



## VIEWING ATTRACTIVE POINT SETS THROUGH THE KIRSZBRAUN-VALENTINE THEOREM

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*Dedicated to Professor Wataru Takahashi on the occasion of his 70th birthday  
with admiration and respect.*

ABSTRACT. The concept of attractive points introduced by Takahashi et. al. [14] is considered via the Kirszbraun-Valentine theorem.

### 1. INTRODUCTION

Let  $C$  be a nonempty subset of a Hilbert space  $H$  and let  $T : C \rightarrow H$  be a mapping. If  $\|Tx - Ty\| \leq \|x - y\|$  for  $x, y \in C$ , then  $T$  is said to be *nonexpansive*. We denote by  $F(T)$  the set of *fixed points* of  $T$ , i.e.,

$$F(T) = \{z \in C : Tz = z\}.$$

Takahashi et. al. [14] introduce the set of *attractive points*  $A(T)$  of  $T$  as follow:

$$A(T) = \{z \in H : \|Tx - z\| \leq \|x - z\|, x \in C\}.$$

For a family of mappings  $\mathcal{S}$ , let  $F(\mathcal{S})$  and  $A(\mathcal{S})$  stand for the set of common fixed points and the set of common attractive points of elements in  $\mathcal{S}$ , respectively. That is,

$$F(\mathcal{S}) = \bigcap_{T \in \mathcal{S}} F(T), \quad A(\mathcal{S}) = \bigcap_{T \in \mathcal{S}} A(T).$$

For each semigroup  $S$ , let  $B(S)$  be the Banach space of all bounded real-valued mappings on  $S$  with supremum norm. A continuous linear functional  $\mu \in B(S)^*$  (the dual space of  $B(S)$ ) is called a *mean* on  $B(S)$  if  $\|\mu\| = \mu(1) = 1$ . For any  $f \in B(S)$ , we use the following notation:

$$\mu(f) = \mu_s(f(s)).$$

A mean  $\mu$  on  $B(S)$  is said to be *left invariant* [respectively, *right invariant*] if  $\mu_s(f(ts)) = \mu_s(f(s))$  [respectively,  $\mu_s(f(st)) = \mu_s(f(s))$ ] for all  $f \in B(S)$  and for all  $t \in S$ . We will say that  $\mu$  is an *invariant mean* if it is both left and right invariants. If  $B(S)$  has an invariant mean, we call  $S$  an *amenable semigroup*. It is well known that every commutative semigroup is amenable [6]. For each  $s \in S$  and  $f \in B(S)$ , we define elements  $l_s f$  and  $r_s f$  in  $B(S)$  by  $(l_s f)(t) = f(st)$  and

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$(r_s f)(t) = f(ts)$  for any  $t \in S$ , respectively. A net  $\{\mu_\alpha\}$  of means on  $B(S)$  is said to be *asymptotically invariant* if for each  $f \in B(S)$ ,

$$\lim_\alpha (\mu_\alpha(l_s f) - \mu_\alpha(f)) = 0 = \lim_\alpha (\mu_\alpha(r_s f) - \mu_\alpha(f)).$$

From now on, let  $S$  be a semitopological semigroup, i.e., a semigroup with a Hausdorff topology such that for each  $a \in S$ , the mappings  $s \mapsto a \cdot s$  and  $s \mapsto s \cdot a$  from  $S$  to  $S$  are continuous.

Let  $C$  be a nonempty subset of a Hilbert space  $H$ . A family  $\mathcal{S} = \{T_s : s \in S\}$  of mappings on  $C$  is said to be a *nonexpansive semigroup* on  $C$  into itself if it satisfies the following conditions:

- (i) for each  $s \in S$ ,  $T_s$  is nonexpansive,
- (ii)  $T_{ts} = T_t T_s$  for each  $t, s \in S$ ,
- (iii) for each  $x \in C$ ,  $s \mapsto T_s x$  is continuous.

Let  $\mathcal{S} = \{T_s : s \in S\}$  be a nonexpansive semigroup on  $C$ . Assume  $\{T_s x : s \in S\}$  is bounded for each  $x \in C$ . Then, for any mean  $\mu$  on  $C(S)$ , the space of bounded real valued continuous functions on  $S$  under supremum norm, and  $x \in C$ , there exists a unique  $x_0 \in C$  such that

$$\mu_s \langle T_s x, y \rangle = \langle x_0, y \rangle$$

for all  $y \in H$ . Putting  $T_\mu x = x_0$  for all  $x \in C$ .

The following facts [(I), (II)] suggest that  $A(T)$  can play the role of  $F(T)$ . The aim of this paper is then to show that these two concepts are closely related. First we collect some facts on the two concepts.

(I) *Some facts on  $F(T)$ .*

**Theorem 1.1** ([5, Theorem 8]). *Let  $C$  be a nonempty subset of a Hilbert space  $H$ . Let  $S$  be a semigroup and let  $\mathcal{S} = \{T_t : t \in S\}$  be a nonexpansive semigroup on  $C$ . Then  $F(\mathcal{S})$  is a closed convex subset of  $H$ .*

**Theorem 1.2** ([8, Theorem 2]). *Let  $C$  be a closed convex subset of a Hilbert space  $H$  and  $S$  a semitopological semigroup such that  $C(S)$  has a left invariant mean. Let  $\mathcal{S} = \{T_s : s \in S\}$  be a nonexpansive semigroup on  $C$ . Then the followings are equivalent:*

- (i)  $\{T_s x : s \in S\}$  is bounded for some  $x \in C$ ;
- (ii)  $\{T_s x : s \in S\}$  is bounded for all  $x \in C$ ;
- (iii)  $F(\mathcal{S}) = \bigcap_{s \in S} F(T_s) \neq \emptyset$ .

**Theorem 1.3** ([12]). *Let  $S$  be an amenable semigroup,  $C$  a closed convex subset of a Hilbert space  $H$ ,  $\mathcal{S}$  a nonexpansive semigroup on  $C$  such that  $F(\mathcal{S}) \neq \emptyset$ . Let  $\{\mu_\alpha\}$  be an asymptotically invariant net of means. Then for each  $u \in C$ ,  $\{T_{\mu_\alpha} u\}$  converges weakly to  $u_0$  in  $F(\mathcal{S})$  where  $u_0 = \lim_s \pi_{F(\mathcal{S})} T_s u$  and  $\pi_{F(\mathcal{S})}$  is the metric projection from  $H$  onto  $F(\mathcal{S})$ .*

Theorem 1.3 is extendable to CAT(0) spaces:

**Theorem 1.4** ([1, Theorem 3.9]). *Let  $X$  be a complete CAT(0) space that has Property (N),  $C$  be a closed convex subset of  $X$ ,  $S$  a commutative semigroup, and*

$\mathcal{S} = \{T_s : s \in S\}$  a nonexpansive semigroup on  $C$  with  $F(\mathcal{S}) \neq \emptyset$ . Suppose  $\{\mu_\alpha\}$  is an asymptotically invariant net of means on  $B(S)$  satisfying condition:

$$(1.1) \quad \mu_{\alpha_s}(d^2(T_sx, y)) - \mu_{\alpha_s}(d^2(T_{st}x, y)) \rightarrow 0 \text{ uniformly for } y \in C.$$

Then  $\{T_{\mu_\alpha x}\}$   $\Delta$ -converges to  $x_0 = \lim_s \pi_{F(\mathcal{S})} T_s x$  in  $F(\mathcal{S})$  for all  $x \in C$ .

In the Hilbert space setting, Property (N) and condition (1.1) are always satisfied.

**Theorem 1.5** ([13, Theorem 1]). *Let  $C$  be a closed convex subset of a Hilbert space  $H$  and  $S$  a semitopological semigroup such that  $C(S)$  has an invariant mean. Let  $\mathcal{S} = \{T_s : s \in S\}$  be a nonexpansive semigroup on  $C$  with  $F(\mathcal{S}) \neq \emptyset$ . Then  $T_\mu$  satisfies the followings:*

- (i)  $T_\mu T_s = T_s T_\mu = T_\mu$  for all  $s \in S$ ,
- (ii)  $T_\mu$  is a nonexpansive retraction of  $C$  onto  $F(\mathcal{S})$ ,
- (iii)  $T_\mu x \in \overline{co} \{T_s x : s \in S\}$  for all  $x \in C$ .

**Theorem 1.6.** [10, Lemma 3.2] *Let  $C$  be a closed convex subset of a Hilbert space  $H$  and  $S$  a left reversible semitopological semigroup, i.e., any two closed right ideals of  $S$  have nonvoid intersection. Let  $\mathcal{S} = \{T_s : s \in S\}$  be a nonexpansive semigroup on  $C$ . Suppose that  $\{T_s x : s \in S\}$  is bounded for some  $x \in C$ . Then  $F(\mathcal{S}) \neq \emptyset$ .*

(II) *Some facts on  $A(T)$ .*

**Theorem 1.7** ([14, Lemma 2.3]). *Let  $H$  be a Hilbert space, let  $C$  be a nonempty subset of  $H$ , and let  $T$  be a mapping from  $C$  into  $H$ . Then  $A(T)$  is a closed and convex subset of  $H$ .*

**Theorem 1.8** ([15, Lemma 2.4]). *Let  $H$  be a Hilbert space, let  $C$  be a nonempty subset of  $H$ , and let  $T$  be a quasi-nonexpansive mapping from  $C$  into  $H$ . Then  $A(T) \cap C = F(T)$ .*

**Theorem 1.9** ([2, Lemma 3.1]). *Let  $C$  be a nonempty closed convex subset of Hilbert space  $H$ ,  $S$  a commutative semigroup and  $\mathcal{S} = \{T_s : s \in S\}$  a nonexpansive semigroup on  $C$ . Then, if  $A(\mathcal{S}) \neq \emptyset$ ,  $F(\mathcal{S}) \neq \emptyset$ .*

**Theorem 1.10** ([2, Theorem 4.1]). *Let  $H$  be a Hilbert space, let  $C$  be a nonempty subset of  $H$ . Let  $S$  be a commutative semigroup and let  $\mathcal{S} = \{T_s : s \in S\}$  be a nonexpansive semigroup on  $C$  into itself such that  $\{T_s x : s \in S\}$  is bounded for some  $x \in C$ . Let  $\{\mu_\alpha\}$  be a strongly asymptotically invariant net of means on  $C(S)$ , i.e.,*

$$\lim_\alpha \|\mu_\alpha - l_s^* \mu_\alpha\| = 0,$$

where  $l_s^*$  is the adjoint operator of  $l_s$ . Then, the followings hold:

- (i)  $A(\mathcal{S})$  is nonempty, closed and convex,
- (ii) for any  $u \in C$ ,  $\{T_{\mu_\alpha} u\}$  converges weakly to  $u_0$  in  $A(\mathcal{S})$ , where  $u_0 = \lim_s \pi_{A(\mathcal{S})} T_s u$ .

We ask if we can extend the given mapping  $T$  to a closed and convex domain having  $A(T)$  as its fixed point set and results from (I) can be applied to (II) using only assumptions for  $T$  on  $C$ . Fortunately, the answer is “affirmative”, thanks to the Kirschbraun-Valentine Theorem.

**Theorem 1.11** ([16, Kirszbraun-Valentine Theorem (KV)]). *Let  $C$  be an arbitrary nonempty subset of a Hilbert space  $H$  and let  $T : C \rightarrow H$  be nonexpansive. Then there exists a nonexpansive extension  $\overline{\overline{T}}$  of  $T$  for which  $\overline{\overline{T}} : H \rightarrow \overline{co}T(C)$ .*

## 2. PRELIMINARIES

A short proof of (KV) can be found in [3] using the Minty's surjectivity theorem. See [7] for a simpler proof. Several attempt aimed on extending (KV) to more general spaces. For example, [9] obtained (KV) on  $CAT(k)$  spaces under some conditions.

In general, however, (KV) may fail in  $CAT(0)$  spaces:

**Example 2.1.** *Let  $(X, \rho)$  be the gluing of two  $CAT(0)$  spaces  $\mathbb{R}^2 \times \{0\}$  and  $\{(0, 0)\} \times \mathbb{R}$  at the point  $(0, 0, 0)$ . Since gluing of  $CAT(0)$  spaces alongs a convex subset yields a  $CAT(0)$  space by the Basic Gluing Theorem in [4, page 347],  $(X, \rho)$  is a  $CAT(0)$  space. By Lemma 5.24 in [4, page 67], the distance  $\rho$  is given by*

$$\rho(x, y) = \begin{cases} |x - y| & x, y \in \mathbb{R}, \\ |x - y| & x, y \in \{(0, 0)\} \times \mathbb{R}, \\ |x| + |y| & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Next consider points  $x = (0, 0, 1)$ ,  $y = (0, 0, -1)$ , and  $z = (1, 0, 0)$ . It is easy to see that  $\rho(x, y) = \rho(x, z) = \rho(y, z) = 2$ . Moreover, the intersection of closed balls

$$\overline{B}(x, 1) \cap \overline{B}(y, 1) \cap \overline{B}(z, 1) = \{(0, 0, 0)\} \neq \emptyset.$$

If we consider points  $u = (0, 0, 0)$ ,  $v = (2, 0, 0)$ ,  $w = (1, \sqrt{3}, 0)$ , we see that  $\rho(u, v) = \rho(u, w) = \rho(v, w) = 2$  since the restriction of  $\rho$  on  $\mathbb{R}^2 \times \{0\}$  is simply the Euclidean distance. However, the intersection

$$\overline{B}(u, 1) \cap \overline{B}(v, 1) \cap \overline{B}(w, 1) = \emptyset.$$

Let  $T : \{x, y, z\} \rightarrow \{u, v, w\}$  be a bijection. Then  $T$  is actually an isometry. Clearly, there is no way to extend  $T$  to a nonexpansive map  $\overline{\overline{T}} : co(x, y, z) \rightarrow X$  because if such  $\overline{\overline{T}}$  were to exist, we would have  $\rho(T(a), \overline{\overline{T}}(0, 0, 0)) \leq \rho(a, (0, 0, 0)) = 1$  for all  $a \in \{x, y, z\}$  and hence  $\overline{\overline{T}}(0, 0, 0) \in \overline{B}(u, 1) \cap \overline{B}(v, 1) \cap \overline{B}(w, 1)$  which leads to a contradiction.

In the above example, we can verify directly that  $(X, \rho)$  is a  $CAT(0)$  space, i.e., it satisfies the CN-inequality: For points  $x, y, w \in X$ , if  $z = \frac{x \oplus y}{2}$  is the mid-point of  $x$  and  $y$ , there holds

$$(2.1) \quad \rho^2(w, z) \leq \frac{1}{2}\rho^2(w, x) + \frac{1}{2}\rho^2(w, y) - \frac{1}{4}\rho^2(x, y).$$

We only consider only the following cases.

*Case 1* [ $x = (a, b, 0)$ ,  $y = (c, d, 0)$ ,  $w = (0, 0, u)$ ]: We know that  $|z|^2 = \frac{1}{2}|x|^2 + \frac{1}{2}|y|^2 - \frac{1}{4}|x - y|^2$  and  $2|z| \leq |x| + |y|$ , thus

$$\begin{aligned} \rho^2(w, z) &= (|w| + |z|)^2 \\ &= |w|^2 + |z|^2 + 2|w||z| \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= |w| + \frac{1}{2} |x|^2 + \frac{1}{2} |y|^2 - \frac{1}{4} |x - y|^2 + 2 |w| |z| \\ &\leq |w|^2 + \frac{1}{2} |x|^2 + \frac{1}{2} |y|^2 - \frac{1}{4} |x - y|^2 + |w| (|x| + |y|) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (|w| + |x|)^2 + \frac{1}{2} (|w| + |y|)^2 - \frac{1}{4} |x - y|^2. \end{aligned}$$

Case 2  $[x = (0, 0, a), y = (b, c, 0)]$ : Since the segment  $[x, y]$  is an R-tree on which the CN-inequality holds, we only consider for the case when  $w$  is of the form  $(d, e, 0)$ .

Case 2.1  $z \in [0, x]$  : Under this case, we consider the point  $w'$  on the ray starting from the origin in the direction of  $y$ , and  $|w'| = |w|$ . Clearly,  $|y - w'| \leq |w - y|$ . Now, as being an R-tree comprising of the segment  $[x, y] \cup [x, w']$ , (2.1) implies

$$\begin{aligned} \rho^2(w, z) &= (|w| + |z|)^2 \\ &= (|w'| + |z|)^2 \\ &= \rho^2(w', z) \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2} \rho^2(w', x) + \frac{1}{2} \rho^2(w', y) - \frac{1}{4} \rho^2(x, y) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (|w'| + |x|)^2 + \frac{1}{2} |w' - y|^2 - \frac{1}{4} \rho^2(x, y) \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2} \rho^2(w, x) + \frac{1}{2} \rho^2(w, y) - \frac{1}{4} \rho^2(x, y). \end{aligned}$$

Case 2.2  $z \in [0, y]$  : For this case we consider the point  $x'$  on the ray starting from the origin in the direction of  $-y$  having  $|x'| = |x|$ . Being a CAT(0) space of  $\mathbb{R}^2 \times \{0\}$ , a similar computation as in Case 2.1 giving us an inequality :

$$\rho^2(w, z) \leq \frac{1}{2} \rho^2(w, x) + \frac{1}{2} \rho^2(w, y) - \frac{1}{4} \rho^2(x, y).$$

Thus, the CN-inequality holds for both subcases.

Observe that, in the above example, the space  $(X, \rho)$  comprises of two spaces, one is an R-tree, the other is a Hilbert space, and (KV) holds on both spaces. This space  $(X, \rho)$  is an example of the following gluing spaces: For two metric spaces  $(Y, d)$  and  $(Z, \eta)$  where  $d = \eta$  on  $Y \cap Z$ . Suppose that  $A = Y \cap Z$  is a nonempty closed subset of  $(Y, d)$  and  $(Z, \eta)$ . Let  $X = Y \cup Z$  and define a metric  $\rho$  on  $X$  by  $\rho = d$  on  $Y$ ,  $\rho = \eta$  on  $Z$ , and for  $y \in Y$  and  $z \in Z$ , let  $\rho(y, z) = \inf \{d(y, w) + \eta(w, z)\}$  where the infimum is taken over all  $w \in A$ . Since  $A$  is closed,  $\rho$  is indeed a metric on  $X$ . Call  $X$  a gluing space of  $Y$  and  $Z$ .

**Proposition 2.2.** *Let  $(X, \rho)$  be a gluing space of  $(Y, d)$  and  $(Z, \eta)$  and let  $A = Y \cap Z$  be nonempty and closed in  $Y$  and  $Z$ . Let  $T : E \rightarrow X$  be a nonexpansive mapping on a subset  $E$  of  $X$  and  $A \subset E$ . If (KV) holds on  $(Y, d)$  and  $(Z, \eta)$ ,  $T(E \cap Y) \subset Y$ , and  $T(E \cap Z) \subset Z$ , then  $T$  can be extended to a nonexpansive mapping on  $X$ .*

*Proof.* Extend  $T$  to the domain  $X$  by extending  $T$  on  $Y$  and  $Z$  respectively, and call the extension also as  $T$ . We show that  $T$  is nonexpansive. Let  $y \in Y$  and  $z \in Z$ . Take any  $w \in A$  and consider an estimate :

$$\rho(Ty, Tz) \leq \rho(Ty, Tw) + \rho(Tw, Tz)$$

$$\leq d(y, w) + \eta(w, z),$$

to conclude that  $\rho(Ty, Tz) \leq \rho(y, z)$ , and this completes the proof. □

### 3. MAIN RESULTS

Let  $C$  be a nonempty subset of a Hilbert space  $H$  and  $T : C \rightarrow H$  be nonexpansive. Let  $K$  be the closed convex hull of the image  $T(C)$ . In a proof of (KV), we first obtain an extension  $\bar{T} : H \rightarrow H$  and then put  $\bar{\bar{T}} = \pi_K \bar{T} : H \rightarrow K$  where  $\pi_K$  is the metric projection onto  $K$ . Thus

$$\begin{aligned} A(T) &= \{z \in H : \|z - Tx\| \|z - x\|, x \in C\}, \\ A(\bar{T}) &= \{z \in H : \|z - \bar{T}x\| \|z - x\|, x \in H\}, \\ A(\bar{\bar{T}}) &= \left\{z \in H : \left\|z - \bar{\bar{T}}x\right\| \|z - x\|, x \in H\right\}. \end{aligned}$$

The attractive point sets and the Kirszbraun-Valentine theorem are related. In fact we have

$$(3.1) \quad A(T) = \bigcup F(\bar{T})$$

where the union is taken over all extensions  $\bar{T} : E \rightarrow X$  of  $T$  over a subset  $E$  of  $X$ . Obviously, one of  $\bar{T}$  in (3.1) is the mapping  $U : C \cup A(T) \rightarrow H$  defined by putting  $U = T$  on  $C$  and  $U$  to be the identity mapping on  $A(T)$ . Clearly, by the definition of the attractive point set  $A(T)$ ,  $U$  is a nonexpansive extension of  $T$  having  $A(T) = F(U)$ . By the proof of (KV) outlined above, we can extend  $U$  to obtain a nonexpansive extension  $\bar{T} : H \rightarrow H$  with  $F(\bar{T}) = A(T)$ . Thus we have:

**Theorem 3.1.** *For any nonexpansive mapping  $T : C \rightarrow C$ , there exists a nonexpansive extension  $\bar{T} : H \rightarrow H$  of  $T$  having  $A(T) = A(\bar{T}) = F(\bar{T}) \supset F(\bar{\bar{T}}) = A(\bar{\bar{T}}) = A(T) \cap K = \pi_K(A(T))$ , and all sets are closed and convex. Here  $\bar{\bar{T}} = \pi_K \bar{T}$ .*

*Proof.* We need only to prove that (i)  $F(\bar{T}) \supset F(\bar{\bar{T}})$  and (ii)  $A(T) \cap K = \pi_K(A(T))$ .

(i): Let  $z = \bar{\bar{T}}z$  and note that  $z = \pi_K \bar{T}(z) \in K$  and for every  $v \in C$ ,  $Tv = \bar{T}v = \bar{\bar{T}}v$  which implies  $\|Tv - \bar{T}z\| = \|\bar{T}v - \bar{T}z\| \leq \|v - z\|$ . If  $\bar{T}z \in K$ , then  $z = \bar{T}(z) = \bar{\bar{T}}(z)$  and thus  $z \in F(\bar{T})$ . Next we show that this is the only possibility. Otherwise we choose  $v \in C$  so that  $\|z - v\|^2 < d(z, C)^2 + \|z - \bar{T}z\|^2 \leq \|Tv - z\|^2 + \|z - \bar{T}z\|^2$ , where  $d(z, C)$  is the distance from  $z$  to  $C$ . Therefore  $\|Tv - \bar{T}z\|^2 \leq \|v - z\|^2 < \|Tv - z\|^2 + \|z - \bar{T}z\|^2$  a contradiction.

(ii): It suffices to show that  $\pi_K(z) \in F(\bar{T})$  for  $z \in F(\bar{\bar{T}})$ . For this we take  $z \in F(\bar{\bar{T}})$ , and observe that  $\|\bar{T}\pi_K(z) - z\| = \|\bar{T}\pi_{K_0}(z) - \bar{T}z\| \leq \|\pi_K(z) - z\|$  and thus  $\bar{T}\pi_K(z) = \pi_K(z)$ . □

In the following, for a given  $T$ , the mappings  $\bar{T}$  and  $\bar{\bar{T}}$  will stand for the corresponding mappings obtained from  $T$  in Theorem 3.1.

By Theorem 1.9, we have

**Corollary 3.2.**  $A(T) \neq \emptyset \implies A(\bar{T}) \neq \emptyset \implies A(\bar{\bar{T}}) \neq \emptyset$ .

**Corollary 3.3.** *If  $C$  is a nonempty subset of a Hilbert space  $H$ ,  $T : C \rightarrow C$  is nonexpansive, and  $T(C)$  is bounded, then  $A(T) \cap K$  is nonempty.*

*Proof.* Just consider the restriction  $T : T(C) \rightarrow T(C)$  to obtain a fixed point of  $\overline{T}$ . □

The following results are some examples which are consequences of our main result. It is noted that the conditions given on the mappings  $T$ 's and their domains in each theorem are sufficient for their extensions  $\overline{T}$ 's and  $\overline{\overline{T}}$ 's.

**Theorem 3.4** ([2, Lemma 3.2]). *Let  $C$  be a nonempty subset of a Hilbert space  $H$ . Let  $S$  be a commutative semigroup and let  $\mathcal{S} = \{T_t : t \in S\}$  be a nonexpansive semigroup on  $C$ . Then  $A(\mathcal{S})$  is a closed convex subset of  $H$ .*

**Theorem 3.5.** *Let  $C$  be a nonempty subset of a Hilbert space  $H$  and  $S$  a semitopological semigroup such that  $C(S)$  has a left invariant mean. Let  $\mathcal{S} = \{T_t : t \in S\}$  be a nonexpansive semigroup on  $C$ . Then the followings are equivalent:*

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**Theorem 3.6.** *Let  $C$  be a nonempty subset of a Hilbert space  $H$  and  $S$  a left reversible semitopological semigroup. Let  $\mathcal{S} = \{T_t : t \in S\}$  be a nonexpansive semigroup on  $C$  into itself. Suppose that  $\{T_t x : t \in S\}$  is bounded for some  $x \in C$ . Then  $A(\overline{\mathcal{S}}) \neq \emptyset$ . Here  $\overline{\mathcal{S}} = \{\overline{T} : T \in \mathcal{S}\}$ .*

**Theorem 3.7** ([2, Theorem 4.1]). *Let  $C$  be a nonempty subset of a Hilbert space  $H$ . Let  $S$  be a commutative semigroup and let  $\mathcal{S} = \{T_t : t \in S\}$  be a nonexpansive semigroup on  $C$  such that  $\{T_t x : t \in S\}$  is bounded for some  $x \in C$ . Let  $\{\mu_\alpha\}$  be a strongly asymptotically invariant net of means on  $C(S)$ , i.e., a net of means on  $C(S)$  such that*

$$\lim_{\alpha} \|\mu_\alpha - l_s^* \mu_\alpha\| = 0,$$

*Then, for any  $u \in C$ ,  $\{T_{\mu_\alpha} u\}$  converges weakly to  $u_0 \in A(\overline{\mathcal{S}})$  (or  $A(\overline{\overline{\mathcal{S}}})$ ), where  $u_0 = \lim_t \pi_{A(\overline{\mathcal{S}})} T_t u = \lim_t \pi_{A(\overline{\overline{\mathcal{S}}})} T_t u$ . Here  $\overline{\mathcal{S}} = \{\overline{T} : T \in \mathcal{S}\}$ .*

#### 4. OPEN PROBLEMS

1. Observe that the following result is not a consequence of our main theorem (Theorem 3.1):

**Theorem 4.1** ([14]). *Let  $C$  be a nonempty subset of a Hilbert space  $H$  and let  $T : C \rightarrow C$  be a generalized hybrid mapping. Then,  $A(T) \neq \emptyset$  if and only if there exists an  $x_0 \in C$  such that  $\{T^n x_0\}$  is bounded.*

Thus it is natural to ask if the Kirschbraun-Valentine Theorem can be extended to a more general class of mappings.

2. It is also interesting to extend the Kirschbraun-Valentine Theorem to a more general space.

3. Extend Theorem 1.4 and Theorem 1.5 to cover the case where  $C$  is not necessary convex.

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