



## The mean ergodic theorem for nonexpansive mappings in p-Banach spaces

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### Abstract

In this paper, we present a mean ergodic theorem for nonexpansive mappings in p-Banach spaces. Our results extended and generalized some results of [8].

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### 1. Introduction

Let  $X$  be a Banach space and  $C$  be a closed convex subset of  $X$ . The mapping  $T : C \rightarrow C$  is called nonexpansive on  $C$  if

$$\|Tx - Ty\| \leq \|x - y\|, \quad \forall x, y \in C.$$

Let  $F(T)$  be the set of fixed points of  $T$ . If  $X$  is strictly convex,  $F(T)$  is closed and convex. In [1], Baillon proved the first nonlinear ergodic theorem such that if  $X$  is a real Hilbert space and  $F(T) \neq \emptyset$ , then for each  $x \in C$ , the sequence  $\{S_n x\}$  defined by

$$S_n x = \left( \frac{1}{n} \right) (x + Tx + \cdots + T^{n-1} x),$$

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converges weakly to a fixed point of  $T$ . It was also shown by Pazy [11] that if  $X$  is a real Hilbert space and  $S_n x$  converges weakly to  $y \in C$ , then  $y \in F(T)$ . These results were extended by Baillon [2], Bruck [5] and Reich [13], [14] and [15]. Our results generalized the recent results of [8, 9].

## 2. p-norm

**Definition 2.1** (see [3, 16]). Let  $X$  be a real linear space. A function  $\|\cdot\| : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a quasi-norm (valuation) if it satisfies the following conditions:

- (1)  $\|x\| \geq 0$  for all  $x \in X$  and  $\|x\| = 0$  if and only if  $x = 0$ ;
- (2)  $\|\lambda x\| = |\lambda| \cdot \|x\|$  for all  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$  and all  $x \in X$ ;
- (3) There is a constant  $M \geq 1$  such that  $\|x + y\| \leq M(\|x\| + \|y\|)$  for all  $x, y \in X$ .

Then  $(X, \|\cdot\|)$  is called a quasi-normed space. The smallest possible  $M$  is called the modulus of concavity of  $\|\cdot\|$ . A quasi-Banach space is a complete quasi-normed space.

A quasi-norm  $\|\cdot\|$  is called a p-norm  $0 < p < 1$  if

$$\|x + y\|_p \leq \|x\|_p + \|y\|_p,$$

for all  $x, y \in X$ . In this case, a quasi-Banach space is called a p-Banach space.

By the Aoki-Rolewicz [16], each quasi-norm is equivalent to some p-norm (see also [8] and [10, 12, 17, 18, 19, 20]).

Since it is much easier to work with p-norm, we restrict our attention mainly to p-norms.

## 3. Main results

To prove the main results in this paper, first, we introduce some lemmas.

**Definition 3.1.** The modulus of convexity of a Banach space  $(X, \|\cdot\|)$  is the function  $\delta : [0, 2] \rightarrow [0, 1]$  defined by

$$\delta(\epsilon) = \inf \left\{ 1 - \left\| \frac{x+y}{2} \right\| : x, y \in S, \|x - y\| \geq \epsilon \right\},$$

where  $S$  denotes the unit sphere of  $(X, \|\cdot\|)$  in the definition of  $\delta(\epsilon)$ , one can as well take the infimum over all vectors  $x, y \in X$  such that  $\|x\| \leq 1$ ,  $\|y\| \leq 1$  and  $\|x - y\| \geq \epsilon$ . The characteristic of convexity of the space  $(X, \|\cdot\|)$  is the number  $\epsilon_0$  defined by

$$\epsilon_0 = \sup\{\epsilon : \delta(\epsilon) = 0\}.$$

**Lemma 3.2** ([7]). Let  $(X, \|\cdot\|_p)$ , be a uniformly convex Banach space with modulus of convexity  $\delta$ . Let  $x, y \in X$ . If  $\|x\|_p \leq r$ ,  $\|y\|_p \leq r$ ,  $r \leq R$  and  $\|x - y\|_p \geq \epsilon > 0$ , then

$$\|\lambda x + (1 - \lambda)y\|_p \leq r(1 + |2\lambda|^p(1 - \delta_R(\epsilon))),$$

for all  $\lambda : 0 \leq \lambda \leq 1$ , where  $\delta_R(\epsilon) = \delta(\frac{\epsilon}{R})$ .

*Proof.* Since  $\lambda \geq \frac{1}{2}$ , implies  $(1 - \lambda) \leq \frac{1}{2}$ , we may assume that  $\lambda \leq \frac{1}{2}$ . We then have

$$\begin{aligned} \|\lambda x + (1 - \lambda)y\|_p &= \left\| 2\lambda \frac{(x+y)}{2} + (1 - 2\lambda)y \right\|_p \leq r(|2\lambda|^p(1 - \delta_R(\epsilon)) + |1 - 2\lambda|^p) \\ &\leq r(1 + |2\lambda|^p(1 - \delta_R(\epsilon))). \end{aligned}$$

□

**Lemma 3.3.** Let  $C$  be a closed convex subset of  $X$  and  $T : C \rightarrow C$  be nonexpansive mappings. Let  $x \in C$ ,  $f \in F(T)$  and  $0 < \alpha \leq \beta < 1$ . Then, for any  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists  $N > 0$  such that for all  $n \geq N$ ,

$$\|T^k(\lambda T^n x + (1 - \lambda)f) - (\lambda T^{n+k} x + (1 - \lambda)f)\|_p < \epsilon,$$

for all  $k > 0$  and  $\lambda : \alpha \leq \lambda \leq \beta$ .

*Proof.* Put  $r = \lim_n \|T^n x - f\|_p$ ,  $R = \|x - f\|_p$ , and  $c = \min\{|2\lambda|^p : \alpha \leq \lambda \leq \beta\}$ . For given  $\epsilon > 0$ , choose  $d > 0$  such that  $\frac{r}{r+d} > 1 + c(1 - \delta_R(\epsilon))$ . Then there exists  $N > 0$  such that, for all  $n \geq N$ ,  $\|T^n x - f\|_p < r + d$ .

For each  $n \geq N$ ,  $k > 0$  and  $\alpha \leq \lambda \leq \beta$ , we put  $u = (1 - \lambda)(T^k z - f)$  and  $v = \lambda(T^{n+k} x - T^k z)$  where  $z = \lambda T^n x + (1 - \lambda)f$ . Then we have  $\|u\|_p \leq |\lambda|^p(1 - \lambda)^p \|T^n x - f\|_p$  and  $\|v\|_p \leq |\lambda|^p(1 - \lambda)^p \|T^n x - f\|_p$ . Suppose that  $\|u - v\|_p = \|T^k z - (\lambda T^{n+k} x + (1 - \lambda)f)\|_p \geq \epsilon$ . So by Lemma 3.2, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|\lambda u + (1 - \lambda)v\|_p &= |\lambda|^p(1 - \lambda)^p \|T^{n+k} x - f\|_p \\ &\leq |\lambda|^p(1 - \lambda)^p \|T^n x - f\|_p(1 + |2\lambda|^p(1 - \delta_R(\epsilon))) \\ &\leq |\lambda|^p(1 - \lambda)^p \|T^n x - f\|_p(1 + c(1 - \delta_R(\epsilon))). \end{aligned}$$

Hence we have  $(r + d)(1 + c(1 - \delta_R(\epsilon))) < r \leq (r + d)(1 + c(1 - \delta_R(\epsilon)))$ , which is a contradiction. This completes the proof.  $\square$

**Lemma 3.4** (Browder [4]). *Let  $C$  be a closed convex subset of  $X$  and  $T : C \rightarrow C$  be a nonexpansive mapping. If  $\{u_i\}$  is a weakly convergent sequence in  $C$  with weak limit  $u_0$  and if  $\lim_i \|u_i - Tu_i\|_p = 0$ , then  $u_0$  is a fixed point of  $T$ .*

**Lemma 3.5.** *Let  $C$  be a closed convex subset of  $X$  and  $T : C \rightarrow C$  be a nonexpansive mapping. Then for all  $x \in C$  and  $n > 0$ ,*

$$\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \|T^k S_n T^i x - S_n T^k T^i x\|_p = 0, \quad (3.1)$$

uniformly for each  $k \geq 1$ .

*Proof.* By induction on  $n$ , we prove this lemma. First, we prove the conclusion in the case  $n = 2$ . Put  $r = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|T^{n+1} x - T^n x\|_p$ ,  $R = \|x - Tx\|_p$  and  $x_i = T^i x$  for  $i \geq 1$ .

If  $r \neq 0$ , then, for any  $\epsilon > 0$ , choose  $c > 0$  such that  $\frac{r}{r+c} > 1 - \delta_R(\epsilon)/2$ . Then there exists  $N > 0$  such that, for all  $i \geq N$ ,  $\|T^k x_i - T^{k+1} x_i\|_p \leq r + c$  for each  $k \geq 1$ . If we put  $u = \frac{1}{2}(T^k z - T^k x_i)$  and  $v = \frac{1}{2}(T^{k+1} x_i - T^k z)$  where  $i \geq N$ ,  $k > 0$  and  $z = \frac{1}{2}(x_i + Tx_i)$ , then we have

$$\|u\|_p \leq \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^p \|z - x_i\|_p = \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^p \|Tx_i - x_i\|_p \leq \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^p (r + c).$$

Similarly, we have  $\|v\|_p \leq \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^p (r + c)$ . Suppose that  $\|u - v\|_p = \|T^k z - \frac{1}{2}(T^{k+1} x_i + T^k x_i)\|_p \geq \epsilon$ . Then, we have

$$\left\| \frac{1}{2}(u + v) \right\|_p = \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^p \|T^{k+1} x_i - T^k x_i\|_p \leq \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^p (r + c) \left(1 - \frac{1}{2}\delta_R(\epsilon)\right),$$

which contradicts  $r > (r + c)(1 - \frac{1}{2}\delta_R(\epsilon))$ .

If  $r = 0$ , then for any  $\epsilon > 0$ , choose  $i > 0$  so large that  $\|u\|_p < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$  and  $\|v\|_p < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$ . Hence we have  $\|T^k z - \frac{1}{2}(T^{k+1} x_i + T^k x_i)\|_p = \|u - v\|_p \leq \|u\|_p + \|v\|_p < \epsilon$ . This completes the proof of the case  $n = 2$ . Now, suppose that  $\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \|T^k S_{n-1} x_i - S_{n-1} T^k x_i\|_p = 0$ , uniformly for each  $k \geq 1$ . We claim that  $\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \|S_{n-1} T x_i - x_i\|_p$  exist.

Put  $r = \liminf_{i \rightarrow \infty} \|S_{n-1} T x_i - x_i\|_p$ . For any  $\epsilon > 0$ , choose  $i > 0$  such that  $\|S_{n-1} T x_i - x_i\|_p < r + \frac{\epsilon}{2}$  and  $\|S_{n-1} T^k x_{i+1} - T^k S_{n-1} x_{i+1}\|_p < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|S_{n-1} T x_{i+k} - x_{i+k}\|_p &\leq \|S_{n-1} T^k x_{i+1} - T^k S_{n-1} x_{i+1}\|_p + \|T^k S_{n-1} x_{i+1} - T^k x_i\|_p \\ &< \frac{\epsilon}{2} + r + \frac{\epsilon}{2} = r + \epsilon, \end{aligned}$$

for all  $k \geq 1$ . Then, we have

$$\limsup_{i \rightarrow \infty} \|S_{n-1}Tx_i - x_i\|_p = \limsup_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|S_{n-1}Tx_{i+k} - x_{i+k}\|_p < r + \epsilon.$$

Since  $\epsilon$  is arbitrary, we have

$$\limsup_{i \rightarrow \infty} \|S_{n-1}Tx_i - x_i\|_p \leq \liminf_{i \rightarrow \infty} \|S_{n-1}Tx_i - x_i\|_p,$$

i.e.,  $\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \|S_{n-1}Tx_i - x_i\|_p$  exists. Now we put  $r = \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \|S_{n-1}Tx_i - x_i\|_p$ . If  $r \neq 0$ , Then, for any  $\epsilon$ , choose  $c > 0$  such that  $\frac{(r-c)}{(r+2c)} > 1 - (2\frac{(n-1)}{n^2})\delta_{3r}(\epsilon)$ . Then there exists  $N > 0$  such that, if, for all  $i \geq N$ ,  $|\|S_{n-1}Tx_i - x_i\| - r| \leq c$  and  $\|S_{n-1}T^k x_{i+1} - T^k S_{n-1}x_{i+1}\|_p \leq \frac{c}{n^p}$ , we put  $u = \left(\frac{n}{(n-1)}\right)(T^k S_n x_i - T^k x_i)$  and  $v = n(S_{n-1}T^k x_{i+1} - T^k S_n x_i)$ . so

$$\|u\|_p \leq \|S_{n-1}Tx_i - x_i\|_p \leq r + c,$$

$$\|v\|_p \leq (n)^p \|S_{n-1}T^k x_{i+1} - T^k S_{n-1}x_{i+1}\|_p + \|S_{n-1}Tx_i - x_i\|_p \leq r + 2c,$$

and

$$\|u - v\|_p = \left(\frac{n}{n-1}\right)^p \|T^k S_n x_i - S_n T^k x_i\|_p.$$

Hence, by the method in the proof of the case  $n = 2$ , we have  $\|T^k S_n x_i - S_n T^k x_i\|_p < \epsilon$  for all  $k \geq 1$ , and  $i \geq N$ . If  $r = 0$ , then, as in the proof of the case  $n = 2$ , there exists  $N'$  such that, for each  $i \geq N'$ ,  $\|u\|_p < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$ ,  $\|v\|_p < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$ . Therefore, we have  $\|T^k S_n x_i - S_n T^k x_i\|_p < \epsilon$ . This completes the proof.  $\square$

Now, assume that the norm of  $X$  is Frechet differentiable.

**Definition 3.6.** Let  $X$  be a normed space and let  $\{x_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  be a sequence of elements in  $X$ . Recall that we say that the sequence converges to  $x \in X$ ,

$$x_n \rightarrow x \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty \quad \text{if} \quad \|x_n - x\| \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

We say that the sequence  $\{x_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  converges weakly to  $x \in X$ , and write

$$x_n \rightarrow^w x$$

if for all  $\phi \in X^*$ , we have

$$\phi(x_n) \rightarrow \phi(x) \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

**Proposition 3.7** (cf. [5], [14], [8]). *Let  $C$  be a closed convex subset of  $X$  and  $T : C \rightarrow C$  be a nonexpansive mapping. If we put  $W(x) = \bigcap_m \overline{co}\{T^k x : k \geq m\}$  for all  $x \in C$ , then  $W(x) \cap F(T)$  is at most one point.*

*Proof.* Suppose that  $f, g \in W(x) \cap F(T)$  and  $f \neq g$ . Put  $h = \frac{f+g}{2}$  and  $r = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|T^n x - g\|_p$ . since  $h \in W(x)$ ,  $\|h - g\|_p \leq r$ . For each  $n$ , we choose  $p_n \in [T^n x, h]$  such that

$$\|p_n - g\|_p = \min\{\|y - g\|_p : y \in [T^n x, h]\}.$$

By Theorem 2.5 of [6],  $(J(g - p_n), p_n - T^n x) \geq 0$  where  $J$  is the duality mapping. Since  $p_n \in [T^n x, h]$ , we have  $(J(g - p_n), h - T^n x) \geq 0$ . Suppose that

$$\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|p_n - g\|_p = \|h - g\|_p.$$

Since  $X$  is uniformly convex and  $\|p_n - g\|_p \leq \|\frac{(p_n + h)}{2} - g\|_p \leq \|h - g\|_p$ ,  $p_n$  converges strongly to  $h$ . Since the duality mapping  $J$  is norm-to-norm continuous, we have that for given  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists  $N > 0$  such that  $(J(g - h) - J(g - p_n), h - T^n x) \geq -\epsilon$ , for all  $n \geq N$ . Therefore we have

$$\begin{aligned} (J(g - h), h - T^n x) &= (J(g - h) - J(g - p_n), h - T^n x) + (J(g - p_n), h - T^n x) \\ &\geq -\epsilon + 0 = -\epsilon. \end{aligned}$$

Then it follows that for each  $y \in \cap_m \overline{co}\{T^k x : k \geq m\}$ ,  $(J(g - h), h - y) \geq 0$ . If we put  $y = g$ , we have  $\|h - g\|_p = 0$ . This contradicts  $h \neq g$ . Suppose that  $\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|p_n - g\|_p < \|h - g\|_p$ , then there exist  $c > 0$  and a subsequence  $\{p_{n_i}\}$  of  $\{p_n\}$  such that  $\|p_{n_i} - g\|_p + c < \|h - g\|_p$ . Put  $p_{n_i} = \alpha_i T^{n_i} x + (1 - \alpha_i)h$ , for  $i = 1, 2, \dots$ . Then there exist  $\alpha > 0$  and  $\beta < 1$  such that  $\alpha \leq \alpha_i \leq \beta$  for all  $i$ . By Lemma 3.3, there exist  $N > 0$  such that if  $n \geq N$ ,

$$\|T^k(\lambda T^{n_i} x + (1 - \lambda)h) - (\lambda T^{n_i+k} x + (1 - \lambda)h)\|_p < c,$$

for all  $\lambda : \alpha \leq \beta$  and for all  $k > 0$ . If we choose  $p_{n_{i_0}} \in \{p_{n_i}\}$  such that  $n_{i_0} \geq N$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|p_{n_{i_0}+k} - g\|_p &= \|(\alpha_{i_0} T^{n_{i_0}+k} x + (1 - \alpha_{i_0})h) - g\|_p \\ &\leq \|T^k p_{n_{i_0}} - (\alpha_{i_0} T^{n_{i_0}+k} x + (1 - \alpha_{i_0})h)\|_p + \|T^k p_{n_{i_0}} - g\|_p \\ &< c + \|p_{n_{i_0}} - g\|_p < \|h - g\|_p, \end{aligned}$$

for  $k = 1, 2, \dots$ . Therefore we have  $p_n \neq h$  for all  $n \geq n_{i_0}$ . It follows that  $(J(g - h), h - T^n x) \leq 0$  for  $n \geq n_{i_0}$ . Then we have  $J(g - h), h - y \leq 0$  for all  $y \in \overline{co}\{T^k x : k \geq n_{i_0}\}$ . Put  $y = f = h + (h - g)$ , then  $\|h - g\|_p = 0$ . This contradicts  $h \neq g$ .  $\square$

In this paper, we give a new proof of the following theorem, which is due to Reich [14].

**Theorem 3.8.** *Let  $(X, \|\cdot\|_p)$  be a uniformly convex Banach space which has the Frechet differentiable norm. Let  $C$  be a closed convex subset of  $X$  and,  $T : C \rightarrow C$  be a nonexpansive mapping. Then the following statements are equivalent:*

- (1)  $F(T) \neq \emptyset$ ;
- (2)  $\{T^n x\}$  is bounded for each  $x \in C$ ;
- (3) for all  $x \in C$ ,  $S_n T^i x$  converges weakly to a point  $y \in C$ , uniformly for each  $i \geq 1$ .

*Proof.* (1)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (2) is well known in [4].

(2)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (3) Suppose that, for some  $x \in C$ , there exist an unbounded subsequence  $\{T^{n_i} x\}$  of  $\{T^n x\}$ . Since  $T$  is nonexpansive mapping, it follows that, for each  $m > 0$ , the sequence  $\{S_m T^{n_i} x\}$  is also unbounded, which contradicts the condition (3).

(2)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (3) Since  $\{T^n x\}$  is bounded and

$$\begin{aligned} \|TS_n T^i x - S_n T^i x\|_p &\leq \|TS_n T^i x - S_n T T^i x\|_p + \|S_n T T^i x - S_n T^i x\|_p \\ &\leq \|TS_n T^i x - S_n T T^i x\|_p + \left(\frac{1}{n}\right)^p \|T^{i+1+n} x - T^i x\|_p, \end{aligned}$$

there exists a sequence  $\{S_n T^{i_n} x\}$  such that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|TS_n T^{i_n} x - S_n T^{i_n} x\|_p = 0.$$

Then by Lemma 3.3, it follows that any weakly p-convergent subsequence of  $\{S_n T^{i_n} x\}$  p-converges weakly to a point  $y$ , i.e.,  $S_n T^{i_n} x \rightharpoonup y$ , where  $y = W(x) \cap F(T)$ . Also, by Lemma 3.4, it follows that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|TS_n T^{i_n+k n+i} x - S_n T^{i_n+k n+i} x\|_p = 0,$$

for all  $i, k \geq 1$ . Therefore,  $S_n T^{i_n+kn} x_i \rightarrow y$  uniformly for each  $k \geq 1$ .

On the other hand, for each  $n \geq 1$  with  $m \geq i_n$ , we have

$$S_m T^i x = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{k=0}^{m-1} T^k x_i = \frac{1}{m} \left( \sum_{k=i_n+tn}^{m-1} T^k x_i + n \left( \sum_{k=0}^t S_n T^{i_n+kn} x_i \right) + \sum_{k=0}^{i_n} T^k x_i \right),$$

where  $m = tn + i_n + r$ ,  $r < n$ . Since  $\{S_n T^{i_n+kn} x_i\}$   $p$ -converges to  $y$  uniformly for each  $k \geq 1$ , it follows that  $S_m T^i x$  converges weakly to  $y$ , uniformly for each  $i \geq 1$ . This completes the proof.  $\square$

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