

# COMMON FIXED POINTS OF ONE-PARAMETER NONEXPANSIVE SEMIGROUPS IN STRICTLY CONVEX BANACH SPACES

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One of our main results is the following convergence theorem for one-parameter nonexpansive semigroups: let  $C$  be a bounded closed convex subset of a Hilbert space  $E$ , and let  $\{T(t) : t \in \mathbb{R}_+\}$  be a strongly continuous semigroup of nonexpansive mappings on  $C$ . Fix  $u \in C$  and  $t_1, t_2 \in \mathbb{R}_+$  with  $t_1 < t_2$ . Define a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $C$  by  $x_n = (1 - \alpha_n)/(t_2 - t_1) \int_{t_1}^{t_2} T(s)x_nds + \alpha_n u$  for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , where  $\{\alpha_n\}$  is a sequence in  $(0, 1)$  converging to 0. Then  $\{x_n\}$  converges strongly to a common fixed point of  $\{T(t) : t \in \mathbb{R}_+\}$ .

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## 1. Introduction

Let  $C$  be a closed convex subset of a Banach space  $E$ , and let  $T$  be a *nonexpansive mapping* on  $C$ , that is,  $\|Tx - Ty\| \leq \|x - y\|$  for all  $x, y \in C$ . We know that  $T$  has a fixed point in the case that  $E$  is uniformly convex and  $C$  is bounded; see Browder [4], Göhde [10], and Kirk [15]. We denote by  $F(T)$  the set of fixed points of  $T$ .

Let  $\{T(t) : t \in \mathbb{R}_+\}$  be a *strongly continuous semigroup of nonexpansive mappings* (*nonexpansive semigroup*, in short) on a closed convex subset  $C$  of a Banach space  $E$ , that is,

(i) for each  $t \in \mathbb{R}_+$ ,  $T(t)$  is a nonexpansive mapping on  $C$ ;

(ii)  $T(s+t) = T(s) \circ T(t)$  for all  $s, t \in \mathbb{R}_+$ ;

(iii) for each  $x \in C$ , the mapping  $t \mapsto T(t)x$  from  $\mathbb{R}_+$  into  $C$  is strongly continuous.

We also know that  $\{T(t) : t \in \mathbb{R}_+\}$  has a common fixed point in the case that  $E$  is uniformly convex and  $C$  is bounded; see Browder [4]. Bruck [7] prove the following theorem.

**THEOREM 1.1** (Bruck [7]). *Suppose a closed convex subset  $C$  of a Banach space has the fixed point property for nonexpansive mappings, and  $C$  is either weakly compact, or bounded and separable. Then for any commuting family  $S$  of nonexpansive mappings on  $C$ , the set of common fixed points of  $S$  is a nonempty nonexpansive retract of  $C$ .*

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This theorem yields that  $\{T(t) : t \in \mathbb{R}_+\}$  has a common fixed point in the case that  $C$  has the fixed point property, and that  $C$  is weakly compact, or bounded and separable.

Several authors have studied about convergence theorems for nonexpansive semigroups; see [1, 2, 13, 16, 19, 21, 22] and others. For example, the following theorem is a corollary of Theorem 8 in [19].

**THEOREM 1.2** (Shioji and Takahashi [19]). *Let  $C$  be a bounded closed convex subset of a Hilbert space  $E$ . Let  $\{T(t) : t \in \mathbb{R}_+\}$  be a strongly continuous semigroup of nonexpansive mappings on  $C$ . Let  $\{\alpha_n\}$  and  $\{t_n\}$  be sequences of real numbers satisfying  $0 < \alpha_n < 1$ ,  $\lim_n \alpha_n = 0$ ,  $t_n > 0$  and  $\lim_n t_n = \infty$ . Fix  $u \in C$  and define a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $C$  by*

$$x_n = \frac{1 - \alpha_n}{t_n} \int_0^{t_n} T(s)x_n \, ds + \alpha_n u \quad (1.1)$$

for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then  $\{x_n\}$  converges strongly to a common fixed point of  $\{T(t) : t \in \mathbb{R}_+\}$ .

Also, Suzuki[21] proved the following theorem.

**THEOREM 1.3** (Suzuki [21]). *Let  $E$ ,  $C$ ,  $\{T(t) : t \in \mathbb{R}_+\}$  be as in Theorem 1.2. Let  $\{\alpha_n\}$  and  $\{t_n\}$  be sequences of real numbers satisfying  $0 < \alpha_n < 1$ ,  $t_n > 0$  and  $\lim_n t_n = \lim_n \alpha_n/t_n = 0$ . Fix  $u \in C$  and define a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $C$  by*

$$x_n = (1 - \alpha_n)T(t_n)x_n + \alpha_n u \quad (1.2)$$

for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then  $\{x_n\}$  converges strongly to a common fixed point of  $\{T(t) : t \in \mathbb{R}_+\}$ .

We note that in these theorems, real sequences  $\{t_n\}$  converge to 0 and  $\infty$ . So, it is natural to study convergence theorems under the assumption that  $\{t_n\}$  is a constant sequence. In this paper, motivated by Theorems 1.2 and 1.3, we consider such type of convergence theorems to a common fixed point of  $\{T(t) : t \in \mathbb{R}_+\}$ .

## 2. Preliminaries

Throughout this paper we denote by  $\mathbb{R}$  the set of real numbers, by  $\mathbb{R}_+$  the set of nonnegative real numbers, and by  $\mathbb{N}$  the set of positive integers. For a Banach space  $E$ , we also denote by  $E^*$  the dual space of  $E$ .

We recall that a Banach space  $E$  is called strictly convex if  $\|x + y\|/2 < 1$  for all  $x, y \in E$  with  $\|x\| = \|y\| = 1$  and  $x \neq y$ . We know the following lemma.

**LEMMA 2.1.** *Let  $E$  be a Banach space. Then the following are equivalent:*

- (i)  $E$  is strictly convex;
- (ii)  $\|\lambda x + (1 - \lambda)y\| < 1$  for all  $\lambda \in (0, 1)$  and  $x, y \in E$  with  $\|x\| = \|y\| = 1$  and  $x \neq y$ ;
- (iii) if  $\|x\| = \|y\| = \|\lambda x + (1 - \lambda)y\|$  for some  $\lambda \in (0, 1)$ , then  $x = y$ .

A Banach space  $E$  is called uniformly convex if for each  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists  $\delta > 0$  such that  $\|x + y\|/2 < 1 - \delta$  for all  $x, y \in E$  with  $\|x\| = \|y\| = 1$  and  $\|x - y\| \geq \varepsilon$ . It is clear that a uniformly convex Banach space is strictly convex. The norm of  $E$  is called Fréchet differentiable if for each  $x \in E$  with  $\|x\| = 1$ ,  $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} (\|x + ty\| - \|x\|)/t$  exists and is attained uniformly in  $y \in E$  with  $\|y\| = 1$ . A Banach space  $E$  is said to have the Opial property [17]

if for each weakly convergent sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $E$  with weak limit  $z$ ,  $\liminf_n \|x_n - z\| < \liminf_n \|x_n - y\|$  for all  $y \in E$  with  $y \neq z$ . All Hilbert spaces, all finite dimensional Banach spaces and  $\ell^p$  ( $1 \leq p < \infty$ ) have the Opial property. Gossez and Lami Dozo[11] prove that every weakly compact convex subset of a Banach space with the Opial property has normal structure. We also know that every separable Banach space can be equivalently renormed so that it has the Opial property; see [23].

### 3. Common fixed points

In this section, we give our main results. The following proposition plays an important role in this paper.

**PROPOSITION 3.1.** *Let  $C$  be a closed convex subset of a strictly convex Banach space  $E$ . Let  $\tau_\infty > 0$  and let  $\{T(t) : t \in [0, \tau_\infty)\}$  be a family of mappings on  $C$  satisfying the following:*

- (i) *for each  $t \in [0, \tau_\infty)$ ,  $T(t)$  is nonexpansive;*
- (ii) *there exists a strictly increasing sequence  $\{\tau_n\}$  in  $[0, \tau_\infty)$  such that  $\tau_1 = 0$ ,  $\{\tau_n\}$  converges to  $\tau_\infty$ , and mappings  $t \mapsto T(t)x$  are weakly continuous on  $[\tau_n, \tau_{n+1})$  for all  $x \in C$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .*

Suppose that

$$\bigcap_{t \in [0, \tau_\infty)} F(T(t)) \neq \emptyset. \quad (3.1)$$

Then

$$\bigcap_{t \in [0, \tau_\infty)} F(T(t)) = F(S), \quad (3.2)$$

where  $S$  is a nonexpansive mapping on  $C$  defined by

$$Sx = \frac{1}{\tau_\infty} \int_0^{\tau_\infty} T(s)x \, ds \quad (3.3)$$

for all  $x \in C$ .

*Remark 3.2.* We do not assume  $\{T(\cdot)\}$  is a nonexpansive semigroup.

*Proof.* Fix  $f \in E^*$ . Then the functions  $t \mapsto f(T(t)x)$  from  $[\tau_n, \tau_{n+1})$  into  $\mathbb{R}$  are continuous on  $[\tau_n, \tau_{n+1})$  for  $x \in C$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . So, the functions  $t \mapsto f(T(t)x)$  from  $[0, \tau_\infty)$  into  $\mathbb{R}$  are measurable for  $x \in C$ . We also have  $\{T(t)x : t \in [0, \tau_\infty)\}$  is separable for each  $x \in C$ . Fix  $w \in \bigcap_{t \in [0, \tau_\infty)} F(T(t))$ . Since

$$\begin{aligned} \|T(t)x\| &= \|T(t)x\| - \|T(t)w\| + \|w\| \leq |T(t)x - T(t)w| + \|w\| \\ &\leq \|x - w\| + \|w\|, \end{aligned} \quad (3.4)$$

for  $x \in C$  and  $t \in [0, \tau_\infty)$ , we have that the mappings  $t \mapsto T(t)x$  are Bochner integrable for all  $x \in C$  and hence  $S$  is well-defined. Using the separation theorem, we can easily prove

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that  $S$  is a mapping on  $C$ . Since

$$\begin{aligned}\|Sx - Sy\| &= \left\| \frac{1}{\tau_\infty} \int_0^{\tau_\infty} (T(s)x - T(s)y) ds \right\| \\ &\leq \frac{1}{\tau_\infty} \int_0^{\tau_\infty} \|T(s)x - T(s)y\| ds \\ &\leq \frac{1}{\tau_\infty} \int_0^{\tau_\infty} \|x - y\| ds = \|x - y\|\end{aligned}\tag{3.5}$$

for  $x, y \in C$ ,  $S$  is nonexpansive. Therefore  $S$  is a nonexpansive mapping on  $C$ . It is obvious that  $\bigcap_{t \in [0, \tau_\infty)} F(T(t)) \subset F(S)$ . We assume that  $z \in F(S) \setminus \bigcap_{t \in [0, \tau_\infty)} F(T(t))$ . Then there exists  $t_1 \in [0, \tau_\infty)$  such that  $T(t_1)z \neq z$ . Fix  $g \in E^*$  with

$$\|g\| = 1, \quad g(T(t_1)z - z) = \|T(t_1)z - z\|.\tag{3.6}$$

For some  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $t_1$  belongs to  $[\tau_m, \tau_{m+1})$ . From the assumption (ii), there exists  $t_2 \in (t_1, \tau_{m+1})$  such that

$$g(T(t)z - z) > \frac{1}{2} \|T(t_1)z - z\|\tag{3.7}$$

for all  $t \in [t_1, t_2)$ . Define nonexpansive mappings  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  on  $C$  by

$$\begin{aligned}S_1x &= \frac{1}{t_2 - t_1} \int_{t_1}^{t_2} T(s)x ds, \\ S_2x &= \frac{1}{\tau_\infty - t_2 + t_1} \left( \int_0^{t_1} T(s)x ds + \int_{t_2}^{\tau_\infty} T(s)x ds \right)\end{aligned}\tag{3.8}$$

for all  $x \in C$ . We note that

$$Sx = \frac{t_2 - t_1}{\tau_\infty} S_1x + \frac{\tau_\infty - t_2 + t_1}{\tau_\infty} S_2x\tag{3.9}$$

for all  $x \in C$ . We have

$$\begin{aligned}g(S_1z - Sz) &= g\left(\frac{1}{t_2 - t_1} \int_{t_1}^{t_2} T(s)z ds - z\right) \\ &= g\left(\frac{1}{t_2 - t_1} \int_{t_1}^{t_2} (T(s)z - z) ds\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{t_2 - t_1} \int_{t_1}^{t_2} g(T(s)z - z) ds \\ &\geq \frac{1}{t_2 - t_1} \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \frac{1}{2} \|T(t_1)z - z\| ds \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \|T(t_1)z - z\| > 0.\end{aligned}\tag{3.10}$$

Hence

$$g(S_2z - Sz) = \frac{t_2 - t_1}{\tau_\infty - t_2 + t_1} g(Sz - S_1z) < 0.\tag{3.11}$$

Therefore  $S_1z \neq S_2z$ . Fix  $w \in \bigcap_{t \in [0, \tau_\infty)} F(T(t))$ . Then we note that  $S_1w = S_2w = w$ . We have

$$\begin{aligned}
\|z - w\| &= \|Sz - w\| = \left\| \frac{t_2 - t_1}{\tau_\infty} S_1z + \frac{\tau_\infty - t_2 + t_1}{\tau_\infty} S_2z - w \right\| \\
&\leq \frac{t_2 - t_1}{\tau_\infty} \|S_1z - w\| + \frac{\tau_\infty - t_2 + t_1}{\tau_\infty} \|S_2z - w\| \\
&= \frac{t_2 - t_1}{\tau_\infty} \|S_1z - S_1w\| + \frac{\tau_\infty - t_2 + t_1}{\tau_\infty} \|S_2z - S_2w\| \\
&\leq \frac{t_2 - t_1}{\tau_\infty} \|z - w\| + \frac{\tau_\infty - t_2 + t_1}{\tau_\infty} \|z - w\| = \|z - w\|
\end{aligned} \tag{3.12}$$

and hence

$$\|Sz - w\| = \|S_1z - w\| = \|S_2z - w\|. \tag{3.13}$$

This contradicts the strict convexity of  $E$ . Therefore,  $F(S) \subset \bigcap_{t \in [0, \tau_\infty)} F(T(t))$ . This completes the proof.  $\square$

As a direct consequence of Proposition 3.1, we can prove the following, which was proved by Bruck [6]; see also [20].

**COROLLARY 3.3** (Bruck [6]). *Let  $C$  be a closed convex subset of a strictly convex Banach space  $E$ . Let  $\{T_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  be a sequence of nonexpansive mappings on  $C$ . Suppose  $\bigcap_{n=1}^\infty F(T_n)$  is nonempty. Let  $\{\alpha_n\}$  be a sequence of positive numbers with  $\sum_{n=1}^\infty \alpha_n = 1$ . Define a nonexpansive mapping  $S$  on  $C$  by*

$$Sx = \sum_{n=1}^\infty \alpha_n T_n x \tag{3.14}$$

for  $x \in C$ . Then  $F(S) = \bigcap_{n=1}^\infty F(T_n)$  holds.

*Proof.* Define a strictly increasing sequence  $\{\tau_n\}$  in  $[0, 1)$  by  $\tau_1 = 0$  and

$$\tau_n = \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \alpha_k \tag{3.15}$$

for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  with  $n \geq 2$ . We note that  $\lim_n \tau_n = 1$ . Define a family  $\{T(t) : t \in [0, 1)\}$  of nonexpansive mappings as follows: If  $\tau_n \leq t < \tau_{n+1}$ , then

$$T(t)x = T_n x \tag{3.16}$$

for all  $x \in C$ . Then we note that

$$Sx = \sum_{n=1}^\infty \alpha_n T_n x = \sum_{n=1}^\infty \int_{\tau_n}^{\tau_{n+1}} T(s)x \, ds = \int_0^1 T(s)x \, ds = \frac{1}{1} \int_0^1 T(s)x \, ds \tag{3.17}$$

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for  $x \in C$  and

$$\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} F(T_n) = \bigcap_{t \in [0,1]} F(T(t)). \quad (3.18)$$

So, by Proposition 3.1, we obtain the desired result.  $\square$

As another direct consequence of Proposition 3.1, we obtain the following proposition.

**PROPOSITION 3.4.** *Let  $C$  be a closed convex subset of a strictly convex Banach space  $E$ . Let  $\tau > 0$  and let  $\{T(t) : t \in [0, \tau]\}$  be a family of mappings on  $C$  satisfying the following:*

- (i) *for each  $t \in [0, \tau]$ ,  $T(t)$  is nonexpansive;*
- (ii) *mappings  $t \mapsto T(t)x$  are weakly continuous on  $[0, \tau]$  for all  $x \in C$ .*

Suppose that

$$\bigcap_{t \in [0, \tau]} F(T(t)) \neq \emptyset. \quad (3.19)$$

Then

$$\bigcap_{t \in [0, \tau]} F(T(t)) = F(S), \quad (3.20)$$

where  $S$  is a nonexpansive mapping on  $C$  defined by

$$Sx = \frac{1}{\tau} \int_0^{\tau} T(s)x \, ds \quad (3.21)$$

for all  $x \in C$ .

Now, we prove one of our main results.

**THEOREM 3.5.** *Let  $C$  be a closed convex subset of a strictly convex Banach space  $E$  and let  $\{T(t) : t \in \mathbb{R}_+\}$  be a strongly continuous semigroup of nonexpansive mappings on  $C$ . Suppose that*

$$\bigcap_{t \in \mathbb{R}_+} F(T(t)) \neq \emptyset. \quad (3.22)$$

Fix  $t_1, t_2 \in \mathbb{R}_+$  with  $t_1 < t_2$ , and define a nonexpansive mapping  $S$  on  $C$  by

$$Sx = \frac{1}{t_2 - t_1} \int_{t_1}^{t_2} T(s)x \, ds \quad (3.23)$$

for all  $x \in C$ . Then

$$\bigcap_{t \in \mathbb{R}_+} F(T(t)) = F(S) \quad (3.24)$$

holds.

*Proof.* It is clear that  $\bigcap_{t \in \mathbb{R}_+} F(T(t)) \subset F(S)$ . Fix  $w \in F(S)$ . By Proposition 3.4, we have

$$\bigcap_{t \in [t_1, t_2]} F(T(t)) = F(S). \quad (3.25)$$

So,  $T(t)w = w$  for  $t \in [t_1, t_2]$ . Hence, for every  $t \in [0, (t_2 - t_1)/2]$ , we have

$$T(t)w = T(t) \circ T(t_1)w = T(t + t_1)w = w. \quad (3.26)$$

Let  $t \in \mathbb{R}_+$  be fixed. Then there exist  $m \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$  and  $u \in [0, (t_2 - t_1)/2]$  such that  $t = u + m(t_2 - t_1)/2$ . We have

$$T(t)w = T\left(u + m \frac{t_2 - t_1}{2}\right)w = T(u) \circ T\left(\frac{t_2 - t_1}{2}\right)^m w = T(u)w = w, \quad (3.27)$$

where  $T((t_2 - t_1)/2)^0$  is the identity mapping on  $C$ . Therefore  $w$  is a common fixed point of  $\{T(t) : t \in \mathbb{R}_+\}$ . This completes the proof.  $\square$

Similarly we can prove the following theorem.

**THEOREM 3.6.** *Let  $C$  be a closed convex subset of a strictly convex Banach space  $E$  and let  $\{\{T_n(t) : t \in \mathbb{R}_+\} : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  be a sequence of strongly continuous semigroups of nonexpansive mappings on  $C$ . Let  $\{U_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  be a sequence of nonexpansive mappings on  $C$ . Suppose that*

$$\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} \bigcap_{t \in \mathbb{R}_+} F(T_n(t)) \cap \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} F(U_n) \neq \emptyset. \quad (3.28)$$

*Let  $\{t_n\}$ ,  $\{u_n\}$ ,  $\{\alpha_n\}$  and  $\{\beta_n\}$  be real sequences such that  $0 \leq t_n < u_n$ ,  $\alpha_n > 0$  and  $\beta_n > 0$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , and  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \alpha_n + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \beta_n = 1$ . Define a nonexpansive mapping  $S$  on  $C$  by*

$$Sx = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\alpha_n}{u_n - t_n} \int_{t_n}^{u_n} T_n(s)x \, ds + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \beta_n U_n x \quad (3.29)$$

*for all  $x \in C$ . Then*

$$\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} \bigcap_{t \in \mathbb{R}_+} F(T_n(t)) \cap \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} F(U_n) = F(S). \quad (3.30)$$

*holds.*

We recall that a closed convex subset  $C$  of a Banach space  $E$  is said to have the fixed point property for nonexpansive mappings (FPP, in short) if for every bounded closed convex subset  $D$  of  $C$ , every nonexpansive mapping on  $D$  has a fixed point. So, by the results of Browder [4] and Göhde [10], every uniformly convex Banach space has FPP. Also, by Kirk's fixed point theorem [15], every weakly compact convex subset with normal structure has FPP.

As a direct consequence of Theorem 3.6, we obtain the following corollary.

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**COROLLARY 3.7.** *Let  $E, C, \{\{T_n(t) : t \in \mathbb{R}_+\} : n \in \mathbb{N}\}, \{U_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}, \{t_n\}, \{u_n\}, \{\alpha_n\}$ , and  $\{\beta_n\}$  be as in Theorem 3.6. Assume that  $C$  is weakly compact and has FPP, and*

$$T_m(s) \circ T_n(t) = T_n(t) \circ T_m(s), \quad U_m \circ U_n = U_n \circ U_m, \quad U_m \circ T_n(t) = T_n(t) \circ U_m \quad (3.31)$$

for all  $s, t \in \mathbb{R}_+$  and  $m, n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Define a nonexpansive mapping  $S$  on  $C$  as in Theorem 3.6. Then

$$\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} \bigcap_{t \in \mathbb{R}_+} F(T_n(t)) \cap \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} F(U_n) = F(S) \neq \emptyset. \quad (3.32)$$

holds.

## 4. Convergence theorems

Using Theorem 3.5, we can prove many convergence theorems to a common fixed point of nonexpansive semigroups. In this section, we state some of them.

From the result of Ishikawa [14], we obtain the following theorem see also Edelstein [8].

**THEOREM 4.1.** *Let  $C$  be a compact convex subset of a strictly convex Banach space  $E$ . Let  $\{T(t) : t \in \mathbb{R}_+\}$  be a strongly continuous semigroup of nonexpansive mappings on  $C$ . Fix  $t_1, t_2 \in \mathbb{R}_+$  with  $t_1 < t_2$ . Define a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $C$  by  $x_1 \in C$  and*

$$x_{n+1} = \frac{\alpha_n}{t_2 - t_1} \int_{t_1}^{t_2} T(s)x_n \, ds + (1 - \alpha_n)x_n \quad (4.1)$$

for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , where  $\{\alpha_n\}$  is a sequence in  $[0, 1]$  satisfying  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \alpha_n = \infty$  and  $\limsup_n \alpha_n < 1$ . Then  $\{x_n\}$  converges strongly to a common fixed point of  $\{T(t) : t \in \mathbb{R}_+\}$ .

From the results of Edelstein and O'Brien [9], and Reich [18], we obtain the following theorem.

**THEOREM 4.2.** *Let  $E$  be a Banach space. Suppose either of the following holds:*

- (i)  $E$  is strictly convex and has the Opial property; or
- (ii)  $E$  is uniformly convex and its norm is Fréchet differentiable.

*Let  $C$  be a weakly compact convex subset of  $E$ , and let  $\{T(t) : t \in \mathbb{R}_+\}$  be a strongly continuous semigroup of nonexpansive mappings on  $C$ . Fix  $t_1, t_2 \in \mathbb{R}_+$  with  $t_1 < t_2$ . Define a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $C$  by  $x_1 \in C$  and*

$$x_{n+1} = \frac{\alpha}{t_2 - t_1} \int_{t_1}^{t_2} T(s)x_n \, ds + (1 - \alpha)x_n \quad (4.2)$$

for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , where  $\alpha$  is a constant number in  $(0, 1)$ . Then  $\{x_n\}$  converges weakly to a common fixed point of  $\{T(t) : t \in \mathbb{R}_+\}$ .

We note that

$$x \longmapsto (1 - \alpha)Tx + \alpha u \quad (4.3)$$

is a contractive mapping if  $T$  is a nonexpansive mapping and  $\alpha \in (0, 1)$ . By the Banach contraction principle [3], such mappings have a unique fixed point. From the results of Browder [5], and Wittmann [24], we obtain the following theorem; see also [12]. Compare Theorem 4.3 with Theorems 1.2 and 1.3.

**THEOREM 4.3.** *Let  $C$  be a bounded closed convex subset of a Hilbert space  $E$ , and let  $\{T(t) : t \in \mathbb{R}_+\}$  be a strongly continuous semigroup of nonexpansive mappings on  $C$ . Fix  $u \in C$  and  $t_1, t_2 \in \mathbb{R}_+$  with  $t_1 < t_2$ . Define a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $C$  by*

$$x_n = \frac{1 - \alpha_n}{t_2 - t_1} \int_{t_1}^{t_2} T(s)x_n \, ds + \alpha_n u \quad (4.4)$$

for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , where  $\{\alpha_n\}$  is a sequence in  $(0, 1)$  converging to 0. Then  $\{x_n\}$  converges strongly to a common fixed point of  $\{T(t) : t \in \mathbb{R}_+\}$ .

**THEOREM 4.4.** *Let  $E, C, \{T(t) : t \in \mathbb{R}_+\}, u, t_1$  and  $t_2$  be as in Theorem 4.3. Define a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $C$  by  $x_1 \in C$  and*

$$x_{n+1} = \frac{1 - \alpha_n}{t_2 - t_1} \int_{t_1}^{t_2} T(s)x_n \, ds + \alpha_n u \quad (4.5)$$

for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , where  $\{\alpha_n\}$  is a sequence in  $[0, 1]$  satisfying the following:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \alpha_n = 0; \quad \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \alpha_n = \infty; \quad \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |\alpha_{n+1} - \alpha_n| < \infty. \quad (4.6)$$

Then  $\{x_n\}$  converges strongly to a common fixed point of  $\{T(t) : t \in \mathbb{R}_+\}$ .

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