follows from (6) that

$$\lim_{t \to \infty} \|\Phi_t - y_0\| = \lim_{\alpha} \|\Phi_{t_{\alpha}} - y_0\| = 0.$$

This implies that  $\Phi_t \longrightarrow y_0$ . Next we prove that  $\frac{1}{t} \int_0^t S(\tau + i_t + h) x \, d\tau$  converges strongly to  $y_0 \in F(S)$  uniformly in  $h \ge 0$ . Take a net  $\{i'_t\}_{t\ge 0}$  in  $R^+$  such that  $i'_t \ge i_t$  for every  $t \ge 0$ . Then, from Remark of Lemma 3.1, we have  $\frac{1}{t} \int_0^t S(\tau + i'_t) x \, d\tau \longrightarrow y_0 \in F(S)$ . Since  $\{i'_t\}_{t\ge 0}$ is any net in  $R^+$  such that  $i'_t \ge i_t$  for every  $t \ge 0$ , it follows that  $\frac{1}{t} \int_0^t S(\tau + i_t + h) x \, d\tau$ converges strongly to  $y_0$  uniformly in h > 0. Let  $\varepsilon > 0$ . Then, there exists  $t_0 > 0$  such that

verges strongly to 
$$y_0$$
 uniformly in  $h \ge 0$ . Let  $\varepsilon > 0$ . Then, there exists  $t_0 \ge 0$  so  
$$\left\| \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t S(\tau + i_t + h) x \, d\tau - y_0 \right\| < \varepsilon$$

for every  $t \ge t_0$  and  $h \ge 0$ . So, we have

$$\left\| \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t S(\tau+h) x \, d\tau - y_0 \right\|$$
$$= \left\| \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t \left( \frac{1}{s} \int_0^s S(\tau+h+\sigma) x \, d\sigma \right) d\tau \right\|$$

$$\begin{split} &+ \frac{1}{ts} \int_{0}^{s} (s-\tau) \{ S(\tau+h)x - S(t+\tau+h)x \} d\tau - y_{0} \ \bigg| \\ &\leq \ \frac{1}{t} \left\| \int_{0}^{t} \Big\{ \frac{1}{s} \int_{0}^{s} S(\tau+h+\sigma)x \, d\sigma - y_{0} \Big\} d\tau \right\| \\ &+ \frac{1}{ts} \int_{0}^{s} (s-\tau) \| S(\tau+h)x - S(t+\tau+h)x \| \, d\tau \\ &= \ \frac{1}{t} \left\| \int_{0}^{i_{s}} \Big\{ \frac{1}{s} \int_{0}^{s} S(\tau+h+\sigma)x \, d\sigma - y_{0} \Big\} \, d\tau \\ &+ \int_{i_{s}}^{t} \Big\{ \frac{1}{s} \int_{0}^{s} S(\tau+h+\sigma)x \, d\sigma - y_{0} \Big\} \, d\tau \\ &+ \frac{1}{ts} \int_{0}^{s} (s-\tau) \| S(\tau+h)x - S(t+\tau+h)x \| \, d\tau \\ &\leq \ \frac{1}{t} \int_{0}^{i_{s}} \left\| \frac{1}{s} \int_{0}^{s} S(\tau+h+\sigma)x \, d\sigma - y_{0} \right\| \, d\tau \\ &+ \frac{1}{ts} \int_{0}^{t-i_{s}} \left\| \frac{1}{s} \int_{0}^{s} S(\tau+h+\sigma)x \, d\sigma - y_{0} \right\| \, d\tau \\ &+ \frac{1}{ts} \int_{0}^{t-i_{s}} \| \frac{1}{s} \int_{0}^{s} S(\tau+h+\sigma)x \, d\sigma - y_{0} \| \, d\tau \\ &+ \frac{1}{ts} \int_{0}^{s} (s-\tau) \| S(\tau+h)x - S(t+\tau+h)x \| \, d\tau \\ &\leq \ \frac{i_{s}}{t} R + \frac{t-i_{s}}{t} \varepsilon + \frac{s}{2t} R \end{split}$$

for every  $s \ge t_0$ ,  $t \ge i_s$  and  $h \ge 0$ , where  $R = \operatorname{diam} C$ . Since  $\varepsilon > 0$  is arbitrary, it follows that  $\frac{1}{t} \int_0^t S(\tau + h) x \, d\tau$  converges strongly to  $y_0 \in F(S)$  uniformly in  $h \ge 0$ . If  $Qx = \lim_{t \to \infty} \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t S(\tau) x \, d\tau$  for every  $x \in C$ , then Q is a nonexpansive mapping from C onto

F(S). In fact, let  $\{k(t) \mid t \ge 0\}$  be Lipschitz constants of S. Then, we get

$$\left\| \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t S(\tau) x \, d\tau - \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t S(\tau) y \, d\tau \right\| \le \|x - y\| \cdot \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t k(\tau) \, d\tau \,,$$

which implies  $||Qx - Qy|| \le ||x - y||$  for every  $x, y \in C$ . Moreover, we have QS(t) = S(t)Q = Q for every  $t \ge 0$  and  $Qx \in \overline{co}\{S(t)x \mid t \ge 0\}$  for every  $x \in C$ .

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