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REMARKS ON MULTIVALUED NONEXPANSIVE MAPPINGS

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Abstract. Convergence of fixed point sets of multivalued nonexpansive mappings is studied under both the Mosco and Hausdorff senses. A characterization for *-nonexpansive multivalued mappings is given. Also a counterexample is constructed to show a negative answer to a question raised by A. Canbtti, G. Marino and P. Pibtramala.

Let H be a Hilbert space, C a bounded closed convex subset of H and $T: C \rightarrow C$ is a (single-valued) nonexpansive mapping (i.e., $\|Tx - Ty\| \leq \|x - y\|$, $x, y \in C$). Then for each fixed $x_0 \in C$ and $\lambda \in [0, 1)$, the mapping $T_\lambda: C \rightarrow C$ defined by

$$T_\lambda x = (1 - \lambda)x_0 + \lambda Tx, \quad x \in C \quad (1)$$

is a contraction on C . Hence, Banach's Contraction Principle yields a unique $x_\lambda \in C$ such that $T_\lambda x_\lambda = x_\lambda$; namely,

$$x_\lambda = (1 - \lambda)x_0 + \lambda T x_\lambda. \quad (2)$$

An elegant result in the fixed point theory of (single-valued) nonexpansive mappings is Browder's theorem [1] which states that the approximating curve x_λ defined by (2) converges strongly as $\lambda \rightarrow 1$ to a fixed point of T . This result

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was extended by Reich [11] to a framework of a uniformly smooth Banach space. For recent progress along the line, the reader is referred to [12], [7], [14].

Now we turn to the multivalued case. For a metric space (X, d) , we use $CB(X)$ to denote the family of all nonempty closed bounded subsets of X , $K(X)$ the family of all nonempty compact subsets of X , and H the Hausdorff metric on $CB(X)$ induced by the metric d of X ; that is, for $A, B \in CB(X)$,

$$H(A, B) = \max \left\{ \sup_{a \in A} d(a, B), \sup_{b \in B} d(b, A) \right\},$$

where $d(x, E) = \inf\{d(x, y) : y \in E\}$ is the distance from a point $x \in X$ to a subset $E \subset X$. Now recall that a multivalued mapping $T : X \rightarrow CB(X)$ is said to be *nonexpansive* if

$$H(Tx, Ty) \leq d(x, y), \quad x, y \in X.$$

Recall also that a sequence $\{A_n\}$ in $CB(X)$ is said to converge to an element $A \in CB(X)$ under the Mosco sense if

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n = \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n = A,$$

where $\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n = \{x \in X : \text{there are subsequences } \{n_k\} \text{ and } \{x_{n_k}\} \text{ with } x_{n_k} \in A_{n_k} \text{ such that } x_{n_k} \rightarrow x\}$ and $\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n = \{x \in X : \text{there exists } x_n \in A_n \text{ for each } n \text{ such that } x_n \rightarrow x\}$. It is not hard to see that if $H(A_n, A) \rightarrow 0$ ($A_n, A \in CB(X)$), then $A_n \rightarrow A$ under the sense of Mosco. Assume now H and C are as above and $T : C \rightarrow K(C)$ is nonexpansive. For each fixed $x_0 \in C$ and $\lambda \in [0, 1)$, we define the mapping $T_\lambda : C \rightarrow K(C)$ by the same formula (1) above. Then T_λ is a multivalued contraction and hence has a (nonunique, in general) fixed point $x_\lambda \in C$ (see[8]); i.e.,

$$x_\lambda \in (1 - \lambda)x_0 + \lambda T x_\lambda. \quad (3)$$

Let $y_\lambda \in T x_\lambda$ be such that

$$x_\lambda = (1 - \lambda)x_0 + \lambda y_\lambda. \quad (4)$$

A natural question now gives rise to whether Browder's theorem can be extended to the multivalued case. The following simple example presents a negative answer.

Example 1.[10] Let $C = [0, 1] \times [0, 1]$ be the square in the real plane and $T : C \rightarrow K(C)$ be defined by

$$T(a, b) = \text{the triangle with vertices } (0, 0), (a, 0), (0, b), \quad (a, b) \in C.$$

Then it is easy to see that for any $(a_i, b_i) \in C$, $i = 1, 2$,

$$H(T(a_1, b_1), T(a_2, b_2)) = \max\{|a_1 - a_2|, |b_1 - b_2|\} \leq \|(a_1, b_1) - (a_2, b_2)\|,$$

showing that T is nonexpansive. It is also easy to see that the fixed point set of T is $F(T) = \{(a, 0) : 0 \leq a \leq 1\} \cup \{(0, b) : 0 \leq b \leq 1\}$. Let $x_0 = (1, 0)$. Then the map T_λ defined by (1) has the fixed point set

$$F(T_\lambda) = \{(a, 0) : 1 - \lambda \leq a \leq 1\}.$$

Let

$$x_\lambda = \begin{cases} (\frac{1}{n}, 0), & \text{if } \lambda = 1 - \frac{1}{n}; \\ (1, 0), & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Then $\{x_\lambda\}$ satisfies (3) but is not convergent.

The same example also shows that the net $\{F(T_\lambda)\}$ of fixed point sets of the T_λ 's does not converge as $\lambda \rightarrow 1$ to the fixed point set $F(T)$ of T under either the Hausdorff metric or the Mosco sense. However, this will be so if we put some restrictions on the fixed point set $F(T)$ of T . First recall that a Banach space X is said to satisfy *Opial's property* [9] if for any sequence $\{x_n\}$ in X , the condition that $\{x_n\}$ converges weakly to x implies that

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x_n - x\| < \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x_n - y\| \quad \forall y \in X, \quad y \neq x.$$

Spaces satisfying this property include all Hilbert spaces and ℓ^p for $1 < p < \infty$. Also it is known [3] that any separable Banach space can be equivalently renormed so that it possesses Opial's property.

Theorem 1. *Let C be a nonempty closed bounded convex subset of a Banach space X satisfying Opial's property and $T : C \rightarrow K(C)$ be a non-expansive mapping such that $F(T) = \{z\}$. Then for any $x_0 \in C$, the net $\{F(T_\lambda)\}$ of fixed point sets of the T_λ 's weakly converges as $\lambda \rightarrow 1$ to the fixed point set $F(T)$ of T under the Mosco sense, i.e.,*

$$w - \limsup_{\lambda \rightarrow 1} F(T_\lambda) = w - \liminf_{\lambda \rightarrow 1} F(T_\lambda) = F(T).$$

Proof. It is sufficient to show that

- (i) $F(T) \supseteq w - \limsup_{\lambda \rightarrow 1} F(T_\lambda)$ and
- (ii) $w - \liminf_{\lambda \rightarrow 1} F(T_\lambda) \supseteq F(T)$.

To show (i), we assume that $x \in w - \limsup_{\lambda \rightarrow 1} F(T_\lambda)$, which means that there exist a sequence $\lambda_n \in [0, 1)$ converging to 1 and a sequence $\{x_n\}$ such that $x_n \in F(T_{\lambda_n})$ and $x_n \rightarrow x$ weakly. Let $y_n \in Tx_n$ be such that $x_n = (1 - \lambda_n)x_0 + \lambda_n y_n$. Choose $z_n \in Tx$ satisfying

$$\|y_n - z_n\| \leq H(Tx_n, Tx) \leq \|x_n - x\|. \quad (5)$$

Since Tx is compact, we may assume that $z_n \rightarrow z_\infty \in Tx$ strongly. Noting that $\|x_n - y_n\| \rightarrow 0$, we obtain by (5) that

$$\limsup \|x_n - z_\infty\| \leq \limsup \|x_n - x\|. \quad (6)$$

Since $x_n \rightarrow x$ weakly, it follows from (6) and Opial's property that $x = z_\infty$ and $x \in Tx$. This concludes the proof of (i). Next we show (ii). For each $\lambda \in [0, 1)$, choose any $x_\lambda \in F(T_\lambda)$ and $y_\lambda \in Tx_\lambda$ satisfying (4). Then by the same proof as above, we see that every weak cluster point of $\{x_\lambda\}$ is a fixed point of T . But, by assumption, $F(T) = \{z\}$. Hence $\{x_\lambda\}$ converges weakly as $\lambda \rightarrow 1$ to z .

If the unique fixed point z of T is such that $Tz = \{z\}$, then we have the following strong convergence result.

Theorem 2. *Let C be a nonempty closed convex subset of a Hilbert space H and $T : C \rightarrow K(C)$ be a nonexpansive mapping with a unique fixed point z . Suppose in addition that $Tz = \{z\}$. Then $H(F(T_\lambda), F(T)) \rightarrow 0$ as $\lambda \rightarrow 1$.*

Proof. First we observe that $\{F(T_\lambda)\}$ is uniformly bounded. In fact, given any $x_\lambda \in F(T_\lambda)$, we have some $y_\lambda \in Tx_\lambda$ such that $x_\lambda = (1 - \lambda)x_0 + \lambda y_\lambda$. However,

$$\|y_\lambda - z\| = d(y_\lambda, Tz) \leq H(Tx_\lambda, Tz) \leq \|x_\lambda - z\|.$$

Hence

$$\|x_\lambda - z\| \leq \lambda\|y_\lambda - z\| + (1 - \lambda)\|x_0 - z\| \leq \lambda\|x_\lambda - z\| + (1 - \lambda)\|x_0 - z\|.$$

This implies that $\|x_\lambda - z\| \leq \|x_0 - z\|$ and $\{x_\lambda\}$ is uniformly bounded. Now choose $x_\lambda \in F(T_\lambda)$ such that

$$H(F(T_\lambda), F(T)) = \sup_{x \in F(T_\lambda)} \|x - z\| < \|x_\lambda - z\| + 1 - \lambda.$$

We shall show that $\|x_\lambda - z\| \rightarrow 0$ as $\lambda \rightarrow 1$. Indeed, we have $y_\lambda \in Tx_\lambda$ satisfying (4). Since $\|y_\lambda - z\| = d(y_\lambda, Tz) \leq H(Tx_\lambda, Tz) \leq \|x_\lambda - z\|$, we obtain

$$\left\| \frac{x_\lambda - (1 - \lambda)x_0}{\lambda} - z \right\| \leq \|x_\lambda - z\|; \quad \text{that is,}$$

$$\left\| \frac{x_\lambda - x_0}{\lambda} + (x_0 - z) \right\|^2 \leq \|(x_\lambda - x_0) + (x_0 - z)\|^2,$$

which leads to

$$\|\lambda - x_0\|^2 \leq \frac{2\lambda}{1 + \lambda} \langle x_\lambda - x_0, z - x_0 \rangle \leq \|x_\lambda - x_0\| \|z - x_0\|.$$

Therefore,

$$\|x_\lambda - x_0\| \leq \|z - x_0\|. \quad (7)$$

From the proof of theorem 1, we know that $x_\lambda \rightarrow z$ weakly as $\lambda \rightarrow 1$. It then easily follows from (7) that $\limsup_{\lambda \rightarrow 1} \|x_\lambda\| \leq \|z\|$. On the other hand, due to the lower weak continuity of the norm of H , we have $\liminf_{\lambda \rightarrow 1} \|x_\lambda\| \geq \|z\|$. Therefore, we have $\lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 1} \|x_\lambda\| = \|z\|$ and

$$\|x_\lambda - z\|^2 = \|x_\lambda\|^2 - 2\langle x_\lambda, z \rangle + \|z\|^2 \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } \lambda \rightarrow 1.$$

This completes the proof of the theorem.

Corollary 1. [10] *Let the assumptions of theorem 2 be satisfied. Then*

$$w - \limsup_{\lambda \rightarrow 1} F(T_\lambda) = \|\cdot\| - \liminf_{\lambda \rightarrow 1} F(T_\lambda) = F(T).$$

Remark 1. The example above shows that the conclusions of theorems 1 and 2 are not valid if the fixed point set $F(T)$ of T is not a singleton. However, it is an open question whether the restriction $Tz = \{z\}$ in Theorem 2 can be removed. We also do not know if Theorem 2 is valid outside a Hilbert space.

Next we let (X, d) be a metric space. A multivalued map $f : X \rightarrow K(X)$ is said to be $*$ -nonexpansive [4] if for all $x, y \in X$ and $u_x \in f(x)$ with $d(x, u_x) = \inf\{d(x, z) : z \in f(x)\}$, there exists $u_y \in f(y)$ with $d(y, u_y) = \inf\{d(y, w) : w \in f(y)\}$ such that

$$d(u_x, u_y) \leq d(x, y).$$

It is obvious that this notion is identical with the notion of nonexpansiveness for singlevalued mappings. But they are different for multivalued mappings (see [13]). We now give a characterization of multivalued $*$ -nonexpansive mappings. Denote by P_f the map $x \mapsto \{u_x \in f(x) : d(x, u_x) = \inf\{d(x, u) : u \in f(x)\}\}$. Note that $P_f(x)$ is nonempty for $f(x)$ is compact.

Theorem 3. *A multivalued map $f : X \rightarrow K(X)$ is $*$ -nonexpansive if and only if the associated map $P_f : X \rightarrow K(X)$ is nonexpansive.*

Proof. First assume that f is $*$ -nonexpansive. Given any $x, y \in X$ and $u_x \in P_f(x)$. By definition, there is $u_y \in f(y)$ such that $d(u_x, u_y) \leq d(x, y)$. It follows that

$$\sup_{u_x \rightarrow P_f(x)} d(u_x, P_f(y)) \leq \sup_{u_x \rightarrow P_f(x)} d(u_x, u_y) \leq d(x, y).$$

The same argument shows that

$$\sup_{u_y \rightarrow P_f(y)} d(u_y, P_f(x)) \leq d(x, y).$$

Hence

$$H(P_f(x), P_f(y)) \leq d(x, y)$$

and P_f is nonexpansive. Conversely, we assume that P_f is nonexpansive. Then given any $x, y \in X$ and $u_x \in f(x)$ with $d(x, u_x) = \inf\{d(x, z) : z \in f(x)\}$ (i.e., $u_x \in P_f(x)$). By compactness, we can choose $u_y \in P_f(y)$ such that $d(u_x, u_y) = d(u_x, P_f(y))$. Hence

$$d(u_x, u_y) \leq H(P_f(x), P_f(y)) \leq d(x, y)$$

and f is $*$ -nonexpansive.

Remark 2. Theorem 3 indicates that the fixed point theory of multivalued nonexpansive mappings applies to multivalued $*$ -nonexpansive mappings; in particular, we have the following results whose nonexpansive counterparts were proved in [5] and [6], respectively.

Corollary 2 *Let X be a Banach space satisfying Opial's property, C a nonempty weakly compact convex subset of X , and $T : C \rightarrow K(C)$ a $*$ -nonexpansive mapping. Then T has a fixed point.*

Corollary 3. *Let X be a uniformly convex Banach space, C a nonempty closed bounded convex subset of X , and $T : C \rightarrow K(C)$ a $*$ -nonexpansive mapping. Then T has a fixed point.*

Corollaries 2 and 3 improve upon the corresponding results of [4] and [13].

We conclude the paper with a counterexample that presents a negative answer to a question raised by A. Canbtti, G. Marino and P. Pibtramala [2].

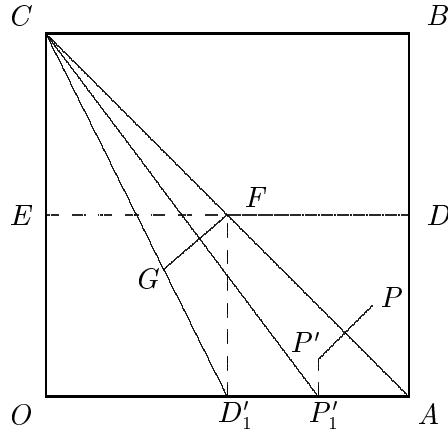
Suppose that H is a Hilbert space and K is a nonempty closed convex subset of H . We denote by $\mathcal{KC}(K)$ the family of all nonempty compact convex subsets of K , and by $d(A, B)$ the distance between two subsets $A, B \subset H$, i.e., $d(A, B) = \inf\{\|x - y\| : x \in A, y \in B\}$. With each mapping $T : K \rightarrow \mathcal{KC}(H)$ one can associate a multivalued mapping $\hat{T} : K \rightarrow \mathcal{KC}(H)$ defined as follows:

$$\hat{T}x := \{y \in Tx : d(y, K) = d(Tx, K)\}.$$

The question raised by A. Canbtti, G. Marino and P. Pibtramala (see [2, Remark 1, p. 207]) is whether the nonexpansiveness of T implies that \hat{T} is nonexpansive. The following example shows that the answer is negative.

Example 2. Let $OABC$ be the unit square $[0, 1] \times [0, 1]$ in the plane H . Let D and E be the midpoints of the segments \overline{AB} and \overline{OC} , respectively. Let K be the triangle $\triangle ADF$. To each point $P \in K$, let P' be the symmetric point of P with respect to the diagonal segment \overline{AC} . Let P'_1 be the projection of P' onto the segment \overline{OA} . Now we define a map $T : K \rightarrow \mathcal{KC}(H)$ by setting (see the figure below)

$$T(P) := \text{The segment } \overline{CP'_1}.$$



It is then easy to see that T is a nonexpansive mapping with the unique fixed point A . We also have the following facts:

- (i) $T(A) = \overline{AC}$ and hence $d(T(A), K) = 0$;
- (ii) $\hat{T}(A)$ is the segment \overline{AF} ;
- (iii) $T(D) = \overline{CD'_1}$, where D'_1 is the midpoint of \overline{OA} ;
- (iv) $\hat{T}(D) = \{G\}$, where G is the nearest point projection of F onto the segment $\overline{CD'_1}$. Hence

$$\begin{aligned} H(\hat{T}(A), \hat{T}(D)) &= \sup\{d(G, M) : M \in \overline{AF}\} \\ &= \text{The length of the segment } \overline{GA} \\ &> \text{The length of the segment } \overline{AD} \\ &= d(A, D), \end{aligned}$$

showing that \hat{T} is not nonexpansive.

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