



## On $\Delta$ -Convergence Theorems in $b$ -CAT(0) Spaces

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**Abstract :** In this work, we extend and improve CAT(0) spaces to  $b$ -CAT(0) spaces by using the concept of  $b$ -metric spaces. Second, we establish new spaces, that is  $b$ -CAT(0) spaces and prove the results of a fixed point for non-expansive mappings on  $b$ -CAT(0) spaces. Moreover, we obtain  $\Delta$ -convergence theorems for non-expansive mappings on  $b$ -CAT(0) spaces and present some properties.

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### 1 Introduction and Preliminaries

A metric space  $X$  is a CAT(0) space if it is geodesically connected, and if every geodesic triangle in  $X$  is at least as "thin" as its comparison triangle in the Euclidean plane, introduced by Gromov [1]. It is well-known that any complete, simply connected Riemannian manifold having non positive sectional curvature is a CAT(0) space. Other examples include the classical hyperbolic spaces, Euclidean buildings (see [2]), the complex Hilbert ball with a hyperbolic metric (see [3]), and many others. The  $\Delta$ -convergence in a general metric space setting is introduced by Lim [4] in 1976. In 2008, Dhompongsa and Panyanak [5] proved  $\Delta$ -convergence theorems in CAT(0) spaces by using the concept of  $\Delta$ -convergence introduced by Lim [4], and gived the CAT(0) space analogs of results on weak convergence of the Picard, Mann and Ishikawa iterates proved in uniformly convex Banach spaces

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by Opial [6], Ishikawa [7] and Tan and Xu [8]. In 2017, Khamsi and Shukri [9] extended the Gromov geometric definition of CAT(0) spaces to the case where the comparison triangles are not in the Euclidean plane but belong to a general Banach space. In particular, many other authors studied the case where the Banach space is  $l_p$ , for  $p > 2$ .

Next, Bakhtin [10] and Czerwik [11] developed the notion of b-metric spaces and established some fixed point theorems in b-metric spaces in 1989. Subsequently, several results appeared in this direction ([14]-[21]) as follows:

**Definition 1.1** ([11]). A *b*-metric on a set  $X$  is a mapping  $d : X \times X \rightarrow [0, +\infty)$  satisfying the following conditions: for any  $x, y, z \in X$ ,

( $b_1$ )  $d(x, y) = 0$  if and only if  $x = y$ ;

( $b_2$ )  $d(x, y) = d(y, x)$ ;

( $b_3$ ) there exists  $s \geq 1$  such that  $d(x, y) \leq s(d(x, z) + d(z, y))$ .

Then  $(X, d)$  is known as a b-metric space with coefficient  $s$ .

Note that every metric space is a *b*-metric space with  $s = 1$ . Some examples of b-metric space are given below: Let  $\mathbb{R}$  be a vector space. Define a mapping  $d : \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  by

$$d(x, y) = |x - y|^p$$

for all  $x, y \in X$ ,  $p = 2, 3, \dots$ . Then  $(\mathbb{R}, |\cdot|)$  is a *b*-metric space with coefficient  $s = 2^{p-1}$ .

After that, Al-Saphory, Al-Janabi and Al-Delfi [22] introduced a quasi-Banach space as follows:

**Definition 1.2.** Let  $X$  be a real linear space. A quasi-norm is a real-valued function on  $X$  satisfying the following:

( $qb_1$ )  $\|x\| \geq 0$  for all  $x \in X$  and  $\|x\| = 0$  if and only if  $x = 0$ ,

( $qb_2$ )  $\|\lambda x\| = |\lambda| \|x\|$  for all  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$  and all  $x \in X$ ,

( $qb_3$ ) There is a constant  $K \geq 1$  such that  $\|x + y\| \leq K(\|x\| + \|y\|)$  for all  $x, y \in X$ .

The pair  $(X, \|\cdot\|)$  is called a quasi-normed space if  $\|\cdot\|$  is a quasi-norm on  $X$ .

A quasi-normed  $\|\cdot\|$  is called a *p*-norm ( $0 < p \leq 1$ ) if  $\|x + y\|^p \leq \|x\|^p + \|y\|^p$  for all  $x, y \in X$ . In this case, a quasi-normed spaces (quasi-Banach space) is called a *p*-quasi-normed spaces (*p*-quasi-Banach space). Note that every a Banach space is a quasi-Banach space with  $K = 1$  and every a quasi-Banach space is a *b*-metric space with  $d(x, y) := \|x - y\|$  and coefficient  $s = K$ .

In this work, we extend and improve CAT(0) spaces to b-CAT(0) spaces by using the concept of b-metric spaces. Second, we establish new spaces, that is b-CAT(0) spaces and prove the results of a fixed point for non-expansive mappings on b-CAT(0) spaces. Moreover, we obtain  $\Delta$ -convergence theorems for non-expansive mappings on b-CAT(0) spaces and present some properties.

## 2 Main Results

Let  $(X, d)$  be a b-metric space with  $s \geq 1$ . A b-geodesic joining  $x \in X$  to  $y \in X$  is a continuous mapping  $\gamma : [0, d(x, y)] \rightarrow X$  such that

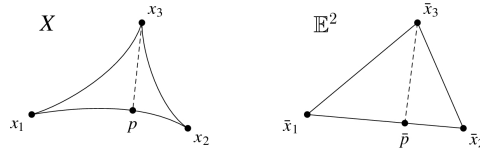
- $\gamma(0) = x$ ,
- $\gamma(d(x, y)) = y$ ,
- $d(\gamma(t_1), \gamma(t_2)) = |t_1 - t_2|$  for any  $t_1, t_2 \in [0, d(x, y)]$ .

We will say that  $(X, d)$  is a (uniquely) b-geodesic metric space if any two points are connected by a (unique) b-geodesic. In this case, we denote such geodesic by  $[x, y]$ . Note that in general such b-geodesic is not uniquely determined by its endpoints. For a point  $z \in [x, y]$ , we will use the notation  $z = (1 - t)x \oplus ty$ , where  $t = \frac{d(x, z)}{d(x, y)}$ ,  $1 - t = \frac{d(y, z)}{d(x, y)}$  assuming  $x \neq y$ . Let  $(X, d)$  be a b-geodesic metric space with  $s \geq 1$ . A b-geodesic triangle consists of three point  $p, q, r \in X$  and three geodesics  $[p, q], [q, r], [r, p]$ . Denote  $\Delta([p, q], [q, r], [r, p])$ . For such a triangle, there is a comparison triangle  $\bar{\Delta}(\bar{p}, \bar{q}, \bar{r}) \rightarrow \mathbb{E}^2 : d(p, q) = d(\bar{p}, \bar{q}), d(q, r) = d(\bar{q}, \bar{r}), d(r, p) = d(\bar{r}, \bar{p})$ .

**Definition 2.1.** A b-geodesic space is said to be a b-CAT(0) space if all b-geodesic triangles of appropriate size satisfy the following comparison axiom.

b-CAT(0): Let  $\Delta$  be a b-geodesic triangle in b-metric space  $X$  and let  $\bar{\Delta} \in \mathbb{E}^2$  be a comparison triangle for  $\Delta$ . Then  $\Delta$  is said to satisfy the b-CAT(0) inequality if for all  $x, y \in \Delta$  and all comparison points  $\bar{x}, \bar{y} \in \bar{\Delta}$  such that

$$d(x, y) \leq \|\bar{x} - \bar{y}\|.$$



We call  $b - CAT_p(0)$  metric spaces, for  $p$ -quasi-normed spaces  $(\mathbb{E}^2, \|\cdot\|)$ .

**Example 2.2.** (I). Let  $X := l_p(\mathbb{R})$  with  $0 < p < 1$  where  $l_p(\mathbb{R}) := \{\{x_n\} \subset \mathbb{R} : \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} |x_i|^p < \infty\}$ . Define  $d : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  as:

$$\|x\| = \left( \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} |x_i|^p \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}$$

where  $x = \{x_n\}$ . Then  $d$  is a b-metric space with coefficient  $s = 2^{p-1}$ , see([23] - [25]). And, defined a continuous mapping  $\gamma : [0, d(x, y)] \rightarrow X$  by  $\gamma(z) = (1-t)x + ty$  for all  $t \in [0, d(x, y)]$ . and all  $z \in X$ . Then  $(X, d)$  is a b-CAT(0) space.

(II). Let  $X := L_p[0, 1]$  be the space of all real functions  $x(t)$ ,  $t \in [0, 1]$  such that  $\int_0^1 |x(t)|^p dt < \infty$  with  $0 < p < 1$ . Define  $d : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  as:

$$\|x\| = \left( \int_0^1 |x(t)|^p dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}$$

with  $0 < p < 1$  where  $x = x(t)$ . Then  $d$  is a b-metric space with coefficient  $s = 2^{p-1}$ , see([23] -[25]). And, defined a continuous mapping  $\gamma : [0, d(x, y)] \rightarrow X$  by  $\gamma(z) = (1 - t)x + ty$  for all  $t \in [0, d(x, y)]$ . and all  $z \in X$ . Then  $(X, d)$  is a b-CAT(0) space.

Now, we establish lemma about  $(b - CN)$  inequality and  $(b - CN_p)$  inequality.

**Lemma 2.3.** *Let  $(X, d)$  be a b-CAT(0) metric space. Then for any  $x, y_1, y_2$  in  $X$ , we have*

$$d(x, \frac{y_1 \oplus y_2}{2}) \leq Kd(x, y_1) + Kd(x, y_2) - \frac{1}{2}d(y_1, y_2)$$

which we will call the  $(b-CN)$  inequality.

*Proof.* Let  $x, y_1, y_2$  be in  $X$  and  $\Delta$  be the associated geodesic triangle in  $X$ . Since  $X$  is a b-CAT(0) space, there exists a comparison geodesic triangle  $\bar{\Delta}$ . The associated comparison points in  $\mathbb{E}^2$  will be denoted by  $\bar{x}, \bar{y}_1, \bar{y}_2$ . The comparison axiom implies:

$$d(x, \frac{y_1 \oplus y_2}{2}) \leq \|\bar{x} - \frac{\bar{y}_1 + \bar{y}_2}{2}\|$$

By the inequality of b-CAT(0), we get  $\|a + b\| + \|a - b\| \leq 2K(\|a\| + \|b\|)$  for any  $a, b \in \mathbb{E}^2$ . Applying this inequality for  $a = \frac{\bar{x} - \bar{y}_1}{2}$  and  $b = \frac{\bar{x} - \bar{y}_2}{2}$ , yields:

$$\|\frac{\bar{x} - \bar{y}_1}{2} + \frac{\bar{x} - \bar{y}_2}{2}\| + \|\frac{\bar{x} - \bar{y}_1}{2} - \frac{\bar{x} - \bar{y}_2}{2}\| \leq 2K(\|\frac{\bar{x} - \bar{y}_1}{2}\| + \|\frac{\bar{x} - \bar{y}_2}{2}\|).$$

So,

$$\|\frac{\bar{x} - \bar{y}_1}{2} + \frac{\bar{x} - \bar{y}_2}{2}\| \leq 2K(\|\frac{\bar{x} - \bar{y}_1}{2}\| + \|\frac{\bar{x} - \bar{y}_2}{2}\|) - \|\frac{\bar{x} - \bar{y}_1}{2} - \frac{\bar{x} - \bar{y}_2}{2}\|,$$

or,

$$\|\bar{x} - \frac{\bar{y}_1 + \bar{y}_2}{2}\| \leq K(\|\bar{x} - \bar{y}_1\| + \|\bar{x} - \bar{y}_2\|) - \frac{1}{2}\|\bar{y}_1 - \bar{y}_2\|.$$

Since  $\|\bar{y}_i - \bar{y}_j\| = d(y_i, y_j)$ , for  $i, j \in \{1, 2\}$ , we get

$$d(x, \frac{y_1 \oplus y_2}{2}) \leq Kd(x, y_1) + Kd(x, y_2) - \frac{1}{2}d(y_1, y_2).$$

□

Note that the  $(b - CN)$  inequality coincides with the classical  $(CN)$  inequality if  $K = 1$ . One of the implications of the  $(CN)$  inequality is the uniform convexity of the distance of a CAT(0) space.

Next we discuss the  $(b - CN_p)$  inequality of the b-CAT<sub>p</sub>(0) metric spaces.

**Lemma 2.4.** *Let  $(X, d)$  be a b-CAT $_p(0)$  metric space. Then for any  $x, y_1, y_2$  in  $X$ , we have*

$$d^p(x, \frac{y_1 \oplus y_2}{2}) \leq \frac{1}{2^{p-1}} d^p(x, y_1) + \frac{1}{2^{p-1}} d^p(x, y_2) - \frac{1}{2^p} d^p(y_1, y_2),$$

where  $0 < p \leq 1$ , which we will call the  $(b - CN_p)$  inequality.

*Proof.* Let  $x, y_1, y_2$  be in  $X$  and  $\Delta$  be the associated geodesic triangle in  $X$ . Since  $X$  is a CAT $_p(0)$  space, there exists a comparison geodesic triangle  $\bar{\Delta}$ . The associated comparison points in  $\mathbb{R}$  will be denoted by  $\bar{x}, \bar{y}_1, \bar{y}_2$ . The comparison axiom implies:

$$d(x, \frac{y_1 \oplus y_2}{2}) \leq \|\bar{x} - \frac{\bar{y}_1 + \bar{y}_2}{2}\|,$$

which implies

$$d(x, \frac{y_1 \oplus y_2}{2})^p \leq \|\bar{x} - \frac{\bar{y}_1 + \bar{y}_2}{2}\|^p.$$

By the inequality of b-CAT $_p(0)$ , we get  $\|a + b\|^p + \|a - b\|^p \leq 2(\|a\|^p + \|b\|^p)$  for any  $a, b \in \mathbb{E}^2$ . Applying this inequality for  $a = \frac{\bar{x} - \bar{y}_1}{2}$  and  $b = \frac{\bar{x} - \bar{y}_2}{2}$ , yields:

$$\|\frac{\bar{x} - \bar{y}_1}{2} + \frac{\bar{x} - \bar{y}_2}{2}\|^p + \|\frac{\bar{x} - \bar{y}_1}{2} - \frac{\bar{x} - \bar{y}_2}{2}\|^p \leq 2(\|\frac{\bar{x} - \bar{y}_1}{2}\|^p + \|\frac{\bar{x} - \bar{y}_2}{2}\|^p).$$

So,

$$\|\frac{\bar{x} - \bar{y}_1}{2} + \frac{\bar{x} - \bar{y}_2}{2}\|^p \leq 2(\|\frac{\bar{x} - \bar{y}_1}{2}\|^p + \|\frac{\bar{x} - \bar{y}_2}{2}\|^p) - \|\frac{\bar{x} - \bar{y}_1}{2} - \frac{\bar{x} - \bar{y}_2}{2}\|^p,$$

or,

$$\|\bar{x} - \frac{\bar{y}_1 + \bar{y}_2}{2}\|^p \leq \frac{1}{2^{p-1}} (\|\bar{x} - \bar{y}_1\|^p + \|\bar{x} - \bar{y}_2\|^p) - \frac{1}{2^p} \|\bar{y}_1 - \bar{y}_2\|^p.$$

Since  $\|\bar{y}_i - \bar{y}_j\| = d(y_i, y_j)$ , for  $i, j \in \{1, 2\}$ , we get

$$d^p(x, \frac{y_1 \oplus y_2}{2}) \leq \frac{1}{2^{p-1}} d^p(x, y_1) + \frac{1}{2^{p-1}} d^p(x, y_2) - \frac{1}{2^p} d^p(y_1, y_2),$$

where  $0 < p \leq 1$ . □

We now give the definition and collect some basic properties of the  $\Delta$ -convergence:

**Definition 2.5.** Let  $\{x_n\}$  be a bounded sequence in a b-metric space  $X$ . For  $x \in X$ , we set

$$r(x, \{x_n\}) = \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x, x_n).$$

The asymptotic radius  $r(\{x_n\})$  of  $\{x_n\}$  is given by

$$r(\{x_n\}) = \inf\{r(x, \{x_n\}) : x \in X\},$$

and the asymptotic center  $A(\{x_n\})$  of  $\{x_n\}$  is the set

$$A(\{x_n\}) = \{x \in X : r(x, \{x_n\}) = r(\{x_n\})\}$$

A sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $X$  is said to  $\Delta$ -converge to  $x \in X$  if  $x$  is the unique asymptotic center of  $\{u_n\}$  for every subsequence  $\{u_n\}$  of  $\{x_n\}$ . In this case we write  $\Delta - \lim_n x_n = x$  and call  $x$  the  $\Delta$ -limit of  $\{x_n\}$ .

**Remark 2.6.** Let  $\{x_n\}$  be a bounded sequence in a  $b$ -metric space  $X$ .

(i) Every bounded sequence in  $X$  has a  $\Delta$ -convergent subsequence

(ii) If  $C$  is a closed convex subset of  $X$  and if  $\{x_n\}$  is a bounded sequence in  $C$ , then the asymptotic center of  $\{x_n\}$  is in  $C$ .

(iii) If  $C$  is a closed convex subset of  $X$  and if  $f : C \rightarrow X$  is a nonexpansive mapping, then the conditions,  $\{x_n\}$   $\Delta$ -converges to  $x$  and  $d(x_n, f(x_n)) \rightarrow 0$ , imply  $x \in C$  and  $f(x) = x$

(iv) If  $\{x_n\}$  is a bounded sequence in  $X$  with  $A(\{x_n\}) = \{x\}$  and  $\{u_n\}$  is a subsequence of  $\{x\}$  with  $A(\{u_n\}) = \{u\}$  and the sequence  $\{d(x_n, u)\}$  converges, then  $x = u$ .

The following lemma is crucial in the study my theorem and it can prove follow as of the proof of Dhompongsa and Panyanak [5]

**Lemma 2.7.** Let  $C$  be a closed convex subset of a  $b$ -CAT(0) space  $X$ , followand let  $T : C \rightarrow X$  be a nonexpansive mapping. Suppose  $\{x_n\}$  is a bounded sequence in  $C$  such that  $\lim_n d(x_n, Tx_n) = 0$  and  $d(x_n, v)$  converges for all  $v \in F(T)$ , then  $\bigcup A(\{u_n\}) \subset F(T)$ . Here  $\bigcup A(\{u_n\})$  where the union is taken over all subsequences  $\{u_n\}$  of  $\{x_n\}$ . Moreover,  $\bigcup A(\{u_n\})$  consists of exactly one point.

We recall the definition a nonexpansive mapping:

**Definition 2.8.** From now on,  $X$  is a  $b$ -metric space,  $C$  is a nonempty convex subset of  $X$  and  $T : C \rightarrow C$  is a mapping. A mapping  $T$  is called nonexpansive if for each  $x, y \in C$ ,

$$d(Tx, Ty) \leq d(x, y).$$

A point  $x \in C$  is called a fixed point of  $T$  if  $x = Tx$ . We shall denote with  $F(T)$  the set of fixed points of  $T$ .

Now, we proof main results:

**Theorem 2.9.** Let  $C$  be a bounded closed convex subset of  $b$ -CAT(0) spaces  $X$ , and  $F(T) \neq \emptyset$ . Suppose that  $T : C \rightarrow C$  a nonexpansive mapping. Then for any initial point  $x_0$  in  $C$ , the iterate sequence  $\{x_n\}$  defined by  $x_{n+1} = Tx_n$ ,  $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ , and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n, Tx_n) = 0$ , then the Picard iterate sequence  $\Delta$ -converges to a fixed point of  $T$ .

*Proof.* Since  $T$  is nonexpansive,  $\{d(x_n, p)\}$  is decreasing for each  $p \in F(T)$ , so it is convergent. By Lemma 2.7,  $\bigcup A(\{u_n\})$  consists of exactly one point and is contained in  $F(T)$ . This shows that  $\{x_n\}$   $\Delta$ -converges to an element of  $F(T)$ .  $\square$

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