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# A Fixed Point Theorem for Generalized Lipschitzian Semigroups in Hilbert Spaces

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**Abstract :** In this work, we use the concept of a generalized Lipschitzian type condition for a semigroup of self mappings as employed in [1] to provide an existence theorem of a common fixed point for a left reversible semitopological semigroup of continuous generalized Lipschitzian mappings in a Hilbert space defined on a nonconvex domain. This result extends and improves a result of Downing and Ray in [2].

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## 1 Introduction

Let E be a Banach space with norm  $\|.\|$  and U be a nonempty bounded subset of E. A mapping  $T : U \to U$  is said to be a Lipschitzian mapping if for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , there exists  $k_n > 0$  such that

$$|T^n x - T^n y|| \le k_n ||x - y||$$

for all  $x, y \in U$ . A lipschitzian mapping T is said to be uniformly k-Lipschitzian if  $k_n = k$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , and asymptotically nonexpansive if  $\lim_n k_n = 1$ , respectively.

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These mappings were first studied by Goebel and Kirk in [3] and [4]. They proved that such mappings have a fixed point in a uniformly convex Banach space for the case of convex domain. Especially for a uniformly k-Lipschitzian mapping, the constant k should have value less than  $k_0$  for some  $k_0 > 1$ . (In a Hilbert space,  $k_0 = \sqrt{5}/2$ , see [4]). In [5], Lifschitz proved that a uniformly k-Lipschitzian mapping in a Hilbert space with  $k < \sqrt{2}$  has a fixed point. For the others existence theorems of a fixed point for Lipschitzian mappings in a larger space than a uniformly convex Banach space, we refer the readers to see [6], [7], and [8]. Especially in [8], Lim and Xu proved the existence theorem of a uniformly k-Lipschitzian mapping defined on a nonconvex domain by using the concept of the property (P).

Let S be a semitopological semigroup, i.e., S is a semigroup with a Hausdorff topology such that for each  $a \in S$ , the mappings  $s \to a \cdot s$  and  $s \to s \cdot a$  from S to S are continuous. A semitopological semigroup S is left reversible if any two closed right ideals of S have a nonvoid intersection. In this case,  $(S, \geq)$  is a directed system when the binary relation " $\geq$  "on S is defined by  $b \geq a$  if and only if  $b \cup \overline{bS} \subseteq a \cup \overline{aS}$ . Left reversible semitopological semigroups include all commutative semigroups (e.g.,  $[0, \infty)$ ) and all semitopological semigroups which are left amenable as discrete semigroups, see [9].

In 1982, Downing and Ray [2] proved that a discrete semigroup of uniformly k-Lipschitzian mappings in a Hilbert space defined on a convex domain with  $k < \sqrt{2}$ has a common fixed point. Later, this result was extended to a left reversible semitopological semigroup of uniformly k-Lipschitzian mappings by Ishihara and Takahashi [10]. Also, Ishihara [11] extended and improved the result of Ishihara and Takahashi [10] to the case of a left reversible semitopological semigroup of Lipschitzian mappings defined on a nonconvex domain. In 1990, Xu [12] extended the result of Ishihara and Takahashi [10] to a p-uniformly convex Banach space. We also note that the result of Ishihara and Takahashi [10] has been extended and improved by Gornicki [13], by investigating the structure of a common fixed point set of the semigroup in a p-uniformly convex Banach space.

Imdad *et al.* [14] used the notion of generalized Lipschitzian as employed in [1], to establish the concept of a left reversible semitopological semigroup of continuous generalized Lipschitzian mappings. Let U be a nonempty bounded subset of a Banach space E and S be a left reversible semitopological semigroup. A family  $\mathcal{T} = \{T_s : s \in S\}$  of self mappings defined on U is said to be a semigroup on U if  $\mathcal{T}$  satisfies the following properties:

- (1)  $T_{st}x = T_sT_tx$  for all  $s, t \in S$  and  $x \in U$ ;
- (2) the mapping  $(s, x) \to T_s x$  from  $S \times U$  into U is continuous when  $S \times U$  has the product topology.

Moreover, the semigroup  $\mathcal{T}$  is said to be a generalized Lipschitzian semigroup on U if  $\mathcal{T}$  also satisfies the following property:

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(3) for each  $s \in S$ , there exists  $k_s > 0$  such that

$$\|T_s x - T_s y\| \le k_s \max\left\{ \|x - y\|, \frac{1}{2} \|x - T_s x\|, \frac{1}{2} \|y - T_s y\|, \frac{1}{2} \|x - T_s y\|, \frac{1}{2} \|y - T_s x\| \right\}$$

for all  $x, y \in U$ .

By using Example 5.3 in [15], we show that the class of generalized Lipschitzian semigroups properly includes the class of Lipschitzian semigroups.

**Example 1.1.** Let *E* be the real line  $\mathbb{R}$  and *S* be a discrete space  $[0, \infty)$ . Let  $U = [0, 1], b \in (0, 1)$  and  $\mathcal{T} = \{T_s : s \in S\}$  be a semigroup on *U* defined by; for s > 0,

$$T_s x = \begin{cases} b^s x, & \text{if } x \in [0, \frac{1}{2}] \\ 0, & \text{if } x \in (\frac{1}{2}, 1] \end{cases}$$

and

$$T_0 x = x, \quad x \in U$$

Since for each s > 0,  $T_s$  is discontinuous at  $x = \frac{1}{2}$ , then  $\mathcal{T}$  is not a Lipschitzian semigroup. However,  $\mathcal{T}$  is a generalized Lipschitzian semigroup. Indeed, for s > 0 we have

$$T_s x - T_s y| = b^s |x - y| \le 2b^s |x - y|$$

for all  $x, y \in [0, \frac{1}{2}]$  and

$$|T_s x - T_s y| = 0 \le 2b^s |x - y|$$

for all  $x, y \in (\frac{1}{2}, 1]$ . For  $x \in [0, \frac{1}{2}]$  and  $y \in (\frac{1}{2}, 1]$ ,

$$|T_s x - T_s y| = |b^s x - 0| = 2b^s \left(\frac{1}{2}|x - T_s y|\right).$$

Therefore,  $\mathcal{T} = \{T_s : s \in S\}$  is a generalized Lipschitzian semigroup on U with the constants  $k_s$  are  $2b^s$ .

In [14], Imdad *et al.* proved the existence theorem of a common fixed point for a left reversible semitopological semigroup of continuous generalized Lipschitzian mappings in a *p*-uniformly convex Banach space defined on a nonconvex domain. But, we see from Remark 12 in [16] that the proof of Theorem 3.1 in [14] is unfortunately not correct because the inequality

$$\inf_{\lambda} \sup \{ \|x_{\iota} - x_{\kappa}\| : \iota, \kappa \ge \lambda \} \le \limsup_{\lambda} \limsup_{\kappa} \sup_{\kappa} \|x_{\kappa} - x_{\lambda}\|$$

is false.

Motivated by the above results, in this work, we use the concept of the property (P) in the setting of a net and we employ a different technique than in the proof of Theorem 3.1 in [14], for showing existence theorem of a common fixed point for a left reversible semitopological semigroup of continuous generalized Lipschitzian mappings in a Hilbert space defined on a nonconvex domain. This result extends and improves Theorem 1 of Downing and Ray [2].

## 2 Preliminaries

Recall the concept and the notion of asymptotic center due to Edelstein [17]. Let U be a nonempty subset of a Banach space E,  $\Lambda$  be a directed set, and  $\{x_{\lambda}\}_{\lambda \in \Lambda}$  be a bounded net in E. The asymptotic center of  $\{x_{\lambda}\}$  with respect to U is defined as the set

$$\mathcal{A}(\{x_{\lambda}\}, U) = \left\{ x \in U : \limsup_{\lambda} \|x_{\lambda} - x\| = \inf_{y \in U} \limsup_{\lambda} \|x_{\lambda} - y\| \right\}.$$

It is easily seen that if E is reflexive and U is closed convex, then  $\mathcal{A}(\{x_{\lambda}\}, U)$  is nonempty. Moreover, it will be a singleton if E is a Hilbert space.

In order to prove our main result, we need the following technical lemma.

**Lemma 2.1.** Let n > 1 be any integer. Let us set  $\{x_{1_{\lambda}}\}_{\lambda \in \Lambda}$ ,  $\{x_{2_{\lambda}}\}_{\lambda \in \Lambda}$ ,  $\cdots$ ,  $\{x_{n_{\lambda}}\}_{\lambda \in \Lambda}$  as bounded nets of real numbers. Then

$$\limsup_{\lambda} \max \left\{ x_{1_{\lambda}}, x_{2_{\lambda}}, \cdots, x_{n_{\lambda}} \right\} = \max \left\{ \limsup_{\lambda} x_{1_{\lambda}}, \limsup_{\lambda} x_{2_{\lambda}}, \cdots, \limsup_{\lambda} x_{n_{\lambda}} \right\}$$

*Proof.* Let  $y_{\lambda} = \max\{x_{1_{\lambda}}, x_{2_{\lambda}}, \cdots, x_{n_{\lambda}}\}$  for all  $\lambda \in \Lambda$ . Then,

$$\limsup_{\lambda} y_{\lambda} \ge \max \Big\{ \limsup_{\lambda} x_{1_{\lambda}}, \limsup_{\lambda} x_{2_{\lambda}}, \cdots, \limsup_{\lambda} x_{n_{\lambda}} \Big\}.$$

On the other hand, without loss of generality, we may assume that

$$a_1 = \limsup_{\lambda} x_{1_{\lambda}} \ge a_2 = \limsup_{\lambda} x_{2_{\lambda}} \ge \cdots \ge a_n = \limsup_{\lambda} x_{n_{\lambda}}.$$

**Case 1** There exists  $n_0 \in \{1, 2, \dots, n-1\}$  such that  $a_{n_0} > a_{n_0+1}$ . Let

$$m_0 = \min\{n_0 \in \{1, 2, \cdots, n-1\} : a_{n_0} > a_{n_0+1}\}$$

Then, we can find  $\lambda_1 \in \Lambda$  such that

$$\max\left\{\sup_{\lambda \ge \lambda_1} x_{i_{\lambda}} : i \in \{m_0 + 1, m_0 + 2, \cdots, n\}\right\} < \frac{a_{m_0} + a_{m_0 + 1}}{2}.$$
 (2.1)

If  $m_0 > 1$ , let  $\varepsilon > 0$  be fixed. Then, there exists  $\lambda_2 \in \Lambda$  such that

$$\sup_{\lambda \ge \lambda_2} x_{i_{\lambda}} < a_1 + \varepsilon \quad \text{for all } i \in \{1, 2, \cdots, m_0\}.$$
(2.2)

Let  $\lambda_0 \geq \max{\{\lambda_1, \lambda_2\}}$ . From (2.1) and (2.2) we easily have

$$\limsup_{\lambda} y_{\lambda} \le \sup_{\lambda \ge \lambda_0} y_{\lambda} < a_1 + \varepsilon.$$
(2.3)

Letting  $\varepsilon \to 0$  into (2.3), we get the result.

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We now prove for the case  $m_0 = 1$ . We note that for each  $\lambda_2 \in \Lambda$ ,

$$\sup_{\lambda > \lambda_2} x_{1_\lambda} > \frac{a_1 + a_2}{2}.$$

So, by letting  $\lambda_0 \geq \max{\{\lambda_1, \lambda_2\}}$  and next, by (2.1) we have

$$\limsup_{\lambda} y_{\lambda} \le \sup_{\lambda \ge \lambda_0} y_{\lambda} \le \sup_{\lambda \ge \lambda_2} x_{1_{\lambda}}.$$

It follows that

$$\limsup y_{\lambda} \le a_1.$$

**Case 2**  $a_1 = a_2 = \cdots = a_n$ . Let  $\varepsilon > 0$  be fixed. Then, we can find  $\lambda_3 \in \Lambda$  such that

$$\sup_{\lambda \ge \lambda_3} x_{i_{\lambda}} < a_1 + \varepsilon \quad \text{for all } i \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}.$$

It follows that

$$\limsup_{\lambda} y_{\lambda} \le \sup_{\lambda \ge \lambda_3} y_{\lambda} < a_1 + \varepsilon.$$
(2.4)

Thus, by letting  $\varepsilon \to 0$  into (2.4), we get the result.

We also need the following lemmas which were proved in [10] and [11], respectively.

**Lemma 2.2.** [10, Lemma] Let C be a nonempty closed convex subset of a Hilbert space H. Let  $\{x_{\lambda}\}_{\lambda \in \Lambda}$  be a bounded net in H and  $\{a\} = \mathcal{A}(\{x_{\lambda}\}, C)$ . Then

$$\inf_{y \in C} \limsup_{\lambda} \|x_{\lambda} - y\|^2 + \|a - x\|^2 \le \limsup_{\lambda} \|x_{\lambda} - x\|^2$$

for all  $x \in C$ .

**Lemma 2.3.** [11, Lemma 2] Let C be a nonempty closed convex subset of a Hilbert space H and  $\{x_{\lambda}\}_{\lambda \in \Lambda}$  be a bounded net in C. Then

$$\mathcal{A}(\{x_{\lambda}\}, C) \subseteq \bigcap_{\lambda} \overline{co}\{x_{\kappa} : \kappa \ge \lambda\},\$$

where  $\overline{co}$  is the closed convex hull.

We end this section by giving the following lemma.

**Lemma 2.4.** Let U be a nonempty bounded subset of a Banach space E and S be a left reversible semitopological semigroup. Let  $\mathcal{T} = \{T_s : s \in S\}$  be a semigroup of self mappings on U. Then

$$\limsup_{s} \limsup_{t} \limsup_{t} \|T_s T_t x - y\| \le \limsup_{s} \|T_s x - y\|$$

for all  $x, y \in U$ .

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*Proof.* We denote  $r = \limsup_{s} ||T_s x - y||$ . Let  $\varepsilon > 0$  be fixed. Then, we choose  $s_0 \in S$  such that

$$\sup\{\|T_s x - y\| : s \ge s_0\} < r + \varepsilon.$$

$$(2.5)$$

Let  $u \ge s_0$  be fixed. Then,

$$\limsup_{t} \|T_{u}T_{t}x - y\| = \inf_{q} \sup\{\|a - y\| : a \in \overline{\{T_{u}T_{t}x : t \ge q\}}\}$$
$$= \inf_{q} \sup\{\|a - y\| : a \in \overline{\{T_{s}x : s \ge uq\}}\}$$
$$\leq \sup\{\|a - y\| : a \in \{T_{s}x : s \ge u\}\}.$$
(2.6)

From (2.5) and (2.6) we get

$$\limsup_{s} \limsup_{t} \sup_{t} \|T_s T_t x - y\| < r + \varepsilon.$$
(2.7)

So, by letting  $\varepsilon \to 0$  into (2.7), we obtain the result.

### 3 The Fixed Point Theorem

We now present the main result of this work.

**Theorem 3.1.** Let U be a nonempty bounded subset of a Hilbert space H and S be a left reversible semitopological semigroup. Suppose that  $\mathcal{T} = \{T_s : s \in S\}$  is a generalized Lipschitzian semigroup on U with  $\limsup_s k_s < \sqrt{2}$  and  $T_s$  is continuous for all  $s \in S$ . Suppose also that there exists a nonempty bounded closed convex subset C of U with the following property (P):

$$(P) \quad x \in C \Longrightarrow \omega_w(x) \subseteq C,$$

where  $\omega_w(x)$  is the weak  $\omega$ -limit set of  $\mathcal{T}$  at x, i.e., the set

$$\omega_w(x) = \left\{ y \in H : y = weak - \lim_{\lambda} T_{s_{\lambda}} x \text{ for some subset } \{s_{\lambda}\} \text{ of } S \right\}.$$

Then there exists  $z \in C$  such that  $T_s z = z$  for all  $s \in S$ .

*Proof.* We denote  $k = \limsup_{s} k_s$ . Let  $B_s(x) = \{T_t x : t \ge s\}$  for  $s \in S$  and  $x \in C$ . Let  $x_0 \in C$  be fixed and then, taking  $\{x_1\} = \mathcal{A}(\{B_s(x_0)\}, \overline{co}U)$ . By Lemma 2.3, we get  $x_1 \in \bigcap_s \overline{co}B_s(x_0)$ . On the other hand, by Hahn-Banach Separation Theorem (see, Theorem 1.15(a) in [18]), we see that  $\bigcap_s \overline{co}B_s(x_0) = \overline{co}\omega_w(x_0)$ . Therefore, by the assumption, we get  $x_1 \in C$ . We may repeat this step and obtain a sequence  $\{x_n\}_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$  in C such that for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,

$$\{x_n\} = \mathcal{A}(\{B_s(x_{n-1})\}, \overline{co}U) \subseteq \bigcap_s \overline{co}B_s(x_{n-1}).$$
(3.1)

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Let  $d_m = \limsup_s ||T_s x_m - x_{m+1}||^2$  and  $D_m = \limsup_s ||T_s x_m - x_m||^2$  for  $m \ge 0$ . Let  $n \ge 0$  be fixed. We may assume that  $D_{n+1} > 0$ , since otherwise, nothing that

$$\limsup_{s} \|T_s x - y\| = \inf_{s} \sup_{t} \|T_s T_t x - y\|$$

for all  $x, y \in U$ , then by using the continuity of  $T_s$  at  $x_{n+1}$ , we see that  $x_{n+1}$  is a common fixed point of  $\mathcal{T}$  and hence the proof is finished.

We note that, by Lemma 2.1 and Lemma 2.4 we have

$$\begin{split} \limsup_{s} \lim_{t} \sup_{t} \lim_{t} \sup_{t} \|T_{t}x_{n} - T_{s}x_{n+1}\| &\leq \limsup_{s} \lim_{t} \sup_{t} \|T_{s}T_{t}x_{n} - T_{s}x_{n+1}\| \\ &\leq \limsup_{s} \lim_{t} \sup_{t} \sup_{t} x_{s} \max\left\{ \|T_{t}x_{n} - x_{n+1}\|, \frac{1}{2}\|T_{t}x_{n} - T_{s}T_{t}x_{n}\|, \frac{1}{2}\|x_{n+1} - T_{s}x_{n+1}\|, \\ &\frac{1}{2}\|T_{t}x_{n} - T_{s}x_{n+1}\|, \frac{1}{2}\|x_{n+1} - T_{s}T_{t}x_{n}\| \right\} \\ &\leq k \limsup_{s} \lim_{t} \sup_{t} \max\left\{ \|T_{t}x_{n} - x_{n+1}\|, \frac{1}{2}(\|T_{t}x_{n} - x_{n+1}\| + \|x_{n+1} - T_{s}T_{t}x_{n}\|), \\ &\frac{1}{2}\|x_{n+1} - T_{s}x_{n+1}\|, \frac{1}{2}\|T_{t}x_{n} - T_{s}x_{n+1}\|, \frac{1}{2}\|x_{n+1} - T_{s}T_{t}x_{n}\| \right\} \\ &\leq k \max\left\{ (d_{n})^{\frac{1}{2}}, (d_{n})^{\frac{1}{2}}, \frac{1}{2}(D_{n+1})^{\frac{1}{2}}, \frac{1}{2}\lim_{s} \sup_{t} \lim_{s} \sup_{t} \lim_{t} \sup_{t} \|T_{t}x_{n} - T_{s}x_{n+1}\|, \frac{1}{2}(d_{n})^{\frac{1}{2}} \right\} \\ &= k \max\left\{ (d_{n})^{\frac{1}{2}}, \frac{1}{2}(D_{n+1})^{\frac{1}{2}}, \frac{1}{2}(d_{n})^{\frac{1}{2}} \right\} . \end{split}$$

$$(3.2)$$

Therefore, from (3.1) and (3.2) we have

$$D_{n+1} = \limsup_{s} \|T_{s}x_{n+1} - x_{n+1}\|^{2}$$

$$\leq \limsup_{s} \sup_{t} \|T_{t}x_{n} - T_{s}x_{n+1}\|^{2}$$

$$\leq k^{2} \max_{s} \left\{ d_{n}, \frac{1}{4}D_{n+1} \right\}$$

$$= k^{2}d_{n}.$$
(3.3)

Now, by (3.1) and Lemma 2.2 we get for every  $s \in S$ ,

$$||T_s x_{n+1} - x_{n+1}||^2 \le \limsup_t ||T_t x_n - T_s x_{n+1}||^2 - \limsup_t ||T_t x_n - x_{n+1}||^2.$$
(3.4)

Therefore, by taking the limit superior into (3.4), we have from (3.2) and (3.3)

that

$$D_{n+1} \leq \limsup_{s} \limsup_{t} \sup_{t} ||T_{t}x_{n} - T_{s}x_{n+1}||^{2} - d_{n}$$
  
$$\leq k^{2} \max\left\{d_{n}, \frac{1}{4}D_{n+1}\right\} - d_{n}$$
  
$$\leq k^{2} \max\left\{d_{n}, \frac{k^{2}}{4}d_{n}\right\} - d_{n}$$
  
$$= (k^{2} - 1)d_{n}.$$
(3.5)

Thus, from (3.1) and (3.5) we obtain

$$D_{n+1} \le (k^2 - 1)d_n = \eta d_n \le \eta D_n,$$

where  $\eta = k^2 - 1 < 1$  by the assumption. Consequently,

$$D_n \le \eta D_{n-1} \le \dots \le \eta^n D_0. \tag{3.6}$$

For every  $s \in S$ , we have

$$||x_{n+1} - x_n||^2 \le (||x_{n+1} - T_s x_n|| + ||T_s x_n - x_n||)^2 \le 2(||T_s x_n - x_{n+1}||^2 + ||T_s x_n - x_n||^2).$$
(3.7)

Therefore by taking the limit superior into (3.7) and then, by (3.1) we have

$$||x_{n+1} - x_n||^2 \le 2(d_n + D_n) \le 2D_n$$

It follows from (3.6) that  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} ||x_{n+1} - x_n|| < \infty$ , and hence  $\{x_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence in C. Let  $z = \lim_n x_n$ . Now for each  $s \in S$ ,

$$||z - T_s z||^2 \le (||z - T_t x_n|| + ||T_t x_n - T_s z||)^2 \le 2(||z - T_t x_n||^2 + ||T_t x_n - T_s z||^2).$$
(3.8)

Hence, by taking the limit superior into (3.8) we have

$$|z - T_s z||^2 \le 2 \left( \limsup_t ||T_t x_n - z||^2 + \limsup_t ||T_t x_n - T_s z||^2 \right) \le 2 \left( \limsup_t ||T_t x_n - z||^2 + \limsup_t ||T_s T_t x_n - T_s z||^2 \right).$$
(3.9)

Since

$$\limsup_{t} \|T_t x_n - z\|^2 \le 2(D_n + \|x_n - z\|^2),$$

then by (3.6), it yields

$$\limsup_{t} \|T_t x_n - z\|^2 \to 0 \text{ as } n \to \infty.$$

By the continuity of  $T_s$  at z we also get

$$\limsup_{t} \|T_s T_t x_n - T_s z\|^2 \to 0 \text{ as } n \to \infty.$$

Thus, from (3.9) we have  $T_s z = z$  for all  $s \in S$ .

The following corollary extends and improves Theorem 1 in [2] to the case of a lipschitzian semigroup and it also has a nonconvex domain.

**Corollary 3.2.** Let U be a nonempty bounded subset of a Hilbert space H and S be a left reversible semitopological semigroup. Let  $\mathcal{T} = \{T_s : s \in S\}$  be a Lipschitzian semigroup on U with  $\limsup_s k_s < \sqrt{2}$ . Suppose that there exists a nonempty bounded closed convex subset C of U with the property (P). Then there exists  $z \in C$  such that  $T_s z = z$  for all  $s \in S$ .

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